Laborers and material movers; heavy and tractortrailer truck drivers; and nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants had the most injuries and illnesses with days away from work in both 2003 and 2004. Among the listed occupations, light or delivery services truck drivers, carpenters, and general maintenance and repair workers reported more injuries in 2004 than in 2003. Light or delivery services truck drivers experienced the biggest increase, with almost 12 percent more cases.

In 10 specific occupations, workers had more than 20,000 injuries and illnesses that resulted in days away from work, accounting for more than 35 percent of the cases.

Three of these occupationslaborers and material movers; heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers; and light or delivery services truck driversare classified as transportation and material moving occupations.

Seven of the 10 occupations with the most injuries and illnesses with days away from worklaborers and material movers; heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers; nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants; light or delivery services truck drivers; janitors and cleaners; retail salespersons, stock clerks and order fillers; and general maintenance and repair workersare service industry jobs.

Occupations with the most injuries and illnesses with days away from work, 2003–2004

