Safety Audits Stats and Facts

FACTS

The Safety Audit Areas – Audits Are Broken Down into These Areas:

1. Employee knowledge
2. Written Program Review
3. Program Administration
4. Record & Document Review
5. Equipment and Material
6. General Area Walk-Through

STATS

- According to the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA), the agency audited over 39,000 organizations in one year, with over 17,000 of those inspections labeled as “programmed”, meaning unexpected safety auditing.
- In 2019, OSHA’s safety inspectors conducted 962 investigations into fatal or catastrophic workplace incidents caused by lack of inspections in the workplace.
- OSHA has been cutting back even more, conducting only 5,127 inspections.
- Workplaces across the country remain dangerous, triggering an annual average of about 880 fatal or catastrophic investigations in 2019.
- OSHA conducted about 81,000 safety inspections – a 4.7 % decrease from about 85,000 conducted during the last three years.
- OSHA had no assurance employers reported work-related inpatient hospitalizations, amputations, and losses of an eye. Estimates show employers do not report 50 % or more of severe injuries.
- 90 % of all workplace injuries are caused by the worker’s own unsafe actions because of lack of safety audits.