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Characteristic	All cases		Women		Men	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total:	1,702,470	100.0	558,127	100.0	1,129,243	100.0
Age:						
Under 14 years	--	--	--	--	--	--
14 to 15 years	866	0.1	318	0.1	548	0.0
16 to 19 years	58,206	3.4	19,002	3.4	39,103	3.5
20 to 24 years	197,841	11.6	54,160	9.7	142,897	12.7
25 to 34 years	457,555	26.9	134,698	24.1	320,365	28.4
35 to 44 years	483,545	28.4	161,955	29.0	318,722	28.2
45 to 54 years	310,502	18.2	115,091	20.6	192,796	17.1
55 to 64 years	138,391	8.1	54,139	9.7	83,085	7.4
65 years and over	22,538	1.3	9,637	1.7	12,853	1.1
Occupation:						
Managerial and professional	94,671	5.6	61,941	11.1	32,195	2.9
Technical, sales, and administrative support	249,426	14.7	148,033	26.5	100,341	8.9
Service	289,479	17.0	185,476	33.2	101,128	9.0
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	75,695	4.4	68,410	12.3	6,603	0.6
Maids and houseman	21,393	1.3	16,455	2.9	4,645	0.4
Farming, forestry, and fishing	42,899	2.5	6,210	1.1	36,509	3.2
Precision production, craft, and repair	297,965	17.5	19,142	3.4	276,788	24.5
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	719,728	42.3	134,470	24.1	577,735	51.2
Machine operators, tenders, exc precision	167,541	9.8	50,075	9.0	116,697	10.3
Fabricators, assemblers, handworking	69,264	4.1	17,292	3.1	51,751	4.6
Assemblers	40,015	2.4	14,504	2.6	25,430	2.3
Handlers, helpers, laborers	273,974	16.1	46,496	8.3	225,732	20.0
Laborers, except construction	89,139	5.2	15,499	2.8	72,710	6.4
Length of service with employer:						
Less than 3 months	229,969	13.5	66,055	11.8	163,298	14.5
3 months to 11 months	308,348	18.1	96,960	17.4	210,491	18.6
1 year to 5 years	549,718	32.3	187,574	33.6	360,488	31.9
More than 5 years	413,776	24.3	139,477	25.0	273,088	24.2
Not reported	200,660	11.8	68,061	12.2	121,879	10.8
Race or ethnic origin:						
White, non-Hispanic	859,591	50.5	267,785	48.0	589,756	52.2
Black, non-Hispanic	155,149	9.1	66,270	11.9	88,445	7.8
Hispanic	182,896	10.7	45,317	8.1	136,848	12.1
Asian or Pacific Islander	25,328	1.5	10,536	1.9	14,702	1.3
American Indian or Alaskan Native	6,812	0.4	2,562	0.5	4,245	0.4
Not reported	472,693	27.8	165,657	29.7	295,248	26.1

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Industry division:						
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing <sup>2</sup>	34,941	2.1	6,155	1.1	28,638	2.5
Mining <sup>3</sup>	11,318	0.7	289	0.1	10,999	1.0
Construction	193,765	11.4	4,601	0.8	188,591	16.7
Manufacturing	403,568	23.7	100,387	18.0	301,640	26.7
Transportation and public utilities <sup>3</sup>	196,725	11.6	39,605	7.1	149,767	13.3
Wholesale trade	136,110	8.0	19,308	3.5	115,992	10.3
Retail trade	291,648	17.1	128,801	23.1	161,146	14.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate	39,472	2.3	21,275	3.8	18,124	1.6
Services	394,922	23.2	237,707	42.6	154,347	13.7
Hospitals	80,169	4.7	62,655	11.2	17,119	1.5
Nursing and personal care facilities	64,041	3.8	56,674	10.2	6,465	0.6
Hotels and motels	29,945	1.8	15,524	2.8	14,170	1.3
Social services	38,201	2.2	27,326	4.9	10,757	1.0
Business services	55,110	3.2	20,396	3.7	34,225	3.0
Number of days away from work:						
Cases involving 1 day	272,605	16.0	89,413	16.0	181,696	16.1
Cases involving 2 days	219,191	12.9	74,581	13.4	142,678	12.6
Cases involving 3-5 days	348,806	20.5	118,419	21.2	227,944	20.2
Cases involving 6-10 days	226,406	13.3	71,855	12.9	152,622	13.5
Cases involving 11-20 days	193,564	11.4	61,208	11.0	130,424	11.5
Cases involving 21-30 days	107,415	6.3	33,525	6.0	72,839	6.5
Cases involving 31 or more days	334,483	19.6	109,125	19.6	221,040	19.6
Median days away from work	6		5		6	
Nature of injury, illness:						
Sprains, strains	739,742	43.5	262,315	47.0	470,536	41.7
Fractures	113,734	6.7	30,355	5.4	82,460	7.3
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	153,762	9.0	29,815	5.3	122,937	10.9
Bruises, contusions	155,965	9.2	56,300	10.1	97,899	8.7
Heat burns	27,108	1.6	9,031	1.6	18,012	1.6
Chemical burns	11,614	0.7	1,949	0.3	9,624	0.9
Amputations	9,985	0.6	1,228	0.2	8,679	0.8
Carpal tunnel syndrome	27,922	1.6	18,651	3.3	9,185	0.8
Tendonitis	16,582	1.0	10,127	1.8	6,406	0.6
Multiple injuries	59,343	3.5	19,170	3.4	39,966	3.5
With fractures	10,875	0.6	2,297	0.4	8,546	0.8
With sprains	22,407	1.3	9,879	1.8	12,415	1.1
Soreness, Pain	109,257	6.4	38,233	6.9	70,374	6.2
Back pain	43,198	2.5	13,970	2.5	29,063	2.6
All other	277,456	16.3	80,953	14.5	193,165	17.1

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	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Part of body affected:						
Head	107,696	6.3	26,050	4.7	80,705	7.1
Eye	53,096	3.1	8,223	1.5	44,455	3.9
Neck	30,889	1.8	12,356	2.2	18,275	1.6
Trunk	631,173	37.1	207,052	37.1	418,393	37.1
Back	424,251	24.9	146,927	26.3	273,939	24.3
Shoulder	93,787	5.5	34,139	6.1	58,418	5.2
Upper extremities	397,118	23.3	132,612	23.8	261,773	23.2
Finger	149,475	8.8	34,906	6.3	113,546	10.1
Hand, except finger	70,809	4.2	20,158	3.6	50,109	4.4
Wrist	84,410	5.0	43,135	7.7	40,935	3.6
Lower extremities	350,202	20.6	103,367	18.5	243,784	21.6
Knee	127,953	7.5	38,003	6.8	88,650	7.9
Foot, toe	77,649	4.5	20,141	3.6	57,064	5.1
Body systems	21,910	1.3	10,054	1.8	11,658	1.0
Multiple	148,188	8.7	60,992	10.9	86,214	7.6
All other	15,294	0.9	5,644	1.0	8,441	0.7
Source of injury, illness:						
Chemicals, chemical products	28,773	1.7	8,524	1.5	20,111	1.8
Containers	244,574	14.4	80,472	14.4	162,657	14.4
Furniture, fixtures	58,537	3.4	24,264	4.3	34,063	3.0
Machinery	114,183	6.7	27,515	4.9	86,168	7.6
Parts and materials	192,005	11.3	16,277	2.9	174,690	15.5
Worker motion or position	267,060	15.7	108,271	19.4	157,449	13.9
Floor, ground surfaces	272,026	16.0	110,867	19.9	158,866	14.1
Handtools	77,942	4.6	11,772	2.1	65,632	5.8
Vehicles	137,660	8.1	32,863	5.9	103,421	9.2
Health care patient	72,363	4.3	64,149	11.5	7,875	0.7
All other	237,346	13.9	73,153	13.1	158,311	14.0

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Event or exposure:						
Contact with object, equipment	459,606	27.0	104,097	18.7	352,539	31.2
Struck by object	229,158	13.5	51,602	9.2	176,327	15.6
Struck against object	116,517	6.8	30,164	5.4	85,388	7.6
Caught in object, equipment, material	76,968	4.5	17,104	3.1	59,462	5.3
Fall to lower level	93,881	5.5	21,669	3.9	70,911	6.3
Fall on same level	190,701	11.2	94,016	16.8	95,997	8.5
Slips, trips	54,761	3.2	18,705	3.4	35,731	3.2
Overexertion	459,441	27.0	156,978	28.1	299,264	26.5
Overexertion in lifting	264,837	15.6	90,330	16.2	172,990	15.3
Repetitive motion	73,195	4.3	44,663	8.0	28,125	2.5
Exposed to harmful substance	76,223	4.5	25,440	4.6	50,275	4.5
Transportation accidents	73,246	4.3	18,203	3.3	54,017	4.8
Fires, explosions	3,486	0.2	325	0.1	3,160	0.3
Assault, violent act	23,225	1.4	13,305	2.4	9,733	0.9
by person	16,644	1.0	10,781	1.9	5,695	0.5
by other	6,581	0.4	2,523	0.5	4,026	0.4
All other	194,705	11.4	60,726	10.9	129,491	11.5

<sup>1</sup> Days away from work include those which result in days away from work with or without restricted work activity.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes farms with fewer than 11 employees.

<sup>3</sup> Data conforming to OSHA definitions for mining operators in coal, metal, and nonmetal mining and for employees in railroad transportation are provided to BLS by the Mine Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor; and the Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation. Independent mining contractors are excluded from the coal, metal, and nonmetal mining industries.

NOTE: Because of rounding and data exclusion of nonclassifiable responses, data may not sum to the totals. Dashes indicate data that do not meet publication guidelines. The scientifically selected probability sample used in 1999 was one of many possible samples, each of which could have produced different estimates. A measure of sampling variability for each estimate is available upon request.

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