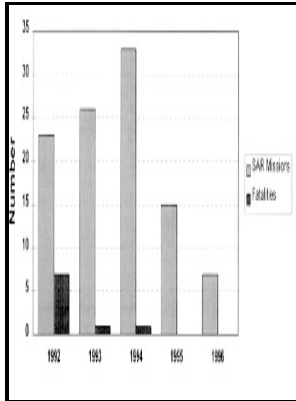


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## Commercial fishing most dangerous job

Sunken vessels account for half of all fishing fatalities; second is falling overboard — deaths that are largely preventable. Brailing is when a large basket is dipped into the pocket of the net and then hauled aboard.

## Occupational Fatalities in Alaska: Two Decades of Progress, 1990

The Alaska Marine Safety Education Association AMSEA teaches mariners how to deal with emergencies, use their gear, and assess risks. Operator error also played a significant role in the loss of the Big Valley, an Alaskan crab boat that went down in 37 F seas in January 2005.

## Commercial fishing fatalities

Shortly after the end of , the modern type trawler for use in Alaska was introduced which could be used for all the various fishing seasons with its own processing ability, including freezing, was introduced, tripling production. Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Act of 1988 required the implementation of comprehensive prevention measures for all fishing vessels in offshore cold waters, including immersion suits and other personal flotation devices, survival craft life rafts , emergency position-indicating radio beacons, and crew training in emergency response and first aid. Additional efforts must be made to reduce the frequency of vessel events and to prevent man-overboard events and drownings associated with them.

## Death rate in commercial fishing off West Coast higher than Alaska's

After the Lady Mary disaster, lawyers for the ship's owner whose two sons, one of them the boat's captain, died when it sank argued that a passing cargo ship hit the vessel. The changing profile of occupational injuries was investigated by comparison with an index-created relative value based on the number of cases of reference category.

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During that time, commercial pilots in Alaska had a fatality rate which was five times greater than the rate for all U. Fishing continues for all kinds of whitefish in both the Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska.

### **Commercial fishing deaths**

The shortage will be added to the summer crab fishery for a combined total of about 300,000 pounds.

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