

**Table 1a. Number and incidence rate<sup>1</sup> of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work<sup>2</sup> by selected case characteristics and gender, All United States, private industry, 2006**

Characteristic	Private industry <sup>3,4,5</sup>		Female		Male	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Total:	1,183,500	127.8	403,740	106.4	775,900	142.8
Nature of injury, illness:						
Sprains, strains	472,740	51.1	172,550	45.5	298,220	54.9
Fractures	94,110	10.2	27,200	7.2	66,550	12.2
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	115,210	12.4	20,510	5.4	94,430	17.4
Bruises, contusions	101,260	10.9	40,030	10.5	60,740	11.2
Heat burns	17,440	1.9	6,720	1.8	10,700	2.0
Chemical burns	7,490	0.8	1,480	0.4	5,990	1.1
Amputations	7,990	0.9	1,000	0.3	6,960	1.3
Carpal tunnel syndrome	13,010	1.4	7,900	2.1	5,100	0.9
Tendonitis	4,750	0.5	2,460	0.6	2,290	0.4
Multiple traumatic injuries	45,890	5.0	17,590	4.6	28,300	5.2
With fractures	10,600	1.1	2,840	0.7	7,760	1.4
With sprains	18,020	1.9	8,800	2.3	9,220	1.7
Soreness, pain	105,050	11.3	43,100	11.4	61,950	11.4
Back pain	35,330	3.8	13,870	3.7	21,460	3.9
All other	198,550	21.4	63,190	16.7	134,660	24.8
Part of body affected:						
Head	82,420	8.9	22,900	6.0	59,270	10.9
Eye	35,970	3.9	6,860	1.8	29,060	5.3
Neck	17,840	1.9	7,240	1.9	10,440	1.9
Trunk	401,900	43.4	134,980	35.6	265,590	48.9
Back	250,870	27.1	89,340	23.5	160,740	29.6
Shoulder	75,810	8.2	27,030	7.1	48,440	8.9
Upper extremities	274,180	29.6	89,020	23.5	184,480	33.9
Finger	106,050	11.5	25,450	6.7	80,340	14.8
Hand, except finger	49,480	5.3	14,320	3.8	35,050	6.5
Wrist	48,810	5.3	24,490	6.5	24,220	4.5
Lower extremities	262,180	28.3	83,740	22.1	177,400	32.6
Knee	95,520	10.3	32,730	8.6	62,360	11.5
Foot, toe	57,450	6.2	15,640	4.1	41,690	7.7
Body systems	18,220	2.0	8,710	2.3	9,470	1.7
Multiple	115,930	12.5	52,680	13.9	63,190	11.6
All other	10,840	1.2	4,460	1.2	6,060	1.1
Source of injury, illness:						
	19,480	2.1	6,800	1.8	12,670	2.3
Chemicals, chemical products	147,320	15.9	50,420	13.3	96,840	17.8
Containers	45,330	4.9	20,780	5.5	24,530	4.5
Furniture, fixtures	77,500	8.4	17,140	4.5	60,330	11.1
Machinery	124,640	13.5	10,580	2.8	113,890	21.0
Parts and materials	163,430	17.6	63,460	16.7	99,900	18.4
Worker motion or position	214,580	23.2	97,590	25.7	116,410	21.4
Floor, ground surfaces	56,790	6.1	8,160	2.2	48,480	8.9
Handtools	101,320	10.9	24,060	6.3	76,690	14.1
Vehicles	52,660	5.7	45,760	12.1	6,900	1.3
Health care patient	180,440	19.5	59,000	15.5	119,280	21.9
All other						

See footnotes at end of table.

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Characteristic	Private industry <sup>3,4,5</sup>		Female		Male	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Event or exposure:						
Contact with object, equipment	335,460	36.2	77,000	20.3	257,870	47.5
Struck by object	164,670	17.8	37,580	9.9	126,810	23.3
Struck against object	85,710	9.3	23,140	6.1	62,380	11.5
Caught in object, equipment, material	59,260	6.4	12,200	3.2	47,010	8.6
Fall to lower level	74,280	8.0	19,730	5.2	53,970	9.9
Fall on same level	151,750	16.4	81,960	21.6	69,710	12.8
Slips, trips	35,440	3.8	13,670	3.6	21,720	4.0
Overexertion	284,910	30.8	101,710	26.8	182,660	33.6
Overexertion in lifting	150,990	16.3	52,190	13.8	98,800	18.2
Repetitive motion	38,310	4.1	21,450	5.7	16,810	3.1
Exposed to harmful substance	56,510	6.1	21,030	5.5	35,330	6.5
Transportation accidents	56,170	6.1	13,690	3.6	41,980	7.7
Fires, explosions	2,270	0.2	280	0.1	1,990	0.4
Assault, violent act	22,430	2.4	13,410	3.5	8,980	1.7
by person	15,970	1.7	10,400	2.7	5,540	1.0
by other	6,460	0.7	3,010	0.8	3,440	0.6
All other	125,960	13.6	39,810	10.5	84,880	15.6

<sup>1</sup> Incidence rates represent the number of injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time workers and were calculated as: (N / EH) X 20,000,000 where,

N = number of injuries and illnesses,  
 EH = total hours worked by all employees during the calendar year,  
 20,000,000 = base for 10,000 full-time equivalent workers (working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year).

<sup>2</sup> Days away from work include those that result in days away from work with or without job transfer or restriction.

<sup>3</sup> Excludes farms with fewer than 11 employees.

<sup>4</sup> Data for mining (Sector 21 in the *North American Industry Classification System* -- United States, 2002) include establishments not governed by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) rules and reporting, such as those in oil and gas extraction and related support activities. Data for mining operators in coal, metal, and nonmetal mining are provided to BLS by the Mine Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor. Independent mining contractors are excluded from the coal, metal, and nonmetal mining industries. These data do not reflect the changes the Occupational Safety and Health Administration made to its recordkeeping requirements effective January 1, 2002; therefore estimates for these industries are not comparable to estimates in other industries.

<sup>5</sup> Data for employers in railroad transportation are provided to BLS by the Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

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 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, U.S. Department of Labor, November, 2007