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Report for the Labour-Management Network October 2025

Monthly Statistics

Reporting Month	Fatalities	Critical Injuries	Total
August 2025	1	30	31

Fatality & Critical Injury Overview

Reporting Months	Fatalities	Critical Injuries	Total
Year to Date 2025	8	240	248

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Section 1 – Senior Manager’s Comment

In our ongoing efforts to improve the monthly PLMHSC report, you will notice several updates in this edition and future releases.

- The report format has been revised to align with the **Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)** principles, including adjustments to the size and layout of charts and graphs to enhance readability.
- To minimize redundancy, **Page 1** now presents only the current month and year’s data. Comparative data from the same month in the previous year, as well as year-to-date figures, are now consolidated in **Section 5**.
- The **Critical Injury and Fatality Tracking Charts** in Section 5 have been streamlined to include only rows and columns with actual values. Entries with a value of ‘0’ have been removed to improve clarity.
- The **Critical Injuries** list is organized chronologically, starting from the beginning of the month to the end. In contrast, **Fatal Injuries** are listed in reverse chronological order, with the most recent incident(s) displayed at the top in bold for emphasis.

Sincerely,
Brent Morgan

On behalf of:

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Section 2 – What’s New

We’re hiring inspectors

Joining the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development (MLITSD) is a unique opportunity to play a role in promoting the laws that facilitate health, safety, fairness and stability within Ontario workplaces. At the MLITSD there are many opportunities for you to grow and develop your career, along with new and challenging work experiences. We strive to be one of the best employers and attract exceptional individuals.

This is your chance to be a part of an enforcement team to help protect the workers of Ontario. If you are interested in making a positive impact in the lives of Ontario workers, we want to hear from you!

[Learn more](#)

October 10: World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day is celebrated every year on October 10. It is an opportunity to consider how, together, we can help everyone have better mental health.

[Learn about workplace rights and responsibilities](#) | [Find resources for workplaces](#)

For the latest **What’s New** – MLITSD articles, see: [What’s New!](#)

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Section 3 – Court Bulletin(s)

No bulletins this month.

Court Bulletins can be found here: <https://news.ontario.ca/en>

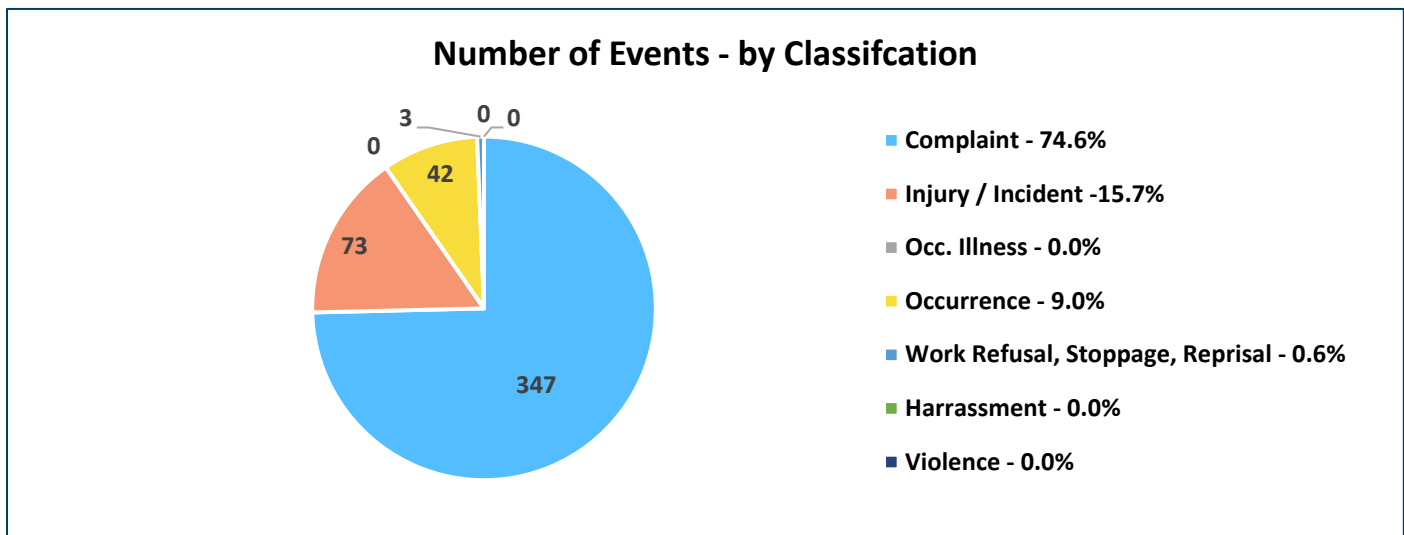
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Section 4 – Enforcement Results and Trends – August 2025

MLITSD Construction Inspectors conducted **1,576** field visits during the month of August 2025, resulting in **3,169** orders and requirements, which includes **309** Stop Work Orders accompanied by **420** Time Unknown Orders.

According to the total number of field visits, Construction Inspectors responded **465** initial events, with **234** follow up visits. The breakdown of initial events is as follows:



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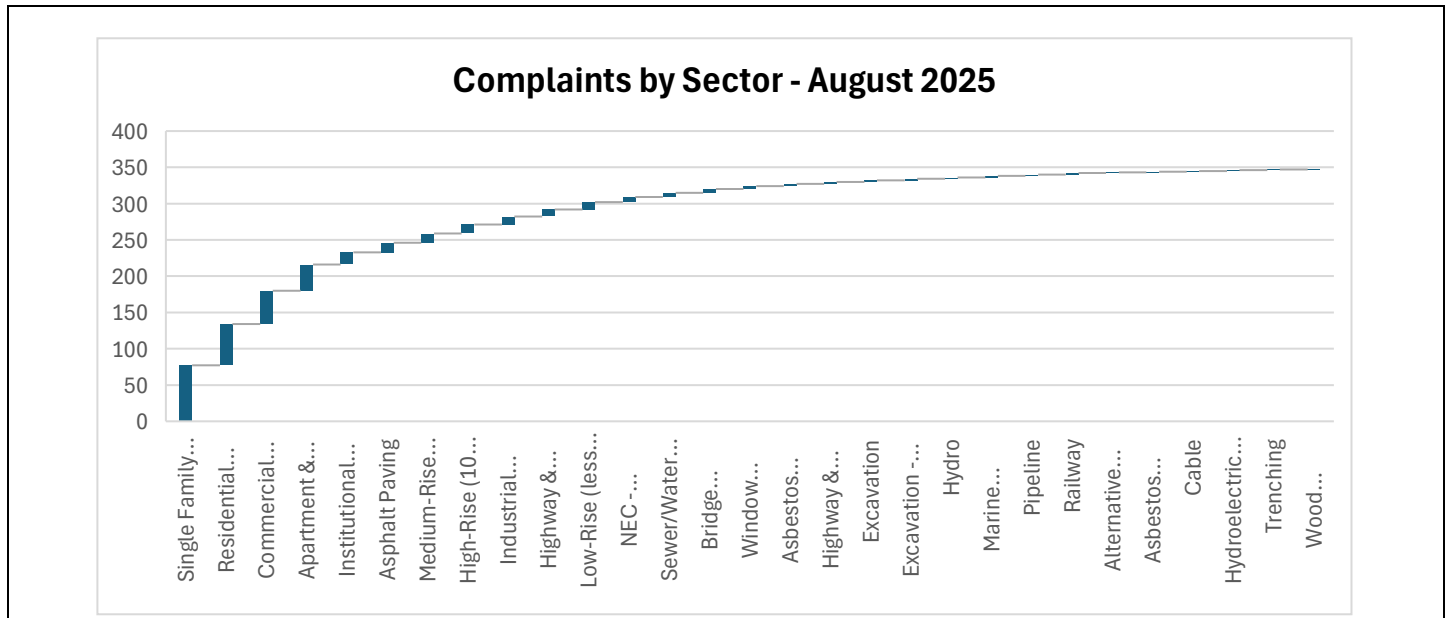
2025 – 2026 Campaign

October 2025

Field Visits

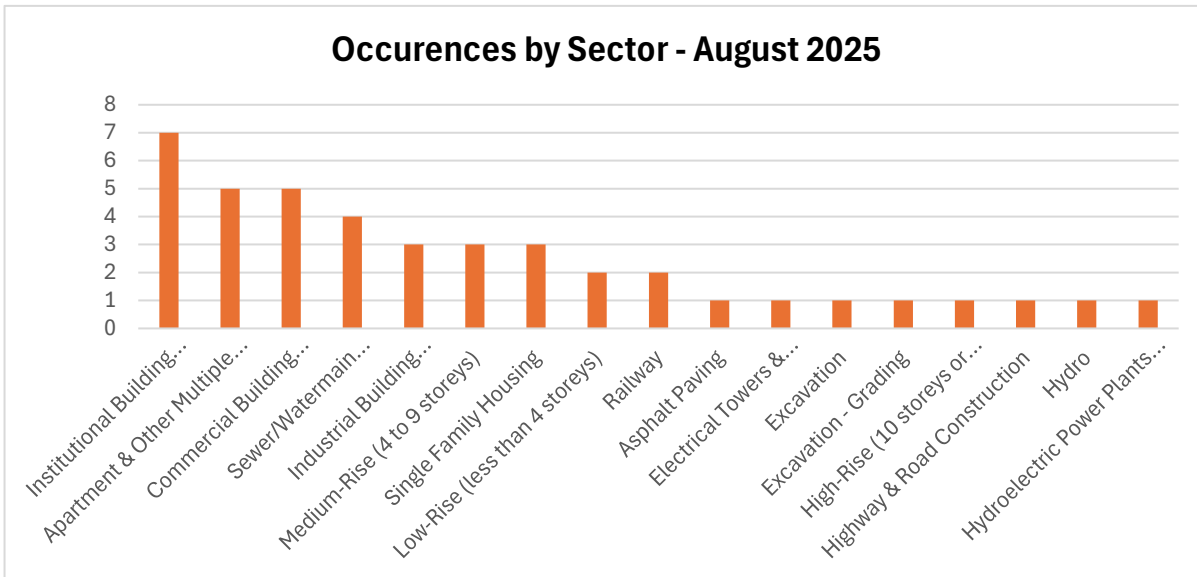
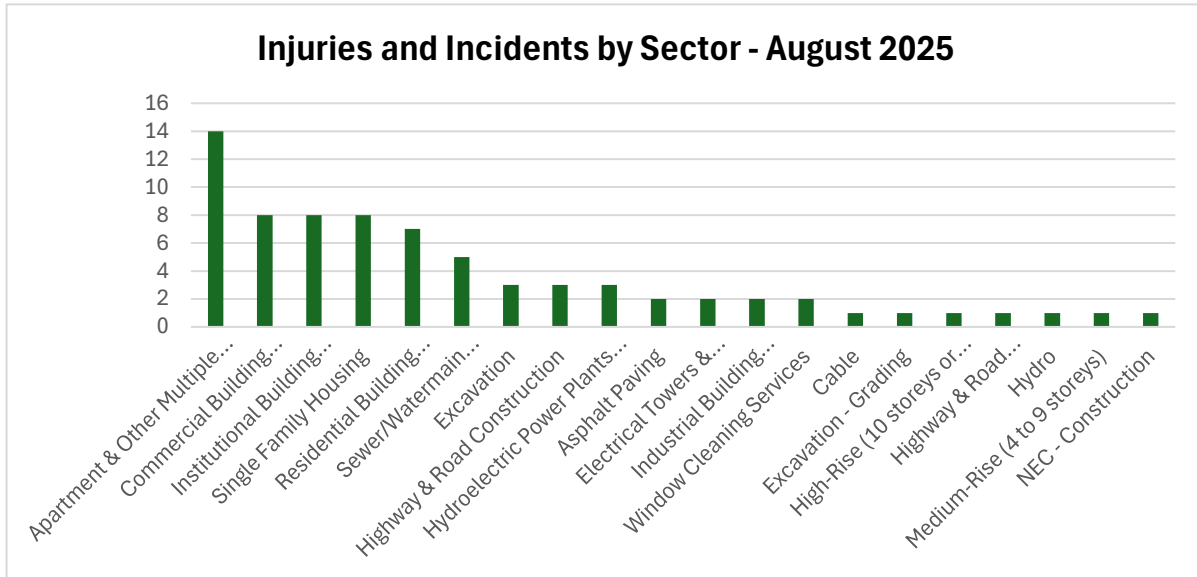
Workplace Sector	Field Visits
Single Family Housing	262
Residential Building Construction	62
Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	32
Low-Rise (less than 4 storeys)	32
High-Rise (10 storeys or more)	18
Medium-Rise (4 to 9 storeys)	16
Total	422

Contravention	Orders	
Fall Protection	305	
PPE (excluding S.26)	298	
Stairs and Landings	136	
Ladders	134	
Scaffold	109	
Housekeeping	78	
Equipment, General	68	
Emergency Mgmt.	57	
Fire Safety	56	
Access and Egress	52	
SUB-TOTAL	1,293	66.9%
All other sections (incl.5 &6)	1,937	33.1%
TOTAL		100.0%



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Section 5 – Critical Injuries & Fatalities: Year-to-Date Overview and Comparison

Critical Injuries	August 2025	Year to Date 2025
	30	240
	August 2024	Year to Date 2024
	34	250

NOTE: These figures represent preliminary data and are not to be considered official statistics from the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development. Official statistics will be issued quarterly by the Program Analysis, Evaluation and Outcomes Unit of the Occupational Health and Safety Branch of the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development. Data are subject to change due to updates in the enforcement database. Only events reported to the ministry are included here. Except for fatalities, event categories in the ministry's data set are based on what was assigned at the time of the initial report to the ministry. The reported event category may not represent what occurred at the workplace.

Critical Injuries – August 2025

August 2025 CRITICALS	RESS	INST	RESM	INDU	ROAD	EXCA	COMM	NECC	POWP	ETTL	HYDR	SEWW	WIND	TOTAL
Falls from Heights		1	2	1		1	1	1						7
Falls From Equipment			1									1		2
Falls from Ladders	1	1	2				1				1		1	7
Same level slips and trips			1		1		2							4
Struck by equipment									1			1		2
Struck by material	1		2				1			1				5
Electrical Contact													1	1
Other, including multiple factors, i.e. fall resulting from scaffold being struck by equipment.			1									1		2
TOTAL	2	2	9	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	3	2	30

NOTE: To make this chart more reader friendly, columns and rows where the values are '0' have been removed.

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Critical Injuries - Year to Date 2025

YTD 2025 CRITICALS	RESS	INST	RESM	INDU	ROAD	EXCA	COMM	NECC	RAIL	POWP	ETTL	HYDR	SEWW	BRID	WIND	MARE	PAVE	GAS	CAIS	TOTAL
Falls from Heights	10	2	6	3			1	2	1											25
Falls From Equipment	3	8	10	2	1			1			1	1	2				1			30
Falls from Ladders	6	6	10	2				8				1			1				1	35
Same level slips and trips	10	4	18	8	3			6	4	1	1	1		1		1			2	62
Struck by equipment			1	5	2			2	2		1		1							14
Struck by material	4	1	12	2				4	2				1	2	1					29
Electrical Contact								1				1				1				3
Excavation Collapse				1																1
Other, including multiple factors, i.e. fall resulting from scaffold being struck by equipment.																				
	5	3	13	3	1	2	4		1	1		2	4				2			41
TOTAL	38	25	75	22	5	3	28	9	2	3	3	5	10	2	2	1	3	3	1	240

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	Date of Incident	Municipality (Where incident occurred)	Sector (Refer to Sector Description Table)	Occupation (Of Injured Person)	Details (As reported at the time of incident)	Category (Initial Cause as reported)
1	August 6, 2025	Toronto	Commercial Building Construction	Banksman	Worker suffered life threatening injuries after being struck by the load on the hook of a crane.	Struck by - Material
2	August 7, 2025	Toronto	Single Family Housing	Carpenter	Worker suffered loss of blood and partial amputation of a finger after being struck by falling material.	Struck by - Material
3	August 7, 2025	Brampton	Institutional Building Construction	Worker	Worker suffered a broken arm after falling from a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder
4	August 7, 2025	Port Hope	Excavation	Worker	Worker suffered multiple fractures to his leg after	Fall – From Height

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					falling through a floor opening.	
5	August 7, 2025	Tiverton	Hydroelectric Power Plants & Rel	Worker	Worker suffered multiple fractures when his hand got pinched between a guard and fan.	Struck by - Equipment
6	August 8, 2025	Oakville	Commercial Building Construction	Operator	Worker suffered multiple ankle fractures while stepping out of vehicle.	Fall – Same Level
7	August 8, 2025	Port Stanley	Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	Drywaller	Worker suffered fractured left foot when drywall sheet fell.	Struck by - Material
8	August 9, 2025	Toronto	Residential Building Construction	Rofer	Worker lost consciousness after falling from a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder
9	August 9, 2025	Caledon East	Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	Rofer	Worker sustained life threatening injuries after falling from a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder
10	August 11, 2025	Thornhill	Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	Carpenter	Worker suffered broken wrist after tripping and falling while entering a unit.	Fall – Same Level

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11	August 11, 2025	Almonte	Sewer/Watermain Construction	Operator	Worker fractured her heel and wrist when she fell from the roller while cleaning the windows.	Fall – From Equipment
12	August 11, 2025	Welland	NEC - Construction	Framer	Worker suffered life threatening injuries after falling while installing truces.	Fall – From Height
13	August 12, 2025	Shelburne	Commercial Building Construction	Labourer	Worker lost consciousness after falling approx. 6ft.	Fall – From Height
14	August 15, 2025	Welland	Industrial Building Construction	Roofer	Worker suffered life threatening injuries and loss of blood after falling approx. 40ft.	Fall – From Height
15	August 17, 2025	Etobicoke	Hydro	Worker	Worker suffered a critical injury after falling while ascending a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder
16	August 18, 2025	Guelph	Window Cleaning Services	Window Cleaner	Worker suffered multiple burns and lost consciousness after contacting energized conductor.	Electrical Contact

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17	August 19, 2025	North Gower	Highway & Road Construction (including ice roads)	Labourer	Worker twisting his ankle while raking gravel, resulting in a fracture.	Fall – Same Level
18	August 20, 2025	Renfrew	Window Cleaning Services	Window Cleaner	Worker lost consciousness after falling from a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder
19	August 21, 2025	Bethany	Commercial Building Construction	Electrician	Worker lost consciousness after falling from a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder
20	August 22, 2025	Toronto	Residential Building Construction	Iron Worker	Worker suffered a critical injury to his leg when an I-Beam fell on it.	Struck by - Material
21	August 22, 2025	Rockland	Sewer/Watermain Construction	Operator	Worker suffered a critical injury when his sweeper truck was struck by a passing vehicle.	Struck by - Vehicle
22	August 24, 2025	Thunder Bay	Electrical Towers & Transmission Lines	Worker	Worker suffered a broken foot when material shifted and fell.	Struck by - Material
23	August 26, 2025	Hamilton	Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	Carpenter	Worker broke his wrist after falling from a baker's scaffold.	Fall – From Equipment

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24	August 26, 2025	Denfield	Residential Building Construction	Framer	Worker suffered a broken wrist after falling while installing truces.	Fall – From Height
25	August 27, 2025	Scarborough	Sewer/Watermain Construction	Labourer	Worker broke his wrist when another worker struck him by accident with a sledgehammer putting stakes into the ground.	Struck by - Equipment
26	August 27, 2025	Baysville	Residential Building Construction	Worker	Worker suffered a critical injury after falling from height.	Fall – From Height
27	August 28, 2025	Toronto	Institutional Building Construction	Iron Worker	Worker suffered life threatening injuries after falling approx. 60ft.	Fall – From Height
28	August 28, 2025	London	Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	Worker	Worker fainted and lost consciousness.	NEC - Construction
29	August 29, 2025	London	Commercial Building Construction	Concrete Finisher	Worker suffered a broken ankle after jumping from equipment.	Fall – Same Level
30	August 29, 2025	Algonquin Highlands	Single Family Housing	Rofer	Worker fractured ankle after falling from a ladder.	Fall – From Ladder

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Fatality Summary – August 2025

Fatal Injuries	August 2025	Year to Date 2025
	1	8
	August 2024	Year to Date 2024
	5	13

Fatalities – August 2025

August 2025 FATALS		Total
Other, including multiple factors, i.e. fall resulting from scaffold being struck by equipment.	1	1
TOTAL	1	1

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Fatalities – Year to Date 2025

YTD 2025 FATALS	RESS	RESM	NECC	HYDR	PAVE	Total
Falls from Heights	2	1				3
Struck by equipment			1	1		2
Struck by material	1					1
Electrical Contact		1				1
Other, including multiple factors, i.e. fall resulting from scaffold being struck by equipment.					1	1
TOTAL	3	2	1	1	1	8

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8	August 22, 2025	Merrickville-Wolford	Asphalt Paving	Signaller (Age:61)	Worker was struck by a reversing vehicle, succumbing to her injuries later the same day	Struck by - Vehicle
7	July 3, 2025	Toronto	Single Family Housing	Roofer	Worker sustained fatal injuries after falling from height.	Fall – From Height
6	April 20, 2025	Ottawa	Single Family Housing	Foundation Cribbing and Installation	Workers sustained fatal injuries after being crushed by material	Struck by - Material
5	March 19, 2025	Niagara Falls	Apartment and Other Multiple Housing	Roofer	Worker sustained fatal injuries when his aluminum ladder contacted an energized line while lowering the ladder	Electrocution
4	February 27, 2025	Kynoch	Hydro	Technician (59 Yrs. Old)	Worker sustained a fatal injury	Struck by - Equipment

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					after being struck by bulldozer	
3	February 3, 2025	Ottawa	Apartment and Other Multiple Housing	Labourer (32 Yrs. Old)	Worker fell through a floor opening, approx. 30ft, succumbing to his injuries	Fall – From Height
2	January 24, 2025	Goderich	NEC – Construction (Wind Turbine)	Crane Apprentice	Worker sustained fatal injuries after being struck by a skid steer	Struck by - Equipment
1	January 6, 2025	Burlington	Single Family Housing	Roofer (Age:20)	Worker fell from a roof on Dec. 31, 2024, succumbing to his injuries on Jan. 6, 2025	Fall – From Height

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SECTOR DESCRIPTION	SHORT DESC
Asbestos Removal - Type 1	ASB1
Asbestos Removal - Type 2	ASB2
Asbestos Removal - Type 3	ASB3
Bridge Construction	BRID
Cable	CABL
Caisson	CAIS
Cofferdam	COFF
Commercial Building Construction	COMM
Diving Construction	DCON
Diving Environmental	DENV
Diving Industrial	DIND
Diving Mining	DMIN
Electrical Towers & Transmission Lines	ETTL
Excavation	EXCA
Gas Service Connection	GAS
Excavation - Grading	GRAD
Hydro	HYDR
Industrial Building Construction	INDU
Institutional Building Construction	INST
Marine Construction	MARE
Mining Plant Construction	MINP
Moving of a Building/Structure	MOVE
NEC – Construction (NEC: not elsewhere captured)	NECC
NEC – Diving (NEC: not elsewhere captured)	NECD
Asphalt Paving	PAVE
Pipeline	PIPE
Hydroelectric Power Plants & Rel	POWP
Railway	RAIL
Apartment & Other Multiple Housing	RESM
Single Family Housing	RESS
Highway & Road Construction	ROAD
Sewer/Watermain Construction	SEWW
Shaft Construction	SHAF
Shipbuilding & Repair	SHIP

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Subway	SUBW
Telephone	TELE
Trenching	TREN
Tunnel	TUNN
Well Drilling	WELL
Window Cleaning Services	WIND