

# Development of Latvian Occupational Health and Safety Service System

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# Requirements for OH&S training and services

- Historical background:
  - No harmonized approach in the EU
  - No EU directives on OH&S training and OH&S services
  - National system had to be developed
- Decision
  - None of the systems could be copied 1:1 (experience of Spain, the Netherlands, Denmark and Belgium)
  - Requirements shall set certain level for competence and quality but shall be feasible
  - Step by step approach (no specific requirements till 2006)

# Development of OH&S service system

## external OH&S services

- **What is an external OH&S service)?**
  - Institution providing OH&S services, including risk assessment to enterprises and whose competence have been evaluated in accordance with procedures specified by the Cabinet of Ministers
  - ≠ SLI
- **What are requirements for external OH&S service?**
  - ISO 9001 + CR No 723
  - Staff
  - Insurance (min.~30 000 EUR)
  - Notification in official journal

# Development of OH&S service system

(Competent specialists - external OH&S specialists)

- **What is a competent specialist?**
  - C.S. – specialist competent to perform OH&S services, including risk assessment and whose competence have been evaluated in accordance with procedures specified by the Cabinet
  - C.S.  $\neq$  SLI
- **What are requirements for competent specialist**
  - Education (senior OH&S specialist, 2nd level highest education on OH&S)
  - Competence and independence (in decisions)
  - Insurance
  - Certification and recertification

# Who?

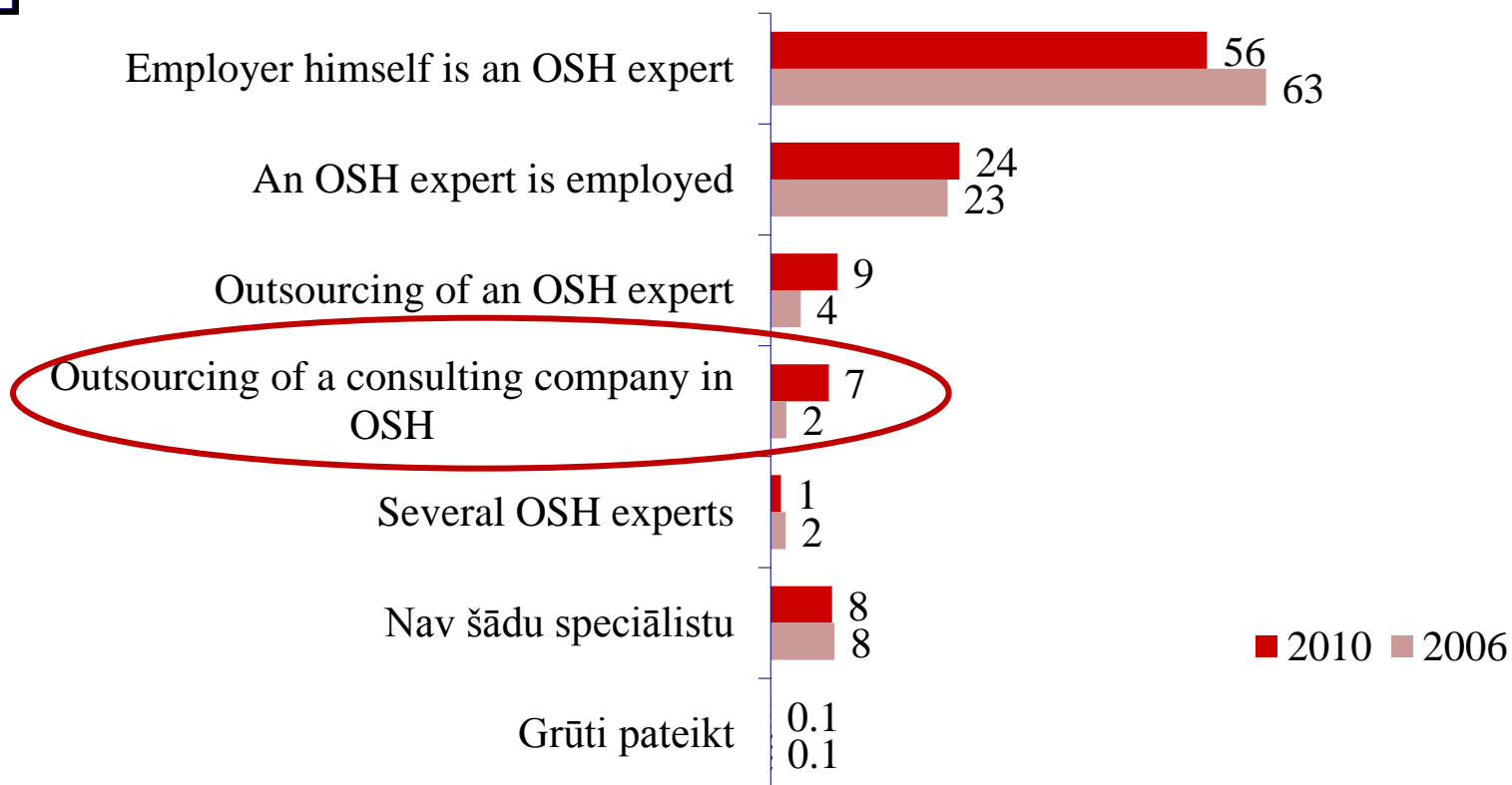
- Depends on the branch and number of employees
- Dangerous industries:
  - External OSH consulting companies
  - Internal OSH expert
- Non-dangerious industries
  - External OSH consulting companies
  - External OSH expert
  - Internal OSH expert



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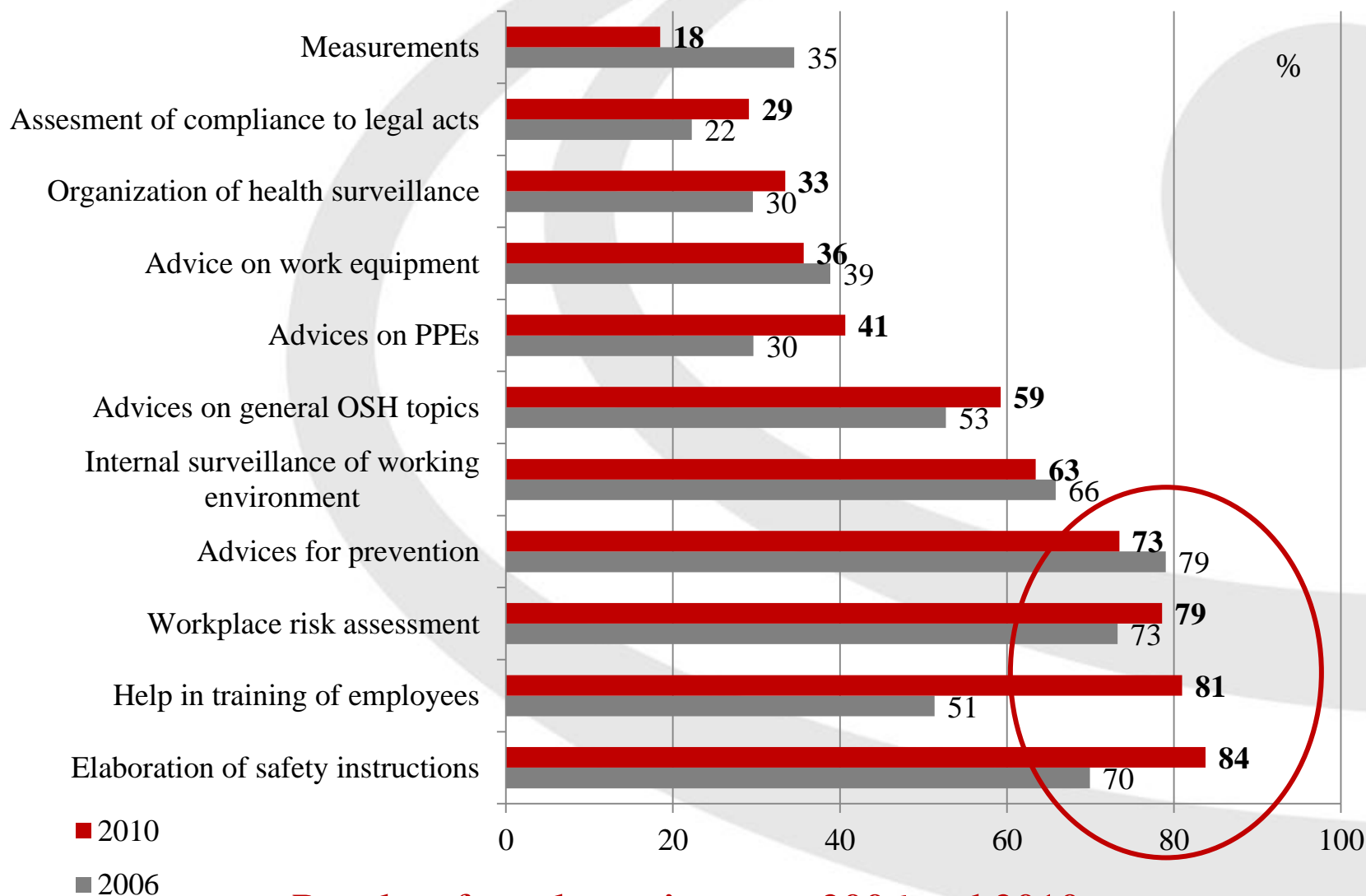
# OSH system in the company

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Results of employers' survey, 2006 and 2010

# What do employers buy?



Results of employers' survey, 2006 and 2010



- External OSH service companies, external OSH experts, external OSH specialists
- In 2012 almost 100 inspections
- Administrative penalties until 15.11.2012.:
  - 8 external OSH services
  - 8 other companies
  - 10 specialists
- Information on penalties published in the SLI webpage
- [nekvalitativs@vdi.gov.lv](mailto:nekvalitativs@vdi.gov.lv)

# Typical problems

- No actions to reduce risks
- Not all risk identified
- Not all workplaces assessed
- No measurements performed (chemicals, dust, vibration)
- Old legal acts
- Huge numbers of spelling mistakes
- Low level of understanding of employers

Ilgstošs redzes sasprindzinājums	traumas, saslimšanas Koncentrēšanās spēju zudums, redzes pasliktināšanās, tuvredzība, <b>lagoftaums</b> , nekompensēta glaukoma, redzēdivējošas radzenes čūlas	B
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