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## **BLS Releases 2019 State, National Injury/Illness Rates**

South Carolina's on-the-job injury/illness rate for private industry was essentially unchanged at 2.4 injuries/illnesses per 100 full-time equivalent workers in 2019. The U.S. rate for private industry in 2019 was 2.8.

The data comes from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics' (BLS) annual Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses. The state's 2019 estimate for the injury/illness rate for the public sector remains relatively unchanged at 4.0.

Among the private sub-sector industries with the highest non-fatal occupational injury and illness incidence rates for total cases in the state were:

- Hospitals, 4.9
- Nursing and residential care facilities, 4.2
- Primary metal manufacturing, 4.1
- Food manufacturing, 3.9