

Table 5-6
Absence rates for full-time employees by sex and occupation — Natural and applied sciences

	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 ¹									
1998	4.5	2.9	1.6	1.9	1.4	0.5	4.7	3.5	1.2
1999	4.9	3.2	1.7	1.9	1.4	0.5	4.7	3.5	1.1
2000	5.3	3.7	1.7	2.0	1.6	0.5	5.1	4.0	1.2
2001	6.0	4.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	0.5	5.8	4.5	1.3
2002	6.7	4.5	2.3	2.5	1.8	0.7	6.3	4.5	1.7
2003	6.5	4.4	2.1	2.5	2.0	0.5	6.2	4.9	1.3
2004	6.7	4.6	2.2	2.5	1.9	0.6	6.3	4.8	1.5
2005	7.4	5.0	2.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	7.2	5.4	1.8
2006	7.3	4.6	2.6	2.7	1.9	0.9	6.8	4.6	2.1
2007	8.0	5.0	2.9	3.0	2.1	0.9	7.4	5.2	2.2
2008	8.1	4.9	3.1	3.1	2.0	1.1	7.8	5.1	2.7
Males									
1998	4.2	2.7	1.5	1.8	1.3	0.5	4.4	3.3	1.1
1999	4.6	3.0	1.6	1.7	1.3	0.4	4.4	3.2	1.1
2000	4.8	3.3	1.6	1.8	1.4	0.5	4.6	3.4	1.1
2001	5.4	3.8	1.6	2.0	1.6	0.4	5.1	4.0	1.1
2002	6.1	4.0	2.1	2.3	1.6	0.7	5.7	4.0	1.7
2003	5.9	3.9	2.0	2.2	1.7	0.5	5.6	4.3	1.3
2004	6.4	4.3	2.1	2.4	1.8	0.6	6.0	4.5	1.5
2005	7.0	4.6	2.4	2.8	2.0	0.8	6.9	5.1	1.9
2006	6.7	4.2	2.5	2.5	1.7	0.9	6.3	4.2	2.2
2007	7.2	4.3	2.9	2.6	1.7	0.9	6.6	4.2	2.4
2008	7.3	4.2	3.1	2.9	1.7	1.1	7.2	4.3	2.8
Females ¹									
1998	5.9	3.9	2.0	2.4	1.7	0.7	6.0	4.2	1.7
1999	6.3	4.3	2.0	2.4	1.9	0.5	6.0	4.6	1.3
2000	7.2	5.2	2.0	2.9	2.4	0.5	7.2	6.0	1.2
2001	8.2	6.3	1.9	3.4	2.7	0.8	8.6	6.7	1.9
2002	9.0	6.3	2.7	3.4	2.6	0.8	8.4	6.5	1.9
2003	8.4	6.1	2.3	3.4	2.8	0.6	8.5	6.9	1.6
2004	8.0	5.5	2.5	3.1	2.4	0.7	7.6	5.9	1.7
2005	9.2	6.6	2.6	3.3	2.7	0.6	8.3	6.7	1.6
2006	9.2	6.2	3.0	3.4	2.5	0.8	8.4	6.4	2.0
2007	10.7	7.5	3.2	4.2	3.5	0.7	10.5	8.6	1.9
2008	10.8	7.4	3.4	4.0	3.2	0.9	10.1	7.9	2.2

1. Data from 1987 to 1996 include maternity leave.