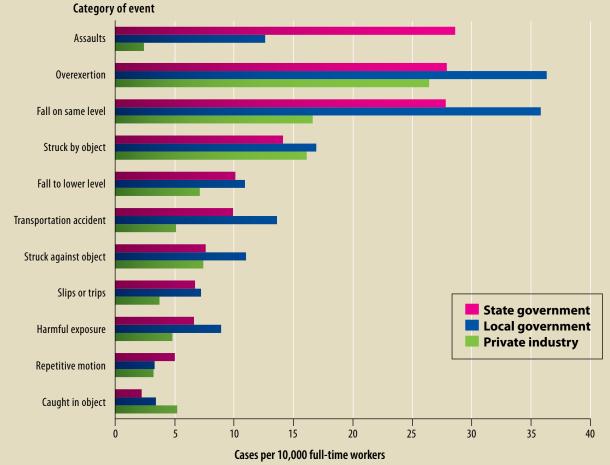


Assaults against workers in State government occurred at a rate of 28.6 cases per 10,000 full-time workers, much higher than the rates for local government (12.6) and private industry (2.4). In State government, the rate of assaults was especially high in the health care and social assistance industry, with 122.3 cases per 10,000 full-time employees. Most of these assaults were injuries caused by health care patients.

Local government and State government had high rates for overexertion and for falls on the same level. In each ownership category, patient handling was the source of a large portion of total overexertion cases, accounting for 24.8 percent of cases in State government, 18.0 percent in local government, and 14.8 percent in private industry.

Incidence rate of injuries and illnesses with days away from work, by event and category of ownership, 2008



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, November 2009.

