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Fatality 315181594	1/4/2011	Site Preparation Contractor 238910 2	An employee working on a demolition site was crushed when a wall collapsed on the employee.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315206607 315181792	1/4/2011	Temporary Help Services 561320 1000  Folding Paperboard Box Mfg 322212 80	While cleaning rollers on a laminator with a rag, an employee's hand was pulled into the machine.	No citations issued to temp help service; citations issued to paperboard manufacturer.
Serious Injury 315206714 315252015	1/14/2011	Power & Communication Line & Related Structures Construction 237030 11  All Other Specialty Trade Contractor 238990 3	Employees were assembling a wind turbine tower that was lying on the ground. The tower rolled pinning two employees under the tower and a third employee working on the top of the generator unit was thrown from it but was not injured.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315253161	1/29/2011	Electronic Connector Manufacturing 334417 500	While working alone and operating a forklift, an employee hit his head while getting onto the forklift. The employee was unresponsive the next morning and died days later.	No citations.
Fatality 315430595	3/7/2011	School & Employee Bus Transportation 485410 14	An employee was found face down, under a powered, overhead garage door.	Citations issued.

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Serious Injury 315430876	3/11/2011	Farm Supplies Merchant Wholesalers 424910 17	An employee's foot broke through a guard cover for a horizontal auger used for crushing corn.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315437723	3/22/2011	Regulation & Administration of Transportation Programs 926120 5000	An employee was operating a backhoe to clear debris from a culvert near a creek when the backhoe slid into the rushing water and the employee drowned.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315495051	3/23/2011	Fabricated Structural Metal Mfg. 332312 1500	After replacing a switch box on a blast hose, an employee activated the power button to power up the blast hose and switch box. The switch box immediately actuated the blast hose, sending it out of control and striking an employee in the face.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315457853 No inspection	3/23/2011	Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages) 722410	While helping escort a customer from the premises, an employee who was not on duty and was a patron of the bar at the time, tripped and fell, hitting his head.	No inspection. Not work-related.
Serious Injury 315495069	4/8/2011	Masonry Contractors 238140 10	An employee was crushed between a forklift and a wall.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315495093	4/12/2011	Other Services to Buildings & Dwellings 561790 8	An employee collapsed while cleaning an indoor pool with a gasoline-powered high pressure washer. The employee later died from carbon monoxide poisoning.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315507780	4/8/2011 reported 4/27/2011	Sheet Metal Work Manufacturing 332322 95	The employee's fingers were crushed in a hydraulic press brake. The employee was positioning a standard part between the open dies that had an approximately 3 inch opening when the ram closed on both of the employee's hands.	Citations issued.

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Serious Injury 315597369	3/31/2011 reported 5/2/2011	Roofing Contractor 238160 6	Employees were removing roofing plywood and shingles from a porch and were standing on some of the cross members. One of the employees repositioned his foot and the support beam that he put his foot on broke, causing the employee to fall about 10 feet inside the structure to the floor below.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315507590	4/26/2011	Executive Offices 921110 2953	Two employees were struck by a vehicle while picking up trash alongside a roadway under a highway bridge.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315573261	5/10/2011	Electroplating, Plating, Polishing, Anodizing & Coloring 332813 124	Employees were cleaning a carbon filter vessel with an acid wash when an orange smoke appeared from the vessel, the fittings blew and the vessel fell over.	No citations.
Serious Injury 315650473	5/11/2011	Aluminum Die- Casting Foundry 331521 250	Employees were re-installing cams onto the slides of the die cast machines after cleaning them by holding the cams in place and using the machine's hydraulics to force the cam face back onto the cam carrier. An employee was holding one of the cam's in place during this process when the cam slipped out of position and the employee's hand was crushed when the employee instinctively tried to reposition the cam.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315652347	5/11/2011	Overhead Traveling Crane, Hoist & Monorail System Manufacturing 333923 60	While operating a press brake, an employee's thumb was crushed in an unguarded opening between the die stripper plate and the aluminum plate.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315597328 No inspection	5/12/2011	Landscaping Services 561730 1	The victim was cutting a tree and after making a cut, the tree kicked back and struck the victim in the chest.	No inspection. Victim was sole owner, no employee/employer relationship.
Fatality 315597187	5/23/2011	Fire Protection 922160 52	During a training exercise, the employee put his ankle and foot into a loop in a rope and while lifting himself, the rope broke and the employee fell backwards onto asphalt.	No citations.

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Serious Injury 315597435	5/23/2011	Site Preparation Contractor 238910 7	Employees were backfilling a trench. When the skid loader operator dumped dirt into the trench and backed away from the edge, a section of the trench wall sheared off and filled in around another employee who was in the trench, covering the employee up to his abdomen.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315624296 No inspection	5/16/2011	Plumbing, Heating & AC Contractors 238220 1	The victim was found lying on the ground next to a ladder that was lying on top of the victim.	No inspection. Victim was sole owner, no employee/employer relationship.
Serious Injury 315652453	5/31/2011	Logging 113310 6	An employee was changing knife blades on a wood chipper and pinched his right index and middle finger between the hood and the rotating knife wheel paddle.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315653691 No Inspection	6/10/2011	All Other Specialty Trade Contractors 238990 220	An employee was welding in a trench when the pipe exploded.	No inspection. MNOSHA jurisdiction pre-empted by Office of Pipeline Safety.
Fatality 315652065	6/10/2011	Other Services to Buildings & Dwellings 561790 40	An employee washing windows fell from an eight-story building.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315784751	6/13/2011	Tire & Tube Merchant Wholesaler 423130 27	An employee was using a plasma cutter to cut a barrel, when the barrel exploded and the barrel cover hit the employee's head.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315680280	6/16/2011	Roofing Contractor 238160 6	An employee was working from a hot tar tanker truck, connecting a plumbing pipe to the tanker truck which lifts the hot tar from the tanker to the roof top. No one witnessed the accident, but the employee was found on the ground next to the tanker truck.	Citations issued.

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Fatality 315680256 315680389 315680397	6/30/2011	Landscaping Services 561730 2  Logging 113310 3  All Other Specialty Trade Contractor 238990 1	An employee was in a tree, cutting a branch, when the employee became distressed, confused, and disoriented. Other employees were unable to reach the distressed employee, who appeared to faint and then fell out of the tree.	No citations to landscape employer. Citations issued to logging & specialty trade employers.
Fatality 315680322	5/23/2011 (reported 7/8/2011)	General Freight Trucking, Long-Distance, Truckload 484121 300	An employee entered a warehouse area to retrieve a package. The employee left and another employee turned off the warehouse lights. The first employee returned to the warehouse, did not turn on the lights and fell off the edge of the dock in the warehouse. The employee died 5 months later.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315680306 315680298 315680272 315680264	7/5/2011	General Freight Trucking, Local 484110 400	A trucking employee was exposed to ammonia which leaked from a freezer in the warehouse adjacent to the truck terminal. Also involved were the company that maintains the refrigeration system, the company that owns the refrigeration system and the property management company.	No citations to trucking & property management employers. Citations issued to refrigeration system & maintenance employers.
Fatality 315680314	7/13/2011	Office Machinery Manufacturing 333313 178	Employees were replacing a satellite dish support mast on the roof of a home. Although there were no witnesses to the accident, it appeared that one of the employees fell from a ladder.	No citations.
Fatality 315680371 315680348 315680363 315680355	7/13/2011	Site Preparation Contractor 238910 2, 3, 2 and 1	Employees were hand digging around a water pipe in a trench when the trench wall collapsed, throwing an employee against a building foundation wall and burying the victim at shoulder level. The victim was not coherent, eventually lost consciousness and died before being removed from the trench.	Citations issued to all employers.

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Fatality 315719534	7/18/2011	Landscaping Services 561730 3	Employees were working outside, trimming hedges when one of the employees became ill. After a lunch break, the employee collapsed at the work site and died later at the hospital.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315719591 No Inspection	8/1/2011	Roofing Contractor 238160 1	Workers were roofing a house when one of them was found on the ground, having fallen from either a ladder or the roof. There were no witnesses to the accident.	No inspection. No employer/employee relationship.
Serious Injury 315719906	8/3/2011	Masonry Contractor 238140 3	An employee was accessing the inside of a concrete pump to work on the pistons and had to reach over the auger to get to the pistons. Another employee mistakenly thought the first employee was doing something else and the second employee turned on the pump, resulting in serious injuries to the first employee.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315784645	8/9/2011	Nursery, Garden Center & Farm Supply Store 444220 30	An employee got off of a forklift used to move pallets of sod and was run over by the front tire.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315784660	8/10/2011	Hydroelectric Power Generation 221111 5000	A two-person crew was removing logs and debris from grates within a waterway. One of the employees was standing on a walkway over the water, using a garden rake to push logs and debris to the water edge while the other employee moved the debris with a backhoe. As the backhoe operator was turned away from the water, the employee on the walkway fell into the water and drowned.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315784918 315795427	8/15/2011	Siding Contractor 238170 9	An employee was raising a Genie lift to work on the soffit and fascia on a building, when the employee's head and neck area came in contact with an energized primary line.	Citations issued to siding contractor. No citations to electrical company.
Serious Injury 315795310	8/18/2011	Display Advertising 541850 16	Employees were erecting a billboard and operating a crane to unload materials from a truck. The crane made contact with an overhead power line and several employees received electric shocks.	Citations issued.

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Serious Injury 315811646 315811638	8/23/2011	Electrical Contractor 238210 15  Ethyl Alcohol Mfg 325193 1600	An employee was installing new conduit and wiring for a grain dryer control panel about 25 feet from the dryer. While threading conduit, an explosion occurred within the dryer.	No citations to electrical employer. Citations issued to ethyl alcohol manufacturer.
Fatality 315841882	9/1/2011	Landscaping Services 561730 19	An employee was in a tree felling limbs when the limb the employee was tied off to broke. During the fall, the limb struck the employee's head and landed on the employee's torso.	No citations.
Serious Injury 316108927	9/9/2011	Hog & Pig Farming 112210 45	Employee A was working in the discharge area of an extruder, trying to clear a jam. A supervisor asked Employee B to assist in clearing the jam. The supervisor was not in the immediate area of the extruder and didn't inform Employee B that Employee A was working on the extruder. Employee B arrived at the extruder and turned the switch on the extruder control panel to "Jog" and turned the discharge hydraulic gate switch. Employee A was pinned by the vertical hydraulic ram in the extruder.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315971267 315971242	9/12/2011	Secondary Smelting, Refining & Alloying of Nonferrous Metal 331492 45	While taking measurements of a breaker, an employee made contact with a metal measuring tape and an energized breaker.	Citations issued.
Fatality 315974980 315980581	9/20/2011	Dairy Cattle & Milk Production 112120 200	An employee was driving a 4-wheel ATV and lost control. The employee hit a tree, was thrown into a tree, and died at the scene.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 315980631	9/26/2011	Site Preparation Contractors 238910 17	An employee in an excavation was directing the operator of an excavator when he was struck by the bucket.	Citations issued.

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Fatality 315980623	9/27/2011	Water Supply & Irrigation Systems 221310 2	Employees were raising the mast and boom extension of a pump hoist truck. The cable on the boom extension broke and the boom, hook and 35 pound weight fell and struck an employee.	Citations issued.
Fatality 316007434 No Inspection	2/21/2011 (reported 9/30/2011)	Soft Drink Mfg. 312111 406	An employee was found unresponsive on a pallet and was taken to the hospital.	No inspection - not work-related.
Serious Injury 316074509	9/30/2011	Roofing Contractor 238160 133	An employee was on a roof and while taking measurements, the employee lost footing and fell to the ground below. The employee was not utilizing any means of fall protection.	Citations issued.
Fatality 316064849	10/11/2011	Electrical Contractor 238210 130	Two employees were working 21 feet off of the highway at a "hand hole" discussing the next job involving fiber optic cables when they were struck by a passing vehicle. Both employees died from their injuries.	No citations.
Fatality 316064658	10/12/2011	Electrical Contractor 238210 4	An employee was troubleshooting inside of a 120V elevated outdoor bank sign while it was still energized and was electrocuted.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 316108968 316090885	10/13/2011	Employment Placement Agency 561310 982 Sugar Beet Farming 111991 1301	A truck had driven over a 480 Volt power cord that was laying on a concrete warehouse floor. Employees heard a loud pop and the machine powered by the cord shut down because it wasn't receiving enough power. An employee picked up the damaged cord to move it out of the way and received an electrical shock.	Citations issued to both employers.
Serious Injury 316090810	10/18/2011	Highway, Street & Bridge Constr 237310 494	While operating a telehandler lift, an employee backed the lift into a sandy berm, causing the back end to rise in the air. The lift tipped onto its side, pinning the employee underneath.	No citations.
Serious Injury 316108703	10/18/2011	Site Preparation Contractor 238910 35	Employees were demolishing a building and removing an I-beam from the structure. Another employee, a truck driver, was out of the truck and in the demolition area. As the I-beam was being lowered to the ground, it struck and pinned the truck driver.	Citations issued.

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Fatality 316074640	10/19/2011	Solid Waste Collection 562111 6	An employee was unloading a garbage truck. With the engine still running, the employee accessed the loading area behind the truck's cab. While leaning into the loading area, the employee's lower body activated the toggle switch that hydraulically raised the cart tipper from the side of the garbage truck to a 270 degree angle, fatally crushing the employee against the opening to the loading area.	Citations issued.
Fatality 316108802 No Inspection	10/20/2011	Logging 113310 1	The employer, working alone, was operating a chainsaw and was crushed by a falling tree.	No inspection – no employer/employee relationship.
Serious Injury 316171065 316111111	10/26/2011	Temporary Help Service 561320 1000 Cheese Mfg 311513 575	An employee was trying to locate a piece of a metal scraper that had fallen into a hopper of a box filler reversing auger and stuck her hand into the auger while it was running.	No citations issued to temp help service; citations issued to cheese manufacturer.
Serious Injury 316111202	11/3/2011	Hotels & Motels 721110 4	A friend of the employer was assisting in making pH adjustments to the hotel pool water, when the friend mixed hydrochloric acid with sodium hypochlorite, resulting in respiratory distress.	No citations.
Serious Injury 316174572 316174622	11/14/2011	Temporary Help Service 561320 1116 Beet Sugar Mfg. 311313 1301	An employee was making adjustments and repairs to a pipe threader. The employee was using a wrench to turn a nut which raised the belt motor, when the employee made a slight movement toward the machine, and activated the pipe threader's motor, which caused the v-belt to move clockwise, and pull the employee's finger through the pulley.	Citations issued to both employers.
Serious Injury 316174549 316174556	11/16/2011	Temporary Help Service 561320 1116 Beet Sugar Mfg. 311313 1301	An employee was adjusting the track of a conveyor belt by manually moving the running belt, when the employee's finger was pulled in between the powered roller of the conveyor and the belt.	Citations issued to both employers.

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Serious Injury 316171289 316171263	11/21/2011	Misc. Store Retailers 453998 5	While maintaining a pool and whirlpool at a health club, an employee mixed the wrong chemicals, hydrochloric acid and sodium hypochlorite solution, resulting in respiratory distress. The employee was overcome by vapors and set the container of sodium hypochlorite solution on an unstable surface, resulting in the solution spilling onto the ground of the equipment room.	Citations issued.
Fatality 316219260 316219252	11/21/2011	Roofing Contractor 238160 5 Framing Contractor 238130 40	An employee was carrying steel sheets to a roof and broke through the purlins, falling approximately 30 feet to a concrete floor.	Citations issued to both contractors.
Serious Injury 316183375 316225374	11/29/2011	Beet Sugar Mfg. 311313 588 Temporary Help Service 561320 1367	An employee was operating a machine that presses juices and sugars out of crushed sugar beets. The employee was pointing with his arm just above the doors that open and close under the machine, when the doors automatically switched from open to closed, crushing his forearm between the doors and the plates.	Citations issued to both employers.
Serious Injury 316225010	12/2/2011	Sheet Metal Work Manufacturing 332322 139	Employees were moving sheet steel from a skid to a laser bed. One employee was holding the steel vertically while the other unclamped the hook. The employee holding the sheet lost balance and the sheet, weighing approximately 1,600 lbs., fell on the employee's legs.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 316183417 316183433	12/2/2011	Electrical Contractor 238210 20 Malt Manufacturing 311213 125	While installing a new cable on a conveyor catwalk, an employee stepped off the unguarded catwalk. The employee fell about 10 feet to a roof below and slid down the roof, falling about 20 feet to the ground.	Citations issued to both employers.
Serious Injury 316183144	12/5/2011	Framing Contractor 238130 5	An employee was assembling a wall and fell about 13 feet through a floor opening to the lower level.	Citations issued.

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Serious Injury 316183391	12/5/2011	Electrical Contractor 238210 5	An employee was destacking a communications tower when the guy wire to the tower gave way, causing the employee to fall 40 feet to the ground.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 316219013	12/7/2011	Electric Power Distribution 221122 54	An employee was working in a bucket on an extended boom when the truck tipped over into some trees.	Citations issued.
Serious Injury 316219021	12/9/2011	Solid Waste Collection 562111 13	An employee was struck in the head by a dumpster when it apparently slipped while being lifted.	Citations issued.
Fatality 316231018 No Inspection	12/28/2011	Employment Placement Agency 561310	An employee collapsed while stripping a floor.	No inspection – cause of death not work-related.
Serious Injury 316231000	12/29/2011	Gasoline Engine & Engine Parts Mfg. 336312 295	An employee was working on an automated molding line and was pinned by a loading arm and mold. Another employee was injured while attempting to free the pinned employee.	Citations issued.