

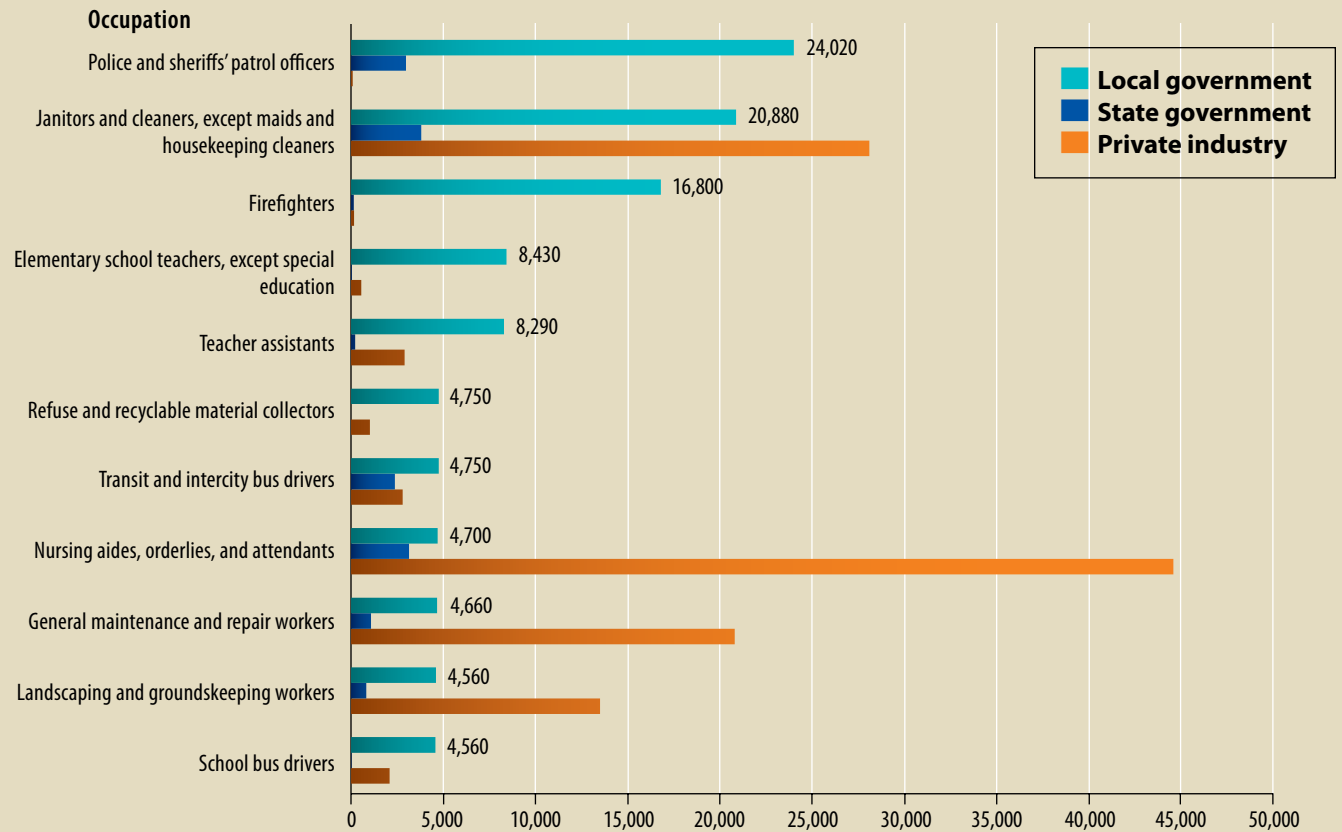
OCCUPATIONS

In local government, 11 occupations experienced more than 4,000 cases involving days away from work. Of these occupations, police and sheriffs' patrol officers had the highest number of cases and accounted for 11.6 percent of days-away-from-work cases in local government.

Firefighters had 16,800 cases and accounted for 8.1 percent of cases in local government; there were fewer than 200 cases each in State government and private industry. Of the injuries to firefighters in local government, 61.8 percent were sprains and strains.

In addition to firefighters, several other occupations exhibited many cases in local government but few cases in State government. This difference is due in part to the different responsibilities of State and local government.

Injuries and illnesses involving days away from work for selected occupations in local government with high numbers of cases, by category of ownership, 2008



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, November 2009.