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<b>Total local government</b> .....	206,580	100.0	9	83,700	100.0	6	122,670	100.0	10
<b>Occupation:</b>									
Management, Business, and Financial Occupations .....	3,610	1.7	5	2,290	2.7	4	1,240	1.0	7
Professional and Related Occupations .....	42,150	20.4	5	33,490	40.0	5	8,650	7.1	6
Service Occupations .....	102,240	49.5	10	32,110	38.4	9	70,110	57.2	11
Sales and Related Occupations .....	200	.1	7	160	.2	7	40	( <sup>3</sup> )	1
Office and Administrative Support Occupations .....	10,200	4.9	6	8,140	9.7	5	2,050	1.7	10
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations .....	70	( <sup>3</sup> )	4	—	—	—	70	.1	4
Construction and Extraction Occupations .....	11,350	5.5	13	340	.4	6	11,010	9.0	13
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations .....	10,630	5.1	9	400	.5	10	10,240	8.3	9
Production Occupations .....	3,920	1.9	10	420	.5	8	3,500	2.9	11
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations .....	21,760	10.5	12	6,240	7.5	11	15,500	12.6	12
<b>Age:</b>									
14 - 15 .....	40	( <sup>3</sup> )	3	—	—	—	30	( <sup>3</sup> )	3
16 - 19 .....	1,260	.6	4	460	.5	5	800	.7	4
20 - 24 .....	8,420	4.1	4	2,790	3.3	4	5,630	4.6	4
25 - 34 .....	37,600	18.2	8	12,010	14.3	5	25,590	20.9	9
35 - 44 .....	55,090	26.7	9	19,560	23.4	6	35,530	29.0	10
45 - 54 .....	59,460	28.8	9	25,840	30.9	6	33,620	27.4	13
55 - 64 .....	35,430	17.2	11	18,280	21.8	10	17,140	14.0	11
65 and over .....	6,260	3.0	14	3,540	4.2	20	2,720	2.2	14
Not reported .....	3,030	1.5	8	1,220	1.5	3	1,610	1.3	18
<b>Race or ethnic origin:</b>									
White only .....	84,660	41.0	7	35,070	41.9	5	49,580	40.4	8
Hispanic or Latino only .....	12,510	6.1	10	4,520	5.4	7	7,990	6.5	11
Black only .....	13,090	6.3	7	6,290	7.5	6	6,800	5.5	8
Asian only .....	800	.4	13	390	.5	6	410	.3	20
American Indian or Alaskan Native only .....	820	.4	5	300	.4	7	530	.4	5
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander only .....	280	.1	19	90	.1	63	190	.2	19
Multi-race .....	100	( <sup>3</sup> )	4	40	( <sup>3</sup> )	4	60	( <sup>3</sup> )	7
Hispanic or Latino and other race .....	40	( <sup>3</sup> )	6	—	—	—	20	( <sup>3</sup> )	3
Not reported .....	94,270	45.6	10	36,990	44.2	7	57,080	46.5	12
<b>Length of service with employer:</b>									
Less than 3 months .....	5,990	2.9	7	2,840	3.4	7	3,140	2.6	7
3 - 11 months .....	16,800	8.1	5	7,670	9.2	5	9,130	7.4	6
1 - 5 years .....	57,280	27.7	7	24,310	29.0	5	32,940	26.9	9
More than 5 years .....	123,970	60.0	10	47,640	56.9	7	76,330	62.2	11
Not reported .....	2,530	1.2	18	1,240	1.5	18	1,130	.9	20
<b>Day of week:</b>									
Sunday .....	9,490	4.6	9	2,570	3.1	5	6,900	5.6	10
Monday .....	38,670	18.7	9	15,610	18.6	7	22,950	18.7	10
Tuesday .....	40,200	19.5	8	15,840	18.9	6	24,340	19.8	10
Wednesday .....	38,210	18.5	8	17,260	20.6	6	20,930	17.1	11
Thursday .....	34,710	16.8	7	15,240	18.2	5	19,450	15.9	8
Friday .....	34,230	16.6	11	13,600	16.2	9	20,610	16.8	14
Saturday .....	11,070	5.4	10	3,570	4.3	7	7,490	6.1	11
<b>Time of event:</b>									
12:01 A.M. to 4:00 A.M. ....	6,300	3.0	10	1,150	1.4	10	5,150	4.2	11
4:01 A.M. to 8:00 A.M. ....	19,750	9.6	9	8,870	10.6	7	10,870	8.9	9
8:01 A.M. to 12:00 noon .....	69,330	33.6	8	29,060	34.7	6	40,270	32.8	9

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<b>Time of event: - continued</b>									
12:01 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. ....	48,330	23.4	7	22,480	26.9	5	25,850	21.1	10
4:01 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. ....	21,700	10.5	11	8,170	9.8	11	13,530	11.0	11
8:01 P.M. to 12:00 midnight .....	10,620	5.1	13	3,130	3.7	12	7,490	6.1	13
Not reported .....	30,540	14.8	11	10,850	13.0	7	19,500	15.9	14
<b>Hours on the job before event occurred:</b>									
Before shift began .....	2,150	1.0	6	1,450	1.7	5	700	.6	7
Less than 1 hour .....	20,150	9.8	10	9,670	11.6	8	10,480	8.5	10
1 hour to less than 2 hours .....	20,200	9.8	9	9,470	11.3	7	10,730	8.7	9
2 hours to less than 4 hours .....	43,550	21.1	7	17,850	21.3	5	25,700	21.0	9
4 hours to less than 6 hours .....	32,760	15.9	7	13,290	15.9	5	19,470	15.9	8
6 hours to less than 8 hours .....	28,830	14.0	9	12,340	14.7	6	16,490	13.4	10
8 hours to less than 10 hours .....	13,930	6.7	11	5,130	6.1	9	8,790	7.2	13
10 hours to less than 12 hours .....	3,640	1.8	6	1,080	1.3	6	2,560	2.1	6
12 hours to less than 16 hours .....	3,160	1.5	15	520	.6	9	2,630	2.1	15
More than 16 hours .....	1,240	.6	12	50	.1	2	1,190	1.0	16
Not reported .....	36,970	17.9	11	12,850	15.4	7	23,920	19.5	13
<b>Nature of injury, illness:</b>									
Sprains, strains, tears .....	87,910	42.6	10	32,190	38.5	8	55,690	45.4	12
Fractures .....	13,060	6.3	20	7,070	8.4	21	5,980	4.9	20
Cuts, lacerations, punctures .....	9,290	4.5	5	2,610	3.1	5	6,680	5.4	5
Cuts, lacerations .....	7,750	3.8	5	2,270	2.7	5	5,480	4.5	5
Punctures .....	1,540	.7	5	340	.4	4	1,200	1.0	5
Amputations .....	600	.3	48	30	( <sup>3</sup> )	2	570	.5	48
Bruises, contusions .....	18,490	9.0	4	10,380	12.4	4	8,030	6.5	4
Heat burns, scalds .....	1,910	.9	6	790	.9	2	1,120	.9	9
Chemical burns .....	450	.2	1	270	.3	1	180	.1	2
Carpal tunnel syndrome .....	1,040	.5	25	560	.7	28	480	.4	12
Tendonitis .....	480	.2	41	270	.3	15	210	.2	116
Multiple traumatic injuries and disorders .....	10,760	5.2	11	4,890	5.8	5	5,870	4.8	27
Fractures and burns .....	1,610	.8	27	650	.8	14	950	.8	56
Sprains and bruises .....	4,630	2.2	10	2,000	2.4	4	2,620	2.1	27
Soreness, pain, including back .....	24,550	11.9	7	10,490	12.5	5	14,050	11.5	10
Back pain only .....	6,630	3.2	7	2,300	2.7	6	4,330	3.5	8
All other natures .....	38,030	18.4	6	14,180	16.9	5	23,800	19.4	7
<b>Event or exposure:</b>									
Contact with objects and equipment .....	36,930	17.9	6	12,510	14.9	4	24,410	19.9	7
Struck by object .....	17,910	8.7	5	6,400	7.6	4	11,510	9.4	6
Struck against object .....	11,720	5.7	6	4,160	5.0	4	7,560	6.2	8
Caught in or compressed by equipment or objects .....	3,620	1.8	8	1,090	1.3	5	2,530	2.1	12
Fall to lower level .....	11,580	5.6	10	5,440	6.5	7	6,140	5.0	14
Fall on same level .....	37,960	18.4	10	23,920	28.6	8	14,020	11.4	11
Slip, trip, loss of balance without fall .....	7,650	3.7	10	3,340	4.0	5	4,310	3.5	16
Overexertion .....	38,560	18.7	13	13,690	16.4	11	24,850	20.3	14
Overexertion in lifting .....	19,280	9.3	14	6,270	7.5	12	12,990	10.6	15
Repetitive motion .....	3,500	1.7	14	1,800	2.2	17	1,700	1.4	10
Exposure to harmful substances or environments .....	9,460	4.6	3	3,750	4.5	3	5,670	4.6	4
Transportation incidents .....	14,430	7.0	10	4,080	4.9	5	10,350	8.4	12
Highway Accident .....	11,110	5.4	9	3,430	4.1	5	7,670	6.3	12
Fires and explosions .....	690	.3	14	—	—	—	670	.5	14
Assaults and violent acts .....	13,400	6.5	6	5,920	7.1	5	7,460	6.1	7
By person(s) .....	11,640	5.6	6	5,300	6.3	5	6,320	5.2	7
By animal .....	1,320	.6	3	440	.5	2	870	.7	4

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<b>Event or exposure: - continued</b>									
All other events .....	32,420	15.7	10	9,240	11.0	5	23,080	18.8	11
<b>Part of body affected:</b>									
Head .....	13,030	6.3	3	5,470	6.5	3	7,550	6.2	3
Eye(s) .....	4,060	2.0	2	800	1.0	1	3,260	2.7	2
Neck, including throat .....	3,060	1.5	4	1,400	1.7	2	1,660	1.4	7
Trunk .....	63,510	30.7	10	22,250	26.6	8	41,230	33.6	11
Shoulder, including clavicle, scapula .....	14,810	7.2	18	5,180	6.2	12	9,620	7.8	21
Back, including spine, spinal cord .....	36,030	17.4	8	12,980	15.5	6	23,040	18.8	10
Upper extremities .....	33,170	16.1	8	13,070	15.6	6	20,080	16.4	9
Arm(s) .....	8,870	4.3	12	3,700	4.4	7	5,160	4.2	15
Wrist(s) .....	6,410	3.1	10	3,660	4.4	12	2,750	2.2	9
Hand(s), except finger(s) .....	6,280	3.0	5	1,660	2.0	4	4,620	3.8	5
Finger(s), fingernail(s) .....	9,340	4.5	7	3,040	3.6	5	6,300	5.1	10
Lower extremities .....	54,160	26.2	12	22,190	26.5	8	31,950	26.0	15
Knee(s) .....	23,960	11.6	16	8,040	9.6	11	15,920	13.0	20
Ankle(s) .....	13,030	6.3	9	6,470	7.7	5	6,550	5.3	13
Foot, toe .....	7,000	3.4	6	3,450	4.1	3	3,540	2.9	12
Body systems .....	5,500	2.7	3	2,210	2.6	5	3,270	2.7	3
Multiple body parts .....	32,130	15.6	8	16,500	19.7	6	15,530	12.7	11
All other parts of body .....	2,020	1.0	5	620	.7	2	1,390	1.1	7
<b>Source of injury, illness:</b>									
Chemicals and chemical products .....	2,630	1.3	2	1,380	1.6	2	1,250	1.0	3
Containers .....	12,610	6.1	10	5,000	6.0	9	7,600	6.2	10
Furniture and fixtures .....	7,770	3.8	8	4,120	4.9	5	3,650	3.0	13
Machinery .....	4,620	2.2	8	1,320	1.6	4	3,300	2.7	12
Parts and materials .....	8,440	4.1	10	850	1.0	11	7,580	6.2	10
Floors, walkways, ground surfaces .....	50,310	24.4	10	29,030	34.7	8	21,260	17.3	13
Handtools .....	5,140	2.5	6	1,230	1.5	6	3,910	3.2	8
Vehicles .....	21,910	10.6	10	6,350	7.6	6	15,550	12.7	12
Person, injured or ill worker .....	36,450	17.6	10	12,460	14.9	6	23,950	19.5	11
Bodily motion or position of injured, ill worker .....	34,080	16.5	10	11,880	14.2	6	22,190	18.1	11
Person, other than injured or ill worker .....	23,490	11.4	7	12,140	14.5	6	11,340	9.2	9
Health care patient .....	8,260	4.0	9	4,330	5.2	7	3,930	3.2	13
All other sources .....	33,190	16.1	6	9,830	11.7	4	23,270	19.0	7

<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.

<sup>2</sup> 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 away from work are represented in actual values.

<sup>3</sup> Data too small to be displayed.

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