

BLS Releases 2021 Injury and Illness Data

The United States Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) published the 2021 non-fatal injury and illness data on November 9, 2022. You can view the data at the following link: <https://www.bls.gov/iif/nonfatal-injuries-and-illnesses-tables.htm#summary>

You can now compare your injury and illness rates to the industry average:

1. Calculate your Total Case Incidence Rate (TCIR)
2. Calculate your Days Away, Restricted, and Transferred (DART) rate
3. Know your organization's North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code
4. Open *Table 1 – Incidence Rates – Detailed Industry Level* on the BLS website to see the published 2021 data
5. Compare your TCIR and DART rate against the 2021 industry averages listed in Table 1.



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For more information on how to calculate your TCIR/DART rates, review the SMCX's [Calculating Injury and Illness Incidence Rates](#) one pager.

If you are pursuing OSHA VPP approval, you can only compare your TCIR and DART rate to BLS data published from one of the last three years, meaning 2019, 2020, or 2021. You can no longer use 2018 for comparisons.

For additional information on the SMCX's services, please visit the SMCX-hosted website at: <https://www.smcx.org/>.