

June, July and August are peak months for farm accidents, the most active period of crop production and harvest.¹

EYES

- Protective eyewear can prevent eye injuries in 90+% of cases.²
- Eye injuries are the leading cause of blindness among farmers and ranchers.³

LUNGS

- Exposure to respiratory hazards is linked to excessive coughing and congestion in 20-90% of farm workers and families.⁷
- **Organic Dust Toxic Syndrome (ODTS)** is a common respiratory illness with flu-like symptoms.⁸
- **Farmer's Lung** is an allergic reaction caused by inhaling dust from moldy forage and grain.⁹

EARS

- 75% of farmers and ranchers experience hearing loss vs. 10% of the general public.⁴
- 10% of US farm workers are exposed to daily noise levels above 85 decibels, the level at which hearing protection is required for industrial workers.⁵
- Noise-induced hearing loss has been found to affect 1 in 4 younger farmers and half of older farmers. Many develop a communication handicap by age 30.⁶

HANDS

- Hands are the body part most likely injured in agricultural settings, accounting for ~22% of all work-related, non-fatal injuries to adults on US farms and ranches.¹⁰

ECONOMIC IMPACTS

- Every day, about 100 US agricultural workers suffer a lost-work-time injury (10-12/ hour in an avg workday)¹²
- Lost-time, non-fatal injuries impact nearly 20% of the farm population annually.¹³
- More serious non-fatal accidents resulting in permanent disabilities and lost earning power impact 3%.¹⁴

AMERICA'S MOST DANGEROUS JOB

2019 US Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that the agricultural sector is still the most dangerous in America with 573 fatalities, more than 23 deaths per 100K workers.¹¹

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