

## Overview

This article describes findings from a national survey of construction workers about their work environment. With many areas of the nation indicating high rates of injuries and illness, this study indicates a lack of awareness among contractors about the risks of injuries and illnesses, and a lack of understanding of how to prevent them. The survey found that many contractors do not have policies or procedures in place to prevent injuries and illnesses, and that many workers do not feel safe at work. The findings suggest that there is a need for more education and training for contractors and workers to ensure a safe and healthy workplace.

## Key Findings

- Leadership, including management and directors, are critical to injury prevention.
- Safety programs are common and effective, with most being based on OSHA standards and regulations.
- Protection against falls, accidents, and injuries is common, with contractors often using fall protection and safety equipment.
- Safety management and business owners are involved in safety programs, and many are involved in safety committees.

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