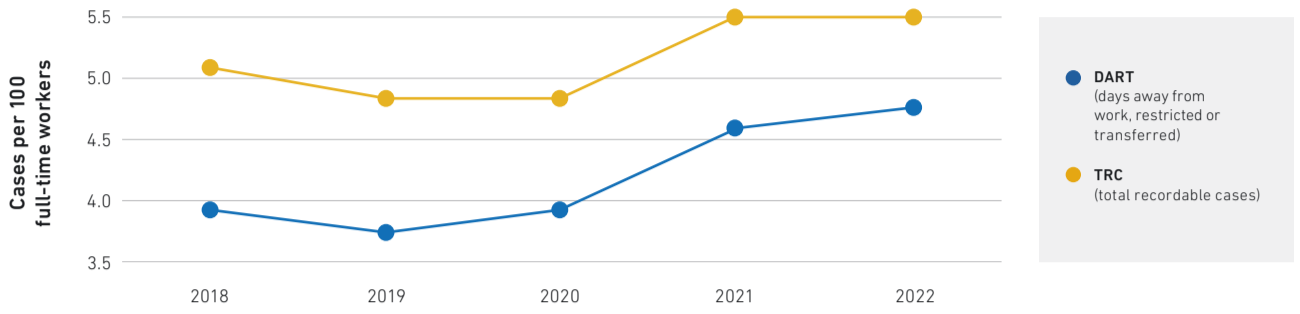


Understanding what the OSHA warehouse safety program means to your operation



Safety incidents in the warehousing industry have increased significantly — in some sectors, to **more than twice the rate** of private industry overall.

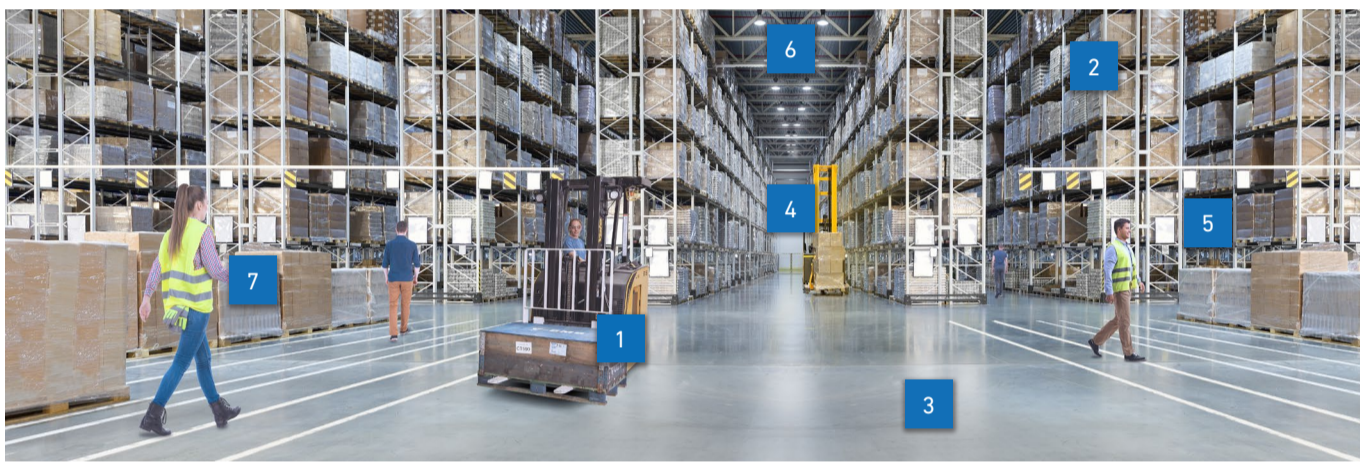
In July 2023, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) announced a three-year national emphasis program (NEP) to reduce and prevent workplace hazards in warehouses and distribution centers.



The goal of the OSHA program is to make improvements to reduce these injuries and lost days. But what implications does this program have for your warehouse?

What OSHA compliance officers look for

Safety officers review injury and illness records and complete an evaluation of potential issues, focusing on a variety of safety and health hazards common to warehouses and distribution centers.



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| <p>1 Powered industrial truck (PIT) operations
Lift truck safety stands out as one of the most frequently cited — and most costly — violations in operations of all sizes, making it an important area of focus when preparing for an inspection.</p> | <p>2 Material handling and storage</p> <p>3 Walking-working surfaces</p> <p>4 Means of egress</p> | <p>5 Fire protection</p> <p>6 Heat hazards</p> <p>7 Ergonomic hazards</p> |
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How to address lift truck safety

Lift truck safety is a multi-faceted, site-specific issue that requires a comprehensive approach that can be proactively addressed with a combination of training, technology and oversight.



TRAINING

A properly administered, comprehensive forklift operator and pedestrian training program is the single most effective means of reducing forklift accidents.



OPERATOR ASSIST TECHNOLOGY

Advanced lift truck technologies can help reinforce operating best practices and support operator awareness, automatically intervening in challenging situations while keeping the operator in ultimate control of the truck.



TELEMETRY

Digital safety checklists, fleetwide monitoring for day-to-day operations, and a real-time view of utilization and maintenance needs can help operations to identify and address problems or potential hazards.



FLEET MANAGEMENT

A planned maintenance program that provides responsive, quality support can help operations to maintain and quickly repair lift trucks in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

Is your operation ready for inspection?

Inspections for the warehouse safety NEP have been underway since October 2023, so it pays to be prepared. Learn more about the OSHA NEP, its implications, and how you can prepare for a potential inspection. [Download our white paper](#) or [watch our on-demand webinar](#) today.