

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, Vermont, 2002

Part of body	Number	Median days away from work	Incidence rate	Relative standard error
Total	2,438	7	122.5	5.9
1 Neck, Including Throat	--	--	--	--
10 Neck, except internal location of diseases or disorders	--	--	--	--
2 Trunk	1,821	7	91.5	6.2
21 Shoulder, including clavicle, scapula	318	7	16.0	10.5
22 Chest, including ribs, internal organs	--	--	--	--
220 Chest, except internal location of diseases or disorders	--	--	--	--
23 Back, including spine, spinal cord	1,441	7	72.5	6.5
230 Back, including spine, spinal cord, unspecified	--	--	--	--
231 Lumbar region	1,438	7	72.3	6.5
232 Thoracic region	--	--	--	--
24 Abdomen	58	28	2.9	22.3
240 Abdomen, except internal location of diseases or disorders	8	2	0.4	57.2
241 Internal abdominal location, unspecified	--	--	--	--
245 Intestines, peritoneum	45	35	2.3	25.1
2450 Intestines, peritoneum, unspecified	45	35	2.3	25.1
25 Pelvic region	--	--	--	--
250 Pelvic region, unspecified	--	--	--	--
3 Upper extremities	451	9	22.7	9.2
31 Arm(s)	72	8	3.6	20.1
311 Upper arm(s)	--	--	--	--
312 Elbow(s)	37	5	1.9	27.6
313 Forearm(s)	8	3	0.4	59.2
318 Multiple arm(s) locations	26	16	1.3	32.8
32 Wrist(s)	340	10	17.1	10.2
33 Hand(s), except finger(s)	10	42	0.5	51.4
34 Finger(s), fingernail(s)	26	4	1.3	32.8
38 Multiple upper extremities locations	--	--	--	--
381 Hand(s) and finger(s)	--	--	--	--
383 Hand(s) and arm(s)	--	--	--	--
4 Lower extremities	149	7	7.5	14.4
41 Leg(s)	117	7	5.9	16.1
412 Knee(s)	117	7	5.9	16.1
42 Ankle(s)	32	4	1.6	29.5
8 Multiple Body Parts	16	5	0.8	42.2

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 that result in days away from work with or without job transfer or restriction.

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, March 08, 2005