



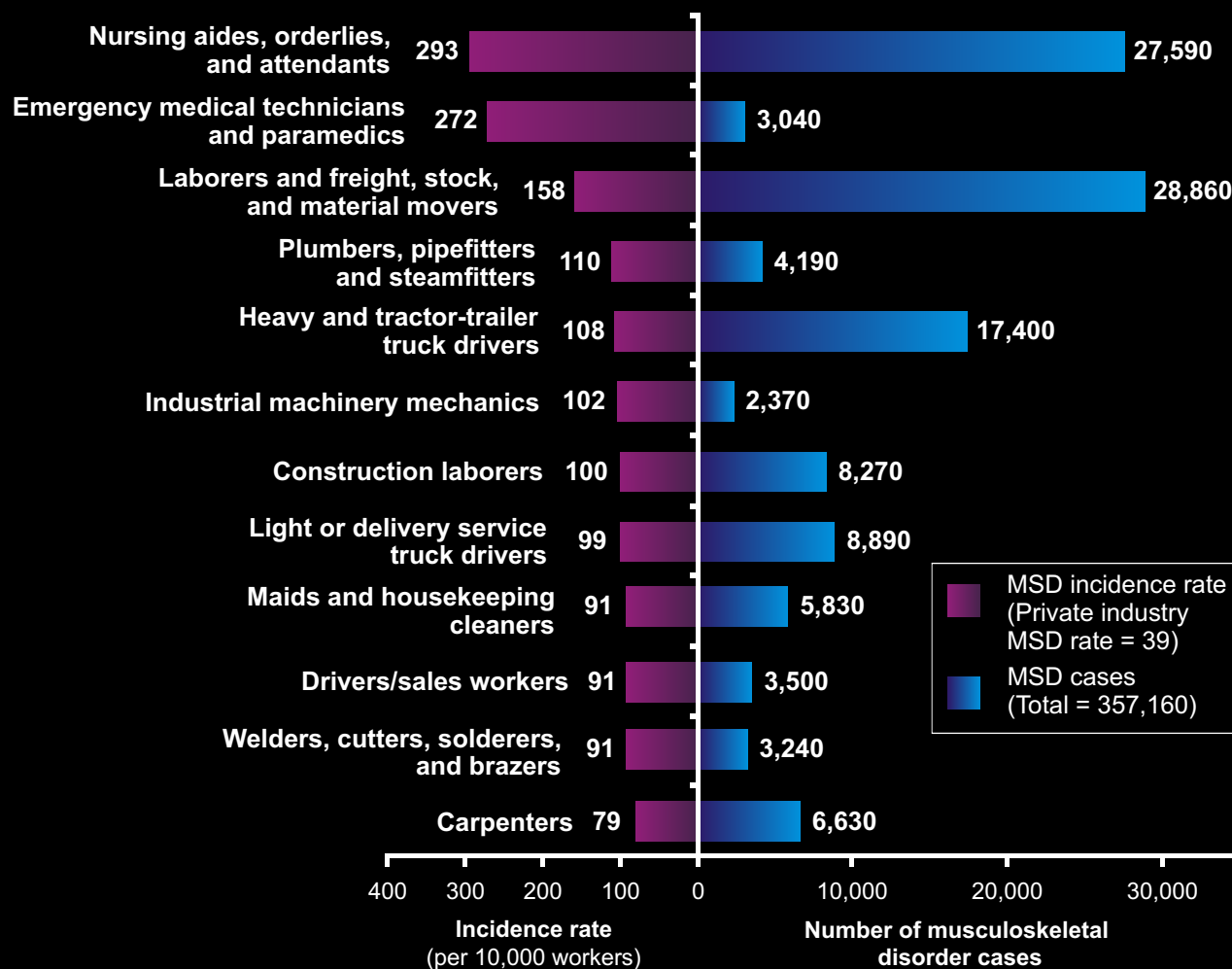
All of the occupations shown had 0.5 percent or more of the total cases of musculoskeletal disorders and had MSD rates of more than twice private industry's average rate in 2006. Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants' average MSD rate was almost 8 times private industry's average. Emergency medical technicians and paramedics had an incidence rate that was 7 times that of private industry.

Three occupations—nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants; laborers and freight, stock and material movers; and heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers— together accounted for more than 20 percent of MSD injuries.

Within all these industries, the health care and social assistance sector had the most MSD cases, followed by the manufacturing and retail trade sector.

# CHART 37

## Number and incidence rates of injuries and illnesses due to musculoskeletal disorders, by selected occupations, private industry, 2006 (cases involving days away from work)



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, November 2007