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	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total:	1,664,018	100.0	303,817	100.0	95,329	100.0	7,191	100.0	198,861	100.0
Sex:										
Men	1,097,104	65.9	177,385	58.4	71,361	74.9	6,439	89.5	97,725	49.1
Women	555,722	33.4	124,554	41.0	22,644	23.8	751	10.4	100,591	50.6
Age:										
Under 14	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14 to 15	573	--	180	0.1	--	--	--	--	158	0.1
16 to 19	54,134	3.3	10,036	3.3	2,747	2.9	364	5.1	6,871	3.5
20 to 24	186,336	11.2	26,497	8.7	8,272	8.7	759	10.6	17,231	8.7
25 to 34	430,922	25.9	64,800	21.3	21,558	22.6	2,076	28.9	40,443	20.3
35 to 44	481,267	28.9	80,030	26.3	26,892	28.2	2,286	31.8	50,119	25.2
45 to 54	325,808	19.6	69,504	22.9	21,900	23.0	1,002	13.9	46,109	23.2
55 to 64	142,540	8.6	38,887	12.8	9,810	10.3	634	8.8	28,309	14.2
65 and over	25,335	1.5	9,570	3.1	1,714	1.8	--	--	7,786	3.9
Occupation:										
Managerial and professional	99,086	6.0	23,214	7.6	5,682	6.0	189	2.6	17,239	8.7
Technical, sales, and administrative support	254,672	15.3	57,482	18.9	12,655	13.3	724	10.1	43,758	22.0
Service	278,121	16.7	61,449	20.2	10,549	11.1	380	5.3	50,293	25.3
Farming, forestry, and fishing	41,542	2.5	7,555	2.5	2,907	3.0	213	3.0	4,366	2.2
Precision production, craft, and repair	298,973	18.0	51,282	16.9	26,540	27.8	1,697	23.6	22,450	11.3
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	684,355	41.1	101,775	33.5	36,634	38.4	3,944	54.8	60,109	30.2
Length of service with employer:										
Less than 3 months	215,608	13.0	44,090	14.5	14,002	14.7	1,202	16.7	28,579	14.4
3 months to 11 months	308,633	18.5	53,352	17.6	16,670	17.5	978	13.6	35,286	17.7
1 year to 5 years	524,791	31.5	93,161	30.7	28,212	29.6	2,155	30.0	62,051	31.2
More than 5 years	404,812	24.3	76,003	25.0	24,108	25.3	1,943	27.0	49,489	24.9
Not reported	210,174	12.6	37,211	12.2	12,337	12.9	913	12.7	23,456	11.8
Race or ethnic origin:										
White, non-Hispanic	827,455	49.7	154,351	50.8	49,209	51.6	4,180	58.1	100,091	50.3
Black, non-Hispanic	139,280	8.4	23,753	7.8	5,952	6.2	352	4.9	17,149	8.6
Hispanic	186,029	11.2	34,189	11.3	11,597	12.2	973	13.5	21,100	10.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	25,857	1.6	3,762	1.2	1,122	1.2	67	0.9	2,543	1.3
American Indian or Alaskan Native	6,955	0.4	1,041	0.3	420	0.4	--	--	611	0.3
Not reported	478,442	28.8	86,721	28.5	27,028	28.4	1,610	22.4	57,367	28.8

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Major industry division										
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing ²	37,256	2.2	6,819	2.2	2,923	3.1	172	2.4	3,666	1.8
Mining ³	14,084	0.8	2,327	0.8	1,109	1.2	195	2.7	1,017	0.5
Construction	194,410	11.7	41,140	13.5	24,374	25.6	1,684	23.4	14,635	7.4
Manufacturing	376,574	22.6	45,930	15.1	12,720	13.3	1,518	21.1	31,313	15.7
Transportation and public utilities ³	207,037	12.4	36,381	12.0	13,663	14.3	1,337	18.6	20,685	10.4
Wholesale trade	125,554	7.5	20,326	6.7	7,362	7.7	644	9.0	12,159	6.1
Retail trade	281,253	16.9	61,874	20.4	13,064	13.7	1,110	15.4	47,402	23.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate	39,549	2.4	10,130	3.3	2,822	3.0	119	1.7	7,123	3.6
Services	388,300	23.3	78,891	26.0	17,292	18.1	412	5.7	60,861	30.6
Public sector	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Number of days away from work:										
Cases involving 1 day	267,383	16.1	40,157	13.2	9,917	10.4	715	9.9	29,121	14.6
Cases involving 2 days	214,566	12.9	34,737	11.4	10,996	11.5	817	11.4	22,717	11.4
Cases involving 3-5 days	331,806	19.9	56,742	18.7	15,400	16.2	1,737	24.2	39,275	19.7
Cases involving 6-10 days	210,890	12.7	36,275	11.9	10,789	11.3	627	8.7	24,536	12.3
Cases involving 11-20 days	185,564	11.2	34,366	11.3	11,943	12.5	638	8.9	21,524	10.8
Cases involving 21-30 days	103,643	6.2	20,178	6.6	7,367	7.7	517	7.2	12,007	6.0
Cases involving 31 or more days	350,166	21.0	81,363	26.8	28,918	30.3	2,140	29.8	49,681	25.0
Median days away from work	6		8		11		7		7	
Nature of injury, illness:										
Sprains, strains	728,202	43.8	107,460	35.4	30,326	31.8	4,325	60.1	71,909	36.2
Fractures	116,713	7.0	55,564	18.3	22,344	23.4	1,127	15.7	31,715	15.9
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	141,649	8.5	8,248	2.7	2,047	2.1	156	--	5,996	3.0
Bruises, contusions	151,680	9.1	50,351	16.6	12,775	13.4	539	7.5	36,653	18.4
Heat burns	24,298	1.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chemical burns	9,395	0.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Amputations	9,658	0.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Carpal tunnel syndrome	27,697	1.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tendonitis	14,445	0.9	389	0.1	41	--	--	--	338	0.2
Multiple injuries	59,231	3.6	26,731	8.8	10,000	10.5	235	3.3	16,392	8.2
With fractures	11,670	0.7	4,788	1.6	2,700	2.8	95	1.3	1,991	1.0
With sprains	21,678	1.3	12,608	4.1	3,758	3.9	--	--	8,782	4.4
Soreness, Pain	118,040	7.1	22,470	7.4	6,638	7.0	495	6.9	15,187	7.6
Back pain	46,109	2.8	6,435	2.1	2,180	2.3	223	3.1	3,956	2.0
All other	263,011	15.8	32,568	10.7	11,155	11.7	293	4.1	20,655	10.4

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Part of body affected:										
Head	110,251	6.6	13,150	4.3	4,354	4.6	--	--	8,674	4.4
Eye	53,816	3.2	303	0.1	41	--	--	--	262	0.1
Neck	28,615	1.7	2,283	0.8	617	0.6	39	0.5	1,621	0.8
Trunk	618,307	37.2	86,260	28.4	25,981	27.3	1,433	19.9	57,991	29.2
Back	411,143	24.7	47,871	15.8	14,235	14.9	1,108	15.4	32,068	16.1
Shoulder	96,118	5.8	15,791	5.2	4,489	4.7	88	1.2	11,132	5.6
Upper extremities	382,735	23.0	43,469	14.3	12,155	12.8	129	1.8	30,900	15.5
Finger	138,325	8.3	3,628	1.2	664	0.7	17	--	2,903	1.5
Hand, except finger	69,464	4.2	5,164	1.7	1,195	1.3	--	--	3,929	2.0
Wrist	85,192	5.1	15,887	5.2	4,755	5.0	70	1.0	11,008	5.5
Lower extremities	347,742	20.9	99,225	32.7	30,954	32.5	5,125	71.3	62,336	31.3
Knee	130,063	7.8	43,994	14.5	10,079	10.6	1,642	22.8	32,023	16.1
Foot, toe	76,343	4.6	11,097	3.7	4,692	4.9	1,017	14.1	5,313	2.7
Body systems	20,986	1.3	137	0.0	--	--	--	--	103	0.1
Multiple	145,558	8.7	58,071	19.1	20,636	21.6	420	5.8	36,646	18.4
All other	9,824	0.6	1,222	0.4	608	0.6	--	--	589	0.3
Source of injury, illness:										
Chemicals, chemical products	25,411	1.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Containers	240,068	14.4	5,004	1.6	749	0.8	236	3.3	3,893	2.0
Furniture, fixtures	56,441	3.4	5,413	1.8	772	0.8	37	0.5	4,549	2.3
Machinery	111,573	6.7	3,494	1.2	473	0.5	68	0.9	2,872	1.4
Parts and materials	182,525	11.0	5,590	1.8	1,239	1.3	338	4.7	3,952	2.0
Worker motion or position	258,504	15.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Floor, ground surfaces	278,495	16.7	263,623	86.8	83,362	87.4	5,540	77.0	173,239	87.1
Handtools	74,830	4.5	279	0.1	40	--	--	--	232	0.1
Vehicles	138,788	8.3	7,593	2.5	2,677	2.8	562	7.8	4,123	2.1
Health care patient	74,610	4.5	67	--	--	--	--	--	57	--
All other	222,773	13.4	12,741	4.2	6,009	6.3	408	5.7	5,935	3.0

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

² Excludes farms with fewer than 11 employees.

³ 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 2000 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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