



Going Beyond Zero by Using
Safety Leading Indicators & Predictive Analytics
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Key Industry Financial Indicators



The top key industry financial indicators are displayed below to give an overview of the most current industry trends. Click on each arrow to be taken to the detailed report for each indicator.



Agenda



- What is CII?
- The RT 284 Research Team
- Definition of leading indicators
- Common leading indicators
- Making leading indicators work in your company
- Zurich Construction Leading Indicator
Construction research team findings
- Utilization of a system to track

What is the Construction Industry Institute?



- CII is based at The University of Texas at Austin and was formed in 1989
- It is a consortium of more than 100 leading owners and contractors from both the public and private sectors and more than 30 leading U.S. Universities
- These organizations have joined together to enhance the business effectiveness and sustainability of the capital facility life cycle through CII research, related initiatives, and industry alliances
- The result of this has been the creation of best practices and implementation tools in 15 key areas such as: Constructability, Front End Planning, Project Risk and Zero Accident Techniques

RT 284 Research Team Safety Leading Indicators



- Team of 20 individuals representing owners and contractors
- The two lead researchers were from the University of Florida and the University of Colorado at Boulder
- The team chair was Steve Trickel from Zachry and the vice chair was Dave Wulf from Conoco Phillips
- Two year research effort
- Finish Product
 - RT 284-1 Measuring Safety Performance with Active Safety Leading Indicators
 - RT 284-2 Implementing Active Safety Leading Indicators

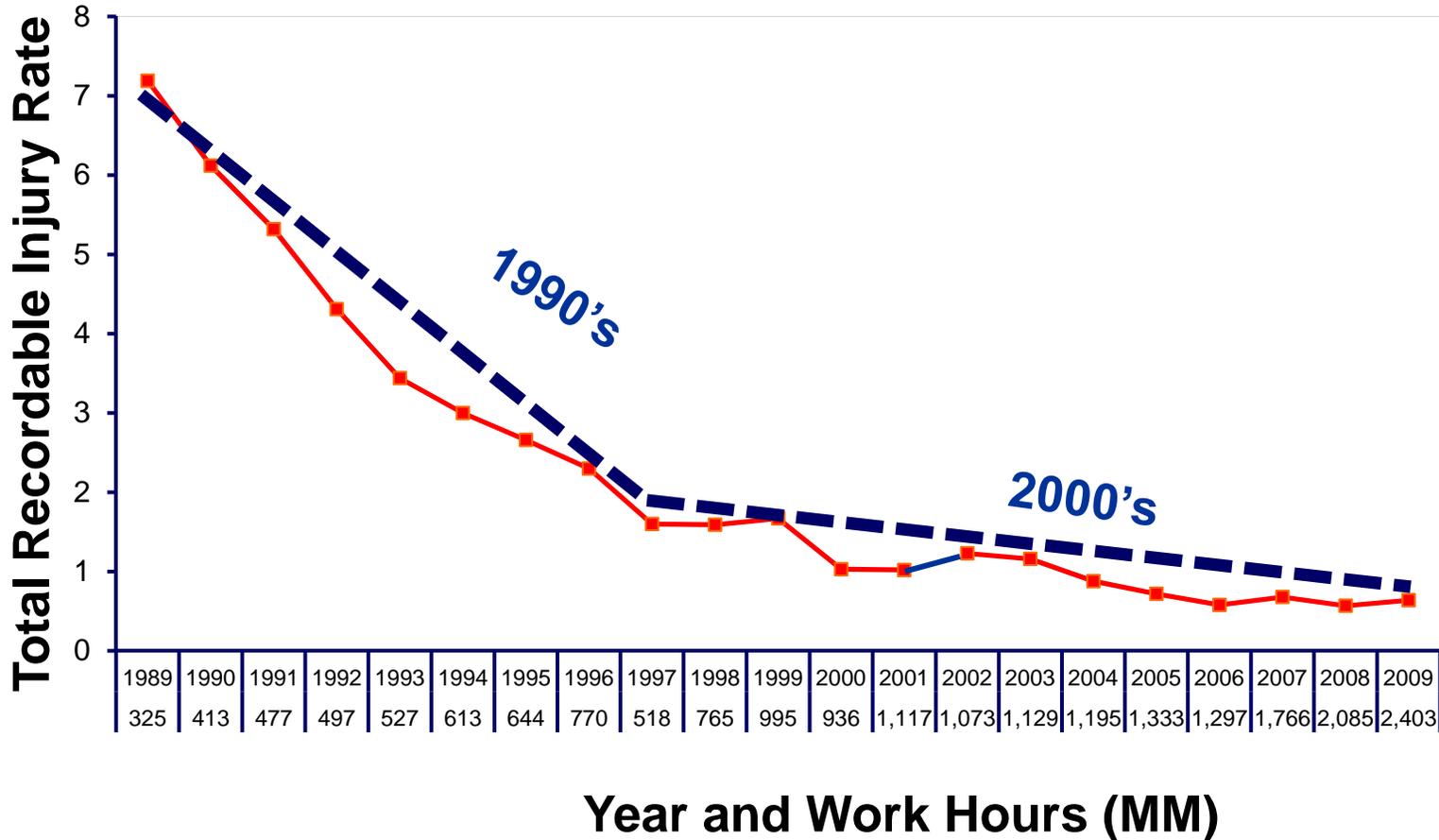


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History – 1993 – CII published Zero Injury Techniques & 2003 follow-up – Making Zero Accidents a Reality

1. Demonstrated Management Commitment
2. Staffing for Safety
3. Planning (pre-project and pre-task)
4. Safety Education: orientation and specialized training
5. Worker Involvement
6. Evaluation and recognition/reward
7. Subcontractor Management
8. Accident/incident investigations
9. Drug & Alcohol testing
- Plus – Fall Management program – with 100% 6' fall protection
- Safety in Design

CII TRIR Trends



What can we do to accelerate improvement? Zurich HelpPoint

Scope of the Research



To identify the characteristics of passive and active leading indicators that most effectively predict safety performance on construction projects and to create a leading indicator measurement tool that facilitates the integration of leading indicators in a comprehensive safety program.

What are leading indicators?



Leading indicators are measures of attitudes, behaviors, practices, procedures, techniques or conditions that influence construction safety performance.

Another definition:

Leading Indicators are proactive measurable actions and/or results that may predict incidents, injuries and/or illness.

What are leading indicators?



Passive Indicators – An indicator that does not have an actionable metric. Example - requiring pre-task planning takes place.

Active Leading Indicators – A metric that prompts a proactive response relative to the process it measures. Example – measuring whether pre-task plans are completed, by who, addressing appropriate hazards, reviewed with crews and reviewed for quality.

We will concentrate on Active Leading Indicators

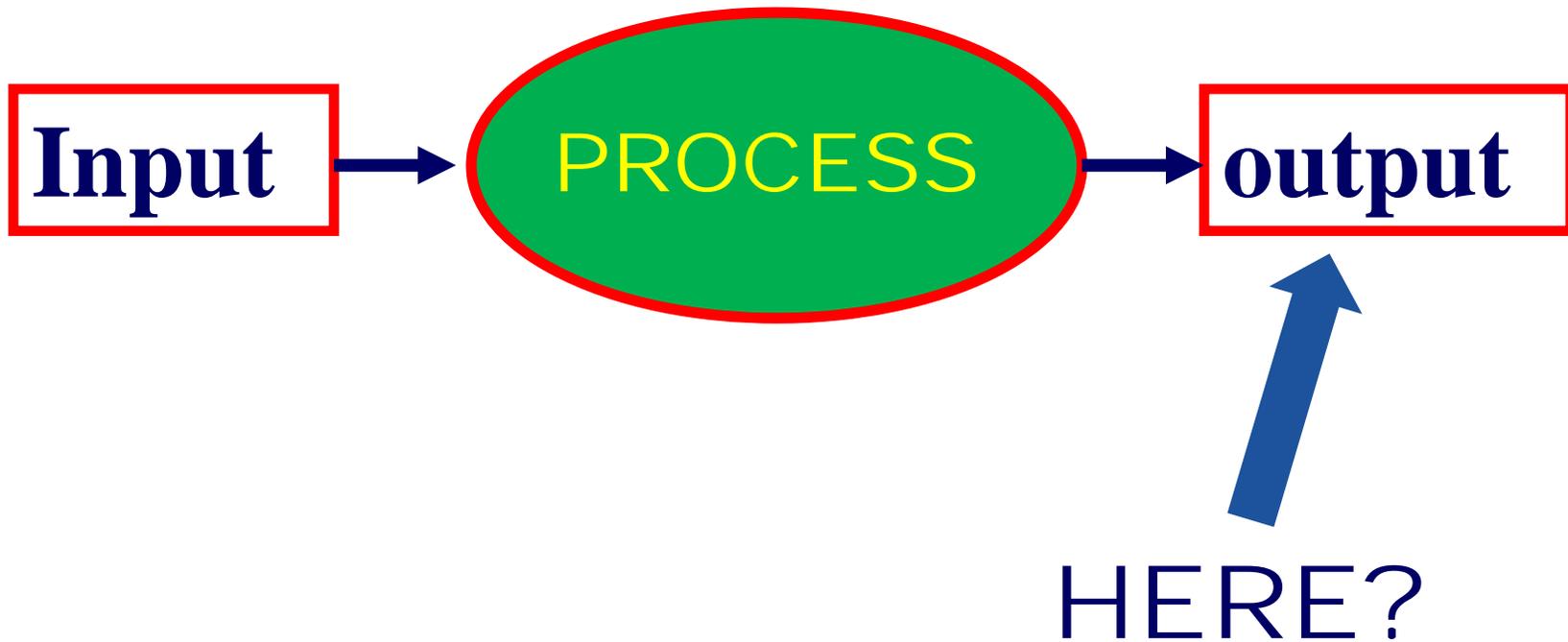


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**Measurement is important to evaluate
the efficiency of any process**



Where should the measurements take place?



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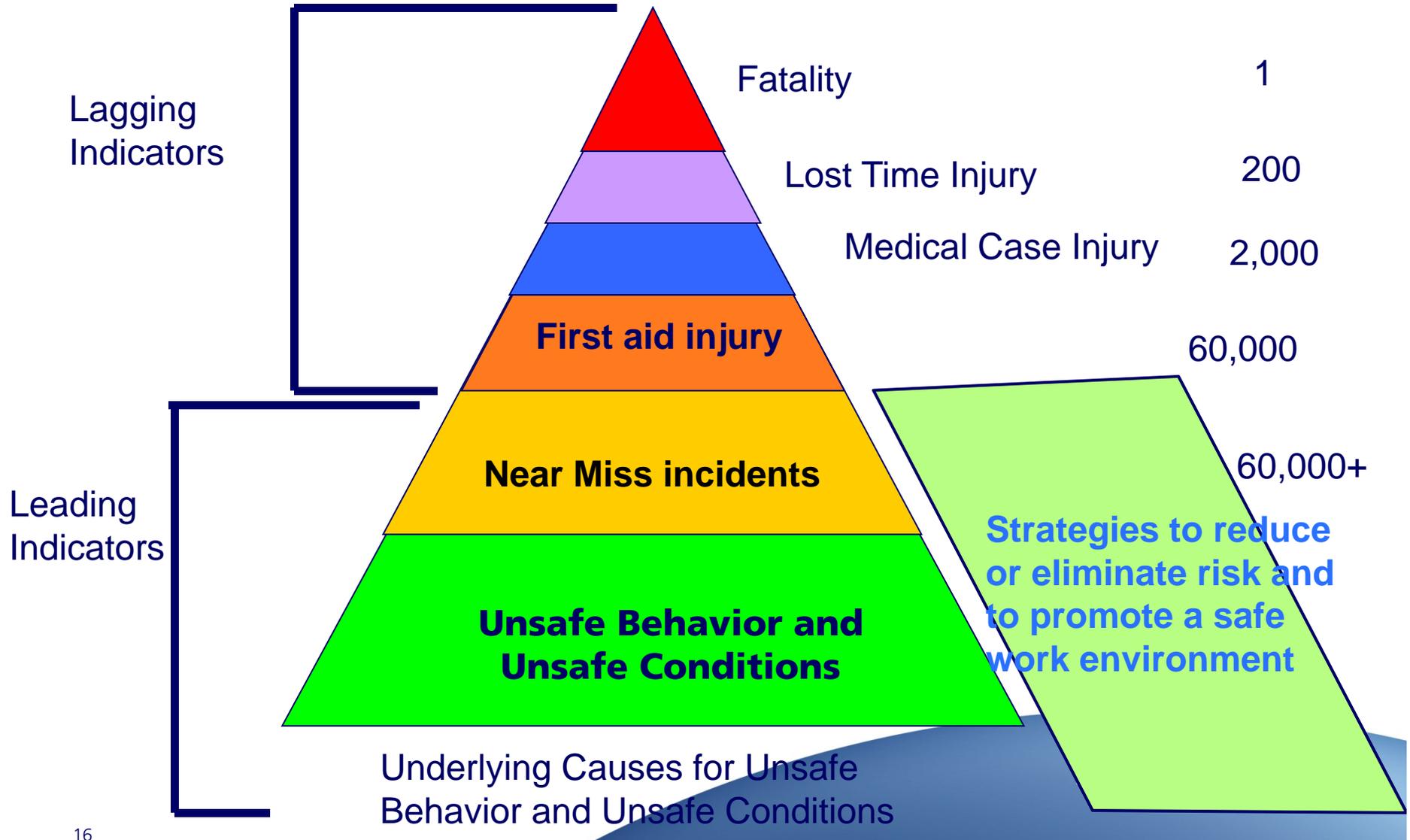


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- **Traditional view of safety is from the pessimistic perspective.
(the focus is on our failures)**
- **If unacceptable numbers of injuries occur, it is too late to prevent them.**
- **The question: can we or should we change the way we look at safety?**

Consider the Contrast of Lagging Indicators and Leading Indicators of Safety Performance

Lagging vs Leading Indicators of Safety Performance





Lagging, Downstream or Trailing Measures Focus on the End Results, not the Process





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The traditional measures of safety force us to focus on our failures (when it is too late)

RIR

DART

Litigation

Regulatory Citations

Loss ratio

EMR

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What are Leading Indicators of Safety?



Proactive measures of processes that precede or influence safety performance

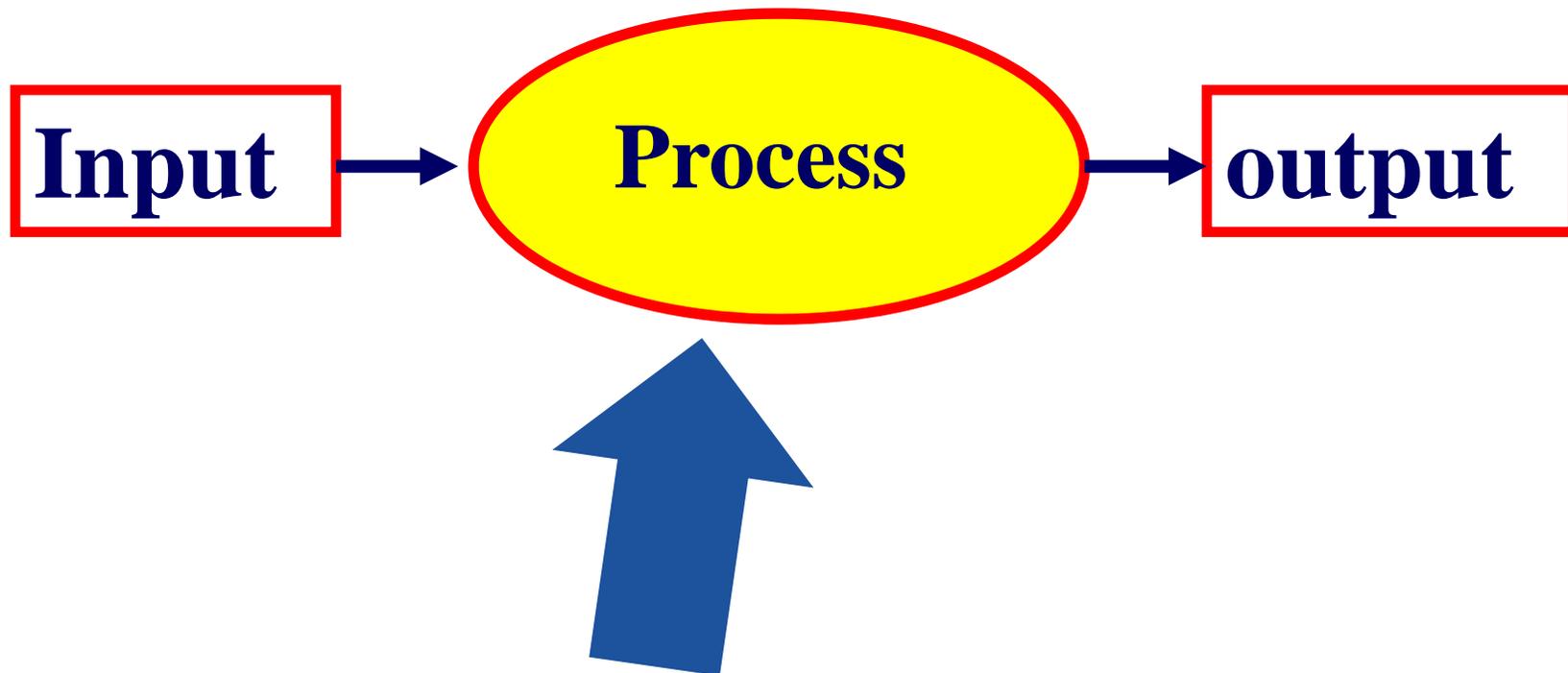
Signal the need for interventions before incidents occur

While lagging indicators indicate that there is a problem, leading indicators help identify the source of the problem

While lagging indicators give information about end results only, leading indicators focus on the safety process

- The focus is on the actions or behaviors that lead to success

Focus of leading indicators



Focus on the Safety Process

Provides management with assurances when the process is working as intended

Provides management with the opportunity to respond when weaknesses in the process are identified

Studying safety leading indicators



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14 award-winning project descriptions

Studying safety leading indicators

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Research team
brainstorming

Resulted in identifying many safety leading indicators

- **If you go onto a project and don't know the injury rate, how do you know whether it is safe or not?**

Most Common Leading Indicators



- **Near Miss Reporting**
- **Project Management Team Safety Process Involvement**
- **Worker Observation Process**
- **Stop Work Authority**
- **Auditing Program**
- **Pre-Task Planning**
- **Housekeeping Program**

Most Common Leading Indicators

- **Owner's Project Manager participates in Worker Orientation**
- **Foreman Feedback Meetings with Owner's Project Manager**
- **Owner Performs Safety Walk Through**
- **Pre-task Planning for Vendor Activities**
- **Vendor Safety Audits**
- **Vendor Exit Debrief**
- **Vendor Design for Safety**

What is the best safety leading indicator?

- **There is no best leading indicator.**
- **Different processes require different indicators.**
- **Strong safety commitment from management is necessary for success.**

The concept

- Safety leading indicators can be measured and can alert management about the need for a positive response **before** an injury occurs.
- Some are strategies most companies are already doing!
 - Site safety audits
 - Toolbox meetings
- A **shift** toward:
 - Measurement of the strategies
 - Setting thresholds
 - Implementing an action plan if the values are not desirable

Example: Near Miss Reporting



- Most firms have near miss programs BUT few measure, track, and respond in an organized fashion
- This may be a great place to start
 - Evaluate your near miss reporting process (who, what, how often)
 - What might you measure?
 - What is your target?
 - What if your measurements show unacceptable results?



**Research
Summary**

**Implementation
Resource**

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Other Findings from the research of Leading Indicators



- Very few leading indicators are fully implemented (case average TRIR approx. 2.0).
- Projects where leading indicators were measured and fully implemented had an average TRIR of 0.19!
- **Every** firm can benefit from safety leading indicators.
- A strong foundation of safety is a **prerequisite**.
- A **champion** must be committed to success.
- The next step is to **carefully** select a few safety leading indicators and implement them on your project.

Zurich Construction Roundtable Recommendations and Solutions:



- Perform a cultural assessment to establish a baseline
- Educating management (both client and company) on understanding lagging indicators vs. leading indicators
- Reporting results on a continuous basis at all levels of the company (example: company dashboard)
- Determine what, why and how to measure (develop a plan)
- Behavioral Based Observation Process Is In Place and Working
- Focus Observation Process Is In Place and Working
- Near Miss/Near Hit Reporting Process Is In Place and Working
- Employee Perception Surveys Are Conducted To Determine State of EH&S Health.
- Pre-Hire Screening of Employees Is Conducted.

Zurich Construction Roundtable Recommendations and Solutions:



- Contractor Selection (EH&S) Process Is In Place Prior to Start of Project.
- Active Management Safety Participation –Tours / Walkabout / Written Communications
- Supervisor Safety Activity Evaluated.
- Hazard ID/Analysis Process Is In Place Prior To Start of Project.
- JHA/JSA Are Conducted Prior To Start of New Work/At The Beginning of Shift
- Recognition for achievement based on leading indicators vs. lagging indicators:
- Educating owners to shift focus to leading indicators

- **Measure the process – do they align**
 - What do you state
 - What is written (the plan)
 - What is implemented

Continuous Improvement



- **Accountability**
- **Feedback**
 - ✓ **Positive & Negative**
- **Develop Action Plans**
- **Data-driven decisions**

- **Purpose**
- **Expectations**
- **Data Use Plan**
- **Communication**



- **Periodic Review**
- **Identify Gaps & Trends**
- **Measure Progress**

- **Inspection Strategy**
- **Observe**
- **Initial Correction**

How companies predict and prevent



Collect



Predict & Prevent

Analyze



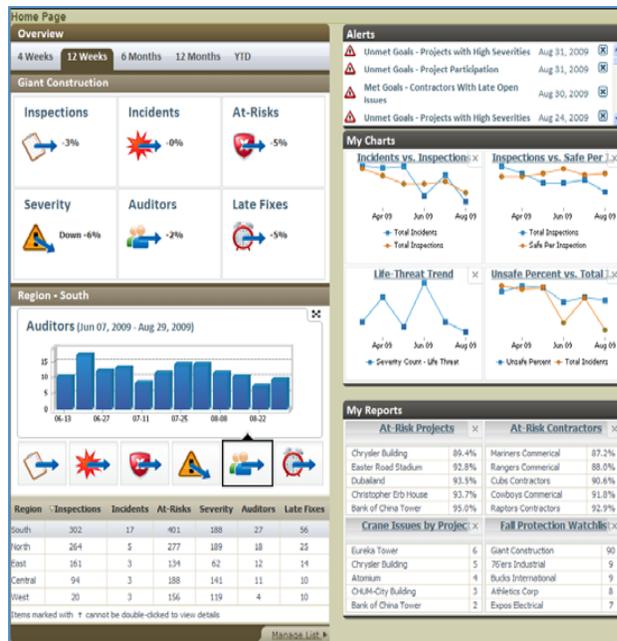
How organizations predict



From basic...

...to advanced...

...to predictive models



- [110 Livingston Street](#)
- [191 Peachtree Tower](#)
- [2 Fevrier Sofitel Hotel](#)
- [Alexander Hamilton U.S. Custom House](#)
- [Alexander Stadium](#)
- [Aliiolani Hale](#)
- [Atomium](#)
- [Auditorium Building](#)
- [Azadi Tower](#)
- [Bairakli Mosque](#)
- [Bank of China Tower](#)
- [Bankers Hall Towers](#)
- [Basler Messeturm](#)
- [Beetham Tower](#)
- [Belcourt Castle](#)
- [Berlymont Building](#)
- [Birmingham Town Hall](#)
- [Blenheim Palace](#)
- [Brihadeeswara Temple](#)
- [BT Tower \(Birmingham\)](#)
- [Bucharest Mall](#)
- [Buckingham Palace](#)
- [Casa Milà](#)
- [Cathedral of Christ the Saviour](#)
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- [Central Plaza](#)
- [Chateau de Boisclairieu](#)
- [Château Frontenac](#)
- [Chiang Kai Shek Memorial Hall](#)

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Predictive Solutions safety data set



- Over 130 million observations – over 1.7 million added each month
- Over 3 million inspections
- Nearly 40,000 unique observers
- Over 15,000 worksites



Safety truths overview



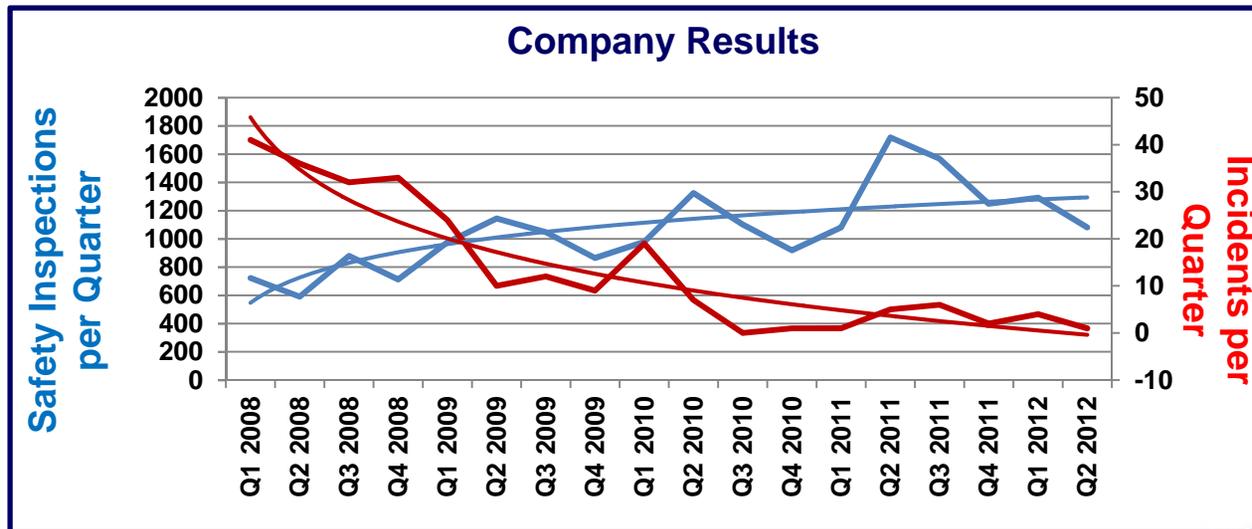
- Do a large quantity of inspections
- Involve a wide & diverse population
- Empower to report unsafes
- Fix unsafe issues

Case Study : Electrical Contractor



Overall Program Results

- 230% increase in inspections
- Advanced/predictive analytics to create leading indicators
- Targeted improvement opportunities
- Consistent results
 - 90% decrease in Incidents
 - 60% decrease in workers comp last two years



There are many examples



Incident/Injury Reduction



In Summary



- **Safety leading indicators tell you the safety potential of your project and provide signals when specific corrective actions should be taken.**
- **Predictive Analytics can target your focus, to lead to Zero Incidents**
- **Who measures your leading indicators? Internal/external**

Questions

What does a safety inspection look like?



Inspection

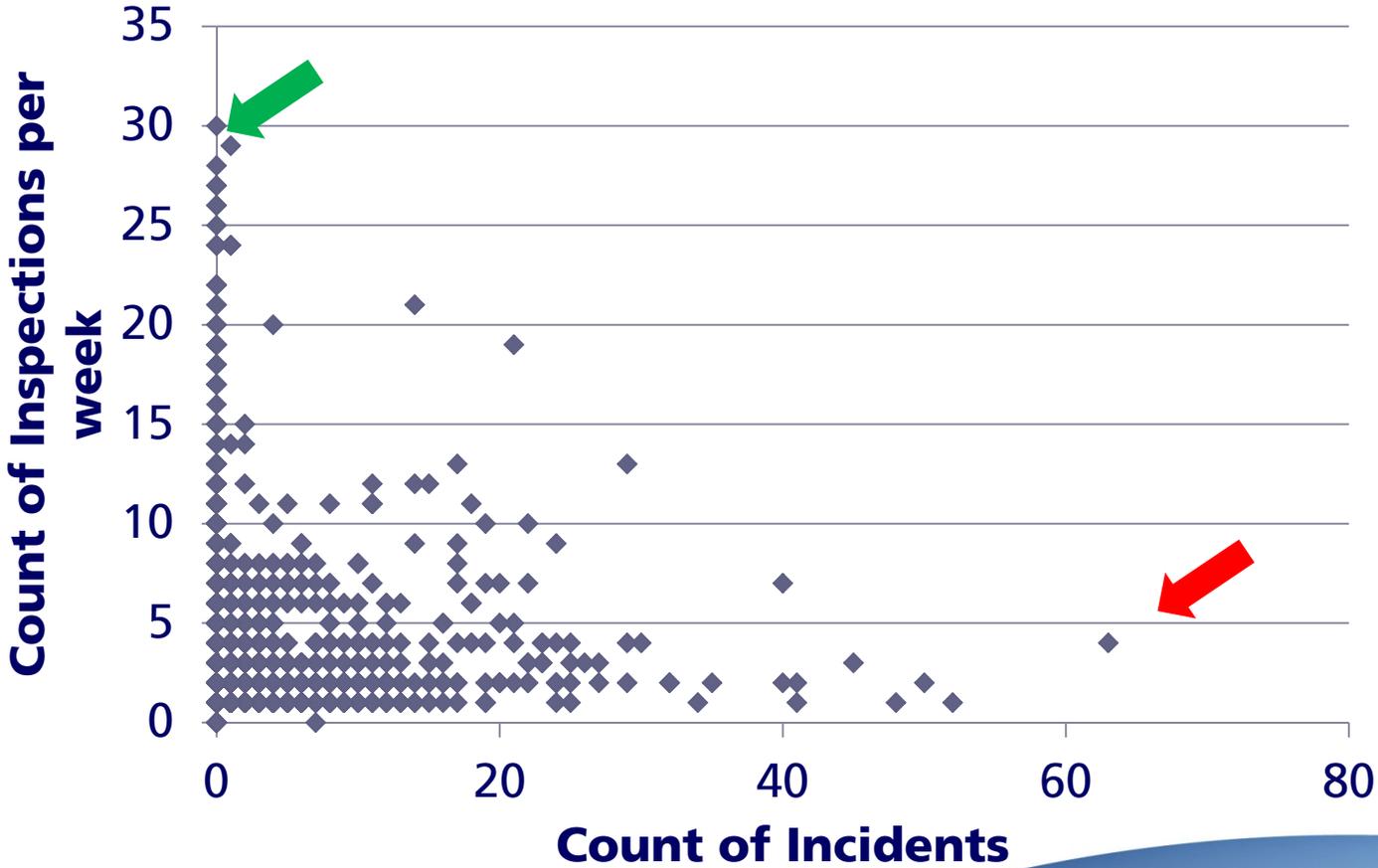
Safe Observation

Unsafe Observation

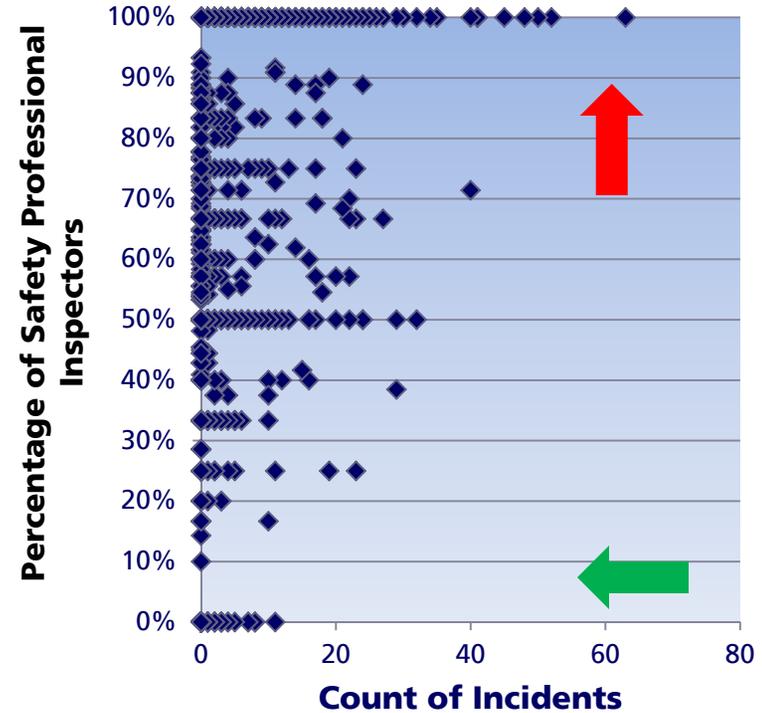
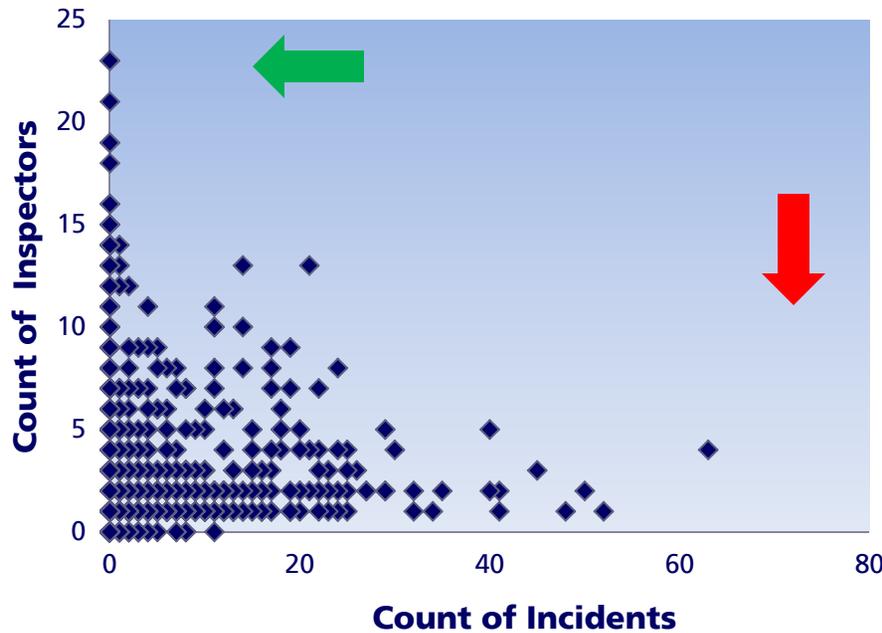
PROJECT NAME:		PROJECT EXEC.:	
PROJECT NUMBER:		PROJECT MNGR.:	
DATE OF SAFETY INSPECTION:		PROJECT SUPT.:	
ITEM	OK	ITEM	OK
LADDERS		TOOLS	
PROPERLY SECURED	X	POWER CORDS	X
EXTEND 36" ABOVE LANDING	X	PROPER GROUNDING	X
GOOD CONDITION	X	MECH. SAFEGUARDS	X
NO METAL LADDERS	X	RIGHT TOOL FOR JOB	X
OTHER		OTHER	
SCAFFOLDING		POWDER ACTUATED TOOLS	
CONNECTIONS SECURE	X	OPERATORS CERTIFIED	X
TIED INTO STRUCTURE	X	PROPER EYE PROTECTION	X
CLEAN, FREE OF DEBRIS	X	HEARING PROTECTION	X
GUARD RAILS, TOEBOARDS	X	MASONRY	
OVERHEAD PROTECTION	X	PROPER SCAFFOLDING	X
CROSS BRACED	X	SAVS OK	X
OTHER		OTHER	
BARRICADES/CANOPIES		HOISTS, CRANES	
ADEQUATE	X	OUTRIGGERS USED	X
LIGHTING	X	CABLES OK	X
ACCESS PROPERLY RESTRICTED	X	TAGLINES USED	X
GUARD RAILS		SAFE OPERATION	X
TOP, MID RAIL, TOEBOARD	X	FLAMMABLE GASES	
CABLES TAUT - 200# PRESSURE	X	CONTAINERS I.D.D.	X
ELEVATOR SHAFTS/STAIRS		PROPER STORAGE	X
SHAFT PROTECTION IN PLACE	X	FIRE HAZARDS CHECKED	X
ADEQUATE SIGNS	X	GOGGLES, GLOVES	X
TEMPORARY RAILINGS AT STAIRS	X	CYLINDERS SECURED UPRIGHT	X
UNPOURED PANS FILLED	X	CAPS IN USE	X
LIGHTING	X	STEEL ERECTION	
OPENING PROTECTION		NETS/PLANKED FLOORS	X
ALL OPENINGS COVERED	X	FIRE HAZARDS-WELDING	X
COVERINGS SECURED	X	FLOOR OPENINGS COVERED	X
RAILING IN PLACE	X	OTHER	
GENERAL		CONCRETE	
SAFETY MEETINGS	X	FORMS PROPERLY INSTALLED	X
ACCIDENT REPORTS KEPT	X	ADEQUATE SHORING	X
EMERGENCY NUMBERS POSTED	X	PROPER CURING	X
HOUSEKEEPING		HEATING OK	X
CLEANLINESS	X	NAILS STRIPPED	X
LIGHTING	X	OTHER	
OTHER		ELECTRICAL	
FIRE PROTECTION		EXTENSION CORDS OK	X
EXTINGUISHERS	X	TERMINAL BOXES COVERED	X
FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCESS	X	OTHER	

PROVIDE DESCRIPTION FOR EVERY ITEM TO FIX
 General cleanup required on a continuous basis both inside and outside the building, particularly by conc sub
 Toe Boards are missing at permanent floor edges.
 Concrete ledges 6000 level on south side of Concert Hall have loose debris which could fall on workers below
 Hot steam lines in lower mechanical room should have pipe covering installed

Safety truth #1: More Inspections result in safer outcomes



Safety truth #2: More quantity and diversity in safety inspectors result in safer outcomes



Widespread involvement performs best

The risk curve

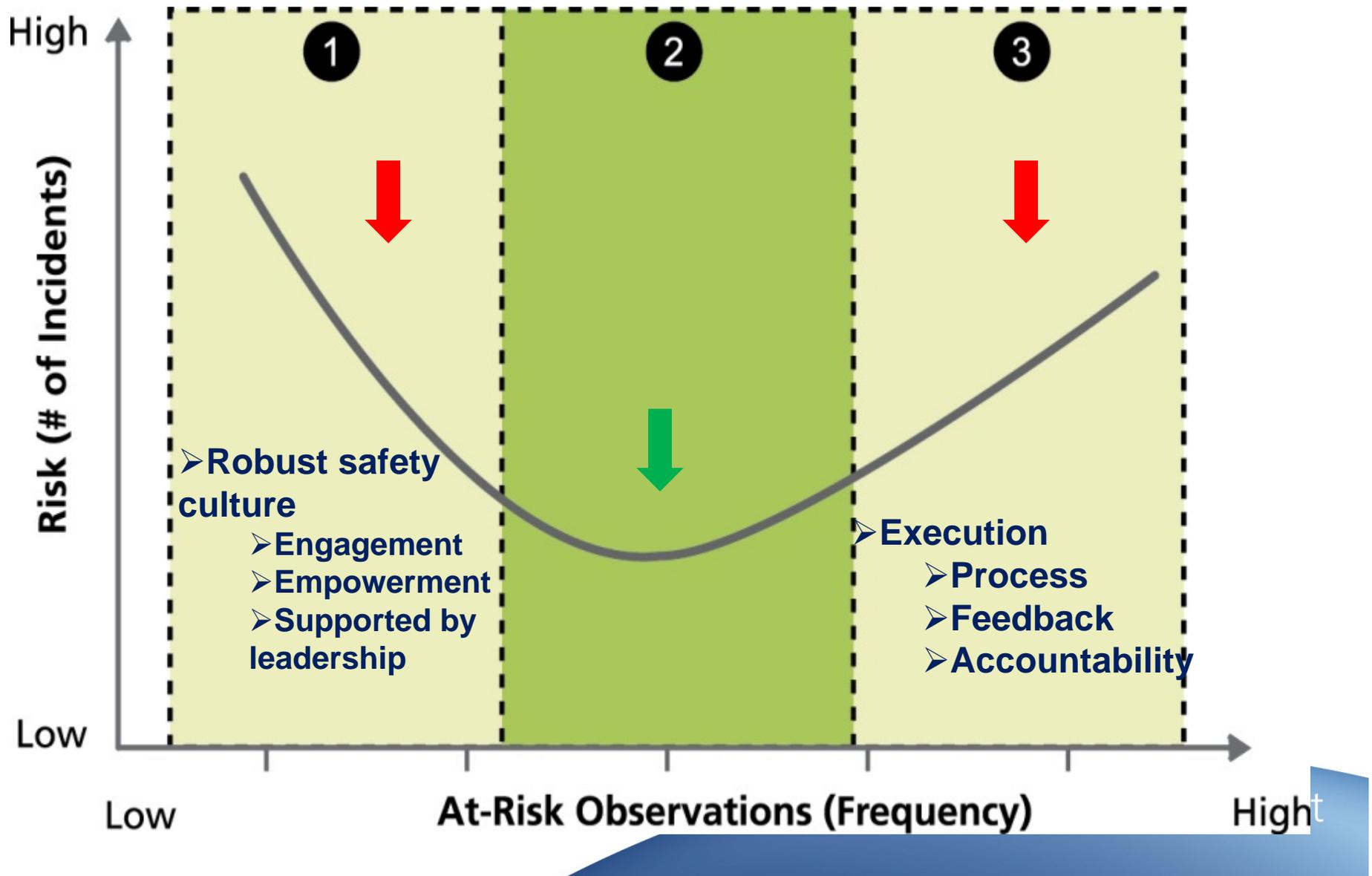


Exhibit 1: Zero Injury Safety **Culture Building Blocks**

Representative Examples	
Attitudes	<p>Zero injury is attainable on every shift and every project</p> <p>Zero injury culture needs to permeate all company activities and not be viewed as a separate process</p>
Beliefs	<p>All levels of the organization believe that zero injury is achievable – from company executives to all craft/trade employees</p> <p>All employees accept personal responsibility and accountability for zero injury</p>
Values	<p>The company values the health and safety of all employees</p> <p>The company is committed to employees going home safe at the end of every work day</p>
Assumptions	<p>Employees are not taking unnecessary risk</p> <p>New employees accept safe work practices as the expectation</p>
Norms	<p>Employee behavior on projects rejects shortcuts and recognizes that unnecessary risk-taking is not acceptable</p> <p>Zero injury is ingrained in the way the company builds every construction project – regardless of size, location, company division, manager/supervisor, and/or schedule</p>



Key Challenges	Steepest Slopes	Cost Responsibility	Accountability	Proven Outcomes
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Exhibit 4: Management Safety **Culture Assessment**

	Assessment Category	Assessment Factors
1.	Organizational Leaders Operationalize Commitment	Demonstrable senior leadership participation and involvement Resource allocation Core processes and results measured Accountability system for safety at all levels of the organization
2.	Identify Safety and Reliability as Goals	Safety as a goal is consistently and clearly articulated Multiple and independent channels of communication Decentralized decision-making authority
3.	High Levels of Redundancy in Personnel and Technical Safety Measures	Continuous operations and training Job hazard analyses are owned, continuously reviewed, and updated
4.	Organization Strives for a “High Reliability Culture”	Presents optimism toward a desired future state Consistent communications Adaptability to change
5.	Sophisticated Forms of Trial and Error Organizational Learning	Capacity to learn and act Accident investigations are blame-free and pursue systemic improvements Hazard analysis occurs before accidents