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## Louisiana Employer-Reported Workplace Injuries and Illnesses 2023

**BATON ROUGE, LA** – Private industry employers reported 19.4 thousand nonfatal workplace injuries and illnesses in Louisiana in 2023, previously reported as 21.4 thousand in 2022, according to the most recent Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) survey. This data is an estimate from the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII).

The incidence rate reported for private sector employers in Louisiana in 2023 was 1.4 incidents per 100 full-time equivalent (FTE) workers, down from 1.6 in 2022. The incidence rate of work-related injuries and illnesses among Louisiana's private-sector employers hit a new low in 2023. The national private sector incidence rate was 2.4 for 2023. Louisiana had the lowest incidence rate among 41 participating states, trailing only the District of Columbia for the rate of nonfatal work-related injuries and illnesses.

"As we continue to see workplace safety improve across Louisiana, these results reflect the dedication of our employers and workers to maintaining safe, healthy work environments," said Susana Schowen, Secretary of the Louisiana Workforce Commission. "Achieving the lowest injury and illness incidence rate among the 41 states participating in this survey is an accomplishment, but it also sets a standard for us to uphold. Together, we aim to sustain this progress and strive for even fewer incidents, fostering workplaces where safety is paramount and all employees can thrive."

The state's private-sector incidence rate for multiple private industry sectors:

- Retail Trade- (2022) 2.8 incidents to 1.9 incidents per 100 FTE workers in 2023.
- Manufacturing- (2022) 1.3 incidents to 0.9 incidents per 100 FTE workers in 2023.
- Wholesale Trade – (2022) 1.5 incidents to 1.2 incidents per 100 FTE workers in 2023.
- Accommodation and food services – (2022) 1.8 incidents to 1.5 incidents per 100 FTE workers in 2023.
- Health care and social assistance – (2022) 2.4 incidents to 2.2 incidents per 100 FTE workers in 2023.

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The LWC collects workplace safety data in partnership with BLS and has created a website ([http://www.laworks.net/Downloads/Downloads\\_osh.asp](http://www.laworks.net/Downloads/Downloads_osh.asp)) where current and archived Louisiana-specific information can be downloaded. Additional state and national data is available on the BLS website (<http://www.bls.gov/>) in the section on injuries, illnesses, and fatalities.

### About the Louisiana Workforce Commission

The Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC) is dedicated to empowering Louisiana's workforce by connecting job seekers with employers and providing valuable resources to support career development and economic growth across the state. Through our network of American Job Centers, job fairs, training programs, apprenticeship opportunities, and other specialized services, LWC is committed to building a skilled workforce ready to meet industry needs. For more information, visit [www.laworks.net](http://www.laworks.net).