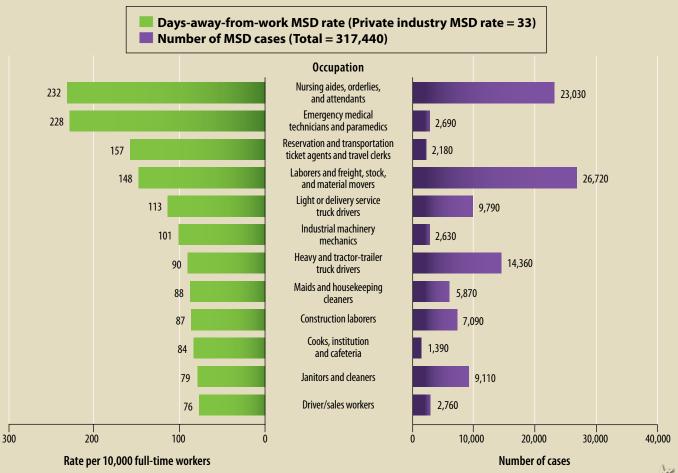
MUSCULOSKELETAL DISORDERS

Twelve occupations constituted at least one-tenth of 1 percent of employment and had an incidence rate of musculoskeletal disorder (MSD) higher than 75 per 10,000 full-time workers in 2008.

Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants; and emergency medical technicians and paramedics had the highest rates of MSDs. Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants also had the second-highest total MSD cases, behind laborers and freight, stock, and material movers.

Three occupations—nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers; and heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers—accounted for more than 20 percent of all MSD cases.

Incidence rate and number of musculoskeletal disorders, selected occupations, 2008



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



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