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### Occupational Injuries and Illnesses: a pilot study of job-transfer or work-restriction cases, 2012

(Note: Because of data processing errors, U.S. private sector estimates of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses were incorrectly published in the Days of Job Transfer or Restriction reports for 2011 and 2012. Corrections will not be made to these reports. For additional information see http://www.bls.gov/bls/errata/iif errata 1014.htm.)



he Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) conducted a pilot study to learn more about the case circumstances and worker characteristics for occupational injury and illness cases that resulted in days of job transfer or work restriction for workers in six private industry subsectors in 2012. This is the second year for which these data are available. Rather than design and conduct an entirely separate survey, BLS integrated the pilot study with the existing BLS Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII), an annual survey of over 250,000 establishments.

In the normal Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses, establishments are asked to provide detailed information about injuries and illnesses that led to days away from work. For the pilot study, establishments in the six selected private industry subsectors (according to the *North American Industry Classification System, 2007*) were asked to provide details for injuries and illnesses that led *only* to job transfer or restricted work in addition to the normally collected information on days-away-from-work cases. This information includes details about the type of event or exposure leading to the injury or illness, the type of injury or illness, the part of body affected, and the type of equipment or substance related to the event or exposure and various characteristics of the injured or ill worker.

This report presents data highlights and statistical tables on injuries and illnesses that led to employees being transferred to another job or restricted from their normal duties. Three types of cases are discussed in this report to

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give context to the magnitudes and rates of occupational injuries and illnesses:

- 1. DART Days away from work, days of restricted work activity or job transfer
- 2. DJTR Days of job transfer or restriction (only)
- 3. DAFW Days away from work (with or without days of job transfer or restriction)

DJTR and DAFW cases are the two components of DART cases. That is, DART = DJTR + DAFW.

The following subsectors were selected for the pilot study:

- Specialty trade contractors
- · Food manufacturing
- Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers
- Air transportation
- Warehousing and storage
- · Nursing and residential care facilities

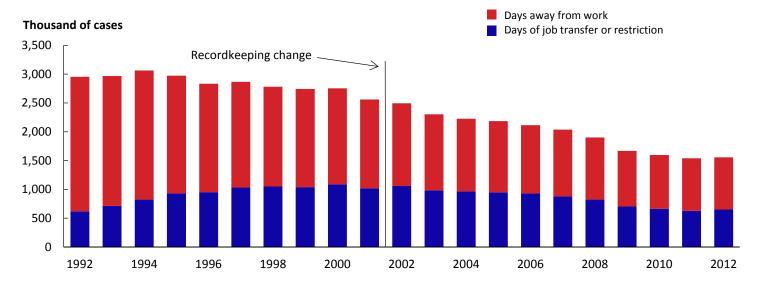
For a detailed description of the source of data and an explanation of the concepts and definitions used, see the accompanying technical notes section.

#### **Highlights**

In 2012, 42 percent of the private industry cases that required days away from work, work restriction or job transfer were cases involving days of job transfer and restriction only—with the remaining being days-awayfrom-work cases. (See chart 1.) This is a similar proportion found in most recent years where the proportion of days of job transfer and restriction cases ranged from 43 percent of days away from work, restriction, or transfer cases in 2007 to 41 percent in 2011.

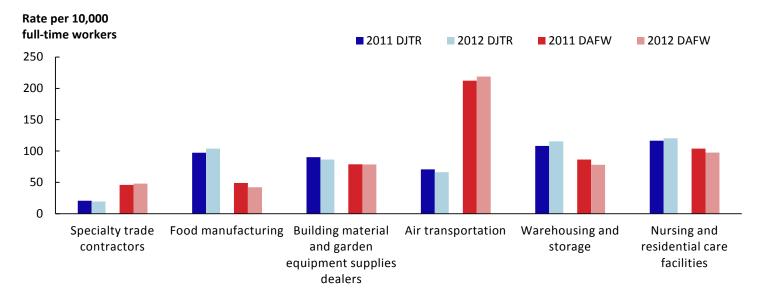
The number of cases and the incidence rates for all cases of days of job transfers and restrictions in each of the six pilot industries remained statistically unchanged in 2012, compared with those in 2011. (See table 1.) That type of metric was already available without this pilot study. With this pilot study, data about the case circumstance leading to days of job transfer or restriction are now available. For example, the category of musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) are now available for cases involving days of job transfer or restriction. This is an important and unique category to study because it includes several types of injuries or disorders resulting from several types of events or exposures. In general, injuries include sprains, strains, tears, pain, soreness, carpal tunnel syndrome, and

Chart 1 Case counts of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses, by type of private industry, 1992–2012



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Chart 2
Incidence of musculoskeletal disorders resulting in days of job transfer or restriction and days away from work, 2011–2012



Note: DJTR = Days of job transfer or work restriction. DAFW = Days away from work. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

hernia. Events or exposures include overexertion, bodily motion, and repetitive motion. For a complete list of event or exposure and injury (nature) categories that make up musculoskeletal disorders, please visit <a href="www.bls.gov/iif">www.bls.gov/iif</a>.

In 2012, the number of days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction (DJTR) cases resulting from musculoskeletal disorders was greater than or equal to the number of days-away-from-work (DAFW) cases for musculoskeletal disorders in food manufacturing, building material and garden equipment supplies dealers, warehousing and storage, and nursing and residential care facilities. (See chart 2.) In the food manufacturing industry the 2012 incidence rate for musculoskeletal disorders for job-transfer-or-restriction cases increased to 103.9 cases (from 97.4 in 2011) per 10,000 full-time workers. The musculoskeletal disorder rate for job-transfer-or-restriction cases remained statistically unchanged in 2012 for the other five pilot industries.

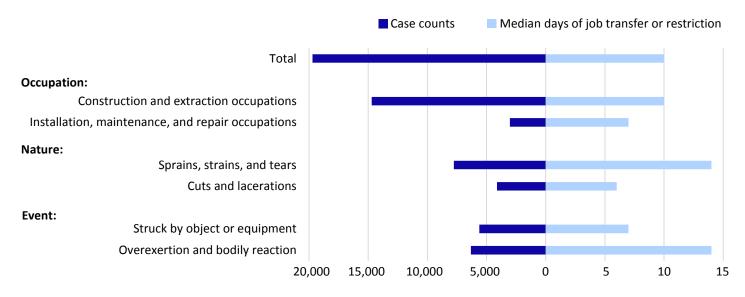
This pilot study is an effort to better understand the details of the case circumstances and worker characteristics of job transfer and worker restriction cases. Over the long term, the proportion of transfer and restriction cases has risen. These new data provide insight into how injuries and illnesses lead to days of job transfer or restriction rather than days away from work.

#### Specialty trade contractors

There were 19,710 injury and illness cases with days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR) in the specialty trade contractors industry in 2012, with a rate of 64.1 injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time workers. (See chart 3.) The case count and incidence rate for job transfer or restriction cases in this industry were statistically unchanged from the previous year. The median days of job transfer or restriction for specialty trade contractors was 10 days, the same as in 2011. (See tables 1 and 4.) Days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases (DJTR) made up 30 percent of the 66,730 days away from work, restriction or transfer (DART) cases; the remaining 70 percent were days-away-from-work cases (DAFW).

Workers in construction and extraction occupations in the specialty trade contractors industry made up threequarters of all days of job transfer or restriction cases

Chart 3
Case counts and median days of job transfer or restriction, specialty trade contractors, 2012



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(14,710 cases) in 2012 and required a median of 10 days of job transfer or restriction before returning to their normal work duties—the same as in 2011. (See table 2 and chart 3.) Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations accounted for another 15 percent of cases (3,030 cases) and required a median of 7 days of job transfer or restriction—two fewer days than in 2011. (See chart 3.)

Overexertion and bodily reaction was the most frequent type of event or exposure that resulted in days of job transfer or restriction, with 6,320 cases in 2012—statistically unchanged from 2011. (See table 1 and chart 3.) Being struck by object or equipment accounted for another 5,610 job transfer or restriction cases—up 24 percent from 2011. Workers who sustained injuries and illnesses from overexertion and bodily reaction required twice as many days (median of 14 days) in job transfer or work restriction as those who were injured by being struck by objects. (See chart 3.)

The total number of days of job transfer or restriction due to sprains and strains were statistically unchanged at 7,760 cases (39 percent of the total). Workers who experienced sprains and strains required a median of 14 days of job transfer or restriction. Cuts and lacerations accounted for

another 4,120 job transfer or restriction cases (21 percent), also unchanged from 2011. Workers who sustained sprains and strains required more than twice the number days in job transfer or work restriction as those who sustained cuts and lacerations. (See chart 3.)

Musculoskeletal disorders made up 6,070 cases, 31 percent of all days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases, with a rate of 19.7 per 10,000 full-time workers. (See table 3.) The median number of days of job transfer or restriction for musculoskeletal disorders cases was 13—one more than the median in 2011.

Male workers accounted for nearly all (19,330) days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in this industry, with female workers only accounting for 2 percent of cases. (See tables 2 and 4.) In cases where race was reported, 63 percent of the cases occurred to White workers and 32 percent occurred to Hispanic or Latino workers. Race and ethnicity were not reported in 27 percent of cases.

#### Food manufacturing

There were 31,290 cases with days of job transfer or restriction in food manufacturing in 2012 with a rate of 216.1 cases per 10,000 full-time workers. The median days

of job transfer or restriction for this industry was 15 (the same as for 2011). (See tables 1 and 3 and chart 4.) The days of job transfer or restriction case count and incidence rate in this industry were statistically unchanged from the previous year.

The job transfer or restriction (DJTR) rate for sprains, strains, or tears (74.4 cases per 10,000 full-time workers) was more than 1–1/2 times greater than the rate for sprains, strains, and tears for days-away-from-work (DAFW) cases in 2012. Sprains, strains, and tears was the leading nature of injury or illness for both job transfer or restriction (DJTR) and days-away-from-work (DAFW) cases in food manufacturing in 2012. (See chart 4 and table 3.) While the sprains, strains, or tears job transfer or restriction rate remained unchanged in 2012, the days away from work rate decreased significantly to 39.9 cases per 10,000 full-time workers for these types of injuries. (See chart 4.)

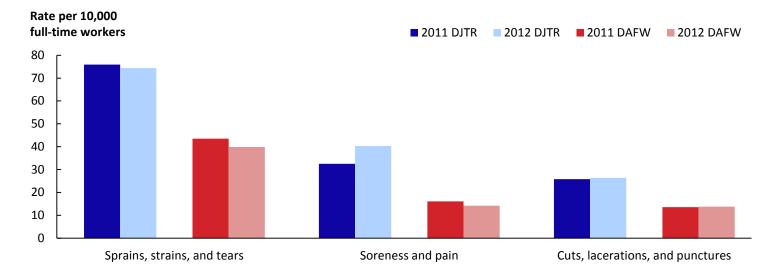
Twenty-five percent of the 49,910 days away from work, restriction or transfer cases in food manufacturing were the result of injuries or illnesses to the hand in 2012.

(See table 1.) Sixty-eight percent of these cases resulted in a job transfer or restriction (DJTR) case instead of a daysaway-from-work (DAFW) case. The rate for job transfer or restriction cases involving the hand was 58.1 cases per 10,000 full-time worker, which was essentially the same as in 2011. (See table 3.) The incidence rate for job transfer or restriction cases involving the knee was 11.2 cases per 10,000 full-time workers, which was an increase from a rate of 8.4 in 2011. While the job transfer or restriction rate for injuries and illnesses to the knee increased, the corresponding days away from work rate remained statistically unchanged.

### Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers

There were 17,190 cases with days of job transfer or restriction in the building materials and supplies dealers industry in 2012, with a rate of 168.7 cases per 10,000 full-time workers—both measures were statistically unchanged from 2011. (See table 3.) The median number of days of job transfer or restriction for this industry was 13 days; 1 day fewer than the median in 2011.

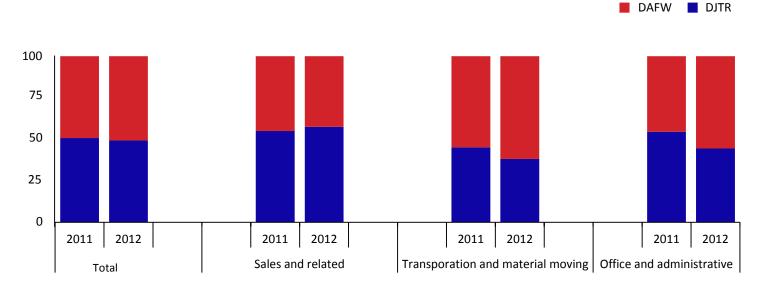
Chart 4
Incidence of injuries and illnesses for selected natures of the injury or illness, by cases of days of job transfer or work restriction and cases of days away from work in food manufacturing, 2011–2012



Note: DJTR = Days of job transfer or work restriction. DAFW = Days away from work. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Chart 5** 

Proportion of cases of days way from work, job transfer, or work restriction resulting in days of job transfer or work restriction and days away from work, occupational groups in building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers, 2011–2012



Note: DJTR = DAFW = Days away from work. Days of job transfer or work restriction. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The leading nature of injury or illness for 2012 job transfer or restriction cases for building materials and supplies dealers was sprains, strains, or tears with a rate of 97.1 cases per 10,000 full-time workers, statistically unchanged from 2011. (See table 3.) The corresponding incidence rate for days away from work was 82.7, statistically unchanged from 2011.

In 2012, 55 percent of the cases reported as days away, restriction, or job transfer (DART) in building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers incurred by sales and related workers. Another 25 percent of the cases were incurred by transportation and material-moving workers and 11 percent, by office and administrative workers. (See table 2.) Of these three occupation groups in this industry, sales and related workers was the only occupation group for which the proportion of job-transfer-or-restriction (DJTR) cases was greater than days-away-from-work (DAFW) cases. (See chart 5.) There was a 15-percent increase in the number of job-transfer-or-restriction cases to sales and related

workers in 2012 while there was no significant change in the number of days-away-from-work cases.

#### Air transportation

In 2012, there were 4,500 injury and illness cases with days of job transfer or restriction in the air transportation industry, with a rate of 120.8 cases per 10,000 full-time workers—both measures were statistically unchanged from 2011. (See tables 1 and 3.) The median number of days of job transfer or restriction was 10 days—2 days fewer than required in 2011.

In 2012, 52 percent of the days away from work, job transfer or restriction cases in air transportation were incurred by workers in office and administrative support occupations (which includes stock clerks, cargo and freight agents, and ticket agents). (See table 1.) Of the 10,600 days away from work, job transfer or restriction (DART) cases that were incurred by office and administrative support workers, 30 percent resulted in days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR). The number of cases (3,230)

reported for 2012 for this occupation group was not statistically different from the number of cases reported in 2011. The 3,230 days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in this occupation group accounted for 72 percent of the total days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in air transportation. Of the 7,700 days away from work, job transfer or restriction cases that were incurred by transportation and material movers, 91 percent resulted in days away from work (DAFW) rather than days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR).

Two-thirds of the days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in the air transportation industry involved injuries or illnesses to upper extremities (primarily the shoulder, arm, or hand) and the trunk (primarily the back). (See table 1.) Of the days away from work, job transfer or restriction (DART) cases to upper extremities, 26 percent resulted in cases of job transfer or restriction (as opposed to days away from work). Of the total days away from work, job transfer or restriction (DART) cases to the trunk, 25 percent resulted in job-transfer-or-restriction cases (DJTR). Twenty-five percent (5,040 cases) of the

days away from work, job transfer or restriction cases in air transportation were the result of injuries and illnesses to lower extremities (knee, ankle, foot). Fifteen percent of the days away from work, job transfer or restriction cases involving lower extremities resulted in cases managed as days of job transfer or restriction.

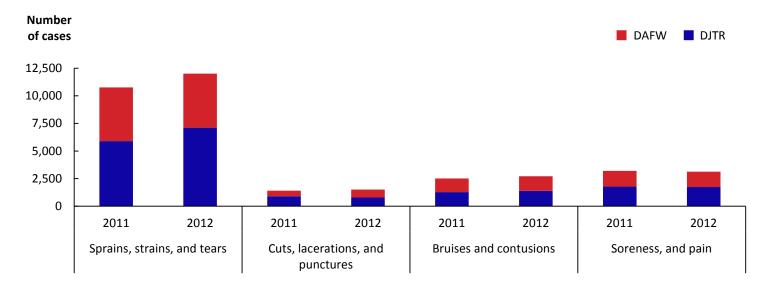
#### Warehousing and storage

There were 12,720 cases involving days of job transfer or restriction in the warehousing and storage industry in 2012. Days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases accounted for 53 percent of days away from work, job transfer or restriction cases and occurred at a rate of 208.4 cases per 10,000 full-time workers. (See tables 1 and 3.) The median number of days of job transfer or restriction for this industry was 13 days, the same as in 2011. (See tables 1 and 4.) The case count and incidence rate for job transfer or restriction cases in this industry were statistically unchanged from the previous year.

Almost all of the increase in days away from work, restrictions or transfer (DART) resulting from sprains,

Chart 6

Case counts of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses, by cases of days away from work and cases of days of job transfer or work restriction and by selected nature of injury, warehousing and storage, 2011–2012



Note: DAFW = Days away from work. DJTR = Days of job transfer or work restriction. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

strains, and tears in warehousing and storage for 2012 was due to a rise in the number of days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction (DJTR) cases of this type. As in 2011, the most common nature of injury or illness in 2012 for days away from work, restrictions or transfer (DART) cases was sprains, strains, and tears, for which 59 percent (7,120) were reported as days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction (DJTR) cases. (See table 1.) Although the overall incidence rate for all days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in this industry was little changed, the rate for those cases involving sprains, strains, and tears rose 16 percent (from 101 to 117 cases per 10,000 full-time workers) in 2012. (See table 3.)

The leading event or exposure for days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in this industry was overexertion and bodily reaction with 7,150 cases, which was more than the 4,900 days-away-from-work cases for the same type of event. The second leading event or exposure for job-transfer-or-restriction cases was contact with objects or equipment. For contact with objects or equipment and falls, slips, and trips cases, the number of job-transfer-or-restriction cases were statistically the same as days-away-from-work cases. (See table 1.)

#### Nursing and residential care facilities

There were 55,650 cases involving days of job transfer or restriction in the nursing and residential care facilities industry in 2012. These cases accounted for 49 percent

of days away from work, restriction, or job transfer cases and occurred at a rate of 229.6 cases per 10,000 full-time workers. (See table 3.) The case count and incidence rate for days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases in this industry were statistically unchanged from the previous year. The median days of job transfer or restriction for this industry was 12 days—the same as the previous year. (See tables 1 and 4.)

Seventy-six percent of the 113,020 days away from work, restriction or transfer (DART) cases in the nursing and residential care industry were incurred by workers in service occupations (primarily health support occupations). The cases were distributed proportionately among jobtransfer-or-restriction cases (43,110) and days-away-fromwork cases (42,870). (See table 2.) The overall number of days away from work, restriction or transfer (DART) cases for this occupation remained statistically unchanged in 2012, despite a 5-percent decrease in the number of days away from work cases. There was no statistical change in the number of job transfer or restriction cases for service occupation workers. Healthcare practitioners and technical workers accounted for 12 percent of the days away, restriction or transfer (DART) cases in this industry. Despite an increase of 8 percent in job transfer or restriction (DJTR) cases in 2012, the number of days away, restriction or transfer (DART) cases did not statistically change from 2011.

### Statistical Tables

Table 1. Number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer (DART), days away from work (DAFW)<sup>1</sup>, and restricted work activity, or job transfer (DJTR)<sup>2</sup> by selected industry<sup>3</sup> and case characteristics, private industry, 2012

		Specialty trade contractors		m	Food nanufacturir	ng
Case characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Total	66,730	47,020	19,710	49,910	18,620	31,290
lusculoskeletal disorders <sup>5</sup>	20,780	14,710	6,070	21,140	6,090	15,050
ature of injury or illness:	5,890	4 620	1 260	2 160	1 700	1 200
Fractures		4,630	1,260	3,160	1,780	1,380 10,770
Sprains, strains, tears		16,020	7,760	16,550	5,780	10,770
Amputations		260	40	530	410	-
Cuts, lacerations, punctures		6,430	4,650	5,820	2,000	3,820
Cuts, lacerations		5,460	4,120	5,310	1,780	3,530
Punctures (except gunshot wounds)		970	530	520	220	290
Bruises, contusions		2,460	1,480	5,180	1,780	3,400
Chemical burns and corrosions		160	50	360	200	150
Heat (thermal) burns		590	140	840	510	330
Multiple traumatic injuries		1,070	410	1,380	650	730
With sprains and other injuries		370	160	680	310	370
With fractures and other injuries	440	300	130	210	120	80
Soreness, pain	8,670	6,880	1,780	7,900	2,060	5,840
Carpal tunnel syndrome	70	60	20	790	350	440
Tendonitis	70	50	20	900	90	810
All other natures	10,530	8,430	2,100	6,520	3,020	3,500
vent or exposure leading to injury or illness:						
Violence and other injuries by persons or animal		340	210	300	110	200
Intentional injury by other person		_	_	50	20	30
Injury by person unintentional or intent unknown		_	_	80	40	40
Animal and insect related incidents	510	310	200	170	40	130
Transportation incidents	1,990	1,500	490	830	460	370
Roadway incidents involving motorized land vehicles	1,460	1,070	390	160	110	50
Fires and explosions	170	160	_	_	-	_
Falls, slips, trips	15,580	11,890	3,680	9,280	4,280	5,000
Slips, trips without fall	3,310	2,200	1,100	1,630	770	870
Fall on same level	5,090	3,980	1,110	5,890	2,700	3,190
Fall to lower level	6,670	5,350	1,320	1,560	740	820
Exposure to harmful substances or environments	2,180	1,830	350	2,020	1,220	800
Contact with object, equipment	23,390	15,000	8,400	15,430	6,010	9,420
Struck by object or equipment	14,320	8,710	5,610	7,310	2,660	4,650
Struck against object or equipment	4,840	3,380	1,460	3,180	1,190	1,990
Caught in or compressed by object or equipment	2,530	1,520	1,010	4,260	1,960	2,290
Overexertion and bodily reaction		15,910	6,320	21,690	6,360	15,330
Overexertion in lifting or lowering		5,180	2,050	5,210	1,760	3,450
Repetitive motion involving microtasks		310	300	6,430	1,300	5,130
All other events or exposures		390	250	360	190	170
art of body affected by the injury or illness:						
Head	4,900	4,120	780	2,030	1,360	660
Eye(s)	2,470	2,180	290	700	450	250
Neck		430	180	340	110	230
Trunk		11,970	4,150	10,170	3,910	6,260
Back		8,190	3,450	7,740	2,840	4,890
Upper extremities		15,010	9,340	25,960	7,890	18,070
Shoulder		3,950	1,450	4,340	1,520	2,820
Arm		2,030	1,340	3,270	1,030	2,250
Wrist		1,330	750	3,800	1,020	2,780
Hand		7,330	5,430	12,350	3,940	8,410
Lower extremities		10,640	4,130	7,700	3,550	4,150
Knee		4,700	1,430	2,960	1,330	1,630
Ankle	1 '	2,370	890	1,410	600	800
Foot	1 '	1,620	1,080	1,900	930	970
Body systems		630	110	350	280	70
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Multiple		3,870 350	940	3,030 330	1,330 180	1,700

Table 1. Number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer (DART), days away from work (DAFW)¹, and restricted work activity, or job transfer (DJTR)² by selected industry³ and case characteristics, private industry, 2012 — Continued

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Case characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Total	34,890	17,700	17,190	20,450	15,950	4,500
flusculoskeletal disorders <sup>5</sup>	16,800	8,000	8,800	10,620	8,150	2,470
lature of injury or illness: Fractures	1,690	1,170	520	560	510	50
Sprains, strains, tears Amputations	18,330	8,430 30	9,900	11,870	9,230	2,640
Cuts, lacerations, punctures	4,220	1,760	2,460	780 750	460 440	320 310
Cuts, lacerations  Punctures (except gunshot wounds)		1,540 210	2,060 400	750 30	_ 440	_ 310
Bruises, contusions		2,100	2,600	2,070	1,660	420
Chemical burns and corrosions		50		80	80	_
Heat (thermal) burns		-	20	40	40	-
Multiple traumatic injuries			160	460	370 90	9
With sprains and other injuries		50 60	90	100	_ 90	_
Soreness, pain		1,390	470	1,770	1,170	60
Carpal tunnel syndrome		70	_	30	20	_
Tendonitis	30			30	30	
All other natures	3,520	2,480	1,030	2,770	2,380	38
vent or exposure leading to injury or illness:	220	100	140	220	100	,
Violence and other injuries by persons or animal	330 60	190	140 20	220	190	3
Injury by person unintentional or intent unknown		30	50	90	70	3
Animal and insect related incidents		110	70	120	120	
Transportation incidents	730	620	120	1,110	1,070	4
Roadway incidents involving motorized land vehicles		390	30	100	90	_
Fires and explosions		2,690	1,750	3,070	2,290	_ 
Falls, slips, trips		630	1,730	770	530	24
Fall on same level		1,260	1,080	1,770	1,300	46
Fall to lower level	1,160	710	450	390	340	6
Exposure to harmful substances or environments		250	80	650	590	5
Contact with object, equipment		5,610	6,140	4,430	3,310	1,11
Struck by object or equipment		3,850 1,020	4,130 1,150	2,130 1,410	1,690 970	44 43
Caught in or compressed by object or equipment		510	690	630	460	17
Overexertion and bodily reaction	17,220	8,270	8,960	10,890	8,420	2,48
Overexertion in lifting or lowering		4,720	5,100	4,130	3,090	1,03
Repetitive motion involving microtasks	340 80	170 70	160 20	300 80	250 70	_ 6 
art of body affected by the injury or illness:						
Head	1,960	1,330	640	1,560	1,120	44
Eye(s)	440	320	110	360	300	6
Neck	490	230	260	490	420	7
TrunkBack	11,580	6,020	5,570	5,440	4,100	1,35
Upper extremities	9,200 11,850	4,420 4,850	4,780 7,000	4,380 6,460	3,320 4,810	1,06 1,65
Shoulder	3,030	1,370	1,660	2,360	1,870	49
Arm	1,920	800	1,120	1,280	840	45
Wrist	1,450	470	980	570	460	11
Hand	5,220	2,100	3,120	2,030	1,460	57 77
Lower extremities	7,880 2,470	4,450 1,250	3,440 1,220	5,040 2,330	4,280 1,890	44
Ankle	1,470	920	560	920	780	14
Foot	2,640	1,400	1,240	1,090	990	10
Body systems	230	230		330	310	-
Multiple	850	560	290	1,050	850	20
All other parts of body	30	30	-	80	70	ı –

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Case characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Total	23,900	11,170	12,720	113,020	57,370	55,650
Musculoskeletal disorders <sup>5</sup>	11,820	4,770	7,050	52,790	23,660	29,130
Nature of injury or illness: Fractures Sprains, strains, tears Amputations Cuts, lacerations, punctures Cuts, lacerations Punctures (except gunshot wounds) Bruises, contusions Chemical burns and corrosions Heat (thermal) burns Multiple traumatic injuries With sprains and other injuries With fractures and other injuries Soreness, pain Carpal tunnel syndrome Tendonitis	980 12,000 50 1,510 1,260 250 2,710 - - 540 260 60 3,130 90 230	730 4,890 40 720 590 140 1,320 - - 360 140 40 1,390 60	250 7,120 - 790 670 110 1,390 - - 180 110 20 1,740 30	3,300 60,010 40 3,870 3,020 850 10,500 140 1,190 3,100 2,100 20,240 120 290	2,540 26,590 30 2,110 1,560 550 5,310 110 730 1,680 1,000 200 11,230 80	750 33,410 - 1,760 1,470 300 5,190 460 1,430 1,100 9,000 50
Event or exposure leading to injury or illness:  Violence and other injuries by persons or animal Intentional injury by other person Injury by person unintentional or intent unknown Animal and insect related incidents Transportation incidents Roadway incidents involving motorized land vehicles Fires and explosions Falls, slips, trips Slips, trips without fall Fall on same level Fall to lower level Exposure to harmful substances or enviroments Contact with object, equipment Struck by object or equipment Struck against object or equipment Caught in or compressed by object or equipment Overexertion and bodily reaction Overexertion in lifting or lowering Repetitive motion involving microtasks All other events or exposures	2,630  70  -  50 1,340 350  - 3,510 750 2,020 600 360 6,290 3,360 1,490 1,190 12,060 5,450 800 260	1,540 50 - 40 810 270 - 1,840 370 1,090 330 270 3,140 1,670 760 620 4,900 2,340 280 150	1,080  20  - 20 540 80  - 1,670 380 930 270 80 3,140 1,690 730 570 7,150 3,110 520 110	10,230  17,220 8,100 8,320 580 1,090 950 20 23,520 3,810 18,280 1,190 2,700 13,030 7,370 3,750 1,260 54,380 12,820 860 1,060	8,990 4,350 3,980 510 810 720 13,340 1,890 10,400 850 2,000 6,960 3,840 2,180 580 24,730 5,980 400 520	3,370  8,220 3,750 4,340 70 290 230 - 10,180 340 700 6,070 3,530 1,570 670 29,640 6,840 460 530
Part of body affected by the injury or illness:  Head Eye(s) Neck Trunk Back Upper extremities Shoulder Arm Wrist Hand Lower extremities Knee Ankle Foot Body systems Multiple All other parts of body	1,130 440 330 7,420 5,790 8,030 2,550 1,440 1,290 2,380 4,960 1,450 1,360 1,360 1,340 1,740 100	800 320 110 3,170 2,190 3,390 1,190 650 520 910 2,490 830 610 650 150 990 80	320 120 220 4,250 3,590 4,640 1,360 770 1,470 2,480 620 750 690 40 750 20	4,260 920 2,080 39,660 33,730 9,930 4,650 6,550 8,830 19,270 4,070 3,290 780 12,840 880	3,270 700 1,070 19,300 16,180 4,590 2,190 2,490 3,900 10,850 4,780 2,440 1,800 7,140 490	990 220 1,010 20,360 17,560 5,350 2,460 4,060 4,920 8,410 3,940 1,630 1,490 40 5,700 380

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	Specialty trade contractors			Food manufacturing		
Case characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Source of injury or illness: Chemicals and chemical products Containers Furniture and fixtures Machinery Parts and materials Person, injured or ill worker Worker motion or position Person, other than injured or ill worker Floors, walkways, ground surfaces Handtools Ladder Vehicles Trucks Cart, dolly, hand truck nonpowered All other sources	3,360 1,600 4,430 14,500 10,240 9,970 40 5,840 7,400 4,820 3,880 1,200	540 2,400 1,010 3,260 9,590 7,330 7,080 20 4,410 4,380 3,950 2,890 980 230 7,240	120 960 590 1,170 4,910 2,910 2,880 20 1,430 3,020 870 990 230 130 2,710	780 8,510 1,200 5,880 3,180 11,250 11,120 140 6,390 3,600 670 2,940 520 650 5,360	450 3,010 590 2,610 1,340 3,080 3,020 70 2,910 960 330 1,320 230 280 1,950	1,840 8,170 8,100 60

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		ling materia equipment dealers		Air transportation			
Case characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	
Source of injury or illness: Chemicals and chemical products Containers Furniture and fixtures Machinery Parts and materials Person, injured or ill worker Worker motion or position Person, other than injured or ill worker Floors, walkways, ground surfaces Handtools Ladder Vehicles Trucks Cart, dolly, hand truck nonpowered All other sources	2,850 7,100 3,310 3,150 120 2,350 1,810 760 3,130 630	120 3,480 1,080 1,310 3,590 1,800 1,660 70 1,320 740 420 1,840 460 350	30 3,910 1,220 1,540 3,510 1,520 1,490 50 1,060 350 1,290 170 400	140 6,990 340 560 1,220 2,970 2,860 240 1,970 100 90 4,070 180 1,300	300 400 980 2,380 2,280 170 1,450 60 3,450 130	- 1,870 50 160 240 580 60 520 40 20 620 50 180 320	

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	٧	Varehousin and storage	g	Nursing and residential care facilities		
Case characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Source of injury or illness:  Chemicals and chemical products Containers Furniture and fixtures Machinery Parts and materials Person, injured or ill worker Worker motion or position Person, other than injured or ill worker Floors, walkways, ground surfaces Handtools Ladder Vehicles Trucks	140 8,500 950 830 1,850 3,740 3,680 30 2,160 610 130 3,330 470	280 80 1,870 360	20 5,010 550 370 900 2,230 2,210 - 990 330 50 1,460 110	550 4,530 5,030 1,700 1,180 10,760 10,440 54,720 17,920 1,540 320 2,630 40	860 630 5,490 5,230 25,590 10,470 690 1,660 30	29,130 7,460 860 130 970
Cart, dolly, hand truck nonpowered	380 1,630	150 840	230 790	1,180 12,150	7,010	560 5,140

<sup>1</sup> Days-away-from-work cases include those that resulted in days away from work, some of which also included job transfer or restriction.

Note: Dash indicates data do not meet publication guidelines. Because of rounding and data exclusion of nonclassifiable responses, data may not sum to the totals.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses in cooperation with participating State agencies.

Includes only cases involving days of job transfer or restriction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Days of job transfer or restriction pilot study. In January of 2012, the BLS Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII) began to collect information on case circumstances and worker characteristics for days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction (DJTR) cases. This supplemental information was part of a pilot study on days of job transfer or restriction. The pilot included six three-digit industries including: Specialty trade contractors; Food manufacturing; Building material and garden equipment supplies dealers; Air transportation; Warehousing and storage; and Nursing and residential care facilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer (DART) totals are the sum of cases involving days away from work (DAFW), and cases with restricted work activity, or job transfer (DJTR).

<sup>5</sup> Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) include cases where the nature of the injury or illness is pinched nerve: herniated disc; meniscus tear; sprains, strains

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) include cases where the nature of the injury or illness is pinched nerve; herniated disc; meniscus tear; sprains, strains, tears; hernia (traumatic and nontraumatic); pain, swelling, and numbness; carpal or tarsal tunnel syndrome; Raynaud's syndrome or phenomenon; musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders, when the event or exposure leading to the injury or illness is overexertion and bodily reaction, unspecified; overexertion involving outside sources; repetitive motion involving microtasks; other and multiple exertions or bodily reactions; and rubbed, abraded, or jarred by vibration.

Table 2. Number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer (DART), days away from work (DAFW)<sup>1</sup>, and restricted work activity, or job transfer (DJTR)<sup>2</sup> by selected industry<sup>3</sup> and worker characteristics, private industry, 2012

		Specialty trade contractors	;	Food manufacturing		
Worker characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Total	66,730	47,020	19,710	49,910	18,620	31,290
Gender:         Male	65,570 1,070 90 740 6,520 18,290 17,000 16,770 5,990 400 1,020	46,240 720 - 420 4,270 13,250 11,720 12,160 4,140 340 700	19,330 350 30 310 2,250 5,040 5,280 4,600 1,850 60 320	33,280 16,550 80 870 5,340 11,740 11,480 12,440 6,450 920 670	13,150 5,440 30 220 1,700 3,740 4,060 5,120 3,080 430 260	
Race or ethnic origin:6 White only Hispanic or Latino only Black only Asian only American Indian or Alaskan Native only Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander only Multi-race Hispanic or Latino and other race	35,450 12,430 2,310 330 620 140 20	26,300 7,760 1,840 300 550 120	9,150 4,670 470 40 70 20	15,030 14,540 5,190 1,540 150 310 40	6,270 5,070 1,680 500 80 50 -	8,760 9,470 3,500 1,050 70 250 40

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		ling materia equipment dealers		Air transportation			
Worker characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	
Total	34,890	17,700	17,190	20,450	15,950	4,500	
Gender:         Male	25,940 8,950 - 1,270 5,090 7,810 6,810 7,650 5,040 1,190	13,710 3,980 - 790 2,280 3,850 3,600 3,830 2,710 620 20	4,970 - 480 2,810	13,190 7,250 - 1,180 3,950 4,710 5,780 3,700 530 580	9,950 5,990 - - 840 3,070 3,520 4,510 3,020 460 520	3,230 1,260 - 340 880 1,190 1,270 680 70 50	
Race or ethnic origin:6 White only	6,830 1,250 620 90 20 20	4,670 660 430 70 – –		860 100 120 150 – 100	620 70 90 130 - 100	230 30 30 20 - - -	

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	Warehousing and storage			Nursing and residential care facilities		
Worker characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Total	23,900	11,170	12,720	113,020	57,370	55,650
Gender:         Male	17,500 6,390 - 440 3,230 6,460 5,310 5,070 2,630 360 400	8,290 2,880 - 140 1,340 2,840 2,290 2,640 1,490 250 170	9,210 3,510 - 300 1,890 3,610 3,020 2,430 1,140 100 230	15,070 97,850 110 3,340 15,600 27,860 23,630 23,870 14,200 2,720 1,790		7,030 48,570 50 1,750 8,810 14,260 11,360 11,340 6,260 900 970
Race or ethnic origin:6 White only	7,450 3,090 1,990 260 30 30	3,710 1,520 840 190 – – –	3,750 1,570 1,150 70 20 30 –	48,590 9,060 21,030 2,000 430 530 100		23,870 4,490 10,120 960 210 280 40 20

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		Specialty trade contractors	;	Food manufacturing		
Worker characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Race or ethnic origin:6						
Not reported	15,400	10,120	5,270	13,050	4,940	8,110
Length of service with employer:						
Less than 3 months	10,160	7,200	2,960	6,150	2,060	4,080
3 - 11 months	14,580	10,630	3,960	9,730	3,460	6,280
1 - 5 years	20,910	14,470	6,440	16,110	5,870	10,240
More than 5 years	20,560	14,380	6,190	17,280	6,980	10,300
Not reported	520	350	170	640	250	390
Summary occupational groups: <sup>7</sup>						
Management, business, and financial occupations	1,090	790	290	370	170	200
Computer, engineering, and science occupations	220	80	140	180	90	90
Education, legal, community service, arts, and media occupations		_	_	_	_	_
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	_	_	_	_	_	_
Service occupations	370	240	130	2,610	1,290	1,320
Sales and related occupations		180	70	210	90	120
Office and administrative support occupations		200	130	930	410	520
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations		-	-	400	160	240
Construction and extraction occupations		33,420	14,710	200	60	140
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations		8,810	3,030	3,950	1,630	2,320
Production occupations		1,410	530	28,380	9,820	18,560
Transportation and material moving occupations	2,460	1,800	660	12,600	4,860	7,740

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		ling materia equipment dealers		Air transportation		
Worker characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction
Race or ethnic origin:6						
Not reported	26,050	11,850	14,200	19,110	14,930	4,180
Length of service with employer:						
Less than 3 months	3,520	2,110	1,420	350	230	120
3 - 11 months	6,470	3,220	3,250	1,440	1,150	300
1 - 5 years	11,790	5,980	5,810	3,820	2,760	1,070
More than 5 years	13,030	6,360	6,670	14,600	11,650	2,940
Not reported	80	30	50	240	160	70
Summary occupational groups: <sup>7</sup>						
Management, business, and financial occupations	290	170	120	180	100	90
Computer, engineering, and science occupations	60	60		_		_
Education, legal, community service, arts, and media occupations	110	40	70	_	_	_
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	_	_	_	_	_	_
Service occupations	780	550	230	140	110	40
Sales and related occupations	19,140	8,120	11,020	30	-	_
Office and administrative support occupations		2,050	1,640	10,600	7,380	3,230
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations		130	60	_	_	_
Construction and extraction occupations	420	280	140	_	_	_
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	740	470	260	1,710	1,260	460
Production occupations	730	420	320	30	30	_
Transportation and material moving occupations	8,720	5,390	3,330	7,700	7,030	670

Table 2. Number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer (DART), days away from work (DAFW)1, and restricted work activity, or job transfer (DJTR)2 by selected industry3 and worker characteristics, private industry, 2012 — Continued

	V	Varehousin and storage	g	Nursing and residential care facilities			
Worker characteristic	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	Total <sup>4</sup>	Cases with days away from work	Cases with job transfer or restriction	
Race or ethnic origin:6							
Not reported	11,030	4,890	6,140	31,250	15,590	15,660	
Length of service with employer:							
Less than 3 months	3,050	1,410	1,640	11,350	5,960	5,400	
3 - 11 months	4,460	2,140	2,320	28,260	13,940	14,320	
1 - 5 years	6,960	3,130	3,830	44,090	22,100	21,990	
More than 5 years	8,940	4,290	4,640	27,980	14,760	13,220	
Not reported	490	190	290	1,350	610	740	
Summary occupational groups:7							
Management, business, and financial occupations	140	60	90	3,450	1,810	1,640	
Computer, engineering, and science occupations	_	_	_	20	20		
Education, legal, community service, arts, and media occupations	_	_	_	5,240	3,100	2,140	
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	_	_	_	13,750	7,220	6,520	
Service occupations	260	130	130	85,980	42,870	43,110	
Sales and related occupations	250	90	160	20	_	_	
Office and administrative support occupations	5,490	2,560	2,930	1,020	490	530	
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	20	_	-	_	_	-	
Construction and extraction occupations	50	50	_	60	30	30	
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	650	330	320	1,780	940	840	
Production occupations	860	430	430	1,100	520	590	
Transportation and material moving occupations	16,110	7,490	8,620	470	280	190	

<sup>1</sup> Days-away-from-work cases include those that resulted in days away from work, some of which also included job transfer or restriction.

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Days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer (DART) totals are the sum of cases involving days away from work (DAFW), and cases with

restricted work activity, or job transfer (DJTR).

Information is not shown separately for injured workers under age 14; they accounted for fewer than 50 cases.

Race and ethnicity data do not add to total. Some cases may be counted as both Multi-race and Hispanic and other race.

Standard Occupational Classification Manual, 2010, Office of Management and Budget.

Table 3. Number, incidence rates  $^1$ , and median days  $^2$  of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR) $^3$  by selected industry  $^4$  and case characteristics of injury or illness, private industry, 2012

		Specialty trade contractors	;	Food manufacturing			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Total	19,710	64.1	10	31,290	216.1	15	
Musculoskeletal disorders <sup>5</sup>	6,070	19.7	13	15,050	103.9	19	
Nature of injury or illness:  Fractures  Sprains, strains, tears  Amputations  Cuts, lacerations, punctures  Cuts, lacerations  Punctures (except gunshot wounds)  Bruises, contusions  Chemical burns and corrosions  Heat (thermal) burns  Multiple traumatic injuries  With sprains and other injuries  With fractures and other injuries  Soreness, pain  Carpal tunnel syndrome  Tendonitis  All other natures	40 4,650 4,120 530 1,480 50 140 410 160 130 1,780 20	4.1 25.3 .1 15.1 13.4 1.7 4.8 .2 .4 1.3 .5 .4 5.8 .1 .1 6.8	29 14 15 5 6 2 7 22 10 10 8 25 15 54 36 12	1,380 10,770 120 3,820 3,530 290 3,400 150 330 730 370 80 5,840 440 810 3,500	9.5 74.4 .8 26.4 24.4 2.0 23.5 1.1 2.3 5.0 2.6 .6 40.3 3.0 5.6 24.2	39 16 35 10 10 7 11 8 10 14 21 40 17 45 31	
Event or exposure leading to injury or illness:  Violence and other injuries by persons or animal Intentional injury by other person Injury by person unintentional or intent unknown Animal and insect related incidents  Transportation incidents Roadway incidents involving motorized land vehicles Falls, slips, trips Slips, trips without fall Fall on same level Fall to lower level Exposure to harmful substances or enviroments Contact with object, equipment Struck by object or equipment Struck against object or equipment Caught in or compressed by object or equipment Overexertion and bodily reaction Overexertion in lifting or lowering Repetitive motion involving microtasks All other events or exposures	- 200 490 390 3,680 1,100 1,110 1,320 350 8,400 5,610 1,460 1,010 6,320 2,050	.7 - .6 1.6 1.3 12.0 3.6 3.6 4.3 1.1 27.3 18.2 4.7 3.3 20.6 6.7 1.0	1 - 1 8 10 15 15 14 16 6 8 7 9 7 14 10 20 21	200 30 40 130 370 5,000 870 3,190 820 9,420 4,650 1,990 2,290 15,330 3,450 5,130	1.3 .2 .3 .9 2.6 .4 34.5 6.0 22.0 5.6 5.5 65.1 32.1 13.7 15.8 105.9 23.8 35.5 1.2	17 12 13 17 15 6 17 17 18 14 8 11 11 11 11 14 19 15 28 14	

Table 3. Number, incidence rates<sup>1</sup>, and median days<sup>2</sup> of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR)<sup>3</sup> by selected industry<sup>4</sup> and case characteristics of injury or illness, private industry, 2012 — Continued

		ling materia equipment dealers		Air transportation			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Total	17,190	168.7	13	4,500	120.8	10	
Musculoskeletal disorders <sup>5</sup>	8,800	86.3	17	2,470	66.3	13	
Nature of injury or illness: Fractures	520	5.1	39	50	1.3	180	
Sprains, strains, tears		97.1	17	2,640	70.9	13	
Amputations		97.1	''	2,040	'0.3		
Cuts, lacerations, punctures		24.1	8	320	8.6	7	
Cuts, lacerations	,	20.2	8	310	8.3	7	
Punctures (except gunshot wounds)		3.9	4		_ 0.5	_′	
Bruises, contusions		25.5	12	420	11.2	- 8	
Chemical burns and corrosions	· · · · · ·	25.5	12	420	11.2		
Heat (thermal) burns		.2	7	_	_	_	
Multiple traumatic injuries		1.6	11	90	2.5	6	
With sprains and other injuries		.9	8	90	2.5	0	
With fractures and other injuries		.9	0	_	_	_	
•		4.6	6	600		13	
Soreness, pain	-	4.6	0	600	16.1	13	
Carpal tunnel syndrome	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Tendonitis	1.030	10.1	8	380	10.2	8	
All other natures	1,030	10.1	0	360	10.2	0	
Event or exposure leading to injury or illness:							
Violence and other injuries by persons or animal	140	1.4	5	30	.8	21	
Intentional injury by other person	20	.2	4	_	-	_	
Injury by person unintentional or intent unknown	50	.5	9	30	.7	21	
Animal and insect related incidents	70	.7	3	_	_	_	
Transportation incidents	120	1.1	20	40	1.0	24	
Roadway incidents involving motorized land vehicles	30	.3	17	_	_	_	
Falls, slips, trips	1,750	17.1	21	780	20.9	8	
Slips, trips without fall	190	1.8	22	240	6.5	67	
Fall on same level	1,080	10.6	21	460	12.5	8	
Fall to lower level	450	4.4	20	60	1.5	180	
Exposure to harmful substances or environments	80	.7	7	50	1.5	120	
Contact with object, equipment	6,140	60.3	9	1,110	29.9	7	
Struck by object or equipment	4,130	40.5	9	440	11.9	11	
Struck against object or equipment		11.3	9	430	11.6	6	
Caught in or compressed by object or equipment	690	6.7	8	170	4.6	3	
Overexertion and bodily reaction	8,960	87.9	17	2,480	66.5	13	
Overexertion in lifting or lowering	5,100	50.1	15	1,030	27.7	14	
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Repetitive motion involving microtasks	160	1.6	51	60	1.5	7	

Table 3. Number, incidence rates<sup>1</sup>, and median days<sup>2</sup> of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR)<sup>3</sup> by selected industry<sup>4</sup> and case characteristics of injury or illness, private industry, 2012 — Continued

	V	Varehousin and storage	g	Nursing and residential care facilities			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Total	12,720	208.4	13	55,650	229.6	12	
Musculoskeletal disorders <sup>5</sup>	7,050	115.5	14	29,130	120.2	14	
Nature of injury or illness:							
Fractures Sprains, strains, tears Amputations		4.1 116.6 –	43 14 –	750 33,410 –	3.1 137.9 –	30 13 –	
Cuts, lacerations, punctures Cuts, lacerations Punctures (except gunshot wounds) Bruises, contusions Chemical burns and corrosions Heat (thermal) burns	670 110 1,390	12.9 11.0 1.9 22.8 -	9 10 4 11 –	1,760 1,470 300 5,190 30 460	7.3 6.1 1.2 21.4 .1 1.9	7 7 5 8 2 6	
Multiple traumatic injuries With sprains and other injuries With fractures and other injuries Soreness, pain Carpal tunnel syndrome	180 110 20 1,740	2.9 1.9 .3 28.5 .4	12 16 30 13 45	1,430 1,100 100 9,000 50	5.9 4.5 .4 37.2	14 14 25 12 81	
Tendonitis	130	2.2 17.8	14 8	190 3,370	.8 13.9	35 12	
Event or exposure leading to injury or illness:  Violence and other injuries by persons or animal	20	.4	7	8,220	33.9	11	
Intentional injury by other person	- - 20	- - .3	- - 7	3,750 4,340 70	15.5 17.9 .3	9 14 4 9	
Transportation incidents Roadway incidents involving motorized land vehicles Falls, slips, trips Slips, trips without fall Fall on same level	80 1,670 380	8.8 1.4 27.3 6.2 15.2	12 2 16 29 13	290 230 10,180 1,910 7,880	1.2 1.0 42.0 7.9 32.5	11 12 13 12	
Fall to lower level  Exposure to harmful substances or enviroments  Contact with object, equipment	270 80 3,140	4.4 1.4 51.5 27.7	16 5 10	340 700 6,070 3,530	1.4 2.9 25.1 14.6	13 7 9	
Struck by object or equipment Struck against object or equipment Caught in or compressed by object or equipment Overexertion and bodily reaction Overexertion in lifting or lowering	730 570 7,150	12.0 9.4 117.2 51.0	10 10 10 14 14	3,530 1,570 670 29,640 6.840	14.6 6.5 2.8 122.3 28.2	9 10 14 14	
Repetitive motion involving microtasks All other events or exposures	520	8.5 1.8	16 10	460 530	1.9 2.2	16 12	

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		Specialty trade contractors	•	Food manufacturing			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Part of body affected by the injury or illness:  Head Eye(s) Neck Trunk Back Upper extremities Shoulder Arm Wrist Hand Lower extremities Knee Ankle Foot Body systems	780 290 180 4,150 3,450 9,340 1,450 1,340 750 5,430 4,130 1,430 890 1,080	2.5 .9 .6 13.5 11.2 30.4 4.7 4.3 2.4 17.7 13.4 4.6 2.9 3.5	4 2 8 11 10 9 20 7 12 7 14 15 8 14 3	660 250 230 6,260 4,890 18,070 2,820 2,780 2,780 4,410 4,150 1,630 970 70	4.6 1.7 1.6 43.2 33.8 124.8 19.5 15.5 19.2 58.1 28.7 11.2 5.5 6.7	5 3 14 14 14 16 24 15 21 13 14 16 10	
Multiple All other parts of body	940 90	3.1 .3	15 11	1,700 150	11.7 1.0	17 13	

Table 3. Number, incidence rates  $^1$ , and median days  $^2$  of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR)  $^3$  by selected industry  $^4$  and case characteristics of injury or illness, private industry, 2012 — Continued

		ling materia equipment dealers		Air transportation			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Part of body affected by the injury or illness:							
Head	640	6.2	5	440	11.9	6	
Eye(s)		1.1	2	60	1.6	2	
Neck	260	2.5	18	70	1.8	13	
Trunk	5,570	54.6	14	1.350	36.2	10	
Back	4,780	46.9	14	1,060	28.5	13	
Upper extremities	7,000	68.7	13	1,650	44.3	15	
Shoulder	1,660	16.3	28	490	13.1	15	
Arm	1,120	11.0	18	450	12.0	41	
Wrist	980	9.6	16	110	2.9	90	
Hand	3,120	30.6	9	570	15.3	9	
Lower extremities	3,440	33.7	14	770	20.6	10	
Knee	1,220	12.0	26	440	11.8	9	
Ankle	560	5.4	12	140	3.7	13	
Foot	1,240	12.2	11	100	2.8	11	
Body systems		-	-	_	-	_	
Multiple	290	2.8	21	200	5.4	17	
All other parts of body	_	-	-	_	-	-	

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	V	Varehousin and storage	g	Nursing and residential care facilities			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
art of body affected by the injury or illness:	320	F 2	7	000	4.4	5	
Head	120	5.3 2.0	2	990 220	4.1	5	
Eye(s) Neck	220	3.6	8	1.010	4.2	10	
Trunk	4,250	69.7	13	20.360	84.0	10	
	3,590	58.9	13	17,560	72.4	13	
Back	4,640	76.0	14	18,760	77.4	12	
Upper extremities	1.360	22.2	16	5.350	22.1	15	
Arm	780	12.8	14	2,460	10.1	13	
Wrist	770	12.7	16	4.060	16.7	13	
Hand	1.470	24.1	10	4,920	20.3	9	
Lower extremities	2,480	40.5	14	8,410	34.7	12	
Knee	620	10.2	14	3.940	16.3	13	
Ankle	750	12.3	28	1.630	6.7	11	
Foot	690	11.2	14	1,490	6.1	8	
Body systems	40	.6	2	40	2	5	
Multiple	750	12.4	12	5,700	23.5	14	
All other parts of body	20	.4	60	380	1.6	18	

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	Specialty trade contractors			Food manufacturing			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Source of injury or illness:  Chemicals and chemical products  Containers  Furniture and fixtures  Machinery  Parts and materials  Person, injured or ill worker  Worker motion or position  Person, other than injured or ill worker  Floors, walkways, ground surfaces  Handtools  Ladder  Vehicles  Trucks  Cart, dolly, hand truck nonpowered	960 590 1,170 4,910 2,910 2,880 20 1,430 3,020 870 990 230	0.4 3.1 1.9 3.8 16.0 9.5 9.4 .1 4.7 9.8 2.8 3.2 .7	14 8 7 7 10 15 14 5 15 7 12 14 21	330 5,510 610 3,270 1,840 8,170 60 3,470 2,640 340 1,630 290 360	2.3 38.0 4.2 22.6 12.7 56.4 55.9 .4 24.0 18.2 2.3 11.3 2.0 2.5	11 14 13 14 13 21 21 13 18 10 12 14 33	
All other sources	2,710	8.8	8	3,410	23.5	16	

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	Building material and garden equipment supplies dealers			Air transportation			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Source of injury or illness:							
Chemicals and chemical products		0.3	42	- -			
Containers	3,910		19	1,870	50.4	10	
Furniture and fixtures	1,220	12.0	18	50	1.2	15	
Machinery	1,540	15.2	18	160	4.3	30	
Parts and materials	3,510	34.4	9	240	6.4	24	
Person, injured or ill worker	,	14.9	19	580	15.6	15	
Worker motion or position		14.7	20	580	15.6	15	
Person, other than injured or ill worker		.5	14	60	1.7	25	
Floors, walkways, ground surfaces		10.1	16	520	14.0	8	
Handtools	1,060	10.4	8	40	1.1	1	
Ladder	350	3.4	21	20	.6	8	
Vehicles	1,290	12.7	13	620	16.8	5	
Trucks	170	1.7	18	50	1.3	9	
Cart, dolly, hand truck nonpowered		3.9	10	180	4.8	11	
All other sources	1,670	16.4	10	320	8.5	20	

Table 3. Number, incidence rates1, and median days2 of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR)<sup>3</sup> by selected industry<sup>4</sup> and case characteristics of injury or illness, private industry, 2012 — Continued

	V	Varehousin and storage	g	Nursing and residential care facilities			
Case characteristic	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Incidence rate	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Source of injury or illness: Chemicals and chemical products Containers Furniture and fixtures Machinery	5,010	0.4 82.1 9.0 6.1	1 14 10 14	130 2,580 2,610 840	1	10 13 12 11	
Parts and materials Person, injured or ill worker	2,230	14.7 36.5	12 18	550 5,270		11 13	
Worker motion or position Person, other than injured or ill worker Floors, walkways, ground surfaces Handtools	990	36.2 - 16.3 5.4	18 - 14 9	5,200 29,130 7,460 860	120.2	13 13 12	
LadderVehicles	50 1,460 110	.8 24.0 1.9	24 9 10	130 970 –	.5 4.0 –	14 12 –	
Cart, dolly, hand truck nonpowered	230 790	3.8 13.0	7 13	560 5,140	2.3 21.2	14 10	

<sup>1</sup> Incidence rates represent the number of injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time workers and were calculated as: (N/EH) x 20,000,000 where

= number of injuries and illnesses EΗ

= total hours worked by all employees

during the calendar year

20,000,000 = base for 10,000 equivalent full-time workers

(working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year)

Note: Dash indicates data do not meet publication guidelines. Because of rounding and data exclusion of nonclassifiable responses, data may not sum to the totals.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses in cooperation with participating State agencies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Median days of job transfer or restriction is the measure used to summarize the varying lengths of job transfer or restriction from work among the cases with days of job transfer or restriction. Half the cases involved more days and half involved less days than a specified median. Median days of job transfer or restriction are represented in actual values.

 <sup>3</sup> Includes only cases involving days of job transfer or restriction.
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Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) include cases where the nature of the injury or illness is pinched nerve; herniated disc; meniscus tear; sprains, strains, tears; hernia (traumatic and nontraumatic); pain, swelling, and numbness; carpal or tarsal tunnel syndrome; Raynaud's syndrome or phenomenon; musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders, when the event or exposure leading to the injury or illness is overexertion and bodily reaction, unspecified; overexertion involving outside sources; repetitive motion involving microtasks; other and multiple exertions or bodily reactions; and rubbed, abraded, or jarred by vibration

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	Spec tra contra	de	Fo manufa	od acturing	garden e	aterial and quipment dealers
Worker characteristic	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction
Total	19,710	10	31,290	15	17,190	13
Gender:         Male         Female         Not reported    Age:4 16 - 19	19,330 350 30 310	10 14 22	20,130 11,100 50	14 19 1	12,220 4,970 - 480	11 21 -
20 - 24 25 - 34 35 - 44 45 - 54 55 - 64 65 and over	2,250 5,040 5,280 4,600 1,850	7 10 12 14 9 6	3,640 8,000 7,420 7,320 3,360 490	12 13 16 18 20	2,810 3,960 3,210 3,820 2,330 570	9 13 15 14 20 20
Not reported	9,150 4,670 470	12 10 11 7	8,760 9,470 3,500	20 14 14 15	2,160 590 200	7 8 10
Asian only	40 70 20 - - 5,270	4 36 10 - - 10	1,050 70 250 40 40 8,110	18 18 26 8 14 16	20 20 - - - 14,200	7 18 - - - 16

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	Air transportation			ousing nd age	Nursing and residential care facilities	
Worker characteristic	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction
Total	4,500	10	12,720	13	55,650	12
Gender:         Male       Female         Female       Not reported     Age:4  16 - 19 20 - 24 25 - 34 35 - 44 45 - 54 55 - 64 65 and over	3,230 1,260 - 340 880 1,190 1,270 680 70	10 9 - 11 9 7 9 20 20 27	9,210 3,510 - 300 1,890 3,610 3,020 2,430 1,140 100 230	13 12 - 11 10 12 14 12 20 16 27	7,030 48,570 50 1,750 8,810 14,260 11,360 11,340 6,260 900 970	12 12 29 10 11 12 12 13 14 15
Not reported  Race or ethnic origin:5 White only	230 30 30 20 - -	7 5 24 92 - - - 10	3,750 1,570 1,150 70 20 30 - - 6,140	12 12 11 13 10 24 - - 14	23,870 4,490 10,120 960 210 280 40 20 15,660	12 14 10 10 16 17 13 17

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	Specialty trade contractors		Food manufacturing		Building material and garden equipment supplies dealers	
Worker characteristic		Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction
Length of service with employer:						
Less than 3 months	2.960	10	4.080	10	1.420	12
3 - 11 months	3,960	11	6,280	14	3,250	12
1 - 5 years	6,440	9	10,240	16	5,810	13
More than 5 years	6,190	10	10,300	17	6,670	14
Not reported	170	14	390	20	50	8
Summary occupational groups:6						
Management, business, and financial occupations	290	30	200	15	120	37
Computer, engineering, and science occupations	140	4	90	15		_
Education, legal, community service, arts, and media						
occupations	_	_	_	_	70	16
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	_	_	_	_	_	_
Service occupations	130	4	1,320	14	230	7
Sales and related occupations	70	12	120	8	11,020	15
Office and administrative support occupations	130	11	520	16	1,640	14
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	_	_	240	15	60	38
Construction and extraction occupations	14,710	10	140	12	140	10
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	3,030	7	2,320	16	260	4
Production occupations	530	7	18,560	16	320	4
Transportation and material moving occupations	660	15	7,740	14	3,330	10

Table 4. Number and median days1 of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR)<sup>2</sup> by selected industry<sup>3</sup> and worker characteristics, private industry, 2012 — Continued

Worker characteristic		Air transportation		Warehousing and storage		Nursing and residential care facilities	
		Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	Number	Median days of job transfer or restriction	
Length of service with employer: Less than 3 months 3 - 11 months 1 - 5 years More than 5 years Not reported	120 300 1,070 2,940 70	21 11 9 10 6	1,640 2,320 3,830 4,640 290	10 13 13 14 15	5,400 14,320 21,990 13,220 740		
Summary occupational groups: <sup>6</sup> Management, business, and financial occupations	90	13 -	90	8 -	1,640 -	14 -	
occupations	- - 40	- - 7 -	– – 130 160	- - 13 55	2,140 6,520 43,110 –	11 12 12 -	
Office and administrative support occupations	3,230 - - 460	10 - - 12	2,930 - - - 320	13 - - 14	530 - 30 840	10 - 20 12	
Production occupations	670	- 8	430 8,620	12 13	590 190	14 10	

<sup>1</sup> Median days of job transfer or restriction is the measure used to summarize the varying lengths of job transfer or restriction from work among the cases with days of job transfer or restriction. Half the cases involved more days and half involved less days than a specified median. Median days of job transfer or restriction are represented in actual values.

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Includes only cases involving days of job transfer or restriction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Days of job transfer or restriction pilot study. In January of 2012, the BLS Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII) began to collect information on case circumstances and worker characteristics for days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction (DJTR) cases. This supplemental information was part of a pilot study on days of job transfer or restriction. The pilot included six three-digit industries including: Specialty trade contractors; Food manufacturing; Building material and garden equipment supplies dealers; Air transportation; Warehousing and storage; and Nursing and residential care facilities.

Information is not shown separately for injured workers under age 14; they accounted for fewer than 50 cases.
 Race and ethnicity data do not add to total. Some cases may be counted as both Multi-race and Hispanic and other race.
 Standard Occupational Classification Manual, 2010, Office of Management and Budget.

## Technical Notes

Statistics of work-related injuries and illnesses are an important aspect of occupational safety and health. These statistics provide the detailed information needed to make workplaces safer for the nation's workers. Government agencies, and industry, insurance, academic, public health, labor union, and private researchers analyze trends in these data. They also study the detailed circumstances of the injuries and illnesses to assess the overall occupational safety and health of workers and to identify ways to reduce injuries and illnesses, including potential changes in safety and health regulations or programs. Individual establishments compare their rates to those of their industry to benchmark their worker safety and health performance. Other researchers analyze the data to identify particular risks by occupation or event.

The estimates in this report were obtained from the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII), a national

annual survey of over 250,000 private sector establishments that provide a wide range of information on the labor force and occupational injuries and illnesses. National occupational safety and health statistics are a basic measure of the risks the nation's workers and establishments take in producing goods and providing services.

The SOII provides information by industry, worker characteristics, and the circumstances of the injury or illness. The survey estimates injury and illness counts and incidence rates by nature of injury or illness, event or exposure, industry, occupation, gender, and age for the nation and participating states, among other categories. These estimates cover private industry workers.

Six industry sub-sectors were selected for this pilot study. Industry subsectors were selected based on their days of job transfer or restriction incidence rate (and to some degree the number of cases) in years before the pilot study. Some industries were selected if the days of job transfer or restriction incidence rate was greater than

Table A

Occupational injuries and illnesses incidence rates per 100 full-time workers in selected industry subsectors, by days away from work (DAFW) and days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR) case types, 2003–2008

Industry subsector	NAICS	Case type	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Specialty trade contractors	238	DAFW	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.9
		DJTR	1.1	1	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.8
Food manufacturing	311	DAFW	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4
		DJTR	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.2	2.8	2.6
Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers	444	DAFW	2	2.3	2.1	2	1.7	1.5
		DJTR	1.4	2	1.8	2.3	2.2	2.1
Air transportation	481	DAFW	5.8	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.2	4.7
		DJTR	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1
Warehousing and storage	493	DAFW	3	2.8	2.2	2.2	2.1	2
		DJTR	4.4	3	3.2	3.4	3.3	2.9
Nursing and residential care facilities	622	DAFW	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.5
	023	DJTR	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

or equal to the days away from work incidence rate in the respective industry. (See table A.) For example, the 2008 rate for cases of days of job transfer or restriction was greater or equal to the rate for days-away-from-work cases in food manufacturing, building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers, warehousing and storage, and residential care and nursing facilities. Specialty trade contractors and air transportation were selected to provide contrast in the data for which the rates for job transfer or restriction cases were lower than the rates for days-away-from-work cases.

#### Concepts and definitions

The principal concepts and definitions used in connection with BLS occupational safety and health data in this report are described briefly below. In fact, many of the concepts originate from the Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and are used for the BLS Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII). OSHA requires high-risk industries to record injuries and illnesses each year according to OSHA recordkeeping guidelines <a href="http://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/index.html">http://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/index.html</a>. Employers in other industries are required to record injuries and illnesses when the Department of Labor notifies them to do so. BLS collects data from a sample that includes employers from both to provide estimates on occupational injuries and illnesses in the workplace.

*Recordable case.* Nonfatal recordable workplace injuries and illnesses are those that result in any one or more of the following:

- Loss of consciousness
- · Days away from work
- · Restricted work activity or job transfer
- · Medical treatment beyond first aid

In addition to these four criteria, employers must also record any significant work-related injuries or illnesses that are diagnosed by a physician or other licensed health care professional or other instances that meet additional criteria discussed below. Significant workrelated injuries or illnesses include cancers, chronic irreversible diseases, fractured or cracked bones (including teeth), or punctured eardrums. Additional cases that must be recorded as workplace injuries or illnesses include the following:

- Any needlestick injury or cut from a sharp object that is contaminated with another person's blood or other potentially infectious material
- Any case requiring an employee to be medically removed under the requirements of an OSHA health standard
- Tuberculosis infection as evidenced by a positive skin test or diagnosis by a physician or other licensed health care professional after exposure to a known case of active tuberculosis
- An employee's hearing test (audiogram) reveals that the employee has experienced a Standard Threshold Shift (STS) in hearing in one or both ears (averaged at 2kHz, 3kHz, and 4kHz) and 2) the employee's total hearing level is 25 decibels (dB) or more above audiometric zero (also averaged at 2kHz, 3kHz, and 4kHz) in the same ear(s) as the STS.

Additional details regarding recordability of nonfatal work-related injuries and illnesses can be found in the <u>OSHA</u>
<u>Recordkeeping Handbook</u>.

Occupational injury is any injury, such as a cut, fracture, sprain, or amputation that results from a work-related incident or from a single instantaneous exposure in the work environment.

Occupational illness is any abnormal condition or disorder caused by exposure to factors associated with employment, other than those resulting from an instantaneous event or exposure. It includes acute and chronic illnesses or diseases that may be caused by inhalation, absorption, ingestion, or direct contact.

Days away from work (DAFW). Cases for which employees used days away from work (beyond the day of injury

or onset of illness) to recover from an occupational injury or illness. The number of days away from work is determined by the number of calendar days, after the date of the injury or illness, before an employee returns to work. These cases may also include days of job transfer or restricted work activity in addition to days away from work. For example, an employee suffers a work-related injury resulting in 5 days away from work and upon returning to work, the employee is unable to perform normal duties associated with the job for an additional 3 days (i.e., the employee was on restricted work activity). This case would be recorded as a days-away-from work case with 5 days away from work and 3 days of restricted work activity.

Days of job transfer or restriction (DJTR). Days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases are those which result only in job transfer or restricted work activity. This occurs when, as the result of a work-related injury or illness, an employer keeps or health care professional recommends keeping an employee from doing the routine functions of his or her job or from working the full workday that the employee would have been scheduled to work before the injury or illness occurred. This may include the following instances:

- An employee is assigned to another job on a temporary basis
- An employee works at a permanent job less than full time
- An employee works at a permanently assigned job but is unable to perform all duties normally connected with it

*Days-away-from-work, restriction, job transfer (DART).* These are cases that involve days away from work (beyond the day of injury or onset of illness), or days of job transfer or restricted work activity, or both.

Case circumstances. Employers record narrative descriptions about the detailed circumstances of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses cases involving days away from work on OSHA case forms. This information

is then recorded on the SOII. The narrative descriptions are then coded using definitions and rules of selection stipulated in the *BLS Occupational Injury and Illness Classification System (OIICS)* manual (<a href="http://www.bls.gov/iif/oshoiics.htm">http://www.bls.gov/iif/oshoiics.htm</a>). The following case circumstances describe these injuries and illnesses from different perspectives.

*Nature of injury or illness* names the principal physical characteristic of a disabling condition, such as sprain/strain, cut/laceration, or carpal tunnel syndrome.

*Part of body affected* is directly linked to the nature of injury or illness cited, for example, back sprain, finger cut, or wrist and carpal tunnel syndrome.

Source and secondary source of injury or illness identify the objects, substances, equipment, and other factors that were responsible for the injury or illness incurred by the worker or that precipitated the event or exposure. Examples are a heavy box, a toxic substance, fire/flame, and bodily motion of injured or ill worker.

Event or exposure signifies the manner in which the injury or illness was produced or inflicted, for example, overexertion while lifting or fall from ladder.

Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) include cases for which the nature of the injury or illness is pinched nerve; herniated disc; meniscus tear; sprains, strains, tears; hernia (traumatic and non-traumatic); pain, swelling, and numbness; carpal or tarsal tunnel syndrome; Raynaud's syndrome or phenomenon; musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders, when the event or exposure leading to the injury or illness is overexertion and bodily reaction, unspecified; overexertion involving outside sources; repetitive motion involving microtasks; other and multiple exertions or bodily reactions; and rubbed, abraded, or jarred by vibration.

Other circumstances include

- · Day of the week the incident occurred
- · Time of day the incident occurred
- · Hours of work before the incident occurred

Median days away from work is the measure used to summarize the varying lengths of absences from work among the cases with days away from work. Half the cases involved more days and half involved less days than a specified median.

Median days of job transfer or restriction is the measure used to summarize the varying number of days in job transfer or restriction. Half the cases involved more days and half involved less days than a specified median.

OSHA recordkeeping change. Effective January 1, 2002, OSHA revised its requirements for recording occupational injuries and illnesses. Details about the revised requirements, including a summary of the revisions and a comparison between the old and new requirements, are available at <a href="http://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/index.html">http://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/index.html</a> or from OSHA's Office of Public Affairs at 202-693-1999.

Duration of this study. This pilot study will continue with data collection and dissemination for 2013. Additional details about the survey methodology can be found in the Occupational Safety and Health Statistics chapter of the BLS Handbook of Methods: <a href="www.bls.gov/opub/hom/homch9.htm">www.bls.gov/opub/hom/homch9.htm</a>.

This report does not present all the publishable estimates and rates for days-of-job-transfer-or-restriction cases. Additional detailed data and charts are available from BLS staff at (202) 691-6170, <u>iifstaff@bls.gov</u>, and the BLS Internet site: www.bls.gov/iif/oshcdnew.htm.

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