

Table 8. Number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work¹ involving falls to lower level by selected worker and case characteristics, 2001

Characteristic	All Events	Falls	Fall to lower level	Fall down stairs or steps	Fall from floor, dock, or ground level	Fall from ladder	Fall from piled or stacked material
Total:	1,537,567	288,500	96,359	22,507	5,678	25,203	491
Sex:							
Men	1,009,499	167,788	71,531	10,561	4,018	20,702	374
Women	516,842	118,217	23,573	11,844	607	4,471	117
Age:							
Under 14	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14 to 15	908	107	--	--	--	--	--
16 to 19	44,535	5,947	1,881	528	115	335	--
20 to 24	171,659	25,504	8,831	1,898	442	2,401	75
25 to 34	389,065	62,117	23,127	5,928	1,245	6,817	143
35 to 44	438,445	77,010	27,612	6,336	1,920	6,583	118
45 to 54	315,794	68,315	22,162	4,630	1,354	5,852	100
55 to 64	135,690	37,132	9,573	2,431	517	2,204	--
65 and over	24,541	9,533	2,315	624	81	819	--
Occupation:							
Managerial and professional	97,797	24,519	6,119	2,871	440	1,030	--
Technical, sales, and administrative support	237,717	55,345	14,997	6,401	476	4,077	52
Service	266,346	60,870	9,745	5,029	267	1,959	--
Farming, forestry, and fishing	44,336	7,182	3,143	241	115	1,351	--
Precision production, craft, and repair	281,027	50,752	27,444	2,490	1,344	11,038	47
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	605,769	89,141	34,741	5,437	3,033	5,707	340
Length of service with employer:							
Less than 3 months	181,874	36,670	14,028	2,468	666	3,949	41
3 months to 11 months	283,835	54,052	19,137	4,829	651	4,982	72
1 year to 5 years	511,471	92,223	32,195	7,885	1,389	8,404	247
More than 5 years	378,194	69,839	20,198	4,379	1,431	5,596	109
Not reported	182,192	35,716	10,800	2,946	1,542	2,273	--
Race or ethnic origin:							
White, non-Hispanic	765,228	149,722	52,726	12,155	2,788	14,190	290
Black, non-Hispanic	133,785	22,690	5,974	2,136	253	838	--
Hispanic	191,959	34,044	12,900	2,075	434	4,692	86
Asian or Pacific Islander	25,317	4,479	953	270	--	274	--
American Indian or Alaskan Native	5,661	888	173	--	--	--	--
Not reported	415,616	76,677	23,633	5,850	2,149	5,176	76

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Characteristic	All Events	Falls	Fall to lower level	Fall down stairs or steps	Fall from floor, dock, or ground level	Fall from ladder	Fall from piled or stacked material
Major industry division							
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing ²	40,153	6,579	2,950	206	75	1,392	--
Mining ³	10,582	1,827	900	49	16	85	6
Construction	185,662	39,716	23,826	2,134	1,282	9,535	73
Manufacturing	317,326	38,391	11,863	2,948	679	2,509	112
Transportation and public utilities ³	199,939	36,584	16,332	2,473	1,888	1,922	109
Wholesale trade	111,925	17,588	6,488	847	369	1,200	80
Retail trade	265,700	57,759	11,772	3,356	332	4,486	--
Finance, insurance, and real estate	37,982	11,407	3,979	1,825	93	1,062	--
Services	368,299	78,649	18,247	8,670	944	3,012	39
Public sector	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Number of days away from work:							
Cases involving 1 day	237,547	36,487	9,950	2,748	591	2,902	44
Cases involving 2 days	195,958	33,018	9,441	3,079	404	2,343	12
Cases involving 3-5 days	305,140	52,205	16,832	4,684	1,150	4,018	92
Cases involving 6-10 days	193,066	33,343	10,805	2,520	790	3,028	107
Cases involving 11-20 days	170,772	33,813	12,353	2,742	506	3,174	77
Cases involving 21-30 days	97,526	19,511	6,516	1,155	409	2,039	8
Cases involving 31 or more days	337,558	80,123	30,462	5,579	1,828	7,700	150
Median days away from work	6	9	11	7	10	11	10
Nature of injury, illness:							
Sprains, strains	669,889	103,772	34,742	10,214	2,375	8,295	246
Fractures	108,127	51,510	21,300	3,625	827	6,328	105
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	133,314	6,919	1,662	233	163	694	--
Bruises, contusions	136,361	46,331	12,738	3,666	580	3,009	65
Heat burns	25,078	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chemical burns	9,451	--	--	--	--	--	--
Amputations	8,612	--	--	--	--	--	--
Carpal tunnel syndrome	26,794	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tendonitis	14,124	299	119	--	--	19	--
Multiple injuries	53,211	24,863	9,379	1,526	699	2,442	--
With fractures	10,199	4,264	2,384	160	89	795	--
With sprains	21,959	12,403	3,675	862	305	963	--
Soreness, Pain	109,986	21,129	5,720	1,510	376	1,288	--
Back pain	42,679	5,524	1,699	489	136	414	--
All other	242,621	33,650	10,698	1,697	656	3,128	16

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Characteristic	All Events	Falls	Fall to lower level	Fall down stairs or steps	Fall from floor, dock, or ground level	Fall from ladder	Fall from piled or stacked material
Part of body affected:							
Head	99,523	12,428	3,543	634	96	1,212	--
Eye	44,811	546	54	--	--	--	--
Neck	27,111	1,989	638	184	--	87	20
Trunk	561,603	79,877	25,774	5,088	1,404	6,345	100
Back	372,683	43,851	14,805	3,428	680	3,477	54
Shoulder	88,484	14,952	4,428	824	264	992	--
Upper extremities	355,344	40,423	12,514	2,133	510	3,623	54
Finger	123,523	3,167	489	147	46	44	--
Hand, except finger	63,727	3,502	849	314	19	248	--
Wrist	78,857	14,869	4,937	651	95	1,490	--
Lower extremities	322,959	95,529	33,693	10,041	2,358	8,264	211
Knee	119,670	40,202	9,468	2,536	659	2,417	67
Foot, toe	68,117	10,924	5,429	1,479	165	1,902	20
Body systems	21,657	698	399	--	--	371	--
Multiple	139,675	56,132	19,108	4,272	1,252	5,018	81
All other	9,695	1,423	691	154	--	283	--
Source of injury, illness:							
Chemicals, chemical products	25,125	--	--	--	--	--	--
Containers	209,078	4,093	969	--	--	241	70
Furniture, fixtures	53,974	4,325	582	--	--	246	40
Machinery	97,634	3,153	488	--	--	119	--
Parts and materials	162,475	4,386	890	--	133	240	38
Worker motion or position	245,867	--	--	--	--	--	--
Floor, ground surfaces	264,677	249,962	83,853	21,952	4,642	20,680	332
Handtools	68,113	424	135	--	69	--	--
Vehicles	128,534	7,595	2,453	236	49	43	--
Health care patient	67,635	124	--	--	--	--	--
All other	214,455	14,429	6,974	234	718	3,618	--

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Characteristic	All Events	Falls	Fall from roof	Fall from scaffold, staging	Fall from building girders or other structural steel	Fall from nonmoving vehicle
Total:	1,537,567	288,500	3,668	5,185	589	16,852
Sex:						
Men	1,009,499	167,788	3,628	4,770	582	15,489
Women	516,842	118,217	--	415	--	1,314
Age:						
Under 14	--	--	--	--	--	--
14 to 15	908	107	--	--	--	--
16 to 19	44,535	5,947	221	249	--	61
20 to 24	171,659	25,504	482	818	--	1,208
25 to 34	389,065	62,117	771	942	155	3,539
35 to 44	438,445	77,010	1,056	1,440	305	5,546
45 to 54	315,794	68,315	901	1,080	56	4,204
55 to 64	135,690	37,132	119	486	41	1,743
65 and over	24,541	9,533	18	--	--	404
Occupation:						
Managerial and professional	97,797	24,519	232	121	--	297
Technical, sales, and administrative support	237,717	55,345	82	46	--	789
Service	266,346	60,870	200	234	--	335
Farming, forestry, and fishing	44,336	7,182	--	--	--	582
Precision production, craft, and repair	281,027	50,752	2,550	3,065	431	2,089
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	605,769	89,141	597	1,666	118	12,752
Length of service with employer:						
Less than 3 months	181,874	36,670	710	952	198	2,581
3 months to 11 months	283,835	54,052	472	1,646	111	2,823
1 year to 5 years	511,471	92,223	1,638	1,313	119	6,101
More than 5 years	378,194	69,839	614	977	87	3,666
Not reported	182,192	35,716	234	298	75	1,682
Race or ethnic origin:						
White, non-Hispanic	765,228	149,722	2,058	3,089	345	9,313
Black, non-Hispanic	133,785	22,690	258	213	--	1,006
Hispanic	191,959	34,044	883	773	--	1,413
Asian or Pacific Islander	25,317	4,479	--	46	--	115
American Indian or Alaskan Native	5,661	888	--	--	19	--
Not reported	415,616	76,677	451	1,059	180	4,978

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Major industry division						
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing ²	40,153	6,579	--	--	--	543
Mining ³	10,582	1,827	--	26	--	419
Construction	185,662	39,716	2,667	3,139	380	1,657
Manufacturing	317,326	38,391	168	601	151	2,152
Transportation and public utilities ³	199,939	36,584	--	347	--	6,890
Wholesale trade	111,925	17,588	123	175	--	2,364
Retail trade	265,700	57,759	365	367	--	1,397
Finance, insurance, and real estate	37,982	11,407	86	327	--	52
Services	368,299	78,649	239	198	37	1,378
Public sector	--	--	--	--	--	--
Number of days away from work:						
Cases involving 1 day	237,547	36,487	211	373	25	1,561
Cases involving 2 days	195,958	33,018	119	460	18	1,190
Cases involving 3-5 days	305,140	52,205	351	923	19	2,714
Cases involving 6-10 days	193,066	33,343	458	423	25	1,824
Cases involving 11-20 days	170,772	33,813	869	562	164	2,223
Cases involving 21-30 days	97,526	19,511	287	259	58	1,312
Cases involving 31 or more days	337,558	80,123	1,373	2,185	281	6,028
Median days away from work	6	9	20	15	28	15
Nature of injury, illness:						
Sprains, strains	669,889	103,772	546	866	77	6,630
Fractures	108,127	51,510	1,672	1,946	319	3,437
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	133,314	6,919	52	136	--	199
Bruises, contusions	136,361	46,331	228	413	52	2,352
Heat burns	25,078	--	--	--	--	--
Chemical burns	9,451	--	--	--	--	--
Amputations	8,612	--	--	--	--	--
Carpal tunnel syndrome	26,794	--	--	--	--	--
Tendonitis	14,124	299	--	--	--	--
Multiple injuries	53,211	24,863	604	801	51	1,316
With fractures	10,199	4,264	217	333	--	185
With sprains	21,959	12,403	237	329	--	522
Soreness, Pain	109,986	21,129	101	246	--	1,228
Back pain	42,679	5,524	--	18	--	292
All other	242,621	33,650	465	752	69	1,659

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Eye	44,811	546	--	--	--	--
Neck	27,111	1,989	--	--	--	113
Trunk	561,603	79,877	894	1,407	57	4,938
Back	372,683	43,851	432	797	--	3,053
Shoulder	88,484	14,952	197	232	--	960
Upper extremities	355,344	40,423	589	974	73	2,748
Finger	123,523	3,167	--	61	--	61
Hand, except finger	63,727	3,502	--	--	--	140
Wrist	78,857	14,869	177	200	--	1,347
Lower extremities	322,959	95,529	1,253	978	278	5,958
Knee	119,670	40,202	66	279	40	2,028
Foot, toe	68,117	10,924	379	89	--	683
Body systems	21,657	698	--	--	--	--
Multiple	139,675	56,132	813	1,585	159	2,421
All other	9,695	1,423	--	--	--	--
Source of injury, illness:						
Chemicals, chemical products	25,125	--	--	--	--	--
Containers	209,078	4,093	--	--	--	97
Furniture, fixtures	53,974	4,325	--	--	--	--
Machinery	97,634	3,153	--	--	--	119
Parts and materials	162,475	4,386	50	219	--	90
Worker motion or position	245,867	--	--	--	--	--
Floor, ground surfaces	264,677	249,962	2,866	4,333	546	14,741
Handtools	68,113	424	41	--	--	--
Vehicles	128,534	7,595	--	--	--	1,637
Health care patient	67,635	124	--	--	--	--
All other	214,455	14,429	709	590	--	166

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 2001 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.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics
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