

# **European downstream oil industry safety performance**

## **Statistical summary of reported incidents – 2010**

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## ABSTRACT

In this seventeenth annual report on European downstream oil industry safety performance, 2010 statistics are presented on work-related personal injuries for the industry's own employees and contractors. Data were received from 34 CONCAWE Member Companies representing approximately 93% of the European refining capacity. Trends over the last seventeen years are also highlighted and the data are compared to similar statistics from related industries. This report also presents the second year of results for Process Safety Performance Indicators from CONCAWE members.

## KEYWORDS

Accidents, AIF, CONCAWE, FAR, fatality, incidents, injury, LWI, LWIF, marketing, oil industry, refining, RAR, RWI, safety statistics, Process Safety Performance Indicators, Process Safety Events.

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## SUMMARY

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CONCAWE started compiling statistical data for the European downstream oil industry seventeen years ago and this is the seventeenth report on this topic. This report covers data collected for 2010 and includes a full historical perspective from 1993. It also includes comparative figures from other related industry sectors. Data for 2010 were submitted by 34 CONCAWE Member Companies, together accounting approximately 93% of the refining capacity of EU-27 plus Norway, Switzerland and Croatia.

The results are reported mainly in the form of key performance indicators that have been adopted by the majority of oil companies operating in Europe as well as by other industry sectors.

Accident frequencies in the European downstream oil industry are generally at low levels and the 2010 performance continues this trend. Standing at 1.9, the Lost Work Incident Frequency (LWIF) indicator for 2010 is less than 2.0 as has been the case since 2007. The responsible management of safety in the oil industry has resulted in a low level of accidents despite the intrinsic hazards of the materials handled and the operations carried out.

The fatal accident rate (2.68 per hundred million hours worked) and the total number of fatalities (14) in 2010 were somewhat higher than in 2009 which is of concern. Thirteen of the 14 fatalities were associated with contractors: 5 (~36%) were caused by burn or electrical incidents, 3 (~21%) were a result of confined space entry incidents, 2 (14%) were caused by road accidents, 2 (~14%) resulted from construction and maintenance, 1 (~7%) resulted from a fall from height, and 1 (~7%) was classified as "other".

For the second consecutive year, CONCAWE Member Companies were asked to provide Process Safety Performance Indicator (PSPI) data which describe the number of Process Safety Events (PSE) expressed as unintended Loss of Primary Containment (LOPC). Twenty-four Companies provided data in 2010 which represented a significant increase from the 18 Companies that responded in 2009. From these responses, a Process Safety Event Rate (PSER) indicator of 2.3 for all PSEs was recorded. This is a notable reduction versus the 4.1 recorded in 2009 caused mainly by a significant increase in the working hours of those companies reporting PSE data.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The collection and analysis of accident data are widely recognised by the oil industry as an essential element of an effective safety management system.

CONCAWE started compiling statistical data for the European downstream oil industry seventeen years ago and this is the seventeenth report on this topic (see references of past reports in the reference list [1-16]). This report covers data collected for 2010 and includes a full historical perspective from 1993. It also includes comparative figures from other industry sectors.

The term “Downstream” represents all activities of the Industry from receipt of crude oil to products sales, through refining, distribution and retail. Not all companies operate in both the manufacturing and marketing areas but all those who do, collect data separately for “Manufacturing” (i.e. refining) and “Marketing” (i.e. distribution and retail, also including “head office” staff) and this split has also been applied in the CONCAWE data. Additionally, the data are split between own personnel and contractors, the latter being fully integrated in all of the companies’ safety monitoring systems.

The purpose of collecting this information is twofold:

- To provide member companies with a benchmark to compare their performance against, so that they can determine the efficacy of their management systems, identify shortcomings and take corrective actions;
- To demonstrate that the responsible management of safety in the downstream oil industry results in a low level of accidents despite the hazards intrinsic to its operations.

From the outset, a majority of CONCAWE member companies have participated so that the sample has always represented a large portion of the industry. By 1995 virtually all CONCAWE members participated, representing about 93% of the European refining capacity (somewhat less for distribution and retail). Over the years this level of participation has peaked to > 97%, although the actual number of participating companies fluctuated in line with the structural changes and mergers occurring in the industry as did the percentage of the refining capacity represented. For 2010, 34 Member Companies responded, totalling ~93% of the refining capacity, although not all companies could supply all the requested data.

The geographical area of coverage is primarily the EU-27 together with Norway Switzerland and Croatia.

A number of key performance indicators have been adopted by the majority of oil companies operating in Europe as well as by other industries. Although there are differences in the way different companies collect basic data, these fairly straightforward parameters allow an objective comparison. There are differences noted between companies in their precise definitions or interpretation of metrics, meaning direct comparison of data from different companies could lead to erroneous conclusions. For this reason, we do not report individual company data but rather aggregates, averages and ranges of variation.

It is noteworthy that the majority of participating companies are willing to share their data openly with other companies. This reflects the industry approach that safety is a non-competitive issue where all can learn from the experience of others and help each other to improve.

## 2. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

A number of safety performance indicators have become “standard” in the oil industry and in many other industry sectors. They are mostly expressed in terms of event frequency - the number of hours worked being the common denominator representing the level of activity. Such parameters have the advantage of relying on a small number of straightforward inputs, which allows meaningful statistical analysis even when the data sets are incomplete. The performance indicators considered in this report are:

- The number of work-related fatalities and the associated Fatal Accident Rate (FAR) is expressed as the number of fatalities per 100 million hours worked.
- The All Injury Frequency (AIF) includes all recordable injuries and is expressed as the number of injuries per million hours worked.<sup>1</sup>
- The Lost Workday Injury Frequency (LWIF) is calculated from the number of LWIs divided by the number of hours worked expressed in millions.
- Related to LWIF is the Lost Workday Injury Severity (LWIS) expressing the average number of lost workdays per LWI.
- The Road Accident Rate (RAR) expressed in number of road accidents per million kilometres travelled.
- The Process Safety Performance Indicators (PSPI) [Appendix 2, 17, 18] measure the number of Process Safety Events (PSEs) expressed as the number of unplanned or uncontrolled releases of any material, including non-toxic and non-flammable materials from a process with the severity defined by the consequences experienced or released amount thresholds.

A more complete set of definitions is given in **Appendix 1** and the PSE criteria are further explained in **Appendix 2**.

There are, however, subtle differences in the way these parameters are used by different companies and how the data is collected and reported. The features, relevance and reliability of each indicator are further discussed below.

### ***Fatalities and FAR***

Because of their very low numbers, fatalities and, therefore, FAR are not reliable indicators of the safety performance of a Company or Industry. A single accident can produce several fatalities and cause an abnormally high result in the indicator for a certain year. Conversely, the lack of fatalities is certainly no guarantee of a safe operation. Indeed the well-known safety triangle suggests that for every fatality there have been many incidents with less serious injury outcomes. These less severe incidents provide the opportunities to address equipment, standards, training, attitudes and practices that may prevent the near-misses, relatively minor incidents and, ultimately, the more serious accidents.

### ***LWIF and LWIS***

The LWIF is the most common indicator in the oil and other industries and has been in use for many years. It is now common practice to include not only a company's own staff but also contractors in the statistics and this is done almost universally in

<sup>1</sup> AIF is often referred to as TRCF – Total Recordable Case Frequency. Refer **Appendix 1**.

the oil industry. All companies without exception collect employee LWIF data for at least their own staff and this is, therefore, the most representative and reliable indicator of all.

Not all companies keep track of the number of lost days, therefore, the overall LWIS has to be calculated taking account only of those companies that report such data.

### **AIF**

As LWIF figures become progressively lower, these appear to reach a plateau and are prone to wider variations in relative terms. Companies that have achieved very low LWIF levels therefore need a more meaningful indicator to monitor trends and detect improvements or deterioration of performance. AIF provides such an indicator, since it records fatalities, Restricted Work Injuries (RWI) and Medical Treatment Cases (MTC) in addition to LWIs. Although it is still less widely used than LWIF, reporting improves year by year with more companies including this indicator into their performance reporting. It should also be noted that not all companies operate a restricted work system and also restricted working is not allowed in some countries, which is a potential cause of some distortion in the LWIF data.

As the total number of injuries is not reported by all companies, only the worked hours for which this number is available are taken into account in the calculation of the overall AIF figure.

### **RAR**

It is no surprise that, since road accidents remain a major cause of both fatalities and lost time injuries, a number of companies have chosen to segregate and monitor these separately. The data is still incomplete and there are also issues as to the precise definition of a road accident. The overall figures should therefore be considered as indicative only. For this reason, CONCAWE only reports RAR data for the whole downstream industry and all personnel involved (own staff and contractors), since the level of reporting is insufficient for the segmented data to be analysed. It must be noted, however, that the vast majority of road accidents occur in distribution and retail activities where both sales employees and truck drivers travel longer distances.

### 3. 2010 RESULTS

**Table 1** summarises the number of submissions and illustrates some key aspects of the data supplied by the companies.

**Table 1** Submission of results for 2010

No of companies	Manufacturing workers			Marketing workers		
	Own staff	Contractors	All workers	Own staff	Contractors	All workers
Submission	34	32		22	20	
Including						
Road accidents <sup>a</sup>	7	5		11	11	
Distance travelled	12	7		14	10	
Process Safety			24			11

a) Several Companies do not report their Road accidents separately and these incidents are included in their overall statistics.

Most companies submitted data for their own Manufacturing and Marketing staff (several companies have no retail activity). Total own staff injuries are recorded by all companies, in the Manufacturing and/or Marketing categories, but this is not the case for lost days. A number of companies do not record road accidents separately and even fewer log the distance travelled. Contractor data are generally less complete.

The PSE data were requested for the second time in 2010 for all workers in both Manufacturing and Marketing sectors. A positive outcome of 24 companies submitting PSE data for the Manufacturing operations and 11 of those also included Marketing PSE data. This represents a substantial increase in companies reporting these data from 2009 and augurs well for the future in terms of the ability to make meaningful analysis of these measures. The results are presented in Section 4.

The aggregated 2010 results per sector and for the whole of the European downstream oil industry are shown in **Table 2**. **Figure 1a** shows the average performance indicators and their range of variability amongst reporting companies. **Figures 1b** and **1c** show the results for all injuries and AIF and lost time injuries and LWIF on a cumulative frequency basis which allows individual companies to benchmark their own results against the group. For AIF and LWIF, which are the most universally used indicators; we also show the distribution per quartile for the different sectors (**Figure 2a/b**).



**Table 2** Aggregated 2010 results for all reporting companies

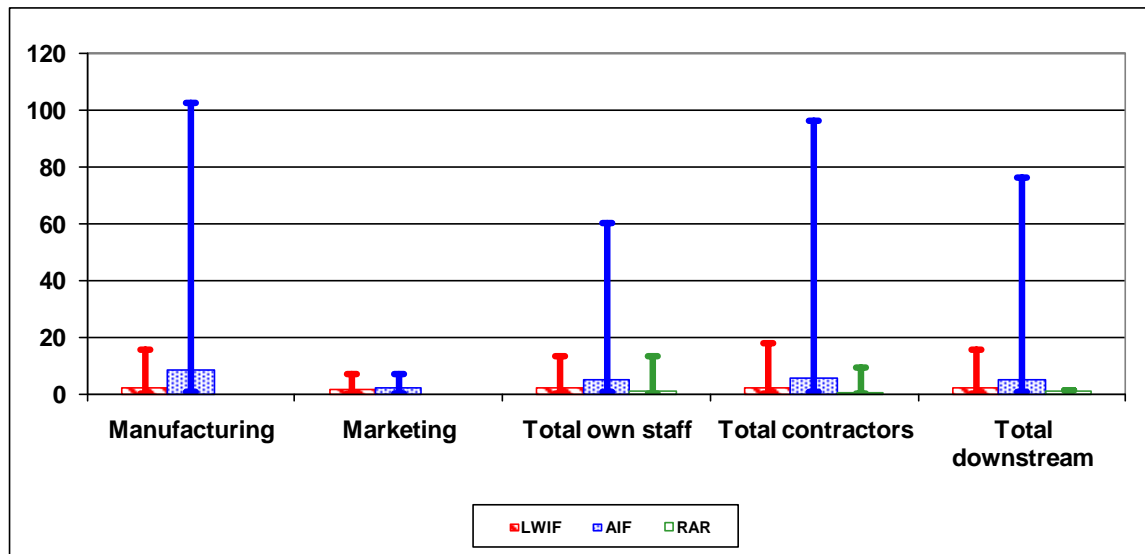
Sector		Manufacturing			Marketing			Both Sectors		
		OS	CT	AW	OS	CT	AW	OS	CT	AW
Work Force										
Hours worked	Mh	106	131	237	165	120	285	271	251	522
Fatalities		1	10	11	0	3	3	1	13	14
Fatal Accident Rate	F/100 Mh	0.9	7.6	4.6	0.0	2.5	1.1	0.4	5.2	2.7
Lost work incidents	LWI	240	280	520	299	160	459	539	440	979
Lost time through LWI	days	6,525	8,421	14,946	7,134	4,382	11,516	13,659	12,803	26,462
LWI frequency	LW/Mh	2.3	2.1	2.2	1.8	1.3	1.6	2.0	1.8	1.9
LWI severity	lost days/LWI	28.0	32.3	30.3	26.2	36.2	29.3	27.0	33.5	29.8
All recordable incidents	AI	845	1,162	2,007	402	200	602	1,247	1,362	2,609
All incidents frequency	AI/Mh	8.0	8.8	8.5	2.4	1.7	2.1	4.6	5.4	5.0
Distance travelled	million km							282	729	1011
Road Accidents	RA							324	277	601
Road Accident Rate <sup>+</sup>	RA/million km							1.1	0.4	0.6

<sup>\*)</sup> LWIS is calculated for those LWI where lost days are reported

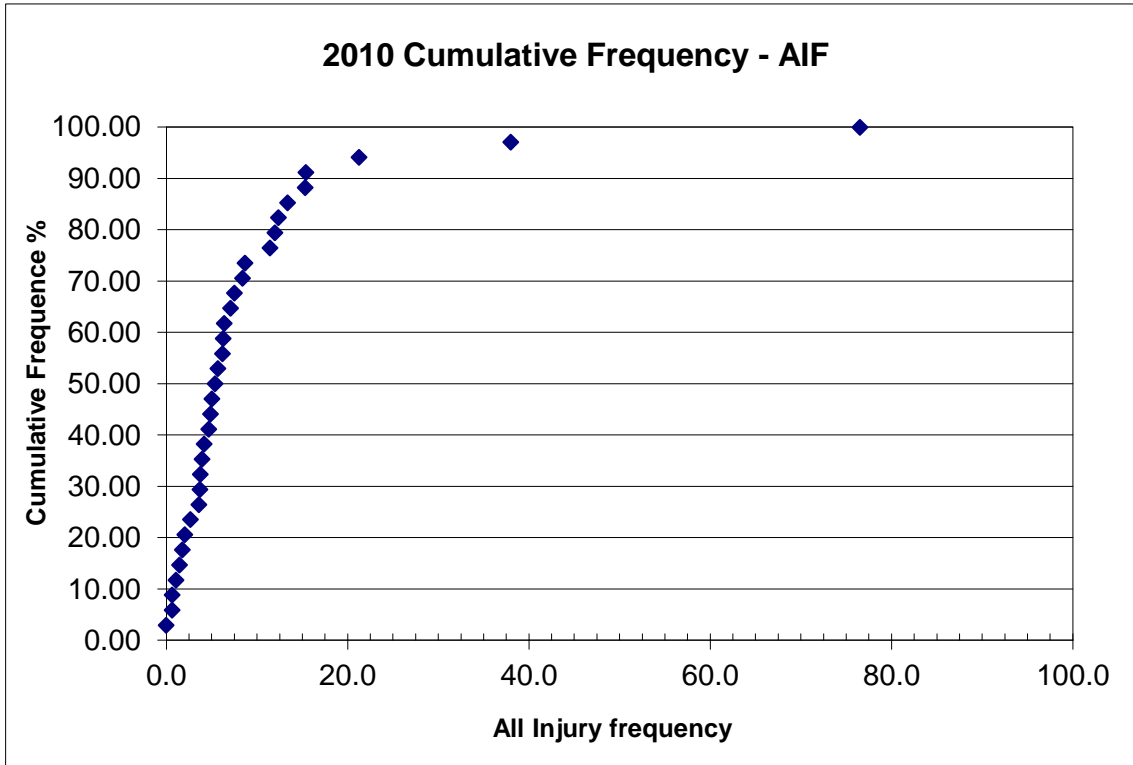
<sup>\*)</sup> RWA is calculated for those RA where distance is reported

OS: Own staff; CT; Contractors; AW: All workers

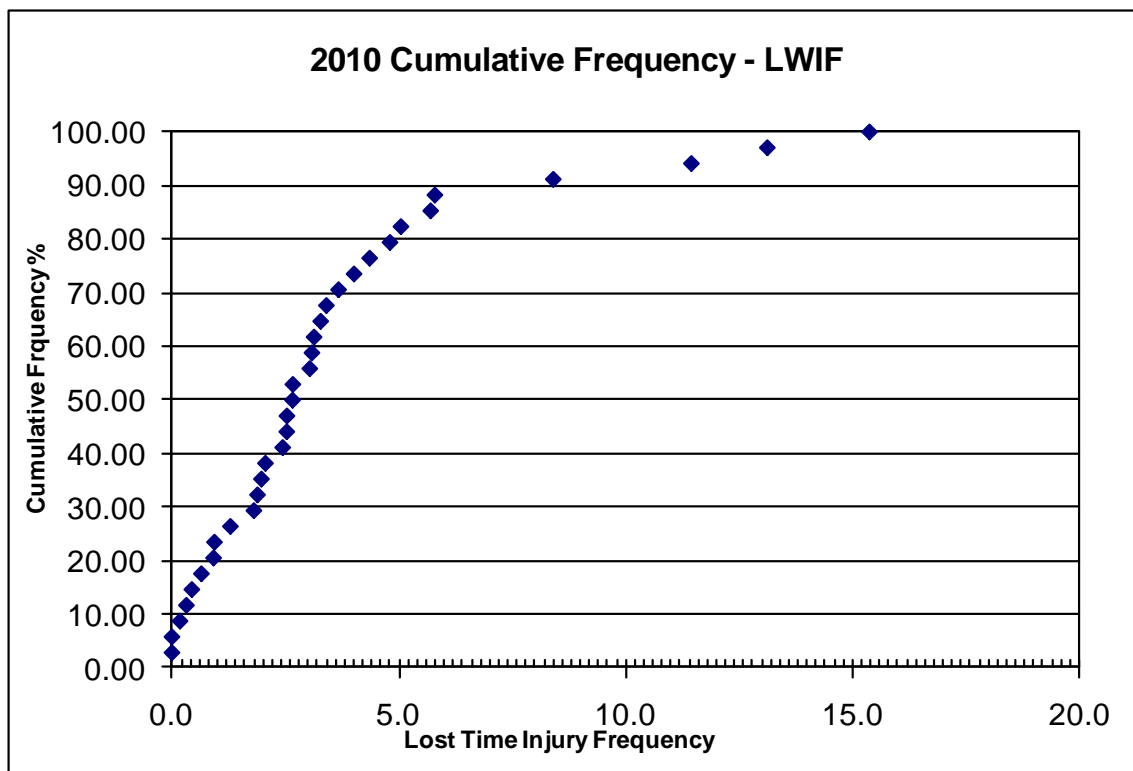
**Figure 1a** Average 2010 performance indicators with range of variability



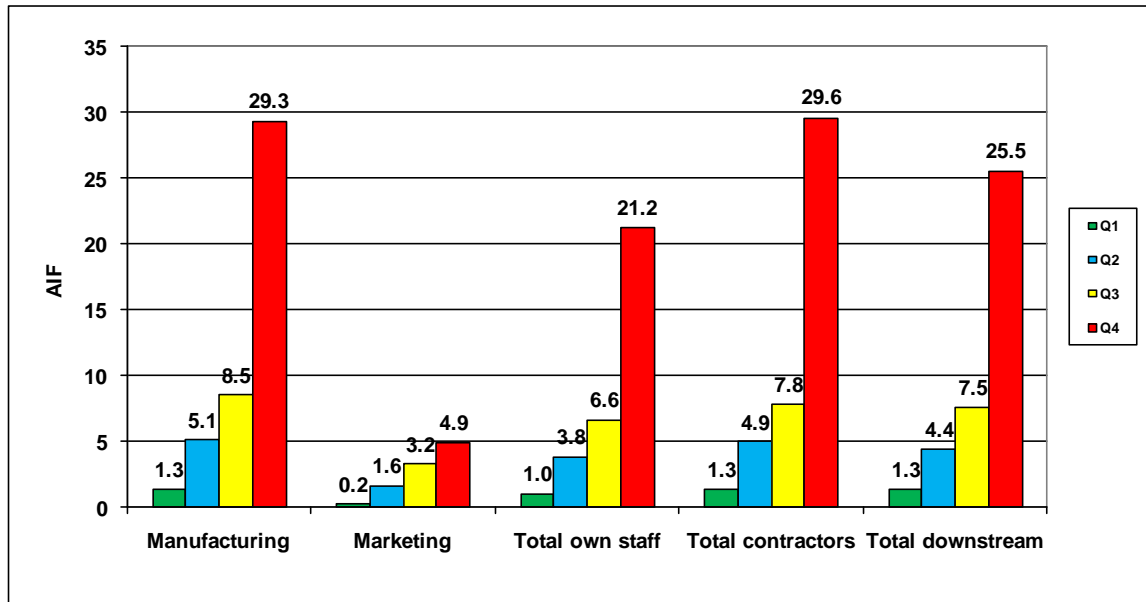
**Figure 1b** Cumulative Frequency Analysis All Injury Frequency



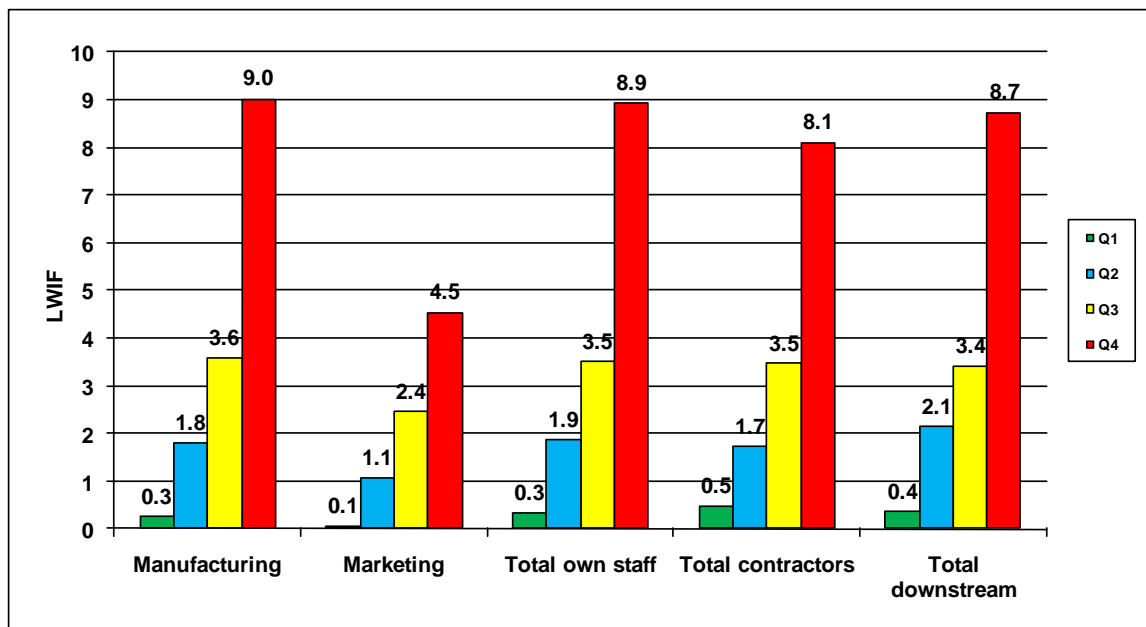
**Figure 1c** Cumulative Frequency Analysis Lost Work Injury Frequency



**Figure 2a** AIF distribution Average value for each quartile

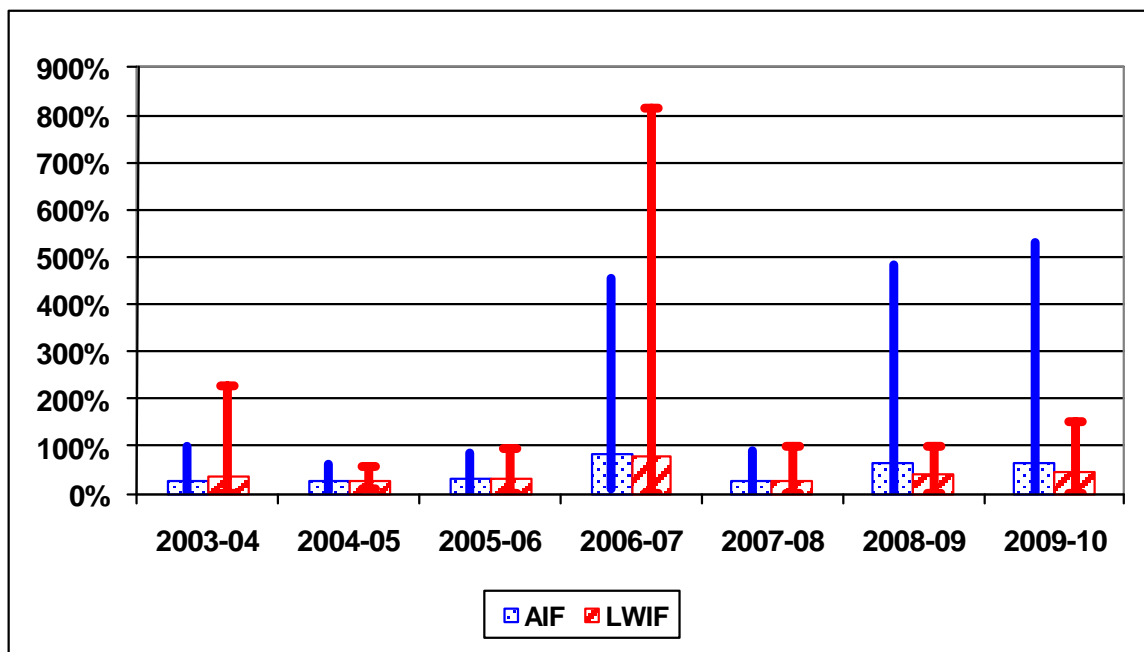


**Figure 2b** LWIF distribution Average value for each quartile



The average performance indicator figures clearly conceal a wide range of individual values between reporting companies. **Figure 3** shows that the variability is significantly less when looking at year-on-year figures for each company individually.

**Figure 3** Year-on-year performance indicator variations  
Average for all reporting companies



In summary, there are large differences in reported figures between companies but, for the most part, these differences also do not change much over the years. This reflects genuine levels of performance achieved by different organisations but also differences in the way companies monitor and classify incidents and collect their data.

**LWI Causes**

For the 2010 reporting year it was agreed to categorise the causes of reported lost work time injuries (LWI) under the 6 headings previously used for fatality reporting. A total of 979 LWI's were reported in 2010 of which 696 (71%) were allocated to the agreed categories within the company submissions.

The results are described in **Table 3** below.

**Table 3** Causes of LWI in 2010

Causes of LWI in 2010	Manufacturing	Marketing	Combined	Percentage
Falls	132	140	272	39
Construction/Maintenance	95	25	120	17
Burn/Electrical	31	11	42	6
Road Accident	8	18	26	4
Confined Space	7	2	9	1
Other	97	130	227	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>100</b>

As these data are relatively new, performing a trend analysis or drawing conclusions regarding the meaning of the data received is difficult. Therefore, the data are presented as received and no further conclusions or attempts to interpret these are presented in this report. It has been agreed to continue collecting these data to identify trends for focus in the future.

#### 4. PROCESS SAFETY

The American Petroleum Institute (API) has recommended the adoption of Process Safety Performance Indicators (PSPI) in addition to personal safety performance indicators such as those contained in this report. This is intended to better address the potential causes of major process safety incidents, which can have catastrophic effects in the petroleum industry. In 2010 the Safety Management Group of CONCAWE decided to expand the scope of industry wide safety performance indicators to address process safety, following the reporting guidelines that were developed by the API [17, 18]. Combining a focus on process safety in conjunction with the personal safety factors collected thus far could contribute to a further reduction in serious injury rates in the industry.

The CONCAWE Membership was requested to report their PSPI indicators as defined by the API in 2008 [17] and as further refined in the ANSI/API recommended practise that was published in 2010 [18]. The PSPI-data that were requested are the number of Tier 1 and 2 Process Safety Events (PSE's), as further defined in **Appendix 2** of this report. The definitions of these slightly differ from those that are described in the ANSI/API guideline to align the quantities to SI-metric units (kg/m/sec) and the inclusion of the European Classification and Labelling definitions that are in force in the EU [19] that can be used as an alternative for classifying the PSE. However, for the time being most CONCAWE members have expressed a preference for reporting their PSE's according to the ANSI/API definitions.

The extent of reporting of Process Safety data was very positive. In this second year of data collection a total of 71% of the Manufacturing operations and 48% of the Marketing operations provided the requested information.

The aggregated 2010 results per sector and for the whole of the European downstream oil industry are shown in **Table 3**. **Figure 4a** shows the total Process Safety Event Rate (PSER) on a cumulative frequency basis which allows individual companies to benchmark their own results against the group. The PSER is the number of PSE per million total work hours reported. We also show the distribution per quartile (**Figure 4b/c**).

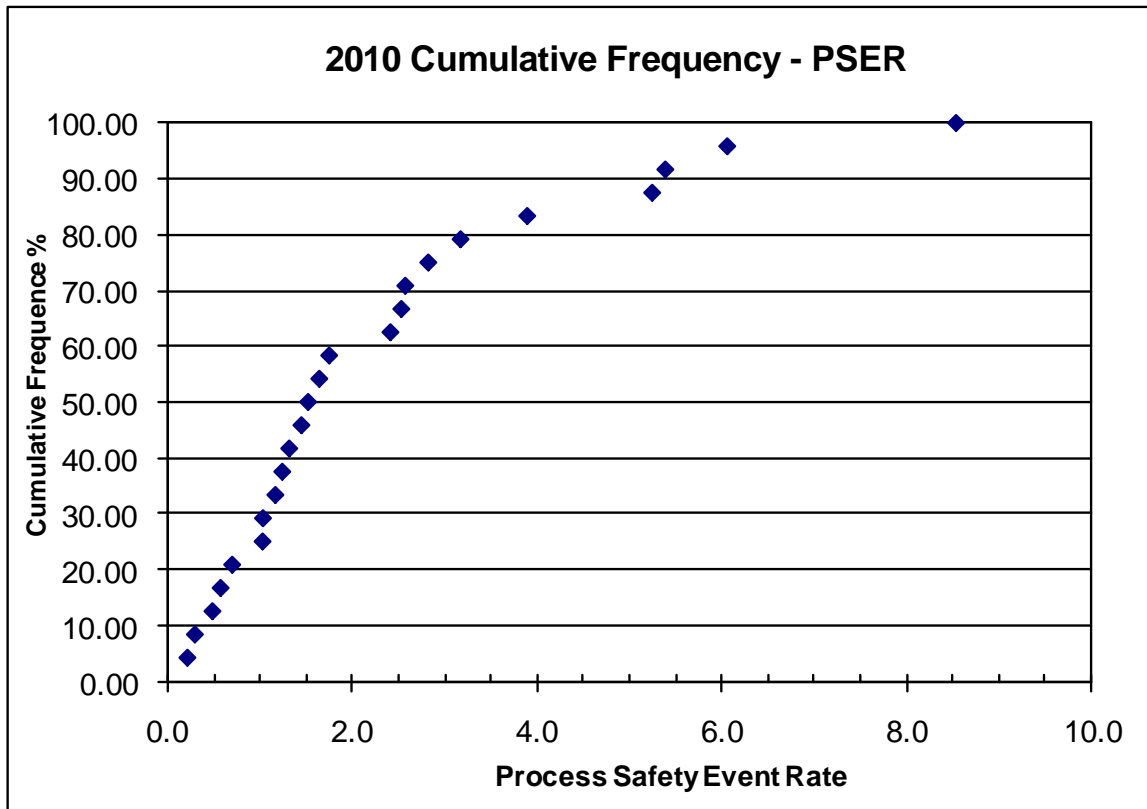
In **Figure 5** the cumulative frequencies for the PSER are given for Manufacturing Companies only, as the data are sufficiently robust to allow the analysis provided in these presentations.

**Table 4** Aggregated 2010 Process Safety results for all reporting companies

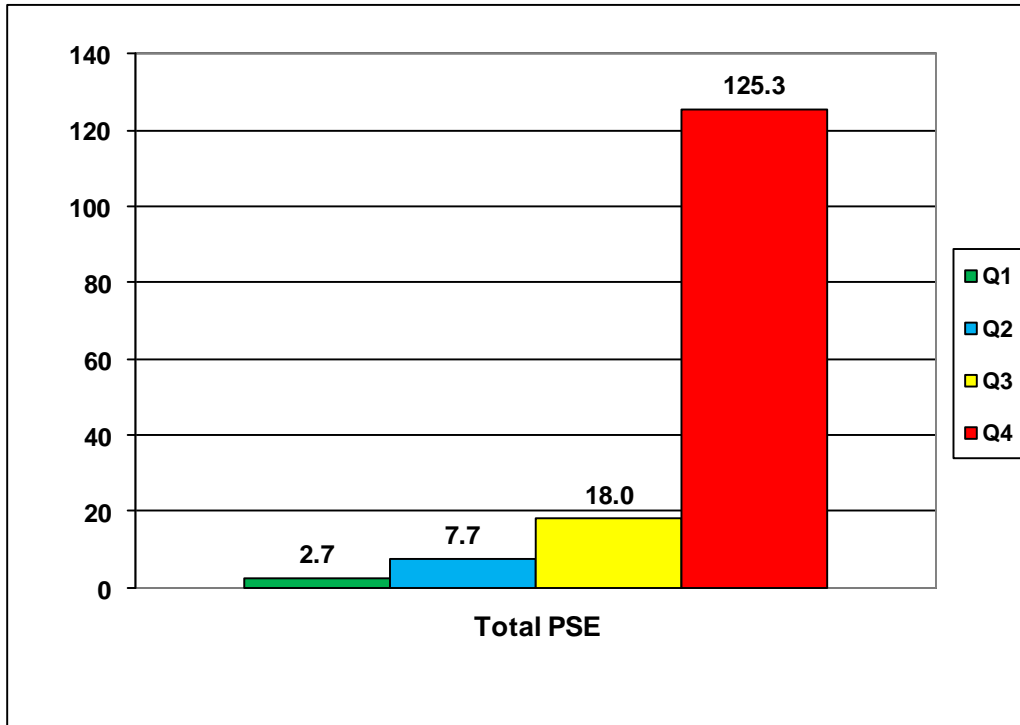
Sector		Manufacturing	Marketing	Both Sectors
Companies	Total	34	23	23
	PS reporting	24	11	11
	%	71%	48%	48%
Hours worked Mh	Total	237.0	285.1	522.2
	PS reporting	201.7 (177.7) <sup>a</sup>	200.0	401.7
	%	85% (75%) <sup>a</sup>	70%	77%
T-1 PSE	PSE	175	32	207
T-2 PSE	PSE	546	169	715
T-1 PSER	PSE/Mh <sub>reported</sub>	0.87	0.16	0.52
T-2 PSER	PSE/Mh <sub>reported</sub>	2.71	0.85	1.78
Total PSER	PSE/Mh <sub>reported</sub>	3.57	1.01	2.30

a) Between brackets the amount of hours reported by the Companies that provided T-2 PSEs is given. This amount is applied when calculating the T2-PSER

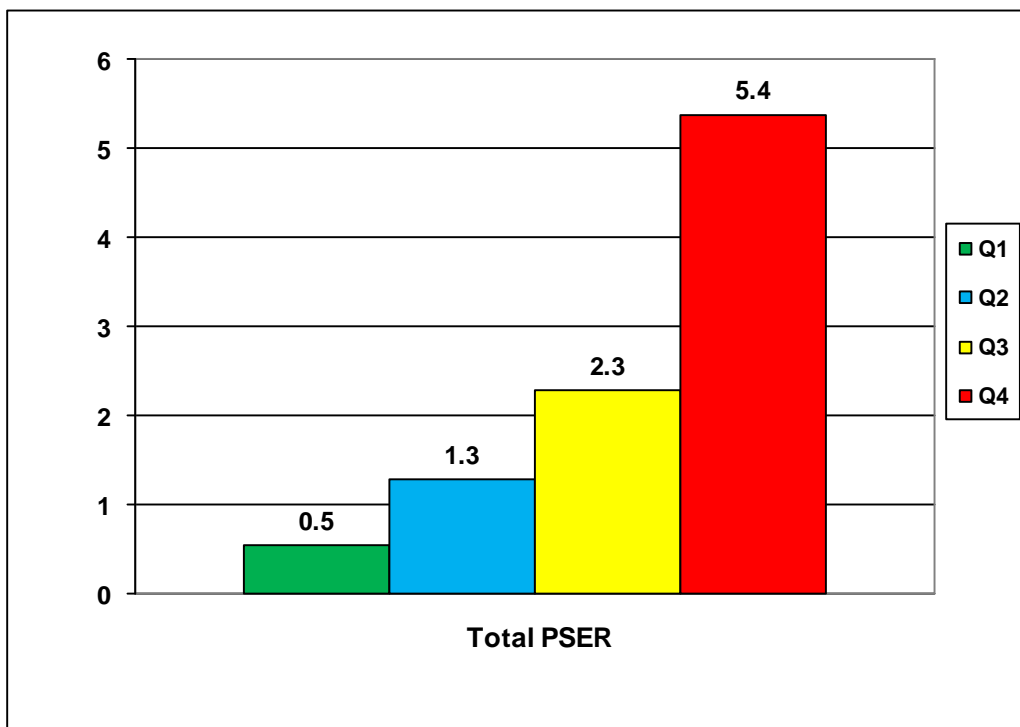
**Figure 4a** Cumulative Frequency Analysis Total PSER



**Figure 4b** Total PSE distribution - Average value for each quartile

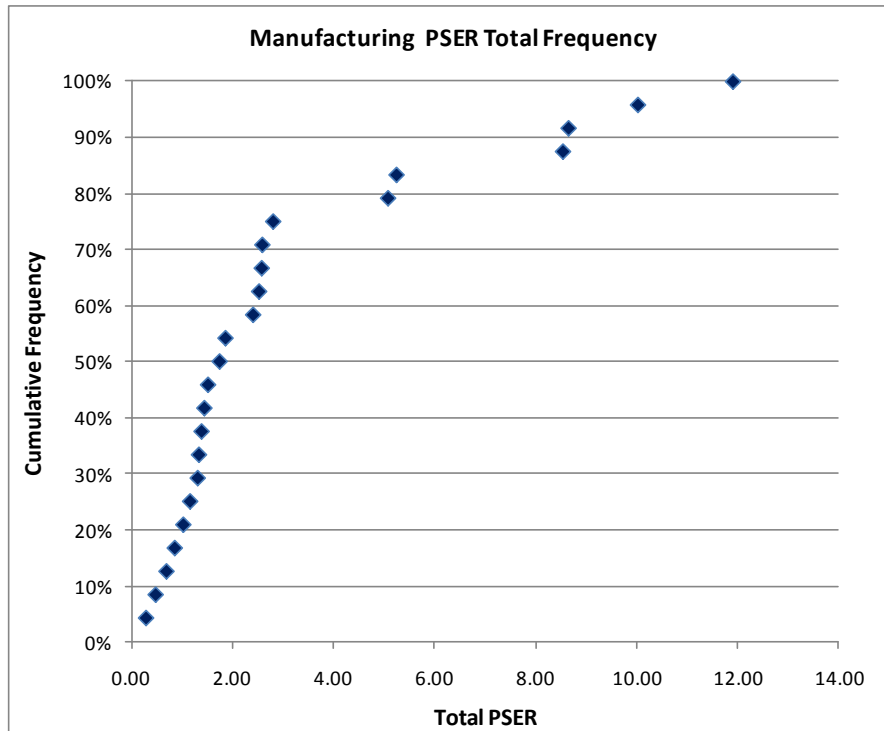


**Figure 4c** Total PSER – Average value per quartile

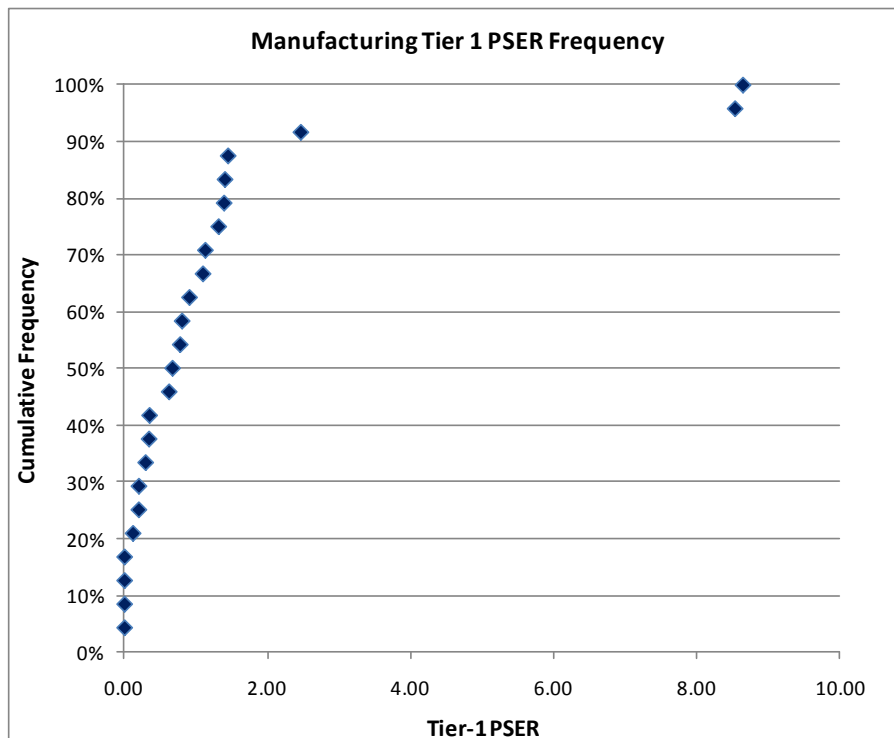




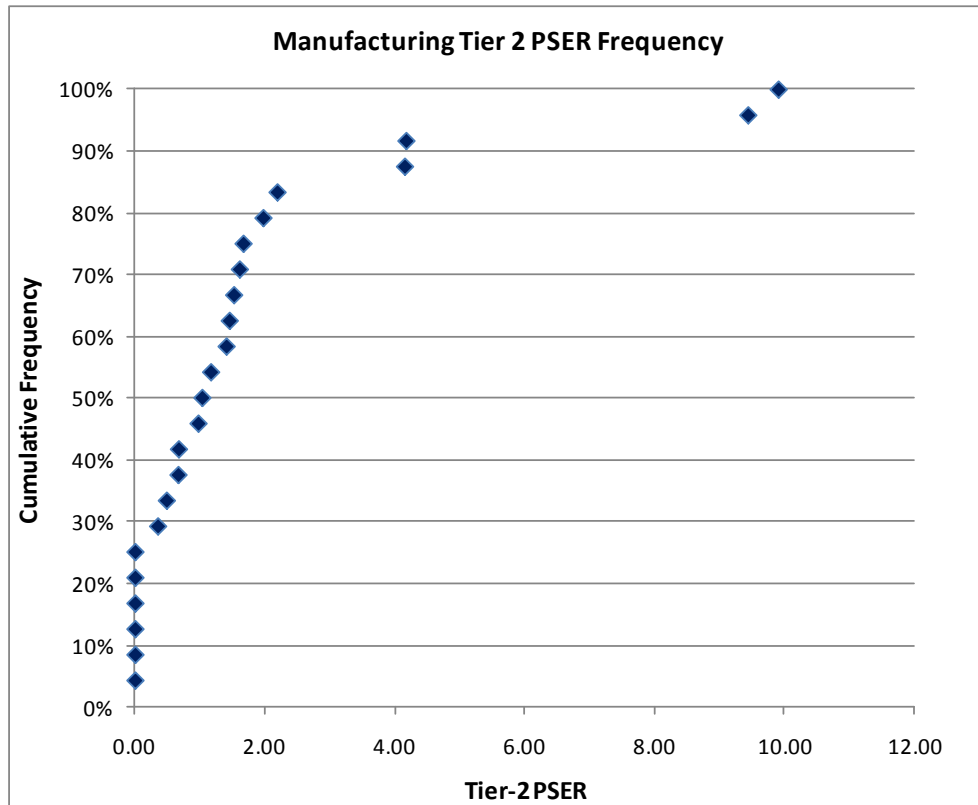
**Figure 5a** Cumulative frequency chart for all Manufacturing PSER



**Figure 5b** Cumulative frequency chart for Tier 1 Manufacturing PSER



**Figure 5c** Cumulative frequency chart for Tier 2 Manufacturing PSER



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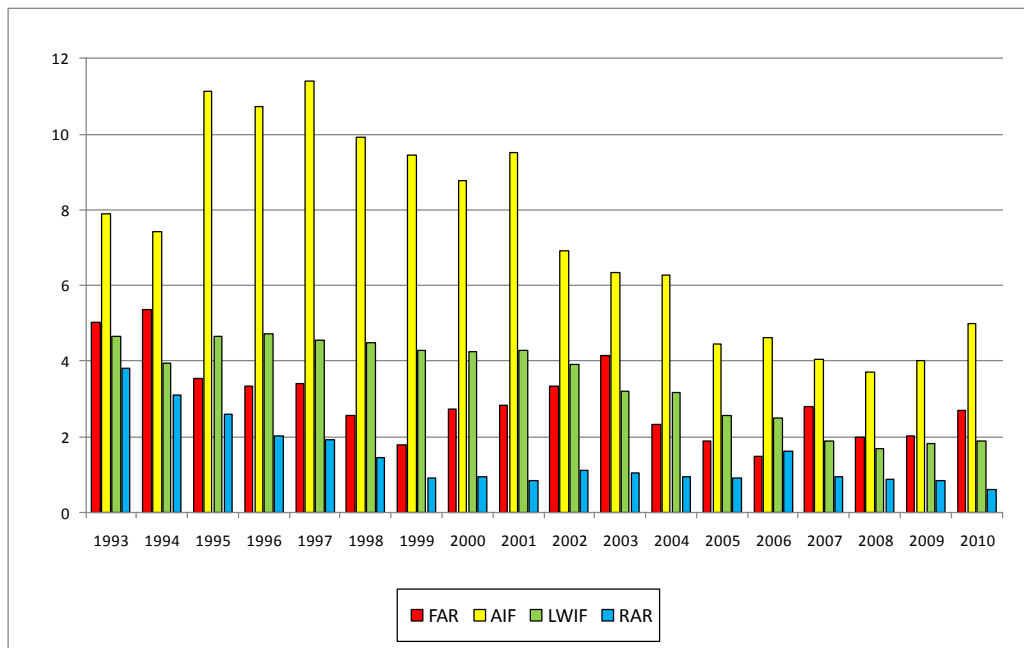
From the data provided, it is evident that none of the PSEs from Tier 1 Manufacturing Companies resulted in a fatality. The number of LWIs resulting from the PSEs is not established, as the information to do this is not available.

When the CONCAWE PSPI database is sufficiently robust to perform further analyses and report trends, this will be included. However, this is expected to take several years.

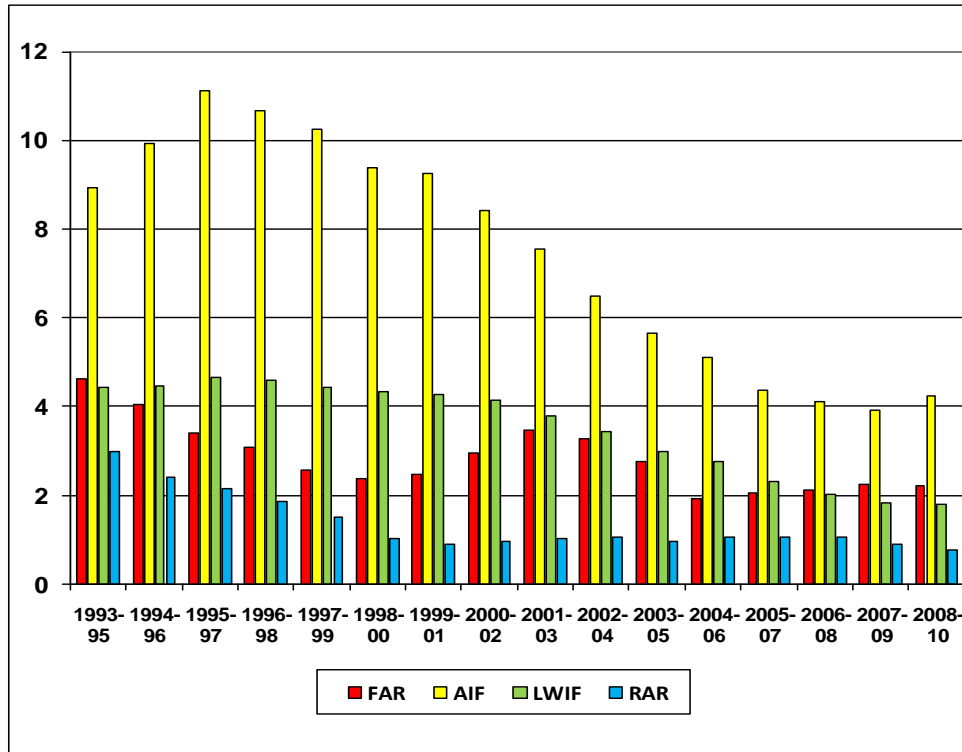
## 5. HISTORICAL TRENDS

The performance indicators are of particular interest when considering their evolution over the years. The historical trends for the European downstream oil industry as a whole are shown in **Figures 6a/b** and **Table 3**.

**Figure 6a** Historical evolution of main performance indicators  
Yearly data for the whole European downstream industry



**Figure 6b** Historical evolution of main performance indicators  
3-year rolling average for the whole European downstream industry



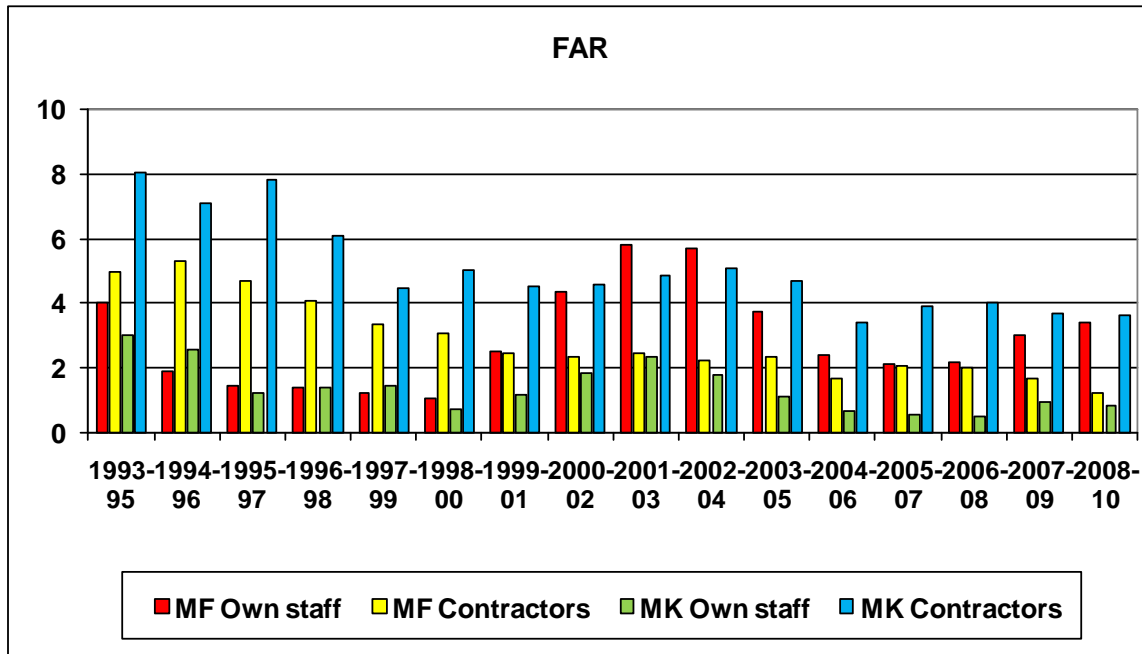
**Table 5** Historical evolution of performance indicators

Year	Fatalities	FAR	AIF	LWIF	LWIS	RAR	Million Hours Reported <sup>2</sup>
1993	18	5.0	7.9	4.7	27	3.8	357.0
1994	19	5.4	7.4	4.0	25	3.1	354.8
1995	13	3.5	11.2	4.6	24	2.6	366.4
1996	14	3.3	10.7	4.7	19	2.0	420.6
1997	15	3.4	11.4	4.6	23	1.9	442.0
1998	12	2.6	9.9	4.5	22	1.5	469.7
1999	8	1.8	9.4	4.3	21	0.9	448.5
2000	13	2.7	8.8	4.3	25	0.9	475.1
2001	14	2.8	9.5	4.3	24	0.8	495.5
2002	16	3.3	6.9	3.9	23	1.1	480.0
2003	22	4.1	6.3	3.2	30	1.0	531.6
2004	12	2.3	6.3	3.2	33	1.0	513.3
2005	11	1.9	4.5	2.6	35	0.9	581.7
2006	7	1.5	4.6	2.5	30	1.6	477.5
2007	15	2.8	4.0	1.9	35	0.9	538.2
2008	11	2.0	3.7	1.7	28	0.9	555.5
2009	11	2.0	4.0	1.8	29	0.8	545.5
2010	14	2.7	5.0	1.9	30	0.6	522.2
<b>Averages</b>							
1993-2010	14	2.9	6.9	3.4	26	1.2	476.4
<b>3-year rolling average</b>							
Year	Fatalities	FAR	AIF	LWIF	LWIS	RAR	Million Hours Reported <sup>2</sup>
1993-95	17	4.6	8.9	4.4	25	3.0	359.4
1994-96	15	4.0	9.9	4.5	22	2.4	380.6
1995-97	14	3.4	11.1	4.6	22	2.2	409.7
1996-98	14	3.1	10.7	4.6	21	1.9	444.1
1997-99	12	2.6	10.3	4.4	22	1.5	453.4
1998-00	11	2.4	9.4	4.3	23	1.0	464.4
1999-01	12	2.5	9.3	4.3	23	0.9	473.0
2000-02	14	3.0	8.4	4.1	24	1.0	483.5
2001-03	17	3.5	7.6	3.8	25	1.0	502.3
2002-04	17	3.3	6.5	3.4	28	1.0	508.3
2003-05	15	2.8	5.7	3.0	32	1.0	542.2
2004-06	10	1.9	5.1	2.7	33	1.1	524.2
2005-07	11	2.1	4.4	2.3	33	1.0	532.5
2006-08	11	2.1	4.1	2.0	31	1.1	523.7
2007-09	12	2.3	3.9	1.8	31	0.9	546.4
2008-10	12	2.2	4.2	1.8	29	0.7	541.1

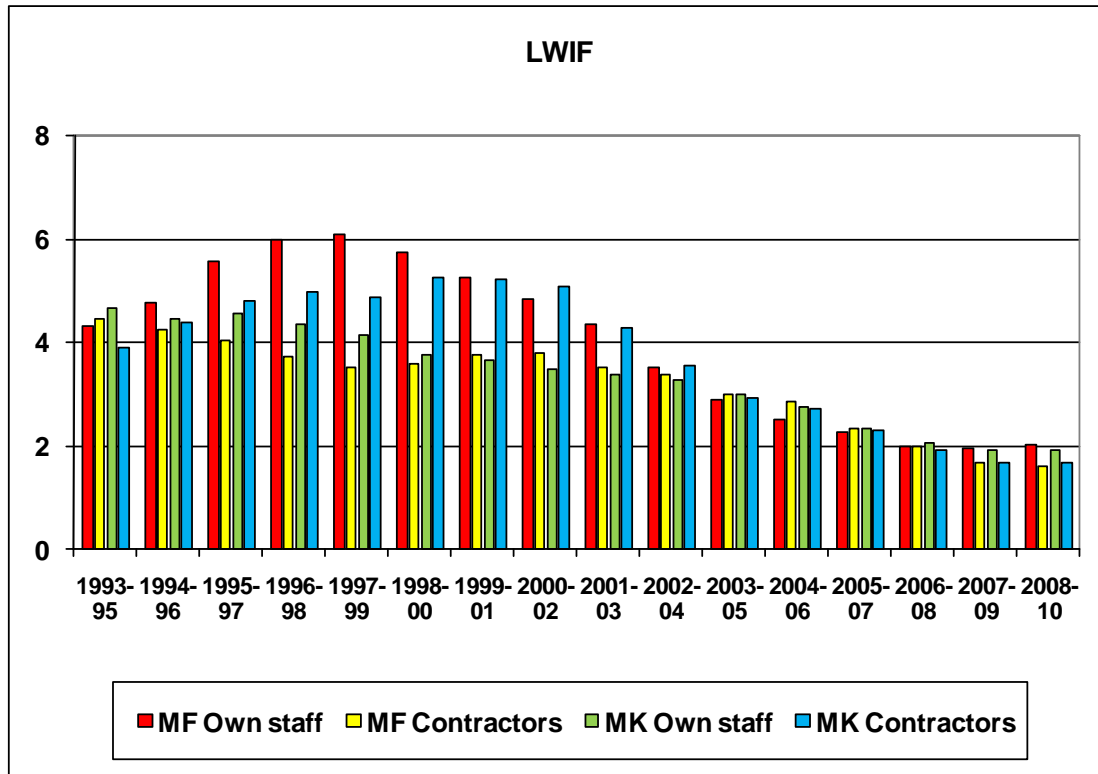
Note: Some historical values have been subject to correction due to correct for methodology refinement.

Figures 7a-c show the 3-year rolling average for FAR, AIF and LWIF segmented into the Manufacturing and Marketing activities, each split between own staff and contractors.

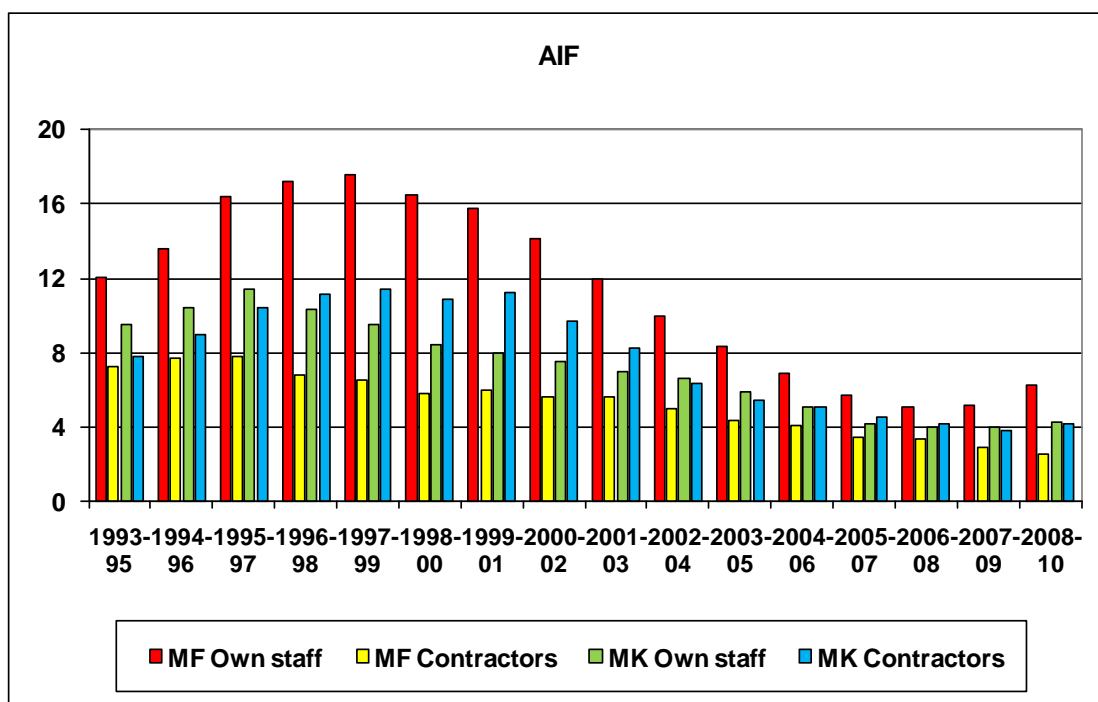
**Figure 7a** Historical evolution of Fatality Accident Rate segmented 3-year rolling average (MF: Manufacturing; MK: Marketing)



**Figure 7b** Historical evolution of Lost Work Injury Frequency segmented 3-year rolling average (MF: Manufacturing; MK: Marketing)



**Figure 7c** Historical evolution of All Injury Frequency segmented 3-year rolling average (MF: Manufacturing; MK: Marketing)



A total 14 fatalities were reported for 2010 that were the consequence of 14 independent incidents. Following a steady downward trend during the 1990s, fatality numbers began to increase in the first year of this decade. The 2004-06 figures showed a reversing of this unfavourable trend and the fatality numbers have shown little variation since this time. This year manufacturing contractors appeared to be the most vulnerable work group experiencing 13 fatalities. Clearly this is of concern and all companies should ensure that the contractor workforce is fully integrated into the companies' safety monitoring systems. The FAR (2.68) continues to be at a level similar to that observed in the late 1990's. As discussed in Section 2, it should be kept in mind that the FAR is notoriously prone to large variations.

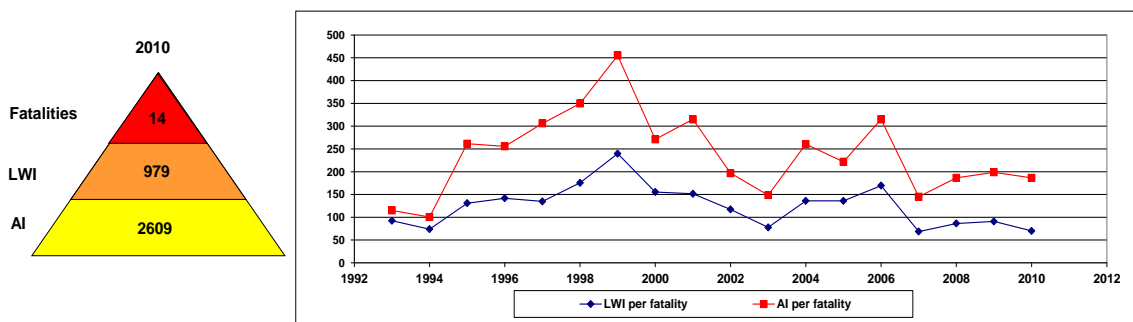
Overall the other indicators maintain the performance of 2009 with a LWIF of 1.9 in 2010, less than 2.0 for the fourth consecutive year, since CONCAWE started to collect these data. This indicator initially had greater reductions in Manufacturing than in Marketing, however, since 2006 figures for the 4 categories continue to remain very close.

The figures suggest that AIF peaked around 1996-97 but this is likely the result of improved reporting standards. Since this time the trend has been downward but reached a plateau in 2010 with a small increase in the AIF figures, especially in Manufacturing.

Road traffic accidents clearly decreased compared to earlier years with the rate reaching a plateau from 1999. There was a small reduction in RAR in 2010. These accidents essentially occur in the Marketing activity where the bulk of the driving takes place.

One point of particular interest is the "safety triangle" i.e. the relationship between the total number of recordable incidents or the number of LWIs and the number of fatalities. This diagram is illustrative but not to scale. This is shown in **Figure 8a**. Also shown is a graph of LWI and AI per fatality.

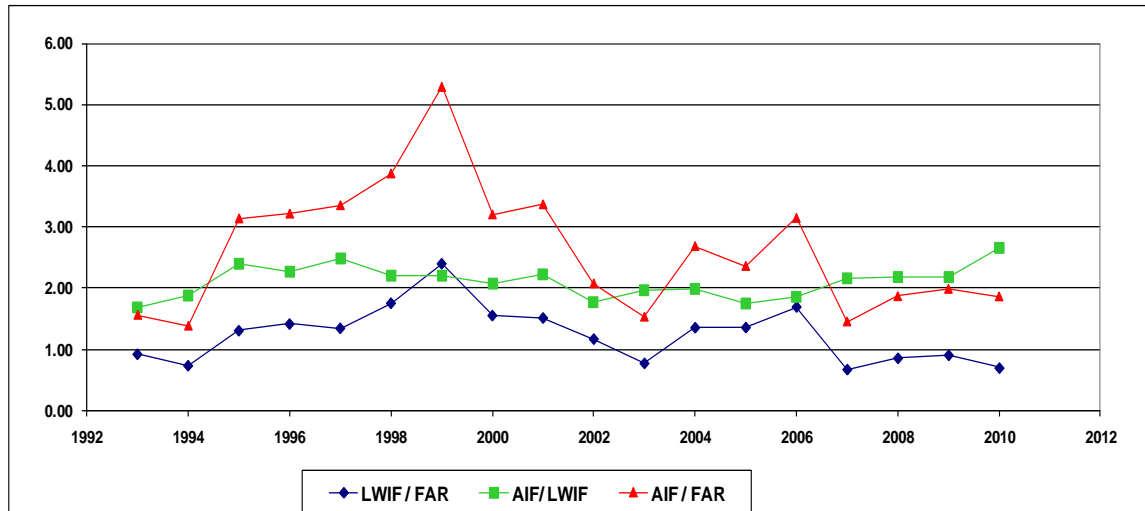
**Figure 8a** The safety triangle



The figure above illustrates the declining number of fatalities until 1999 whereas the total number of incidents remained fairly *constant*. The period from 2000 to 2003 saw a steady increase in fatalities while both AI and LWI were still on a decreasing trend, resulting in a decrease of the ratios. The lower number of fatalities from 2004 to 2009 reversed the trend resulting in relatively steady ratios with a small positive spike in 2006 when there were only 7 fatalities. Despite an increase in fatalities in 2010 the ratios were only slightly reduced. These observations lead to the conclusion that the overall improvement in the level of lower severity safety indicators is not necessarily leading to the prevention of the more severe incidents that result in fatalities.



**Figure 8b** Relationship between the frequencies FAR, AIF and LWIF

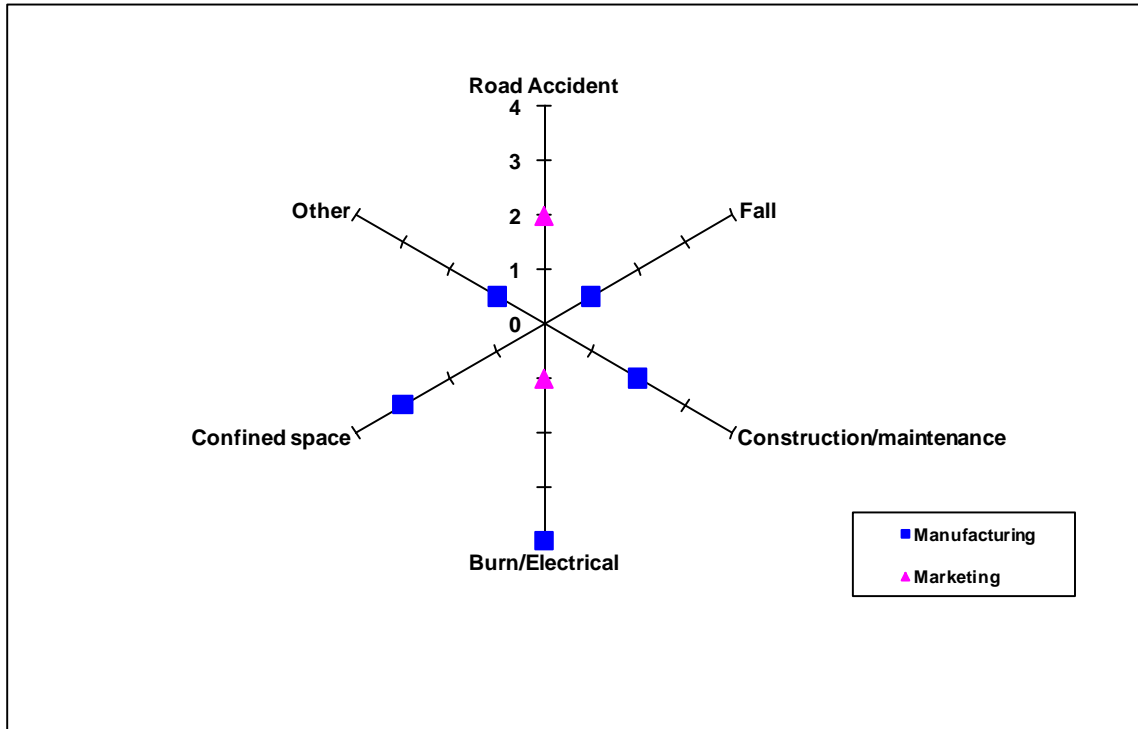


**Figure 8b** illustrates the relationship between the frequencies, FAR, AIF and LWIF. Since 2004 these frequencies have been relatively steady compared to each other. Fatalities remain at a disappointing level.

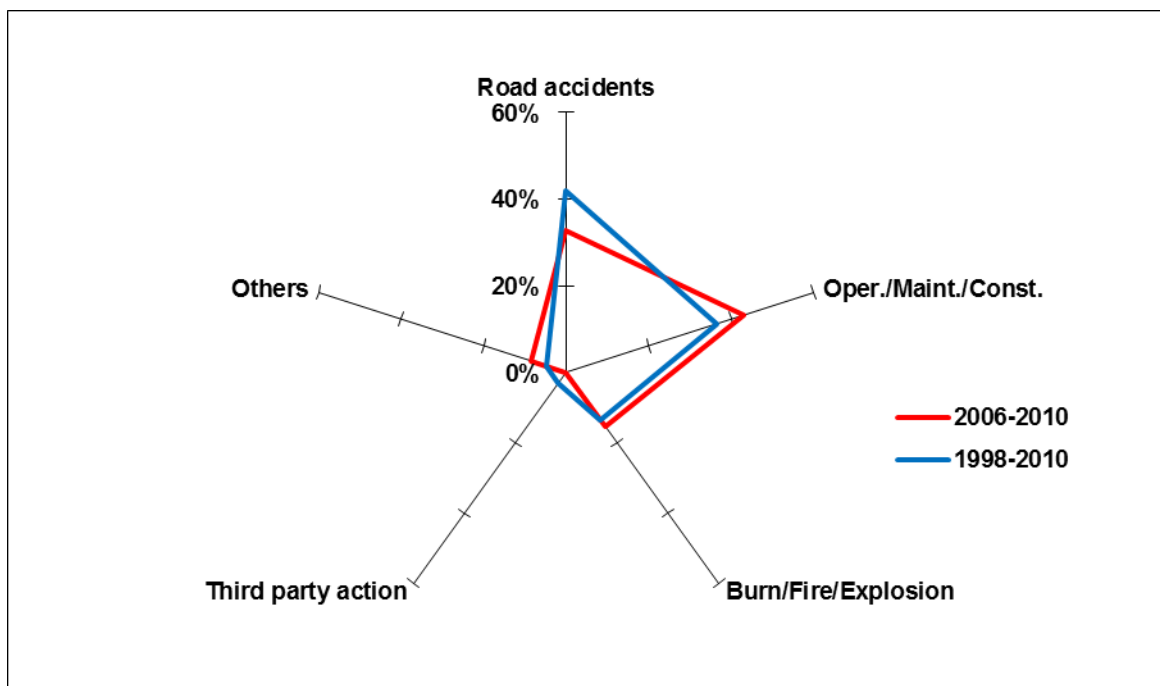
**Figure 9** details the causes of the 14 fatalities recorded in 2010 and **Figure 10** shows the percentage of the main causes over the last 5 years and for all years since this information was first collected in 1998. In 2010, 5 fatalities were caused by burn or electrical incident, 3 fatalities were as a result of confined space entry incidents, road accidents account for 2 fatalities, 2 fatalities resulted from construction and maintenance, 1 fatality resulted from a fall from height while 1 fatality was classified as “other”.

For the last 5-year period, construction/maintenance/operations activities and road accidents remain the principal causes of fatalities.

**Figure 9** Causes of fatalities in 2010



**Figure 10** Causes of fatalities from 2006 to 2010 and from 1998 to 2010



## 6. COMPARISON WITH OTHER SECTORS

Most of the safety performance indicators used in the oil industry, and particularly LWIF, has also been adopted in many other sectors so that meaningful comparisons are possible.

**Table 6** Comparison of the safety performance of the downstream oil industry

	CONCAWE 2010	OGP 2010 <sup>(1)</sup>		CEFIC 2008	API 2008
		Europe	World		Manufacturing
FAR	2.7	1.0	2.8	0.97 <sup>(2)</sup>	NA
AIF	5.0	3.1	1.7	NA	5.5 <sup>(3)</sup>
LWIF	1.9	1.1	0.4	6.6	NA

OGP Oil & Gas Producers

CEFIC Conseil Européen des Fédérations de l'Industrie Chimique

<sup>(1)</sup> Own staff and contractors

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated from the figure of 1.74 fatalities per 100,000 workers reported by CEFIC (assuming 1800 h/a worked per worker)

<sup>(3)</sup> Estimated from 2.8 injuries per 100 FT workers API report Workplace Safety 1999-2008

The OGP statistics concern the “upstream” oil industry covering oil and gas exploration and production activities [20]. This sector shows better AIF and LWIF performances than the downstream, on a global basis, which was also the case in previous years. However, the World FAR for 2010 is slightly higher than for the downstream sector.

The 2008 data for the EU chemical industry (CEFIC) [21], and the API data [22] have been used because these are not yet publicly available for 2010.

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## APPENDIX 1 EUROPEAN OIL INDUSTRY STATISTICS DEFINITIONS AND GUIDING NOTES

1. Hours worked Hours worked by employees and contractors. Estimates should be used where contractor data is not available.
2. Fatality This is a death resulting from a work related injury where the injured person dies within twelve months of the injury.
3. LWI Lost Workday Injury is a work related injury that causes the injured person to be away from work for at least one normal shift because he is unfit to perform any duties.
4. Total days lost The number of calendar days lost through LWIs counting from the day after the injury occurred.
5. RWI Restricted Workday Injury is a work related injury which causes the injured person to be assigned to other work on a temporary basis or to work his normal job less than full time or to work at his normal job without undertaking all the normal duties.
6. MTC Medical Treatment Case is a work related injury which requires the attention of a medical practitioner. It excludes first aid treatment.
7. AIF (TRCF) All Injury Frequency (Total Recordable Case Frequency) which is calculated from the sum of fatalities, LWIs, RWIs and MTCs divided by number of hours worked expressed in millions of hours.
8. LWIF Lost Workday Injury Frequency is calculated from the number of LWIs divided by the number of hours worked expressed in millions.
9. LWIS Lost Workday Injury Severity is the total number of days lost as a result of LWIs divided by the number of LWIs.
10. Distance travelled This is the distance, expressed in millions of kilometres, covered by company owned delivery vehicles and company cars whether leased or owned. It should also include kilometres travelled in employee's cars when on company business.
11. Road Accidents Any accident involving any of the vehicles described above.
12. RAR Road Accident Rate is calculated from the number of accidents divided by the kilometres travelled expressed in millions.
13. FAR Fatal Accident rate is calculated from the number of fatalities divided by the number of hours worked expressed in hundred millions.
14. LOPC Loss of Primary Containment (LOPC) is an unplanned or uncontrolled release of any material from primary containment, including non-toxic and non-flammable materials (e.g., steam, hot condensate, nitrogen, compressed CO<sub>2</sub> or compressed air).
15. PSE A Process Safety Event is an unplanned or uncontrolled LOPC. The severity of the PSE is defined by the consequences of the LOPC.

16. Tier 1 PSE
- A Tier 1 Process Safety Event (T-1 PSE) is a loss of primary containment (LOPC) with the greatest consequence. A T-1 PSE is an unplanned or uncontrolled release of any material, including non-toxic and non-flammable materials (e.g., steam, hot condensate, nitrogen, compressed CO<sub>2</sub> or compressed air), from a process that results in one or more of the consequences listed below:
- An employee, contractor or subcontractor “days away from work” injury and/or fatality; or
  - Hospital admission and/or fatality of a third-party; or
  - Officially declared community evacuation or community shelter-in-place; or
  - Fires or explosions resulting in greater than or equal to €25,000 of direct cost to the Company; or
  - A pressure relief device (PRD) discharge to atmosphere greater than the threshold quantities described in Table 1 of appendix 2 that:
    - contained liquid carryover; or
    - was discharged to an unsafe location; or
    - resulted in an onsite shelter-in-place; or
    - resulted in public protective measures (e.g., road closure); or
  - A release of material greater than the threshold quantities described in Table 1 of **Appendix 2** in any one-hour period.
17. Tier 2 PSE
- A Tier 2 Process Safety Event (T-2 PSE) is a LOPC with lesser consequence. A T-2 PSE is an unplanned or uncontrolled release of any material, including non-toxic and non-flammable materials (e.g., steam, hot condensate, nitrogen, compressed CO<sub>2</sub> or compressed air), from a process that results in one or more of the consequences listed below and is not reported in Tier 1:
- An employee, contractor or subcontractor recordable injury; or
  - A fire or explosion resulting in greater than or equal to €2,500 of direct cost to the Company; or
  - A pressure relief device (PRD) discharge to atmosphere or to a downstream destructive device greater than the threshold quantity in Table 2 of Appendix 2 that results in one or more of the following four consequences:
    - liquid carryover; or
    - discharge to a potentially unsafe location; or
    - an onsite shelter-in-place; or
    - public protective measures (e.g., road closure) and;
  - A release of material greater than the threshold quantities described in Table 2 of **Appendix 2** in any one-hour period.
18. PSER
- Process Safety Event Rate (PSER) is calculated as the number of PSE (Tier 1, Tier 2 or Total) divided by the total number of hours worked (including contractor hours) expressed in millions.

Statistics are collected under two groupings: Manufacturing (refineries) and Marketing.

Marketing includes all non-refining activities (e.g. terminals and distribution facilities) including "Head Office" personnel.

Where data are not available directly, Members are requested to present the best estimate possible.

## **APPENDIX 2 CONCAWE PROCESS SAFETY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS DEFINITIONS**

Within CONCAWE the decision has been taken to start gathering Process Safety Performance Indicator (PSPI) data, as of 2010.

Aligning this initiative with developments globally, the decision has been made to adopt the indicators of the forthcoming ANSI/API guideline “Process Safety Performance Indicators for the Refining and Petrochemical Industries” that was published as ANSI/API Guideline 754 in April 2010 [REF 1].

This short note provides an overview of the performance indicator that CONCAWE intends to collect from its membership for the European Refining and Distribution Industry, which are the Tier 1 and 2 PSPI of this guideline with minor alteration to allow the alternative use of the criteria that are embedded in EU-legislation and the fact that in Europe quantities are reported in the SI-metric system (kg/m/sec). However, the classification of Process Safety Events (PSE) preferentially should follow the scheme set in the aforementioned guideline.

The purpose of this Appendix is to inform the Member Companies on this with the aim to allow them to initiate the gathering of these requested PSEs as of 2010.

It is realised that this might be cumbersome for some members and, therefore, the reporting of these indicators will need to develop overtime. However, it is expected that within a few years the internal data gathering and reporting to CONCAWE will develop such that meaningful analyses can be performed for the European Refining and Distribution Industry that enables and allows comparing with other regions where this data is collected and reported.

In the forthcoming API guidance 4 Tiers of PSPIs are mentioned. However, the data collection and evaluation within CONCAWE will restrict itself to the Tier 1 & 2 PSPIs.

The criteria for the classification of Tier 1 and 2 PSEs are provided below, followed by a decision tree that assists in the classification of these.

### **Tier 1 Performance Indicator — Process Safety Event (T-1 PSE)**

#### **Tier 1 Indicator Purpose**

The count of Tier 1 process safety events is the most lagging process safety performance indicator (PSPI) and represents incidents with greater consequence resulting from actual losses of containment.

#### **Tier 1 Indicator Definition and Consequences**

A Tier 1 Process Safety Event (T-1 PSE) is a loss of primary containment (LOPC) with the greatest consequence as defined by this document. A T-1 PSE is an unplanned or uncontrolled release of any material, including non-toxic and non-flammable materials (e.g., steam, hot condensate, nitrogen or other inert gases, compressed CO<sub>2</sub> or compressed air<sup>2</sup>), from a process that results in one or more of the consequences listed below:

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<sup>2</sup> Non-toxic and non-flammable materials (e.g., steam, hot water, nitrogen, compressed CO<sub>2</sub> or compressed air) have no threshold quantities and are only included in this definition as a result of their potential to result in one of the other consequences. Event involving these only become reported, if these result in one of the consequences indicated.



- An employee, contractor or subcontractor “days away from work” injury and/or fatality; or
- A hospital admission and/or fatality of a third-party; or
- An officially declared community evacuation or community shelter-in-place; or
- A fire or explosion resulting in greater than or equal to €25,000 of direct cost to the Company; or
- A pressure relief device (PRD) discharge to atmosphere or to a downstream destructive device that results in one or more of the following four consequences:
  - liquid carryover; or
  - discharge to a potentially unsafe location; or
  - an on-site shelter-in-place; or
  - public protective measures (e.g., road closure);and a PRD discharge quantity greater than the threshold quantities in Table 1; or
- Any release of material greater than the threshold quantities described in Table 1 in any one-hour period.

#### **Calculation of Tier 1 PSE Rate**

The Tier 1 PSE Rate shall be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Tier 1 PSE Rate} = (\text{Total Tier 1 PSE Count} / \text{Total Work Hours}) \times 1,000,000^3$$

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<sup>3</sup> Total work hours include employees and contractors. The 1,000,000 hours is the CONCAWE denominator that is also applied in the operational safety statistics frequency estimations.

**Table A2-1** Tier-1 Material Release Threshold Quantities

Threshold Release Category	Material Hazard Classification <sup>1,3,4</sup>	Threshold Quantity (outdoor release)	Threshold Quantity (indoor <sup>2</sup> release)
1	TIH Zone A or EU-CLP Category 1 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	5 kg	2.5 kg
2	TIH Zone B or EU-CLP Category 2 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	25 kg	12.5 kg
3	TIH Zone C or EU-CLP Category 3 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	100 kg	50 kg
4	TIH Zone D or EU CLP Category 4 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	200 kg	100 kg
5	Flammable Gases or Liquids with Boiling Point ≤ 35°C and Flash Point < 23°C or Other Packing Group I Materials	500 kg	250 kg
6	Liquids with Boiling Point > 35°C and Flash Point < 23°C or Other Packing Group II Materials	1000 kg	500 kg
7	Liquids with Flash Point ≥ 23°C and ≤ 60°C or Liquids with Flash Point > 60°C released at a temperature at or above Flash Point or strong acids/bases or Other Packing Group III Materials	2000 kg	1000 kg

<sup>1</sup> Many materials exhibit multiple hazards. Correct placement in Hazard Zone or Packing Group shall preferentially follow the rules of the UN Recommendations on the Transportation of Dangerous Goods, Section 2 [REF 2] or the Classifications according to DOT 49 CFR 173.2a [REF 3], as explained in the ANSI/API guideline 754 Annex B. Alternatively, the classifications of EU Regulation EC-1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 [REF 4] that implement the UN harmonised System can be used.

<sup>2</sup> A structure composed of four complete (floor to ceiling) walls, floor and roof.

<sup>3</sup> For solutions not listed on the UNDG, the anhydrous component shall determine the TIH hazard zone or Packing Group classification. The threshold quantity of the solution shall be back calculated based on the threshold quantity of the dry component weight.

<sup>4</sup> For mixtures where the UNDG classification is unknown, the fraction of threshold quantity release for each component may be calculated. If the sum of the fractions is equal to or greater than 100%, the mixture exceeds the threshold quantity. Where there are clear and independent toxic and flammable consequences associated with the mixture, the toxic and flammable hazards are calculated independently.

<sup>5</sup> For vapours, the hazardous classifications only apply to inhalation toxicity. Whereas for liquids, the oral and dermal toxicity should be assessed, as well as described in the ANSI/API guideline Annex B.

## **Tier 2 Performance Indicators – Process Safety Events (T-2-PSE)**

### **Tier 2 Indicator Purpose**

The count of Tier 2 process safety events represents LOPC events with a lesser consequence. Tier 2 PSEs, even those that have been contained by secondary systems, indicate system weaknesses that may be potential precursors of future, more significant incidents. In that sense, Tier 2 PSEs can provide a company with opportunities for learning and improvement of its process safety performance.

### **Tier 2 Indicator Definition and Consequences**

A Tier 2 Process Safety Event (T-2 PSE) is a LOPC with lesser consequence. A T-2 PSE is an unplanned or uncontrolled release of any material, including non-toxic and non-flammable materials (e.g., steam, hot condensate, nitrogen, compressed CO<sub>2</sub> or compressed air<sup>1</sup>), from a process that results in one or more of the consequences listed below and is not reported in Tier 1:

An employee, contractor or subcontractor recordable injury; or

- A fire or explosion resulting in greater than or equal to €2,500 of direct cost to the Company; or
- A pressure relief device (PRD) discharge to atmosphere or to a downstream destructive device that results in one or more of the following four consequences:
  - liquid carryover; or
  - discharge to a potentially unsafe location; or
  - an onsite shelter-in-place; or
  - public protective measures (e.g., road closure);

and a PRD discharge quantity greater than the threshold quantity in Table 2; or

- A release of material greater than the threshold quantities described in Table 2 in any one-hour period.

### **Calculation of Tier 2 PSE Rate**

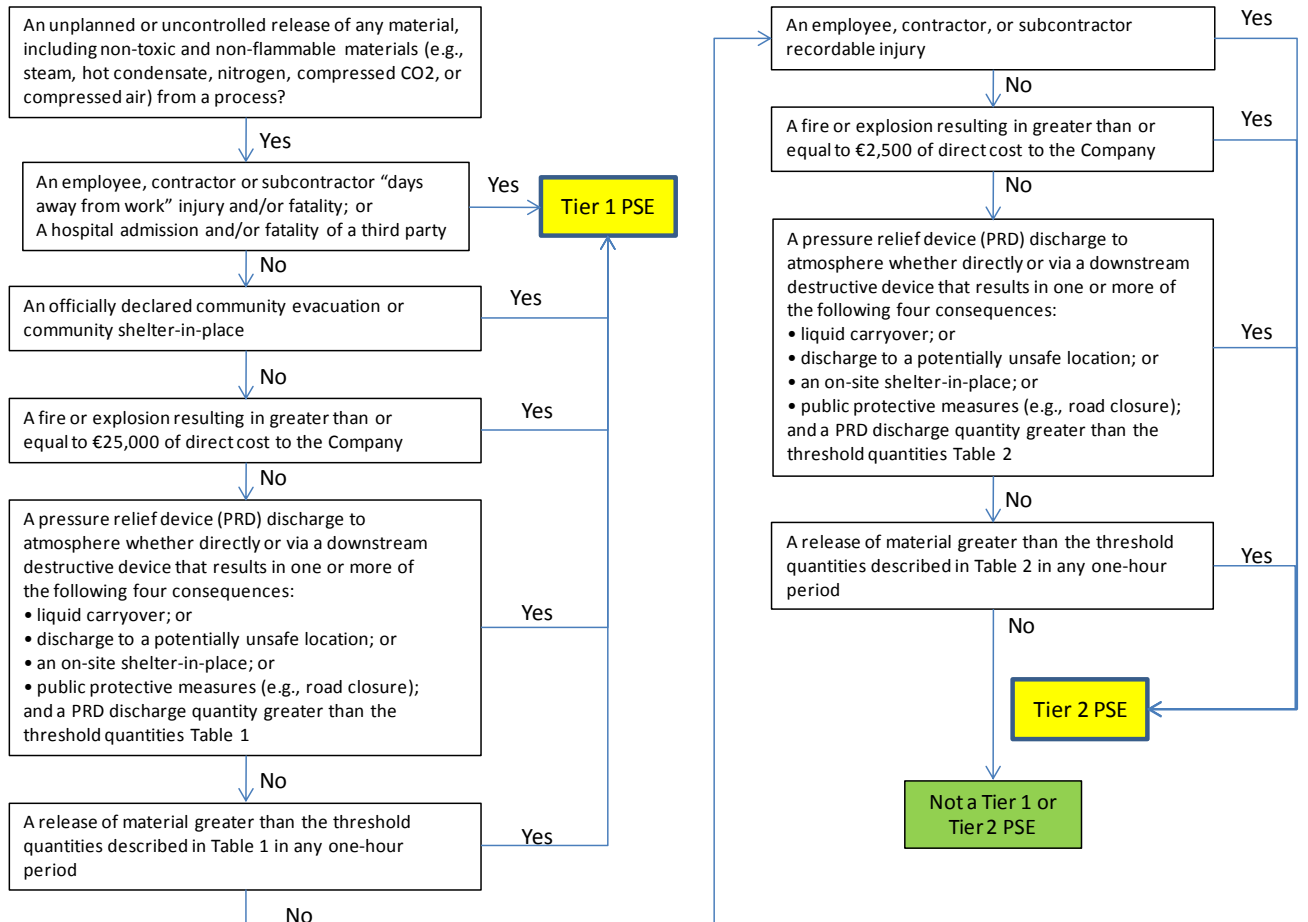
The Tier 2 PSE rate shall be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Tier 2 PSE Rate} = (\text{Total Tier 2 PSE Count} / \text{Total Work Hours}) \times 1,000,000^5$$

**Table A2-2** Tier-2 Material Release Threshold Quantities

Threshold Release Category	Material Hazard Classification <sup>1,3,4</sup>	Threshold Quantity (outdoor release)	Threshold Quantity (indoor <sup>2</sup> release)
1	TIH Zone A or EU-CLP Category 1 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	0.5 kg	0.25 kg
2	TIH Zone B or EU-CLP Category 2 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	2.5 kg	1.25 kg
3	TIH Zone C or EU-CLP Category 3 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	10 kg	5 kg
4	TIH Zone D or EU CLP Category 4 Hazardous Materials <sup>5</sup>	20 kg	10 kg
5	Flammable Gases or Liquids with Boiling Point ≤ 35°C and Flash Point < 23°C or Other Packing Group I Materials	50 kg	25 kg
6	Liquids with a Boiling Point > 35°C and Flash Point < 60°C or Liquids with Flash Point > 60°C released at or above Flash Point; or Other Packing Group II and III Materials or Strong acids and bases	100 kg	50 kg
7	Liquids with Flash Point > 60°C released at a temperature below Flash Point or Moderate acids/bases	1000 kg	500 kg
<p>In order to simplify determination of reporting thresholds for Tier 2, Categories 6 and 7 in Tier 1 have been combined into one category in Tier 2 (Category 6). The simplification is intended to provide less complicated requirements for those events with lesser consequences.</p> <p><sup>1</sup> Many materials exhibit multiple hazards. Correct placement in Hazard Zone or Packing Group shall preferentially follow the rules of the UN Recommendations on the Transportation of Dangerous Goods, Section 2 [REF 2] or the Classifications according to DOT 49 CFR 173.2a [REF 3], as explained in the ANSI/API guideline 754 Annex B. Alternatively, the classifications of EU Regulation EC-1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 [REF 4] that implement the UN harmonised System can be used.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> A structure composed of four complete (floor to ceiling) walls, floor and roof.</p> <p><sup>3</sup> For solutions not listed on the UNDG, the anhydrous component shall determine the TIH hazard zone or Packing Group classification. The threshold quantity of the solution shall be back calculated based on the threshold quantity of the dry component weight.</p> <p><sup>4</sup> For mixtures where the UNDG classification is unknown, the fraction of threshold quantity release for each component may be calculated. If the sum of the fractions is equal to or greater than 100%, the mixture exceeds the threshold quantity. Where there are clear and independent toxic and flammable consequences associated with the mixture, the toxic and flammable hazards are calculated independently.</p> <p><sup>5</sup> For vapours, the hazardous classifications only apply to inhalation toxicity. Whereas for liquids, the oral and dermal toxicity should be assessed, as well as described in the ANSI/API guideline Annex B.</p>			

PSE Classification Decision Logic Tree



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