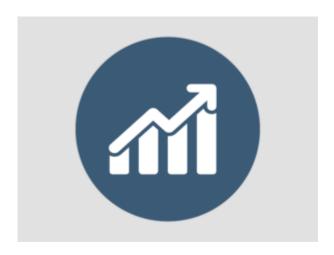
Powered Industrial Trucks (Forklifts) Stats and Facts



FACTS

- The most common PIT hazards include improper use; blind spots; unsecured, uneven and/or overloaded materials; improper maintenance; dock and ramp inclines; fueling; speed; pedestrians; attachment hazards; overhead obstructions and hazards; seat belts and tethers; and floor/terrain surface conditions.
- In the rough terrain category, the most common PIT hazards include slopes, dips, holes, trenches, restricted access, and ground and overhead obstructions.
- 3. Common PIT incidents include: rollovers, tip-overs, collisions and loss or damage to materials or equipment.
- 4. The main causes of forklift accidents fall into three risk categories: user error, work environment, and mechanical design. Inadequately trained personnel are responsible for a significant portion of forklift accidents.

STATS

OSHA Research

- 96,000 workers are injured per year due to forklifts.
- 11% of forklifts will be involved in an accident.
- 70% of all forklift accidents could be avoided with proper training and policy.
- For the year 2020, OSHA reported that forklifts were the source of 78 work-related deaths and 7,290 nonfatal injuries involving days away from work. Statistics reveal that an average of 7,243 forklift incidents occur annually.
- For the year 2020, OSHA reported issuing 1,932 violations under the PIT regulation. Of those, the leading violations included unsafe operation; failure to provide refresher training; missing or inadequate operator certification; failure to remove unsafe trucks from service; and no preoperation inspection.
- Forklift accidents cause roughly 34,900 serious injuries and 85 fatal accidents every year. 25 % of these accidents are the result of inadequate

training