

**Table 1. Number, median days, incidence rate<sup>1</sup> and relative standard errors of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses with days away from work<sup>2</sup> involving musculoskeletal disorders<sup>3</sup> by nature of injury or illness, Florida, 2000**

Nature	Number	Median days away from work	Incidence rate	Relative standard error
Total	27,299	6	55.2	3.7
02 Traumatic injuries to muscles, tendons, ligaments, joints, etc.	24,011	5	48.5	3.7
021 Sprains, strains, tears	24,011	5	48.5	3.7
09 Other traumatic injuries and disorders	1,019	7	2.1	9.3
097 Nonspecified injuries and disorders	1,019	7	2.1	9.3
0972 Back pain, hurt back	379	3	--	14.6
0973 Soreness, pain, hurt, except the back	640	19	1.3	11.4
12 Nervous system and sense organs diseases	610	15	1.2	11.7
124 Disorders of the peripheral nervous system	610	15	1.2	11.7
1241 Carpal tunnel syndrome	610	15	1.2	11.7
15 Digestive system diseases and disorders	1,120	16	2.3	8.9
153 Hernia	1,120	16	2.3	8.9
1530 Hernia, unspecified	306	16	--	16.1
1531 Inguinal hernia	717	21	1.5	10.8
1532 Hiatal hernia	79	14	--	31.2
1533 Ventral hernia	--	--	--	--
1539 Hernia, n.e.c.	--	--	--	--
17 Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders	539	14	1.1	12.4
170 Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders, unspecified	--	--	--	--
173 Rheumatism, except the back	538	14	1.1	12.4
1731 Bursitis	--	--	--	--
1733 Tendonitis	481	14	--	13.0
1735 Ganglion/cystic tumor	--	--	--	--
1739 Rheumatism, except the back, n.e.c.	--	--	--	--

<sup>1</sup> 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).

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

<sup>3</sup> 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 15, 2003