

## OSHA's FY 2021 Outreach Initiatives

### I. National Initiatives

OSHA will conduct the following national outreach initiatives:

- **[Stand-Up 4 Grain Safety Week](#)**  
This annual event raises awareness of hazards in grain storage and handling operations. March 29 - April 2, 2021 will be the fifth annual Stand-Up Week and is sponsored by the OSHA and National Grain and Feed Association (NGFA), Grain Handling Safety Council (GHSC), and Grain Elevator and Processing Society (GEAPS) national Alliance and other agricultural industry groups.
- **[Fall Prevention Campaign](#)**  
OSHA's Fall Prevention Campaign raises awareness of the danger of falls in construction and other industries. The signature event is the annual [National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction](#), which encourages employers to set aside time during the week to focus on fall prevention efforts and training. The Stand-Down will be May 3-7 2021, and will coincide with [Construction Safety Week](#).
- **[Heat Illness Prevention Campaign](#)**  
During hot weather, OSHA continues its efforts to educate employers and workers on the dangers of working in the heat and the importance of three key safety measures: "Water. Rest. Shade." The informal kickoff date for the campaign is the Friday before Memorial Day- this year, Friday, May 22, 2021.
- **[Trenching and Excavation Safety Initiative](#)**  
Abating trenching hazards continues to be the Agency Priority Goal in FY 2021. June 2021 will be the second annual Trench Safety Month, and OSHA will work with the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) and other industry stakeholders to hold a [Trench Safety Stand-Down](#) June 14-18, 2021.
- **[Safe + Sound: Campaign for Safety and Health Programs](#)**  
The goal of the campaign is to encourage employers to implement safety and health programs. The signature event is [Safe + Sound Week](#), when employers can show their safety commitment through activities related to core elements of safety and health programs: management leadership, worker participation, and a systematic approach to finding and fixing hazards. Safe + Sound Week 2021 will be August 9-13, 2021.

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## II. Priority Industries/Topics for Outreach and Compliance Assistance

The following are some of the industries/topics that OSHA has identified as outreach priorities.

- [Construction](#)
- [Grain Handling](#)
- [Healthcare](#)
- [Oil and Gas](#)
- [Small Business](#)
- [Temporary Workers](#)
- [Trenching and Excavation](#)
- [Young Workers](#)

## III. Key Dates for Compliance Assistance/Outreach

### November 2020

- 16 - Effective date for [Final Rule- Cranes and Derricks in Construction: Railroad Roadway Work](#)
- 27 - Black Friday (start of holiday shopping season with related impacts on retail, warehousing, etc.)

### February 2021

- Beginning of time period when employers must post [summary of injuries and illnesses](#) recorded the previous year (February 1 to April 30)

### March 2021

- 2 - Covered employers must [electronically submit](#) 2019 Form 300A information (collection begins Jan. 2, 2021)
- 3-5 - [National Safety Conference & Expo](#) (National Safety Council, virtual)
- 7-13 - [Women in Construction Week](#)
- March 29 - April 2 – [Stand Up 4 Grain Safety Week](#)
- [Ladder Safety Month](#) (American Ladder Institute)

### April 2021

- 26-30 - [National Work Zone Awareness Week](#). A kickoff event will be held April 28 in Michigan.
- 28 - Workers Memorial Day
- [Distracted Driving Awareness Month](#)

### May 2021

- 3-7 – [National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction](#)
- 3-7 – [Construction Safety Week](#)
- 21 – Don't Fry Day (Day to raise awareness of sun safety, and informal launch of OSHA's heat illness prevention outreach.)
- 24-26 - [American Industrial Hygiene Conference and Expo](#) (Dallas, TX)
- TBD - [National Small Business Week](#) (U.S. Small Business Administration)

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- [Asian Pacific American Heritage Month](#)
- [National Electrical Safety Month](#)

### June 2021

- 6-9 – Safety 2021: Professional Development Conference and Exposition (American Society of Safety Professionals) (Denver, CO)
- 8 - [National Forklift Safety Day](#) (Industrial Truck Association)
- 14-18 - [Trench Safety Stand-Down](#)
- [National Safety Month](#) (National Safety Council)
- Trench Safety Month (National Utility Contractors Association)

### August 2021

- 9-13 - [Safe + Sound Week](#)
- 25-28 - [Safety Plus Symposium](#) (VPPPA annual conference) (Orlando, FL)
- Labor Rights Week (week of Labor Day)

### September 2021

- 15 - Hispanic Heritage Month (Sep. 15 to Oct. 15)
- [National Employ Older Workers Week](#) (last week in September)
- [National Preparedness Month](#)
- Suicide Prevention Awareness Month