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Wisconsin Fatal Farm Accident Summary

Statistics on farm accidents have been compiled from a newspaper clipping service which covers all Wisconsin daily and weekly newspapers.

This summary includes only fatal farm accidents. There are hundreds of permanent injury cases and thousands of lost-time accidents which add to the seriousness of the farm accident situation in Wisconsin.

Each county agent may receive, upon request, duplicate cards showing the accidents in his county as recorded in our files.

Total	Cause	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
42	Machinery	1	2	4	7	3	3	11	4	2	2	1	2
24	Animals	1	1	1	4	1	4	5	-	4	1	1	1
19	Falls	2	1	1	3	1	1	5	2	1	2	-	-
12	Fire	-	3	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	4
12	Explosions	-	-	5	-	3	1	-	-	3	-	-	-
9	Traffic	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	2
8	Firearms	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	-	1	-	1	1
7	Woodcutting	1	1	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
4	Lightning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	1
3	Electrocution	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-
2	Drowning	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
2	Falling Object	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
2	Suffocation	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
2	Scald	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
2	Coal Gas Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
6	Others	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	1
156	All Causes	8	8	17	15	9	18	27	9	18	8	6	13

Analysis

Machinery

Tractor	25
Truck	6
Haying Equipment	5
Woodsaw	2
Seeding Machine	1
Hammermill	1
Shaft	1
Total	42

Animal

Horse	16
Bull	7
Cow	1
Total	24

Falls

From load of hay	5
From ladder	4
From silo	2
From scaffold	1
From barn roof	1
From load of grain	1
From pig crate	1
Against steel tank	1
From milk stool	1
Downstairs	1
On ice	1
Total	19

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Fatal Tractor Accidents in Wisconsin

Of the 42 fatal machinery accidents recorded from newspaper clippings, 25 were fatal tractor accidents.

Analysis of the causes of the 25 fatal tractor accidents:

Tractor Tipped Over	11
Extra Passengers	5
Fell from Tractor (operator)	1
Tractor Left in Gear	2
Tractor Struck Obstacle	1
Tractor Seat Broke (fall)	1
Child Playing Around Tractor (run over)	1
Tractor Towed by Truck Jack-knifed	1
Belt Pulley Broke (driving heavy load downhill)	1
Crushed Between Tractor and Building	1
Total	25

Analysis According to Age for the 25 Fatalities:

Total	Sex	65-Over	45-64	25-44	15-24	5-14	Under 5
20	Male	2	7	4	3	4	-
5	Female	-	-	-	3	-	2

Months in Which Fatal Tractor Accidents Occurred:

February	1
March	2
April	4
May	1
June	2
July	8
August	1
September	2
October	1
November	1
December	2
Total	25

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