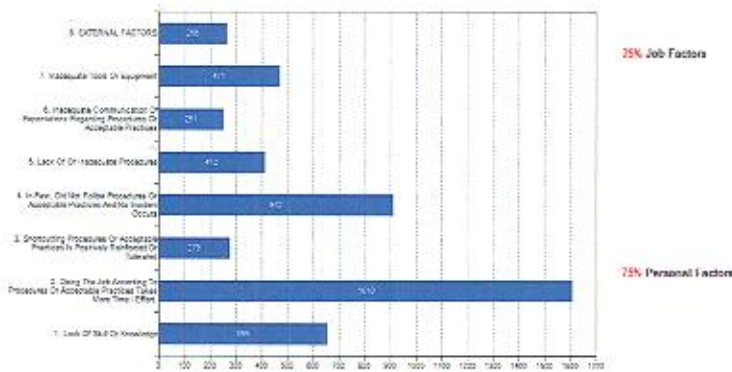


For some time now we have been focusing on procedures (JSA's), on the use of the right tool for the job, i.e. the correct gloves and more recently the correct cutting tool, and finally on your safety leadership. These are all what we call job factors, which are Management's responsibility to provide for, and we have to continue to improve in this area.



As you can see on the Root cause distribution chart on the left, 25% of the "questionable items" have been assigned to Job Factors, when 75% are attributed by YOU to personal factors, those that only each of us can control

This compares to 69% in the first half of 2009. A net progress but with our 80% objective for the year, nevertheless a signal that our task is not finished.

Overall a good safety performance over the first six months of the year, and a good progress in identifying our opportunities to avoid any of us to be injured, and in changing fundamentally our behaviour in front of hazards. You should and can be proud of your personal contribution to this outstanding result.

However, the fact that there are no reported incidents where people got injured does not mean that all hazards have been eliminated from the workplace so please keep the focus and stay alert, as you plan your holidays:

- Alert with the ambiguity of the vacation period. Relaxing on one hand, but possibly distracting in the period before it, or even stressful if fewer of us are available to do the job.
- Alert with the weather conditions. Heat and dehydration, thunder storms and lightning.
- Alert with the road conditions with children and tourists claiming their part of the public space.
- Alert with major events which celebration might impair your ability to work safely, - because it does not happen every day that your Team wins from the rival, or why not, wins the Football World Championship.

Don't compromise Safety, and enjoy the break.


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