The rates at which nonfatal injuries and illnesses occurred among both goods-producing industries as a whole and service-providing industries as a whole declined significantly from 2005 to 2006—from 6.2 to 5.9 cases and 4.1 to 3.9 cases per 100 workers, respectively.

Goods-producing industry sectors accounted for 33 percent of all injury and illness cases in 2006, but these sectors made up just over 20 percent of private sector employment. Service-providing industries accounted for roughly two-thirds of injury and illness cases, but represented nearly 80 percent of private industry employment.

Rates and counts declined in 2006 for goods-producing industries, except for the rate and number of job transfer or restriction cases, which remained unchanged.

The service-providing industries’ rates declined for all case types in 2006.