

Table 1-9
Absence rates for full-time employees by sex, public sector 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 ²									
1998	6.8	5.5	1.4	4.0	3.4	0.6	10.0	8.6	1.4
1999	7.4	5.8	1.6	4.2	3.6	0.6	10.6	9.1	1.5
2000	7.8	6.1	1.7	4.1	3.4	0.6	10.2	8.6	1.6
2001	8.3	6.5	1.8	4.3	3.6	0.7	10.8	9.0	1.8
2002	9.5	7.2	2.3	4.7	3.9	0.8	11.9	9.8	2.1
2003	9.1	7.0	2.0	4.6	3.9	0.8	11.6	9.6	2.0
2004	9.4	7.1	2.2	4.8	4.0	0.8	12.0	10.0	2.0
2005	10.1	7.7	2.5	5.0	4.1	0.9	12.5	10.2	2.3
2006	10.3	7.7	2.6	5.2	4.1	1.1	13.0	10.3	2.7
2007	10.6	8.0	2.6	5.1	4.2	0.9	12.8	10.4	2.4
2008	10.7	8.0	2.7	5.3	4.3	1.0	13.3	10.8	2.4
Males									
1998	5.7	4.5	1.2	3.3	2.9	0.4	8.3	7.2	1.1
1999	6.1	4.8	1.3	3.5	3.0	0.4	8.6	7.5	1.1
2000	6.5	5.0	1.4	3.3	2.8	0.5	8.3	7.0	1.3
2001	6.9	5.4	1.5	3.6	3.1	0.5	9.1	7.7	1.4
2002	7.4	5.6	1.9	3.8	3.1	0.7	9.5	7.8	1.7
2003	7.5	5.7	1.8	3.9	3.2	0.7	9.7	8.0	1.7
2004	7.8	5.7	2.1	3.9	3.1	0.8	9.7	7.8	1.9
2005	8.6	6.4	2.2	4.3	3.4	0.8	10.7	8.6	2.1
2006	8.5	6.2	2.3	4.2	3.3	0.9	10.5	8.2	2.4
2007	8.9	6.3	2.6	4.1	3.1	1.0	10.4	7.9	2.5
2008	9.1	6.5	2.6	4.5	3.5	1.0	11.2	8.8	2.5
Females ²									
1998	7.8	6.3	1.5	4.6	3.9	0.7	11.5	9.9	1.7
1999	8.5	6.7	1.8	4.9	4.2	0.7	12.2	10.5	1.8
2000	8.9	7.0	1.9	4.8	4.0	0.7	11.9	10.0	1.9
2001	9.4	7.4	2.0	4.9	4.0	0.8	12.2	10.1	2.1
2002	11.1	8.4	2.7	5.5	4.5	1.0	13.8	11.4	2.4
2003	10.3	8.1	2.2	5.3	4.4	0.9	13.1	11.0	2.2
2004	10.6	8.2	2.4	5.5	4.7	0.8	13.8	11.8	2.0
2005	11.3	8.6	2.7	5.6	4.6	1.0	13.9	11.5	2.5
2006	11.7	8.8	2.9	5.9	4.7	1.2	14.8	11.9	2.9
2007	11.9	9.2	2.7	5.9	4.9	0.9	14.6	12.4	2.3
2008	12.0	9.1	2.9	5.9	5.0	1.0	14.8	12.4	2.4

1. Public sector employees are those working for government departments or agencies, crown corporations, or publicly funded schools, hospitals or other institutions.

2. Data from 1987 to 1996 include maternity leave.