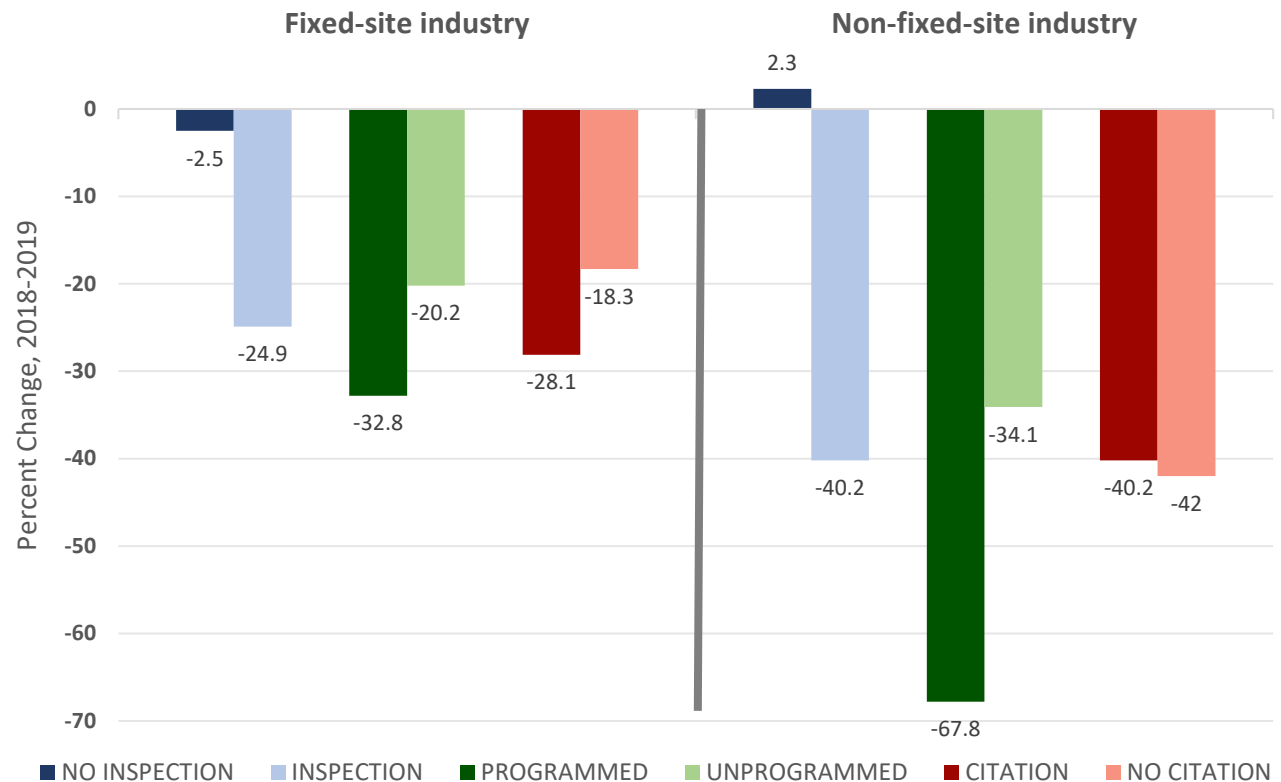


Time-Loss Claim Rates Decrease at Workplaces Following a DOSH¹ Inspection
Percent Change in Non-Musculoskeletal Claims Rates by Industry Type² from 2018 to 2019



- Workplaces inspected by DOSH experienced a far greater decrease in their time-loss claims rate for non-musculoskeletal injuries than uninspected workplaces.
- When a workplace was selected for inspection as part of an emphasis program (“programmed”), claims rates fell even more than when the inspection was triggered by a complaint or referral.
- Inspections **with** citations³ were followed by a greater decrease in claims rate than inspections **without** citation in fixed-site industries⁴.

1. Washington State Department of Labor & Industries Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) is the State Plan OSHA program.

2. Inspections occurring in 2018. Businesses included were single-location, State Fund-insured businesses with more than 5 full-time-equivalent employees from 2016 through 2019, with no previous DOSH activity in 2016-2017. Results adjusted for industry type, size and average time-loss claims rate in 2016-2017.

3. Inspections are conducted to ensure compliance with safety and health rules. Violations found during inspections may result in citations that carry monetary penalties.

4. “Fixed-site” industries include all industries other than construction and transportation.

For more information: [DOSH Compliance Effectiveness in Washington State, 2018-2019, SHARP Report Number: 70-11-2021](#)