

Fall in the number of work-related accidents among young people in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country

In 2013, four people aged between 16 and 34 died in work-related accidents in the Basque Country

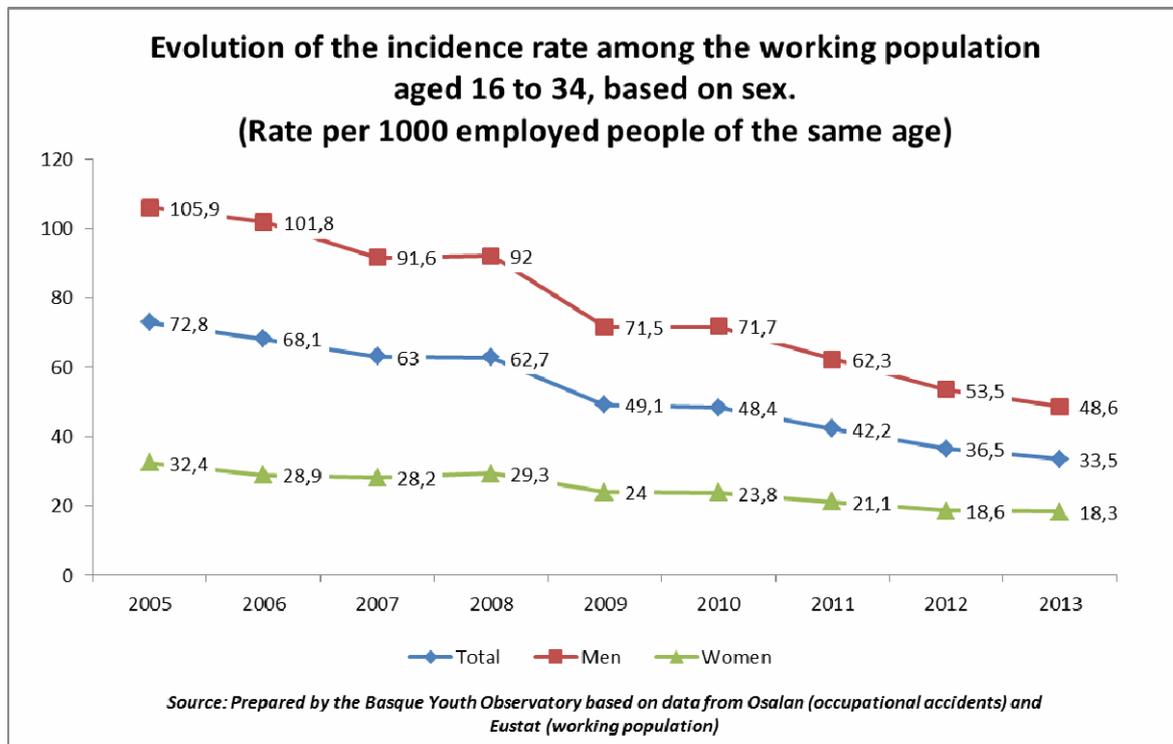
On occasion of the **World Day for Safety and Health at Work**, which falls on April 28; the [Basque Youth Observatory](#) would like to provide data on occupational accidents affecting people in the 16-34 age group living in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country. These data have been provided by [OSALAN, Basque Institute of Occupational Health & Safety](#).

In 2013, a total of 27,920 work-related accidents occurred in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country; of these, 7318 affected people aged 16 to 34 (26%). This proportion is slightly lower than the figures for 2012, when 8476 accidents took place, accounting for 29 per cent of the total.

Based on sex, of the 7318 occupational accidents involving people aged 16 to 34 in 2013, 5341 affected men (73 %) and 1977 affected women (23 %).

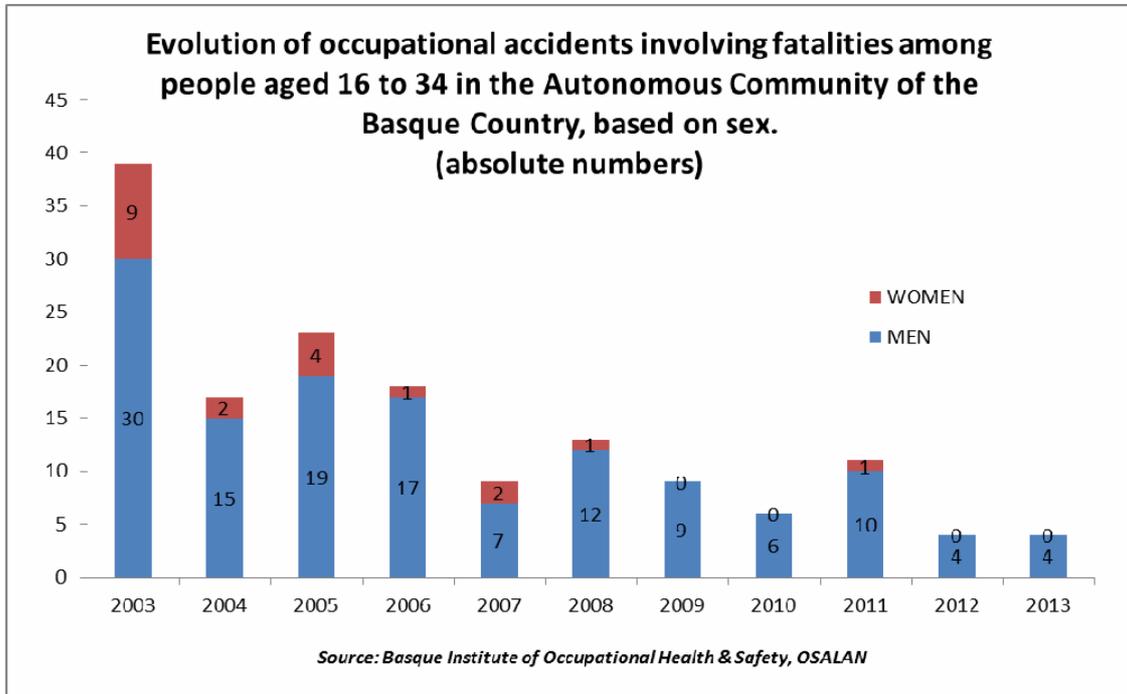
If we consider the sectors in which the accidents took place, we can see that over half (52%) occurred in the services sector. 36% occurred in industrial companies, 10% in the building sector and 2% in the primary sector.

The incidence rate, which is based on the number of work-related accidents that require sick leave per 1000 employed people in the same age group, amounted to 33.5‰ in 2013 among people aged 16 to 34. In recent years there has been a sharp decline in the incidence rate, which has fallen from 72.8 in 2005 to 33.5 in 2013.



Thirty-three work-related accidents, resulting in fatalities, occurred in the Basque Country in 2013. Of the said fatalities, 4 were aged between 16 and 34 and all were men.

Among people aged 16 to 34, the number of occupational accidents resulting in fatalities has declined from 39 cases in 2003 to 4 in 2013.



These data, provided by the [Basque Institute of Occupational Health and Safety, Osalan](#), have been analysed by the Basque Youth Observatory and are available in the [Basque Youth Observatory Indicator System](#) in the Work section and, more specifically, in the Occupational Accident sub-section.

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