

**Table 868. Mine Safety: 2000 to 2008**

[Reported injury rates per 200,000 employee hours]

Item	All mines			Coal			Metal and nonmetal		
	2000	2007	2008 <sup>1</sup>	2000	2007	2008 <sup>1</sup>	2000	2007	2008 <sup>1</sup>
Number of mines . . . . .	14,413	14,786	14,880	2,124	2,030	2,122	12,289	12,841	12,758
Number of miners . . . . .	348,548	376,386	392,012	108,098	122,936	133,493	240,450	255,186	258,519
Fatalities . . . . .	85	64	52	38	34	30	47	33	22
Fatal injury rate . . . . .	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
All injury rate . . . . .	5.13	3.43	3.24	6.64	4.21	3.88	4.45	3.02	2.86
Coal production (mil. tons) . . . . .	1,078	1,147	1,172	1,078	1,147	1,172	(X)	(X)	(X)
Total mining area inspection hours/mine . . . . .	57	44	56	178	169	227	28	19	21
Citations and orders . . . . .	120,269	144,735	174,522	58,394	84,544	107,441	61,875	60,191	67,081
S&S <sup>2</sup> citations and orders (percent) . . .	36	31	30	42	37	35	31	22	21
Amount assessed <sup>3</sup> (mil. dol.) . . . . .	24.7	74.5	194.3	12.0	53.5	152.7	12.7	21.0	41.6

X Not applicable. <sup>1</sup> Preliminary. <sup>2</sup> A violation that “significantly and substantially” contributes to the cause and effect of a coal or other mine safety or health hazard. <sup>3</sup> Government penalties or fines.

Source: U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration, Office of Program Education and Outreach Services, “Mine Safety and Health At a Glance” (published 27 March 2009); <<http://www.msha.gov/MSHAINFO/FactSheets/MSHAFCT10.HTM>>.