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Ink Industry Safety Statistics Continue to Show Improvement

Recently released data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) covering work-related illnesses and injuries for the printing ink manufacturing industry (NAICS: 32591) show significant reductions in both total work-related cases and lost workday cases. Note that the lost workday case rate includes: cases with days from work or job restrictions or transfers. The data below shows number of cases by 100 employees/year. Both the total recordable 2018 case rate (1.4) and the lost workday case rate (1.1) are substantially below the manufacturing sector data with a total case rate of 3.1 and a lost workday case rate of 2.0.

2018 marks the return of BLS reporting data for the ink industry after the 2017 reporting year did not meet BLS data quality requirements (typically an inadequate survey sample).

Additional data, more detailed data is available on the [illness/injury reporting page](#) on the NAPIM members website.

