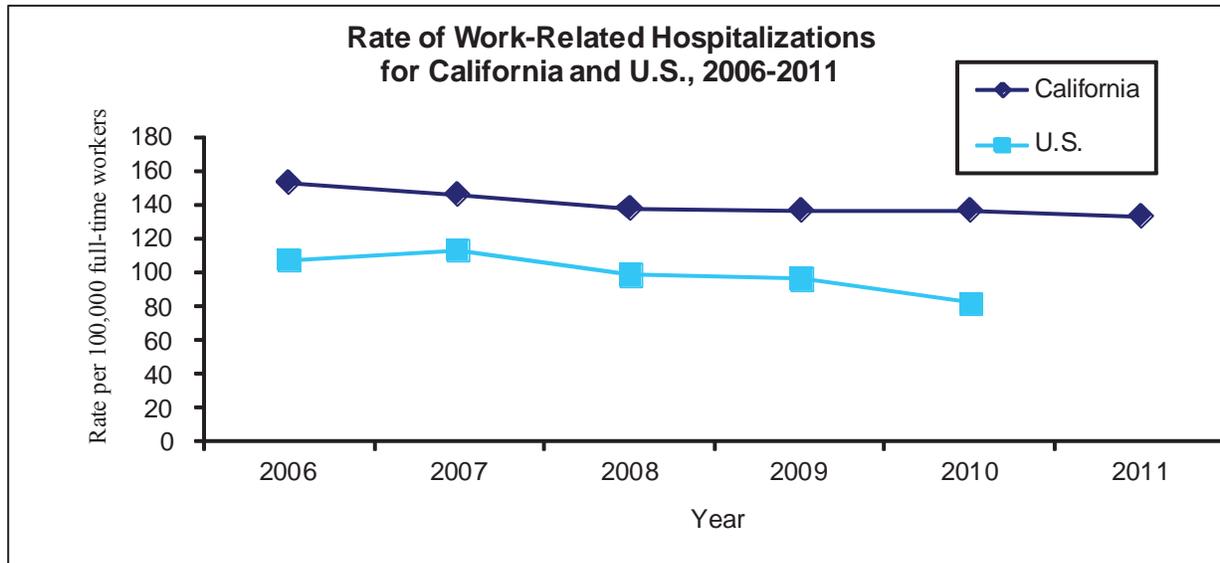


## Work-Related Hospitalizations

Workers who are hospitalized due to injuries and illnesses caused by work suffer some of the most serious and costly adverse work-related health outcomes. Hospital discharge data from non-federal acute care hospitals are used to calculate the number of work-related hospitalizations per year by counting the individuals whose care was paid for by workers' compensation. Since many people with work-related illnesses and injuries do not file for workers' compensation, or are not covered by workers' compensation (e.g., self-employed individuals), the true numbers of hospitalizations due to a work-related injury or illness are likely to be undercounted. Most identified work-related hospitalizations are for treatment of musculoskeletal disorders or acute injuries, rather than illnesses.



Year	California						U.S.
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2011
Rate per 100,000 Full-Time Workers	152.5	146.1	138.0	135.7	137.1	133.3	N/A
Number of Hospitalizations	25,926	25,125	23,529	21,965	21,898	21,643	N/A

Data Sources: Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Non-Public Hospital Discharge Data, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Population Survey