

Table 2. Number, median days, incidence rate¹ and relative standard errors of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses with days away from work² involving musculoskeletal disorders³ by selected parts of body, Puerto Rico, 2000

Part of body	Number	Median days away from work	Incidence rate	Relative standard error
Total	5,288	30	89.2	5.2
1 Neck, Including Throat	66	64	1.1	28.0
10 Neck, except internal location of diseases or disorders	66	64	1.1	28.0
2 Trunk	3,387	30	57.2	5.7
21 Shoulder, including clavicle, scapula	259	37	4.4	14.6
22 Chest, including ribs, internal organs	33	10	0.6	39.3
220 Chest, except internal location of diseases or disorders	33	10	0.6	39.3
23 Back, including spine, spinal cord	3,000	30	50.6	5.9
230 Back, including spine, spinal cord, unspecified	2,070	30	34.9	6.5
231 Lumbar region	570	16	9.6	10.3
233 Sacral region	359	36	6.1	12.6
238 Multiple back regions	--	--	--	--
24 Abdomen	--	--	--	--
240 Abdomen, except internal location of diseases or disorders	--	--	--	--
241 Internal abdominal location, unspecified	--	--	--	--
245 Intestines, peritoneum	16	21	0.3	57.4
2450 Intestines, peritoneum, unspecified	16	21	0.3	57.4
25 Pelvic region	68	53	1.2	27.6
250 Pelvic region, unspecified	--	--	--	--
251 Hip(s)	50	21	0.8	32.1
255 External reproductive tract structures	17	55	0.3	54.5
2551 Scrotum	17	55	0.3	54.5
3 Upper extremities	593	32	10.0	10.2
30 Upper extremities, unspecified	--	--	--	--
31 Arm(s)	116	58	2.0	21.3
310 Arm(s), unspecified	17	30	0.3	55.2
312 Elbow(s)	34	38	0.6	38.9
319 Arm(s), n.e.c.	66	69	1.1	28.1
32 Wrist(s)	234	32	4.0	15.3
33 Hand(s), except finger(s)	113	46	1.9	21.6
34 Finger(s), fingernail(s)	18	12	0.3	53.7
38 Multiple upper extremities locations	109	15	1.8	22.0
381 Hand(s) and finger(s)	86	15	1.5	24.7
382 Hand(s) and wrist(s)	--	--	--	--
383 Hand(s) and arm(s)	17	40	0.3	55.3
4 Lower extremities	160	9	2.7	18.3
41 Leg(s)	129	9	2.2	20.3
410 Leg(s), unspecified	47	12	0.8	33.1
411 Thigh(s)	--	--	--	--
412 Knee(s)	73	9	1.2	26.8
419 Leg(s), n.e.c.	--	--	--	--

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42	Ankle(s)	--	--	--	--
43	Foot(feet), except toe(s)	--	--	--	--
430	Foot(feet), except toe(s), unspecified	--	--	--	--
439	Foot(feet), n.e.c.	--	--	--	--
8	Multiple Body Parts	1,082	39	18.3	8.0

¹ Incidence rates represent the number of injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time workers and were calculated as: $(N / EH) \times 20,000,000$ 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).

² Days away from work include those which result in days away from work with or without restricted work activity.

³ Includes cases where the nature of injury is: sprains, strains, tears; back pain, hurt back; soreness, pain, hurt, except back; carpal tunnel syndrome; hernia; or musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders and when the event or exposure leading to the injury or illness is: bodily reaction/bending, climbing, crawling, reaching, twisting; overexertion; or repetition. Cases of Raynaud's phenomenon, tarsal tunnel syndrome, and herniated spinal discs are not included. Although these cases may be considered MSD's, the survey classifies these cases in categories that also include non-MSD cases.

NOTE: Dashes indicate data that do not meet publication guidelines or data for incidence rates less than .05 per 10,000 full-time workers. 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, July 10, 2003