

Nonfatal occupational illness rates among private industry workplaces declined in 2006 to 24.6 cases per 10,000 full-time employees, compared with 26.7 cases in 2005.

The illness rate also declined significantly for goods-producing industries, while the illness rate for service-providing industries did not change significantly from 2005 to 2006.

Illness rates have been higher in goods-producing industries than in service-providing industries for each of the last 4 years.

Rates for illness estimates are calculated per 10,000 full-time employees. Rates for injuries and illnesses (together) and rates for injuries alone are calculated per 100 full-time employees.

Total recordable nonfatal occupational illness incidence rates in goods-producing industries, service-providing industries, and total private industry, 2003–06

