

Table 1-2
Absence rates for full-time employees by sex and education attainment, 2008 ¹

	Incidence			Inactivity rate			Days lost per worker in year		
	Total	Illness or disability	Personal or family responsibilities	Total	Illness or disability	Personal or family responsibilities	Total	Illness or disability	Personal or family responsibilities
	percent						days		
Both sexes									
Less than grade 9	9.2	7.1	2.1	5.6	4.8	0.8	14.0	12.1	1.9
Some secondary	10.0	7.3	2.7	5.1	4.2	0.9	12.8	10.5	2.4
High school graduation	8.3	6.0	2.3	4.0	3.2	0.8	9.9	8.0	1.9
Some postsecondary	9.4	6.7	2.6	4.2	3.3	0.9	10.6	8.3	2.2
Postsecondary certificate or diploma	9.0	6.3	2.7	4.3	3.4	0.9	10.7	8.5	2.2
University degree	7.7	5.1	2.6	3.1	2.2	0.9	7.7	5.5	2.2
Males									
Less than grade 9	8.8	6.9	1.9	5.2	4.5	0.6	12.9	11.4	1.5
Some secondary	8.8	6.3	2.5	4.4	3.5	0.9	10.9	8.7	2.2
High school graduation	7.5	5.3	2.2	3.6	2.9	0.8	9.1	7.2	1.9
Some postsecondary	8.1	5.5	2.5	3.6	2.7	0.9	9.0	6.6	2.3
Postsecondary certificate or diploma	7.6	5.1	2.4	3.6	2.8	0.8	9.1	7.0	2.1
University degree	6.4	3.9	2.5	2.6	1.7	0.9	6.5	4.2	2.3
Females									
Less than grade 9	10.0	7.5	2.5	6.5	5.4	1.1	16.3	13.6	2.8
Some secondary	12.2	9.1	3.1	6.8	5.7	1.1	16.9	14.2	2.7
High school graduation	9.4	6.9	2.6	4.4	3.6	0.8	11.0	9.0	2.0
Some postsecondary	11.1	8.4	2.8	5.1	4.3	0.8	12.9	10.8	2.0
Postsecondary certificate or diploma	10.8	7.8	3.0	5.1	4.2	0.9	12.8	10.5	2.3
University degree	9.1	6.4	2.7	3.7	2.8	0.8	9.2	7.1	2.1

1. Excluding maternity leave.