

**Table 2. 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 selected parts of body, Massachusetts, 2000**

Part of body	Number	Median days away from work	Incidence rate	Relative standard error
Total	20,140	6	84.2	6.2
1 Neck, Including Throat	878	36	3.7	10.2
10 Neck, except internal location of diseases or disorders	878	36	3.7	10.2
2 Trunk	15,228	5	63.6	6.3
20 Trunk, unspecified	--	--	--	--
21 Shoulder, including clavicle, scapula	3,032	6	12.7	7.4
22 Chest, including ribs, internal organs	164	5	0.7	20.0
220 Chest, except internal location of diseases or disorders	162	5	0.7	20.1
229 Internal chest location, n.e.c.	--	--	--	--
23 Back, including spine, spinal cord	10,566	5	44.2	6.4
230 Back, including spine, spinal cord, unspecified	4,484	6	18.7	7.0
231 Lumbar region	5,347	5	22.4	6.8
232 Thoracic region	423	3	1.8	13.3
233 Sacral region	147	16	0.6	21.0
234 Coccygeal region	--	--	--	--
238 Multiple back regions	71	5	0.3	29.6
239 Back, including spine, spinal cord, n.e.c.	86	3	0.4	27.1
24 Abdomen	760	27	3.2	10.7
240 Abdomen, except internal location of diseases or disorders	105	4	0.4	24.6
241 Internal abdominal location, unspecified	231	26	1.0	17.2
242 Stomach organ	--	--	--	--
245 Intestines, peritoneum	421	28	1.8	13.3
2450 Intestines, peritoneum, unspecified	421	28	1.8	13.3
25 Pelvic region	415	5	1.7	13.4
250 Pelvic region, unspecified	--	--	--	--
251 Hip(s)	--	--	--	--
253 Buttock(s)	--	--	--	--
254 Groin	365	5	1.5	14.1
255 External reproductive tract structures	--	--	--	--
2551 Scrotum	--	--	--	--
258 Multiple pelvic region locations	--	--	--	--
28 Multiple trunk locations	259	9	1.1	16.3
3 Upper extremities	2,171	9	9.1	8.0
30 Upper extremities, unspecified	--	--	--	--
31 Arm(s)	759	6	3.2	10.7
310 Arm(s), unspecified	343	3	1.4	14.5
311 Upper arm(s)	55	60	0.2	33.4
312 Elbow(s)	223	14	0.9	17.5
313 Forearm(s)	--	--	--	--
318 Multiple arm(s) locations	17	53	0.1	58.9
319 Arm(s), n.e.c.	83	4	0.4	27.5
32 Wrist(s)	1,057	15	4.4	9.6
33 Hand(s), except finger(s)	189	6	0.8	18.8
34 Finger(s), fingernail(s)	131	12	0.6	22.2
38 Multiple upper extremities locations	--	--	--	--
381 Hand(s) and finger(s)	--	--	--	--
382 Hand(s) and wrist(s)	--	--	--	--
383 Hand(s) and arm(s)	--	--	--	--
389 Multiple upper extremities locations, n.e.c.	--	--	--	--
4 Lower extremities	1,477	11	6.2	8.7
41 Leg(s)	1,202	15	5.0	9.2

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410	Leg(s), unspecified	153	5	0.6	20.7
411	Thigh(s)	--	--	--	--
412	Knee(s)	958	16	4.0	9.9
413	Lower leg(s)	--	--	--	--
418	Multiple leg(s) locations	--	--	--	--
419	Leg(s), n.e.c.	--	--	--	--
42	Ankle(s)	196	2	0.8	18.5
43	Foot(feet), except toe(s)	77	18	0.3	28.6
430	Foot(feet), except toe(s), unspecified	77	18	0.3	28.6
44	Toe(s), toenail(s)	--	--	--	--
8	Multiple Body Parts	320	11	1.3	14.9
9	Other Body Parts	67	34	0.3	30.5
99	Other body parts, n.e.c.	67	34	0.3	30.5
999	Other body parts, n.e.c.	67	34	0.3	30.5
9999	Nonclassifiable	67	34	0.3	30.5

<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,

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 08, 2003