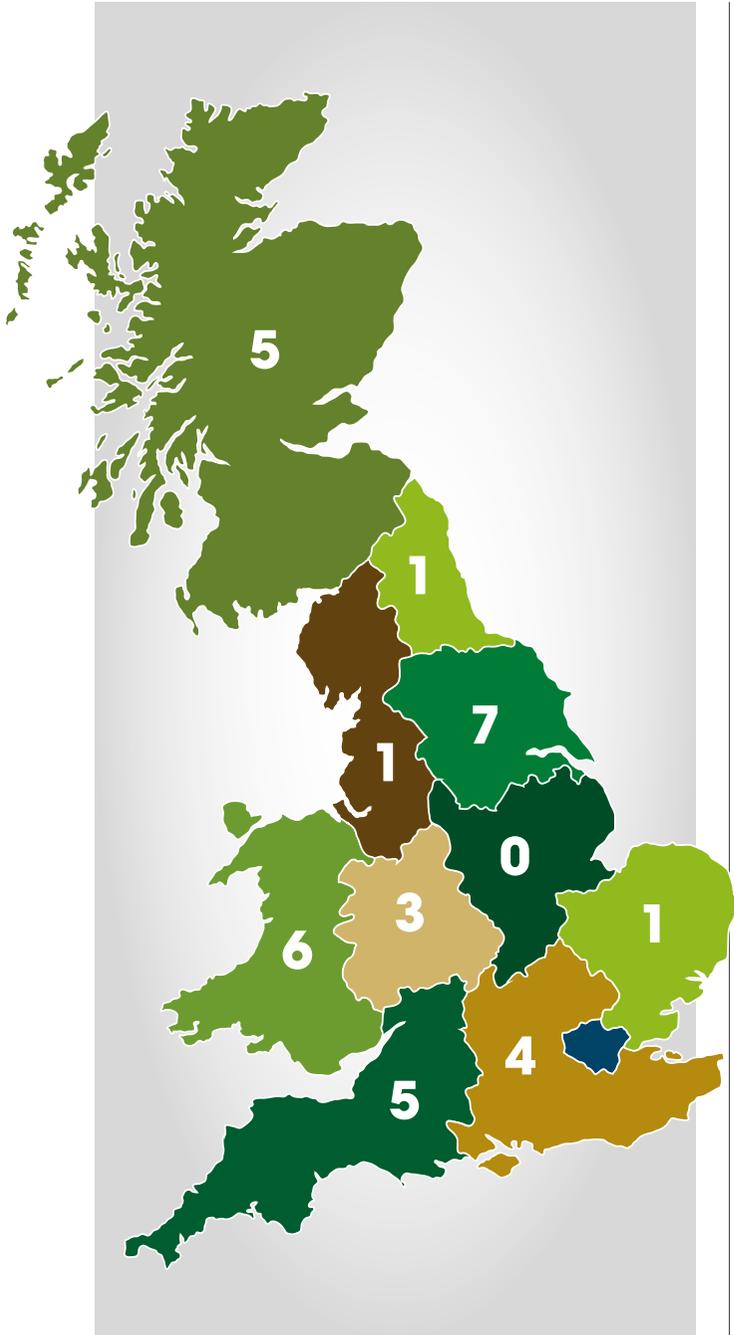




Summary of fatal injuries in agriculture, forestry and fishing in Great Britain 2017/18



Summary of fatalities from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018



East

- A 57-year-old worker slipped and fell in the farmyard when returning to his vehicle. He fractured his ankle but later died from medical complications related to the injury.

South East

- An 80-year-old self-employed farm partner was attacked by cattle while he was walking his dogs along a footpath. He was in the field when one of the cows attacked his dog. As he attempted a rescue, he was butted and trampled to death.
- A 74-year-old self-employed farmer died when he fell backwards from a bale stack. He died from serious head injuries.
- A 68-year-old self-employed farm partner was run over by a telehandler reversing in the farm yard. He died from serious crush injuries.
- A 67-year-old farm worker was struck by a concrete beam when it fell from lifting chains on a telehandler. He died from crush injuries.

Wales

- A 24-year-old self-employed chainsaw operator was crushed beneath a falling tree. He felled one tree and afterwards a neighbouring tree (which had not been worked on) fell and struck him. He died from serious crush injuries.
- A 42-year-old self-employed farm partner was crushed beneath an excavator arm when the arm descended. He died from asphyxiation.
- An 85-year-old self-employed farm partner was trampled by cattle. She had entered a calf pen during calving and was attacked by the cow. She died from serious crush injuries.
- A 61-year-old farm worker who had finished loading cattle onto a trailer was trapped between the trailer and a gate post as the tractor pulled away. He died from crush injuries.
- A 49-year-old farm worker was crushed by a large bale as she removed hay from the stack for animal feed. It would appear an adjacent straw bale fell trapping her against another bale. She died from crush injuries.
- A 43-year-old self-employed farmer was run over by a badly maintained skid steer loader. He had got out the vehicle which then moved forward crushing him.



South West

- A 61-year-old farm worker struck his head on a sharp object. He appears to have slipped, tripped or collapsed against a trailer that he had been repairing. He died from head injuries.
- A 69-year-old self-employed farmer was run over by a telehandler. He had left the cab, leaving the engine running. It appears the vehicle moved forward trapping him against the gate. He died from crush injuries.
- An 82-year-old self-employed farmer, assisting a vet, was knocked over by a cow in a crush. The cow's head was not restrained and he was struck and fell to the ground. He died from head injuries.
- A 68-year-old farm worker died when he fell from an unprotected edge of a floor in a farm building. He died from head injuries.
- A 63-year-old self-employed farmer was trampled by a cow when checking on a calf. The cow knocked him into a wall, causing him to fall. He died from chest injuries.



West Midlands

- A 61-year-old farm worker was trapped under an unsupported telescopic loader boom. He was repairing a hydraulic hose when the boom descended and crushed him underneath.
- A 40-year-old member of the public was electrocuted in a static caravan provided by the farm as accommodation for a worker. She collapsed and died as a result of receiving a shock from electrical equipment.
- A 70-year-old self-employed farmer was struck by a falling log. He was moving and loading logs with a vehicle that was not fitted with a safety cab or falling object protective structure. He died from head injuries.



Yorkshire and the Humber

- An 81-year-old self-employed farm partner was butted by a cow after entering a pen to check on a calf. He died from serious internal injuries.
- A 58-year-old self-employed farmer was electrocuted after striking an overhead power line (OHPL) with a raised part of an attachment on a farm vehicle. He died as a result of electrocution.
- A 64-year-old farm director was run over by a tractor during mowing. He had got out of the cab leaving the engine running to open a gate. The tractor started moving forward and the farmer attempted to get back onto the tractor. He died from crush injuries.
- A 66-year-old self-employed farm partner was trampled by cattle. It appears that he was attacked by a bull when checking on the herd in a field. He had died as a result of his injuries.
- A 69-year-old self-employed contractor repairing a potato store fell from a potato box lifted by a fork lift truck (FLT). The potato box fell from the forks of the FLT as it was being lowered to the ground. He died from head injuries.

- A 60-year-old self-employed farmer was trapped under the lifting arm of a skid steer loader. He was carrying out maintenance when the arm descended. He died from crush injuries.
- A 4-year-old child was electrocuted by electrical equipment inside a caravan being used as an office in a farm building. He died after receiving an electric shock.



North East

- A 44-year-old self-employed machinery engineer became entangled in a potato harvester while it was being serviced. His two young children were with him. He died from multiple injuries.



North West

- A 70-year-old farm worker was crushed against a wall by a bull being loaded at an auction mart. He died from multiple injuries.



Scotland

- A 76-year-old self-employed farmer was crushed by a bull when trying to move him to another field. It appears he was either crushed against a fence or deliberately attacked. He died from multiple injuries.
- An 82-year-old client was run over by a forest harvester. He entered his woodland and was struck by the vehicle as it was being reversed. He died from serious injuries.
- An 8-year-old child was struck and trapped by logs as she played on a stack on a commercial forestry site. She died from asphyxiation.

- A 49-year-old farm worker was crushed beneath a tractor trailer as he carried out repairs. The trailer collapsed and fell onto him. He died from crush injuries.
- A 62-year-old oyster farmer drowned while tending to oysters being grown on trestles on the seabed. As he transferred the oysters to a float, it drifted away. He waded out to retrieve equipment and drowned.