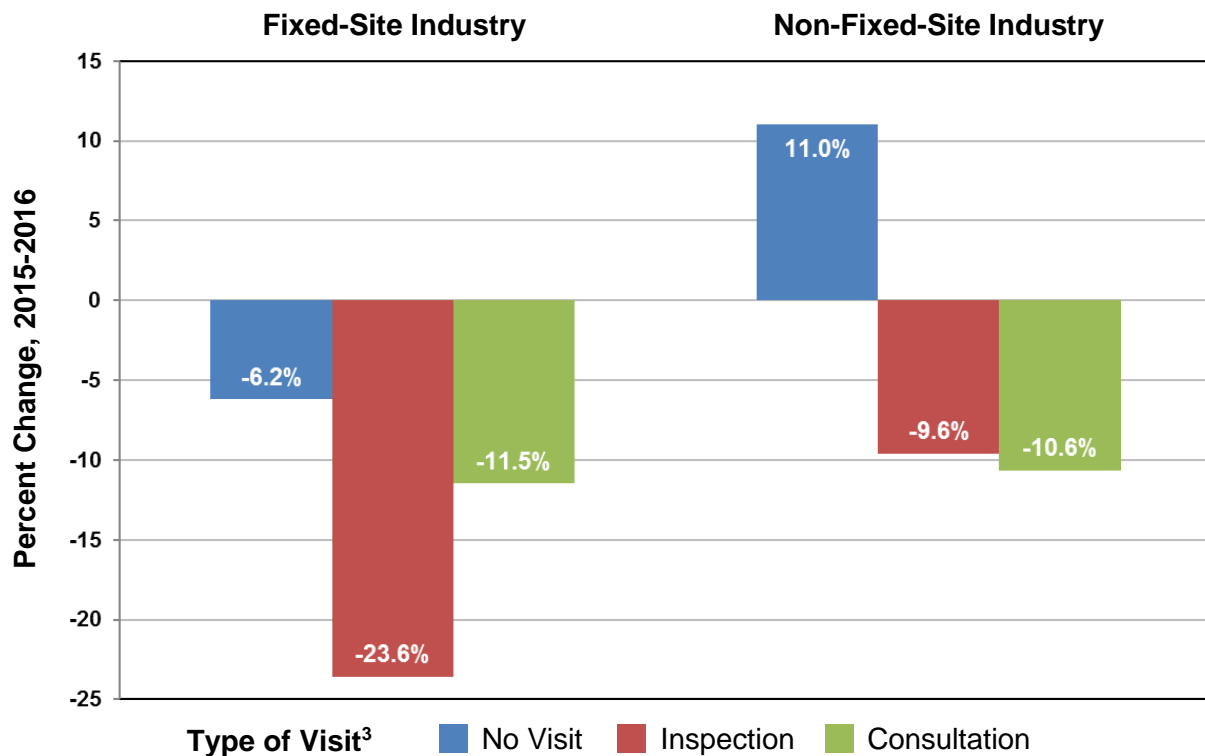


Non-Musculoskeletal Time-Loss Claims Rate at Workplaces Following a DOSH¹ Inspection or Consultation

Percent Change by Industry Type² 2015–2016



- Workplaces that received a DOSH inspection experienced a decrease in their time-loss claims rate for non-musculoskeletal injuries.
- In non-fixed site industries, such as construction, workplaces that did not receive a DOSH inspection or consultation had an increase in time-loss claims rate.
- These results are consistent with findings from a previous ten-year pooled study⁴.

1. Washington State Department of Labor & Industries Division of Occupational Safety and Health.

2. State Fund, single-location businesses with more than 5 full-time-equivalent employees from 2013 through 2016, with no previous DOSH activity in 2013-2014. Results adjusted for industry type, size and average time-loss claims rate in 2013-2014.

3. Inspections are conducted to ensure compliance with safety and health rules. Violations found during inspections may result in citations that carry monetary penalties. Consultations are requested by an employer to identify workplace hazards. Violations found during a consultation do not result in citations, but must be corrected by the employer.

4. Foley, et al (2012). The impact of regulatory enforcement and consultation visits on workers' compensation claims incidence rates and costs, 1999-2008. *American Journal of Industrial Medicine*, 55(11), 976-990. URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1002/ajim.22084>

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