The total recordable case rate of nonfatal injuries and illnesses in 2008 was 3.9 per 100 full-time workers, down from 4.2 in 2007. The total recordable case rate has declined every year since 2003.

The incidence rate of nonfatal injuries and illnesses for each type of case declined from 2007 to 2008, with the exception of cases that involved job transfers or restricted work, which remained unchanged at 0.9 per 100 full-time workers.

The total number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses reported declined from about 4 million cases in 2007 to about 3.7 million cases in 2008, a drop that is reflected in a corresponding decline in the total recordable case rate.