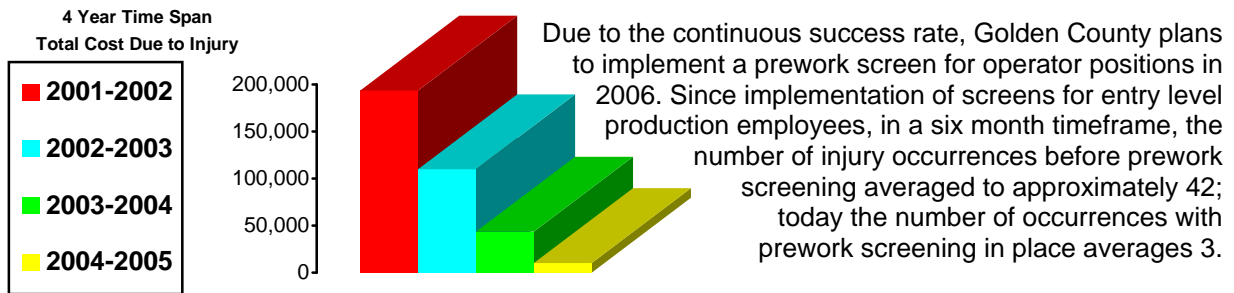


Golden County Foods Lives Up to Its Gold Standard

Golden County Foods, Inc., one of the fastest-growing privately-held companies in Wisconsin prepares potato, vegetable and other foods for retail, foodservice and private labels. Their customers include some of the largest and most sophisticated food companies and brand names in North America and Europe. With facilities located in the heart of America's food-producing Midwest, Golden County employs over 350 men and women committed to delivering value to its customer-base. Because product quality drives day-to-day operations, it is essential to maintain a strong, healthy workforce.

In 2002 the medical staff from SAINTS Health Care Services for Business, an *Isernhagen Work Systems'* provider, first toured the plant to become familiar with jobs that were considered light duty. "Golden County Foods works closely with SAINTS to accommodate their employee's changes in functional abilities following an injury," said Steven Lisowe, Physical Therapist at SAINTS Health Services. Sara Raikowski, Physical Therapist Assistant adds, "We were excited to add prework screening to their injury prevention program-- the results have been amazing."



Not only that, but the reduction in the number of work related injuries allows production lines to operate with employees working at their full potential, instead of employees working on light duty positions. "The testing process has strengthened our workforce through increased productivity, quality and attendance," said Mark Pulchinski, Director of Operations

Golden County's human resource department is equally sold on prescreening as evidenced by Chris Kluck, Human Resources Director. "The prework screen testing has allowed us to identify people who cannot physically perform their job requirements, giving us the ability to properly place them in positions that match their physical abilities." Today's turnover rate shows a 41% decrease the past two years alone.

"The prework screening program has had a major impact on our safety program. It allows us to set records and reach goals that we were not able to achieve prior to this process—such as days without an OSHA recordable incidence. Because of the great reduction in workers compensation, it allows us to place our energy on improving our safety programs and in continuous efforts on being proactive," said Denise Hunt, Safety Director

The testing process has had a substantial savings on workers compensations premiums. It has allowed Golden County to select only qualified employees while realizing tremendous cost savings on employee turnover. Today Golden County has acquired the reputation as a source for knowledge in the arena of workers compensation. "We take our work personally and we care about the people we work with—customers, suppliers, and coworkers. We thrive on excellence. Through working to meet a higher standard, being innovative and exceeding expectations, all our employees are more motivated to succeed," adds Hunt.