

**NUMBER OF DAYS LOST THROUGH SICKNESS ABSENCE**

**APPENDIX 1**

Reason	Number of days lost (calendar year)			
	2004	2005	2006	2007
Surgery	12,046	10,037	9,709	11,462
Stress / anxiety	7,480	6,630	9,831	10,255
Cold / flu	4,875	5,957	6,052	6,094
Back pain	6,236	4,240	4,758	5,045
Depression	5,879	4,536	4,912	3,879
Limb injury	2,316	2,357	3,709	3,646
Upset stomach / vomiting	2,560	3,089	3,360	3,589
Chest infection	2,319	2,313	2,805	2,905
Broken bone	2,038	1,770	2,457	2,398
Headache / migraine	1,472	1,704	1,975	2,369
Viral illness	2,190	1,990	2,575	2,284
Diarrhoea and sickness	1,339	1,313	1,206	2,190
Sore throat / mouth infection	1,863	1,629	2,029	2,045
Cancer	1,562	2,017	1,773	1,705
Abdominal Pain	1,132	1,074	1,066	1,657
Gynaecological problems	2,541	1,143	1,638	1,546
Bereavement	562	881	967	1,190
Arthritis	646	683	523	947
Ear Infection	547	993	952	907
Accident	1,167	746	1,000	904
Sciatica / leg pain	495	334	306	813
Shoulder pain	282	538	300	778
Pregnancy problems	872	683	797	767
Cardiac condition	894	366	973	763
Muscle injury	604	832	452	739
Urinary infection	324	312	415	715
Eye problems	667	356	651	622
Neck pain / injury	309	533	711	593
Debility	1,654	1,382	812	584
Kidney disorder	236	831	656	582
Respiratory tract infection	421	561	742	564
Gout / joint pains	594	506	544	552
Sinusitis	543	433	357	504
Chest pain	224	475	433	490

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	2004	2005	2006	2007
Neurological disorder	285	589	923	489
Dizziness	843	611	557	448
Stroke	805	407	674	446
Skin disorders / infections	443	522	638	432
Bronchitis	551	333	553	423
Admitted to hospital	1,147	529	760	418
Toothache / dental treatment	340	409	508	401
Epilepsy / seizures	52	19	88	399
Allergic reaction	191	319	343	363
Sprain	211	221	262	353
Asthma	328	268	215	289
Infectious diseases	205	316	322	287
Diabetes	11	36	311	250
Shingles	136	190	183	231
Irritable bowel syndrome	150	329	257	230
Thyroid problems	422	552	369	204
Anaemia	55	170	123	173
Hypertension	953	338	440	160
Deep Vein Thrombosis	52	60	182	128
Liver disorder	0	0	0	119
MS	412	60	60	118
Post viral fatigue	81	117	74	110
Pneumonia	107	187	265	96
Testicular problems	2	30	4	88
Glandular fever	102	34	132	85
Haemorrhoids	3	45	26	64
ME	4	0	41	26
Sun / heat stroke	20	29	36	7
Eczema and dermatitis	10	10	6	3
Hayfever	7	12	19	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76,817</b>	<b>69,986</b>	<b>79,817</b>	<b>82,925</b>

<b>Number of employees with sickness absence</b>	<b>4,863</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>5,570</b>	<b>5,757</b>
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