

**WAC 296-27-03105 Requests from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) for data.** (1) If the employer receives a Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses form from the BLS, or a BLS designee, the employer must promptly complete the form and return it following the instructions contained on the survey form.

(2) Each year, the BLS sends injury and illness survey forms to randomly selected employers and uses the information to create the nation's occupational injury and illness statistics. In any year, some employers will receive a BLS survey form and others will not. The employer does not have to send injury and illness data to the BLS unless they receive a survey form.

(3) If the employer receives a Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses form from the BLS, or a BLS designee, the employer must promptly complete the form and return it, following the instructions contained on the survey form.

(4) If the employer is exempt from keeping injury and illness records under WAC 296-27-00103 through 296-27-00107, the BLS may inform the employer in writing that it will be collecting injury and illness information from the employer in the coming year. If the employer receives such a letter, the employer must keep the injury and illness records required by WAC 296-27-01103 through 296-27-01115 and make a survey report for the year covered by the survey.

(5) Washington state employers must respond to the BLS survey form if they receive one.

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