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Total:	1,702,470	23,225	16,644	686	7,536	269	1,303	247	346
Sex:									
Men	1,129,243	9,733	5,695	105	2,870	228	165	152	53
Women	558,127	13,305	10,781	581	4,639	39	1,130	91	294
Age:									
Under 14	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14 to 15	866	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
16 to 19	58,206	733	422	--	258	--	--	--	--
20 to 24	197,841	3,244	2,090	86	994	46	266	17	--
25 to 34	457,555	7,238	5,450	408	2,065	104	231	110	199
35 to 44	483,545	6,514	4,413	38	2,108	104	316	77	36
45 to 54	310,502	3,679	2,903	50	1,605	--	267	36	37
55 to 64	138,391	1,420	1,011	87	362	--	164	--	72
65 and over	22,538	144	120	--	60	--	17	--	--
Occupation:									
Managerial and professional	94,671	3,633	3,177	359	1,333	--	173	--	179
Technical, sales, and administrative support	249,426	5,004	3,660	105	1,461	182	156	37	38
Service	289,479	8,384	7,616	220	3,467	51	937	174	--
Farming, forestry, and fishing	42,899	2,690	92	--	79	--	--	--	--
Precision production, craft, and repair	297,965	755	393	--	230	--	--	--	--
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	719,728	2,743	1,690	--	961	--	--	--	96
Length of service with employer:									
Less than 3 months	229,969	2,791	1,750	53	961	--	126	--	--
3 months to 11 months	308,348	4,934	3,165	88	1,315	--	364	--	--
1 year to 5 years	549,718	8,492	6,087	420	2,736	198	413	127	213
More than 5 years	413,776	4,104	3,102	37	1,352	48	304	81	85
Not reported	200,660	2,905	2,540	88	1,172	17	97	17	--
Race or ethnic origin:									
White, non-Hispanic	859,591	10,958	6,582	161	2,829	182	713	--	43
Black, non-Hispanic	155,149	3,345	2,984	353	1,309	62	131	--	--
Hispanic	182,896	2,121	1,474	49	671	--	92	121	182
Asian or Pacific Islander	25,328	556	520	--	397	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaskan Native	6,812	168	75	--	--	--	--	--	--
Not reported	472,693	6,078	5,009	107	2,307	--	327	91	116

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Major industry division									
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing ²	34,941	2,895	43	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mining ³	11,318	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Construction	193,765	486	328	--	213	--	--	--	--
Manufacturing	403,568	755	454	--	178	--	--	20	43
Transportation and public utilities ³	196,725	1,098	674	--	329	--	--	--	--
Wholesale trade	136,110	593	135	--	--	--	--	--	--
Retail trade	291,648	3,479	2,789	--	951	217	--	123	223
Finance, insurance, and real estate	39,472	436	326	--	77	--	--	--	--
Services	394,922	13,483	11,896	629	5,703	18	1,231	83	--
Public sector	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Number of days away from work:									
Cases involving 1 day	272,605	5,339	3,637	486	1,812	--	384	9	1
Cases involving 2 days	219,191	3,431	2,132	17	1,211	6	196	10	5
Cases involving 3-5 days	348,806	4,728	3,346	41	1,653	5	285	36	175
Cases involving 6-10 days	226,406	3,313	2,481	22	1,122	--	45	58	1
Cases involving 11-20 days	193,564	1,693	1,323	13	426	8	144	6	35
Cases involving 21-30 days	107,415	1,067	747	41	250	91	59	18	8
Cases involving 31 or more days	334,483	3,655	2,979	67	1,062	158	191	110	122
Median days away from work	6	4	4	1	3	44	3	30	4
Nature of injury, illness:									
Sprains, strains	739,742	3,824	3,695	--	791	--	888	--	--
Fractures	113,734	1,391	813	--	521	--	17	--	--
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	153,762	1,208	741	69	218	--	--	181	--
Bruises, contusions	155,965	4,101	3,668	297	2,196	--	161	--	--
Heat burns	27,108	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chemical burns	11,614	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Amputations	9,985	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Carpal tunnel syndrome	27,922	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tendonitis	16,582	51	51	--	--	--	--	--	--
Multiple injuries	59,343	2,356	2,160	--	1,363	--	--	--	--
With fractures	10,965	296	286	--	261	--	--	--	--
With sprains	22,407	604	578	--	288	--	--	--	--
Soreness, Pain	109,257	1,481	1,391	--	918	--	--	--	--
Back pain	43,198	227	227	--	159	--	--	--	--
All other	277,455	8,792	4,107	302	1,527	269	147	--	327

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Part of body affected:									
Head	107,696	3,986	3,603	--	2,935	--	41	--	--
Eye	53,096	285	235	--	118	--	--	--	--
Neck	30,889	674	556	--	270	--	62	--	--
Trunk	631,173	4,533	3,817	132	1,753	198	135	59	--
Back	424,251	1,521	1,446	--	387	--	70	--	--
Shoulder	93,787	605	543	46	70	--	57	--	--
Upper extremities	397,118	7,409	3,860	524	704	--	987	132	--
Finger	149,475	1,941	1,186	335	162	--	280	--	--
Hand, except finger	70,809	2,186	618	40	134	--	124	85	--
Wrist	84,410	824	712	--	71	--	291	--	--
Lower extremities	350,202	1,880	783	--	334	--	17	--	--
Knee	127,953	501	362	--	177	--	--	--	--
Foot, toe	77,649	264	142	--	16	--	--	--	--
Body systems	21,910	1,025	956	--	17	--	--	--	327
Multiple	148,188	3,243	2,878	--	1,427	--	55	19	--
All other	15,294	476	192	--	96	--	--	--	--
Source of injury, illness:									
Chemicals, chemical products	28,773	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Containers	244,574	171	60	--	50	--	--	--	--
Furniture, fixtures	58,537	130	128	--	19	--	--	--	--
Machinery	114,183	104	60	--	--	--	--	--	--
Parts and materials	192,005	89	86	--	--	--	--	--	--
Worker motion or position	267,060	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Floor, ground surfaces	272,026	292	291	--	--	--	--	--	--
Handtools	77,942	272	255	--	61	--	--	150	--
Vehicles	137,660	49	49	--	--	--	--	--	--
Health care patient	72,363	7,680	7,669	550	3,794	--	1,178	--	--
All other	237,346	14,417	8,024	136	3,530	269	118	61	342

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 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.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics
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