Information on industrial injuries and fatalities in the construction industry in each of the past five years

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Number of injuries	2 736	2 875	3 089	3 136	2 318*
Number of fatalities	19	9	23	24	22

Notes: * 2 318 refers to the number of injuries in the first three quarters of 2013. The 2013 full-year industrial accident statistics of the construction industry will be released in late April 2014.

The major causes of the industrial accidents tabulated above include "slip, trip or fall on same level", "injured whilst lifting or carrying", "striking against or struck by moving object" and "fall of person from height", etc. A breakdown by type of accident of industrial accidents in the construction industry is set out at Annex. Of the 22 fatal industrial accidents in the construction industry in 2013, most cases involved "work-at-height" (15 cases) and "tunnelling and underground works" (4 cases). Among the 15 "work-at-height" fatal accidents, most cases involved workers falling from bamboo scaffolds (7 cases), working platforms or falseworks (2 cases), and ladders (2 cases). As at the first quarter of 2014, there were 10 fatal industrial accidents in the construction industry. Most of these cases involved "work-at-height" (4 cases) and "lifting operation" (3 cases). Labour Department does not keep the breakdown of accident statistics by principal contractors.