



**THE FUTURE OF WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT AND
PRACTICAL ASSESSMENTS
USING VR AND SIMULATION**

DISCLAIMER

This session is only for awareness and discussion purposes only.

This session does not qualify you to operate mobile equipment.

Participants are encouraged to take a mobile equipment operator course(s) and/or training that meets the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation requirements and other legal requirements.



About ITI

- Crane, Rigging, Lift Planning Training since 1986
- Instructor-led
- Open Enrollment at 6 Training Centers
- Client Site
- Online Learning
- VR Simulations
- Consulting (Field Services)
- ASME Committee Participation
- LEEA Accredited Provider

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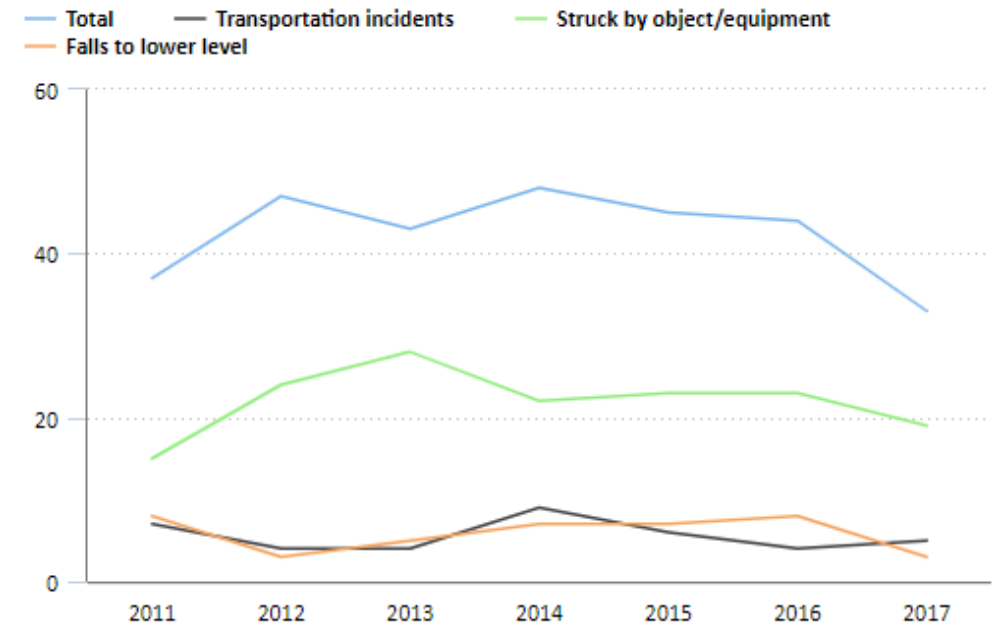
Life Critical Challenges

A close-up photograph of a person's hand wearing a yellow and black work glove. The hand is positioned in the center-right of the frame, with the fingers slightly curled. Another gloved hand is visible in the background, slightly out of focus. The background is a dark, neutral color. A large, bright orange diagonal shape cuts across the image from the top-left to the bottom-right, partially obscuring the hand and the background. The text 'Life Critical Challenges' is written in white, bold, sans-serif font over the orange shape.

Life Critical Challenges - Crane Operations, Rigging/Material Handling

- 90% of crane accidents happen because of human error
- Just over half of all fatal crane injuries involved the worker being struck by an object or equipment.
- About three-fifths of these cases (91 of 154) involved the worker being struck by a falling object or equipment; in 79 of these cases, the worker was struck by an object falling from or put in motion by a crane.
- Transportation incidents and falls to a lower level each made up about 13 and 14 percent of the remaining fatal injuries involving cranes, respectively.

Fatal occupational injuries involving cranes by type of event, 2011-17



Click legend items to change data display. Hover over chart to view data.
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Life Critical Challenges - Crane Operations, Rigging/Material Handling

- High-risk (probability x severity) of Damage to People, Property, Reputation
- Complex Discipline: Heterogeneous Locations, Roles, Equipment, and Activities
- OSHA 29 CFR 1926.1401, 1926.1404, and 1926.1425 require qualified rigger and crane operators

Existing training and assessment programs

- Instructor-led training with hands-on activities
 - NCCCO Rigger Level 1 Certification Test Prep.
 - NCCCO Mobile Crane Operator Test Prep.



Life Critical Challenges - Crane Operations, Rigging/Material Handling

Rigger Level 1 Certification

- Inspecting rigging before use
- Identifying and attaching rigging with basic knowledge of hitch configurations, capacities, and basic knots
- Recognizing associated hazards
- Signaling operations
- Using various types of rigging equipment and basic hitches and their applications



Life Critical Challenges - Crane Operations, Rigging/Material Handling

Mobile Crane Operator Prep

- General Crane Knowledge Training
- Technical Information
- Load Chart Components
- Crane Site and Setup
- Operations
- Practice Exams



CERTIFICATION

Mobile Crane Operator
Overhead Crane Operator
Rigger (Level I, II)
Signalperson



Limitations of in-person training and practical exams

- Difficult to scale
- Expensive to deliver
- Constrained due to personnel and equipment availability
- Limited availability and location constrained
- Must maintain quality standards from one location, instructor, and evaluator, to the next



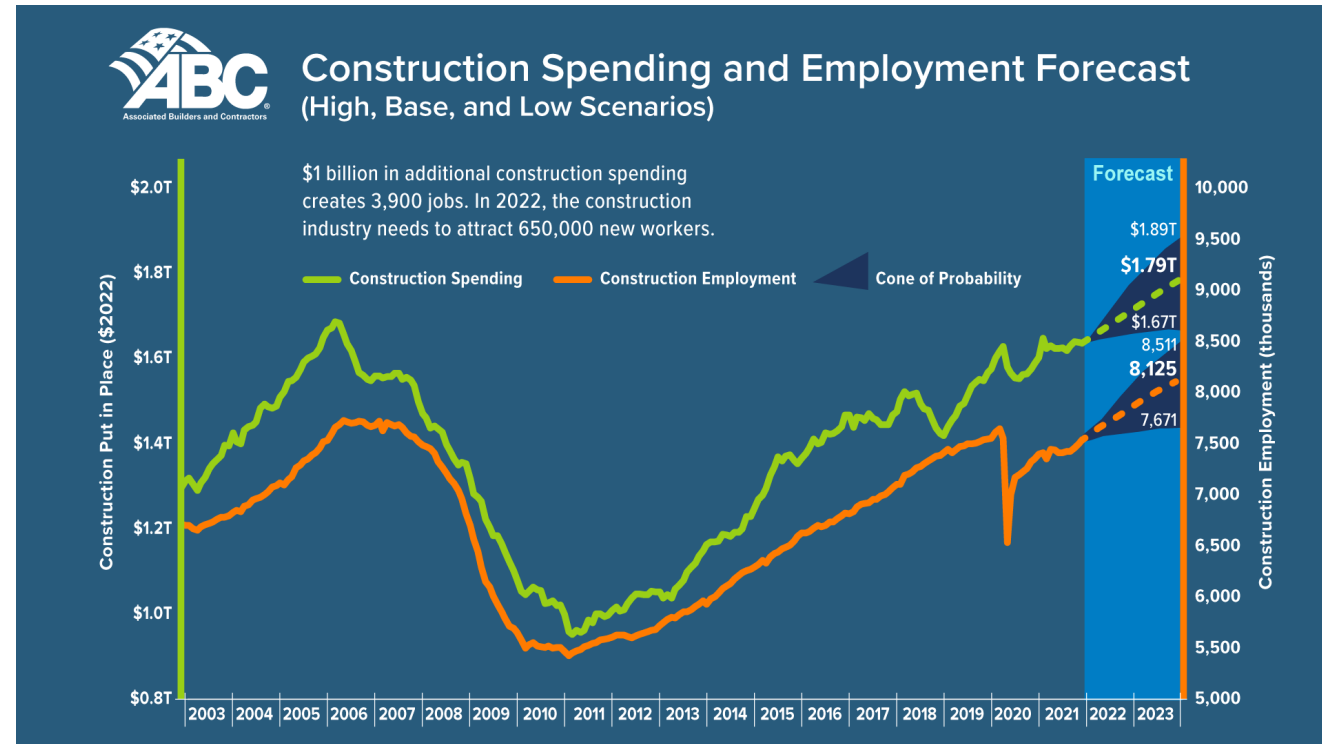
Macro Trends

A man wearing a white hard hat, a light blue button-down shirt, and a dark suit jacket is pointing his right hand towards a large digital screen. The screen displays a complex 3D architectural wireframe model of a building. The scene is set in a modern office or control room with large windows in the background showing a cityscape at night. The overall lighting is dim with a strong blue tint. A large, solid orange triangle is overlaid on the left side of the image, partially obscuring the text.

Macro Trends – skilled labor shortage

Construction

- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act passed in November and stimulus from COVID-19 relief will pump billions in new spending into our nation's most critical infrastructure.
- \$1 billion in additional construction spending creates 3,900 jobs
- 2022 workforce shortage of 650,000 new workers on top of normal hiring to meet industry demand
- 2023 projected to need 590,000 new workers assuming that construction spending slows



Source: Associated Builders and Contractors

Macro Trends - accelerated technology change

Technology adoption increased rapidly due to the pandemic and its influence is here to stay.

- 64% of respondents learned to do something with technology for the first time.
- 57% used video conferencing to socialize, work or communicate with family
- 23% used a telehealth service
- 21% attended a work conference or training online
- 19% ordered groceries online
- 16% read a menu with a QR code

NEW TECH THAT STICKS

64%

HAD TECHNOLOGY FIRSTS IN THE LAST YEAR

81%

WILL CONTINUE TO USE NEW TECH SKILLS POST-COVID

VIDEO CONFERENCING



57%
67%

TELEHEALTH SERVICE



23%
26%

ORDERED GROCERIES



19%
29%

READ QR CODE MENU



16%
17%

TAKEOUT APP



15%
33%

MOBILE BANKING



12%
48%

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT



10%
41%

PAID BILLS



10%
53%

VIRTUAL EXPERIENCES WERE EMBRACED

69%

ATTENDED MAJOR LIFE EVENTS VIRTUALLY



31% DOCTORS APPOINTMENT



21% CELEBRATED A BIRTHDAY



21% WORK CONFERENCE/TRAINING

38%

EXPERIENCED MAJOR MILESTONES VIRTUALLY

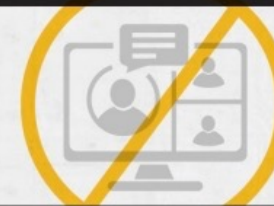


14% DEATH OF A LOVED ONE



13% EMPLOYMENT CHANGE

BUT EXPERIENCING LIFE "IRL" IS BETTER. POST-COVID, NOT MANY PLAN TO EXPERIENCE VIRTUAL:



8%

MAJOR LIFE EVENTS

5%

MAJOR MILESTONES

METHODOLOGY:

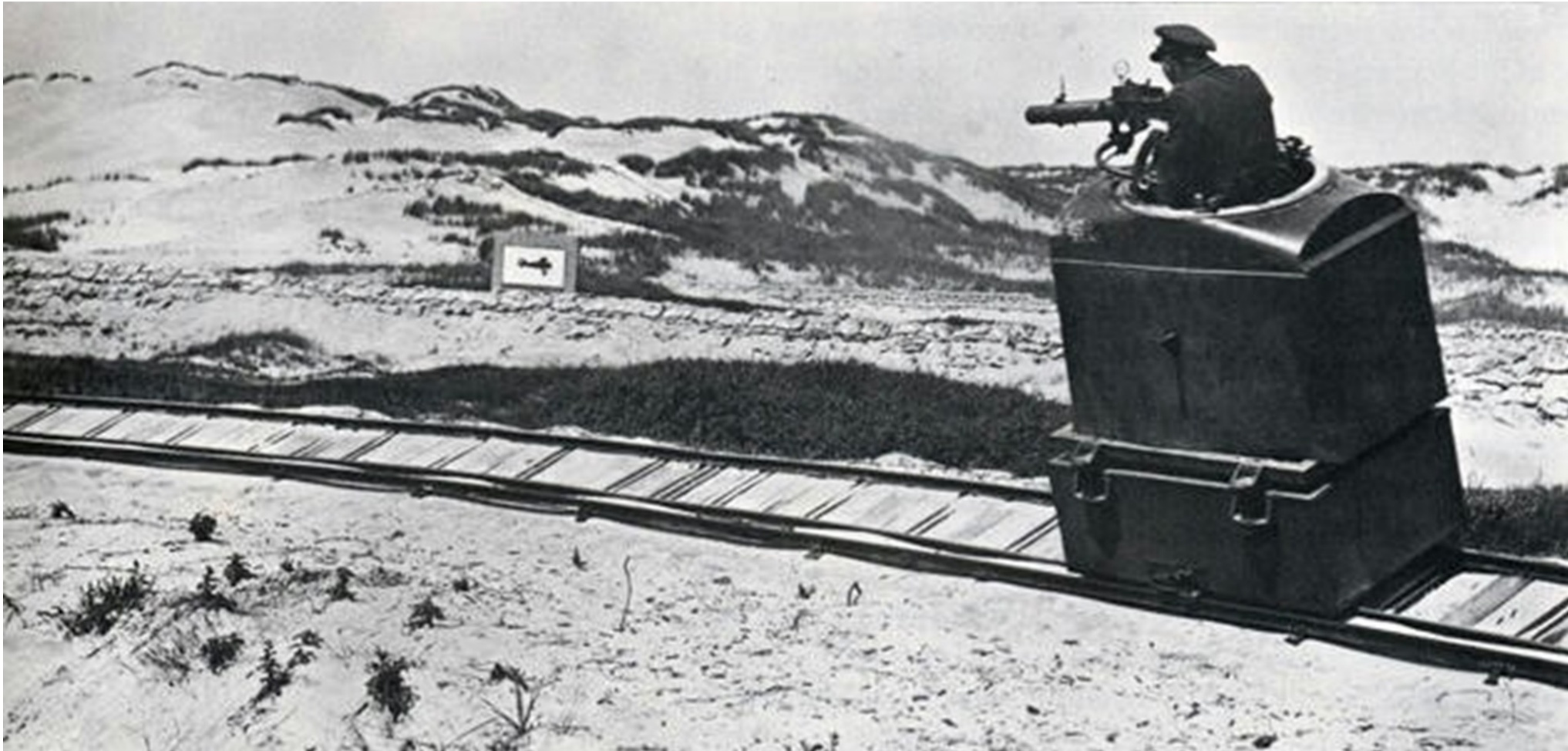
This omnibus survey was conducted by Ipsos Observer among a sample of 1,005 adults 18 years of age and older from February 18-19, 2021.



Simulation & Assessment History

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How it started...



Simulation & Assessment History -

How it's going...

- Commercial Aviation Training
- Motion Platform
- Accurate force feedback
- Fully immersive experience



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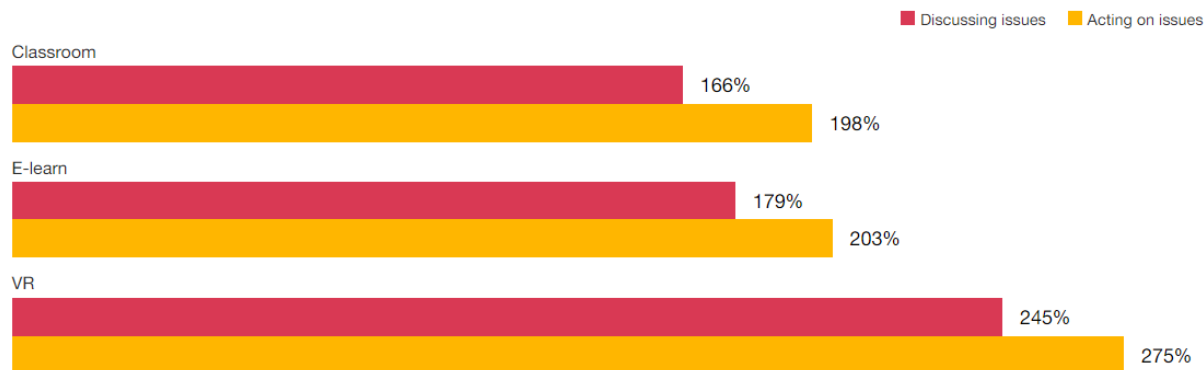
Why Simulation

Immersive Simulation is proving more effective

Immersive Extended Reality experiences build stronger mental and emotional connections between users and subject matter.

Learning done in VR works across the four major learning styles: **visual, auditory, reading/writing, and kinesthetic**, resulting in substantial improvements in job performance and information retention.

- 70% Greater efficiency in movement and measurements
- 80% Improvement in learning retention
- 83% Documented user improvement in time-on-task
- 2.75x More confidence in taking action
- 4x Greater engagement in training vs. eLearning
- 4X Faster training vs. traditional classroom training



Source: PwC VR Soft Skills training Efficacy Study, 2020

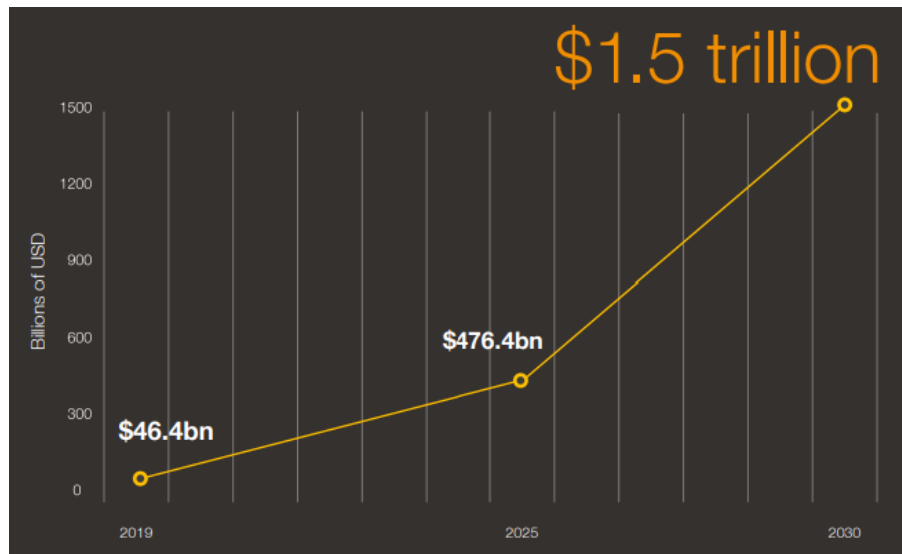
Average emotional connection felt to learning content



Source: PwC VR Soft Skills training Efficacy Study, 2020

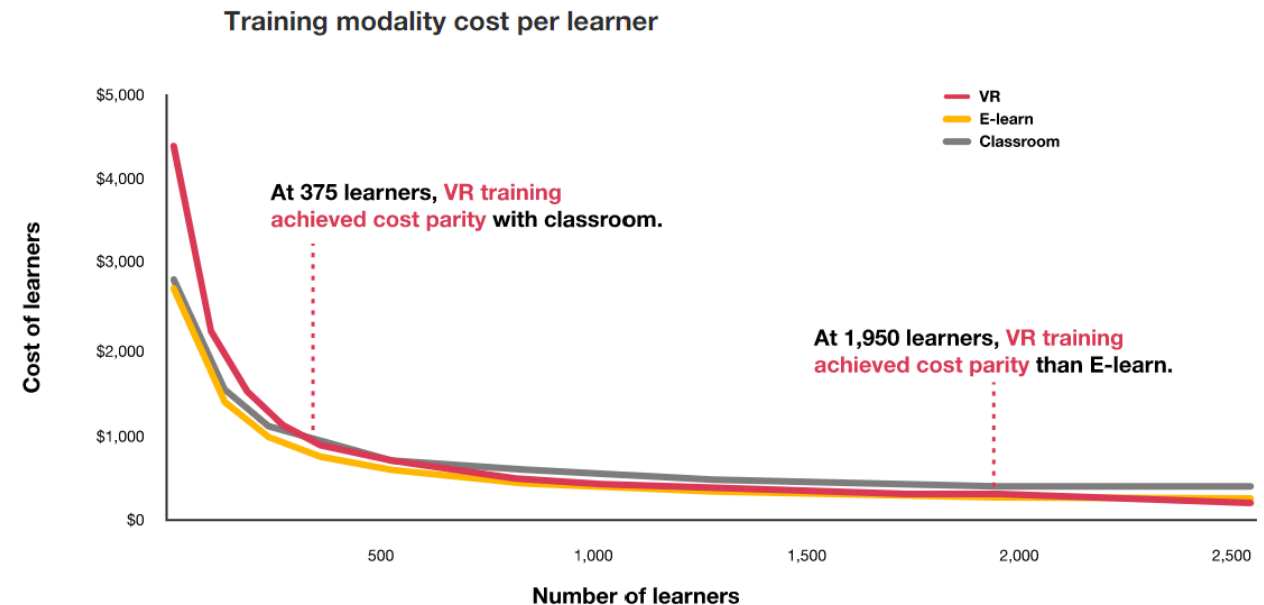
Immersive Simulation is proving more effective

VR and AR have the potential to deliver a **\$1.5 trillion** boost to the global economy by 2030



From creating new customer experiences to speeding up product development and **improving workplace safety**, there are many compelling uses for these technologies that promise to drive growth from the current GDP contribution of \$46.4 billion

At 375 learners, VR training achieved cost parity with classroom learning. At 3,000 learners, VR training became 52% more cost-effective than classroom. At 1,950 learners, VR training achieved cost parity with e-learn.



Source: PwC VR Soft Skills Training Efficacy Study, 2020

VR Simulation for Training



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LIEBHERR LR-1300 HEAVY CRAWLER SIM Right Controller Pod Configuration







Radius	91.4m
Angle	62.5°
Length	27.0m
Capacity	94,500
Load	150
Wind kph	1.0 kph

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VR Simulation for Assessments

ITI SIMULATION REPORT

Simulation Date: Wednesday, August 10, 2022

Simulation Training Report: USER2 PROGRESS	Company: Industrial Training International, LLC
Crane: Liebherr LR1300SX Fixed Jib 	Configuration: 
Course: Full	Administrator:

Scenario Summary

Scenario Name:	Total Time:	Target Time:	Points:	Overall Score:	Result:
Line Up	00:22	01:00	24/25	96%	PASS
Line Left	00:24	02:00	22/25	88%	PASS
Line Down	00:17	01:00	22/25	88%	PASS
L Right	00:51	02:00	7/25	28%	FAIL
Simple Arc	01:20	02:00	17/25	68%	FAIL
Lounger	00:43	02:00	24/25	96%	PASS
L Left	01:20	02:00	0/25	0%	FAIL
Line (Hill)	00:48	03:00	1/25	4%	FAIL
Arc Inverse	00:42	02:00	13/25	52%	FAIL
L Left (Poles)	00:39	02:00	0/25	0%	FAIL
L Left (Poles)	00:49	02:00	22/25	88%	PASS
11 Scenarios	08:19				

Minimum Passing Score: 70%

Scenario Details

Line Up		Attempt 1/1: 00:22/01:00
PASSED: 96%		
Penalty / Bonus:	Occurrences:	Deductions / Additions:
Load Ground Collision: Slightly Too Hard	1	-1
Net Deductions: -1		Total Score: 24/25

Line Down		Attempt 1/1: 00:17/01:00
PASSED: 88%		
Penalty / Bonus:	Occurrences:	Deductions / Additions:
Times Cham Left Ground	1	-2
Out Of Bounds	1	-1
Net Deductions: -3		Total Score: 22/25

Line Left		Attempt 1/1: 00:24/02:00
PASSED: 88%		
Penalty / Bonus:	Occurrences:	Deductions / Additions:
Load Ground Collision: Too Hard	1	-3
Net Deductions: -3		Total Score: 22/25

L Right		Attempt 1/1: 00:51/02:00
FAILED: 28% --- Scenario Failed Minimum Score Not Achieved		
Penalty / Bonus:	Occurrences:	Deductions / Additions:
Load Hit Ground	1	-5
Out Of Bounds	11	-11
Unexpected Ground Collision	1	-1

VR Simulation Training to Improve Safety

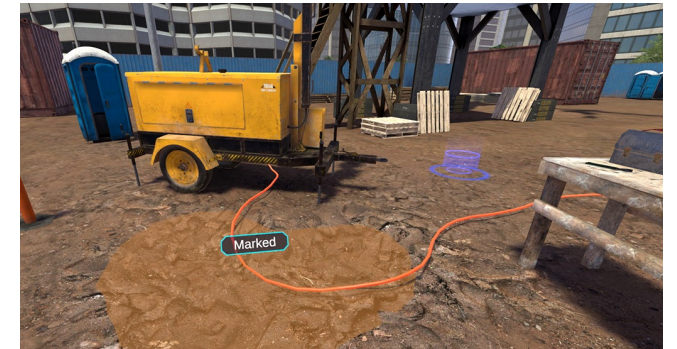
1. Identify hazards on a worksite
2. Practice safety techniques
3. Learn the consequences of improper procedures

Construction

- Fall Protection
- Trenching Safety
- Scaffolding Safety
- Electrical Hazards
- Ladder Safety

General Industry

- Warehouse Hazards
- Fire Safety
- Bloodborne Pathogens
- Working at Heights



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VR Simulation Training to Improve Safety

Parking at various locations

- Curbside (Curb)
- Back in/up (loading dock)

Avoid fixed/stationary objects

- Cornering
- Backing up
- Park truck/trailer safely into loading/unloading docks

Driving Scenario

Vehicle Control Scenario

- Braking distance/Emergency lane change/Vehicle stability
- Rural Highway solo free drive
 - Lane and speed control
- Rural Highway with AI traffic
 - Merging/Following distance/Passing
- City intersections with stop signs and stop lights
- Constrained Parking/Backing up scenario
- Day/Night/Overcast variations
- Dry/Wet variations
- Distracted driving exercise



PARKING AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS



Scenario Loading Dock	Sky Sunny	Surface Dry	Driver Distraction None	Vehicle Semi 3-axle & 40-foot Trailer	Disabled Assists
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Elapsed Time Speed
1:14 **12.4 mph**

Gear D	Brake 0%	Throttle 0%	-1.0° 	Left Front 	Right Front
				Left Middle 	Right Middle
				Left Rear 	Right Rear



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Gauges: Speedometer
12 mph



VR Motion – Teen Driver Study

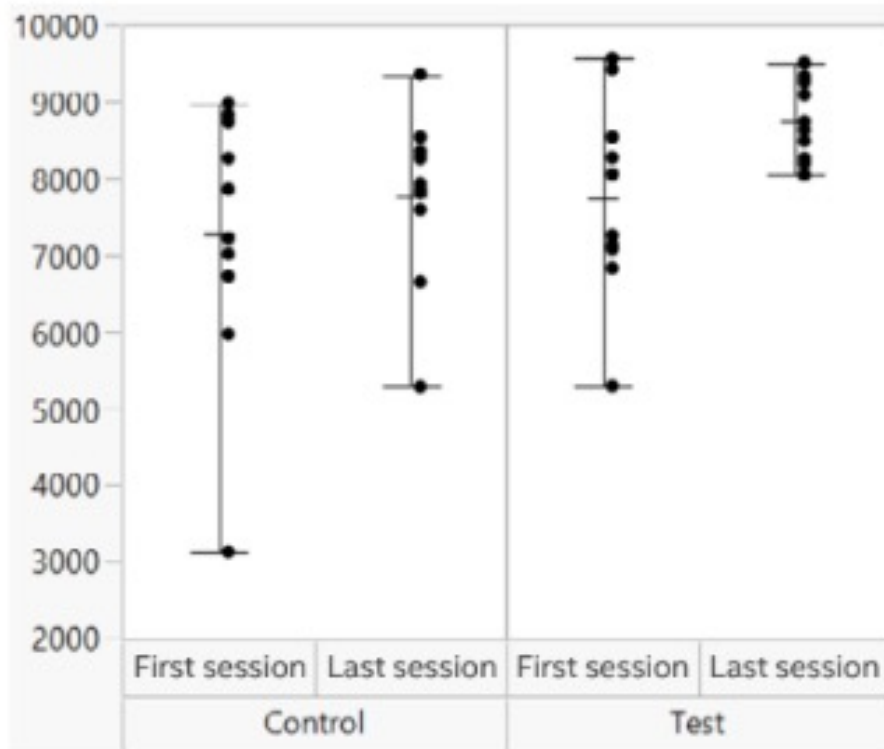


Figure 6. Test group participants showed strong improvement from the first session to the last

Driving tasks

- Each driving session included a brief introduction followed by three driving challenges:
- Braking: Come to a fast and complete stop in the braking zone without losing control of the vehicle.
- Lane change: While driving 40 to 60 miles per hour, change lanes, either to the right or left, when instructed to do so.
- Slalom: Weave between cones as fast as possible without hitting them.

Scoring

- In each session, participants started with 10,000 points, with deductions for each minor error made during the three challenges (braking, lane change, slalom).

WHY DOES SIMULATION WORK?

1. EXPLORE

The user explores techniques in the safety of the virtual environment.



2. PRACTICE

The user practices as many times as needed.



3. MASTER

Practice leads to mastering the techniques.



4. APPLY

The user applies the techniques learned in the virtual environments to a real-world worksite scenario.



5. SUCCESS

Training on simulators gets the operator to proficiency on controls and applications sooner than just training on machines alone. The virtual environment works equally well for testing as training because you can accomplish a repeatable outcome while testing in a virtual environment.



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APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM
HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR / EXCAVATOR

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CORRECTION EDUCATION REDUCES RECIDIVISM



60%

People released from prison are within the prime working-age population of 18 to 39 but are unemployed.

43%

Inmates who participate in correctional education programs had a 43% lower chance of recidivating than those who did not.

43%

"Increase possibilities of getting a job upon release" was the primary reason incarcerated adults participated in job training programs in prison.

28%

By participating in specifically vocational/job training programs while incarcerated, individuals increased their odds of post-release employment by 28%.

<https://catsimulators.com/about-us/>

Interplay Learning

A global platform for the skilled trades

- Serving the HVAC, Electrical, Plumbing, Solar, & Facility Maintenance Industries
- Can deliver to all parts of the marketing including workforce development
- Partnering directly with cert. orgs. To ease career on-ramp
- And what's on the horizon: *teleport training*



Multi-user Instruction

Demonstrated in rooftop unit troubleshooting



Rogan, in UT
Model Instructor



Camila, in NV
Model Technician



Christian, in IL
Model Technician



Jordan, in TX
Model Technician

VR Simulation for Practical Assessment





NCCCO FOUNDATION

NCCCO FOUNDATION REPORT

What is virtual reality's role in the certification of crane operators?



“This study has significant implications for the way virtual reality is viewed in the professional assessment community,” Wallace Judd, PhD.





ITI Construction Hazard Identification



ANSI National Accreditation Board

A C C R E D I T E D

ISO/IEC 17024

PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION
BODY

VIRTUAL REALITY PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT FOR
CONFIRMING COMPETENCY OF JOB SITE
HAZARD AWARENESS

5 Year – National Certification

The ITI Construction Hazard Identification certification is the first program accredited by the ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB) under ISO/IEC 17024:2012 that uses Virtual Reality examination.





CHID Assessment Version 1.0

- Display hazards
- Move via teleportation
- Identify hazards using a pointer
- “Progressive only” scoring system
- Unlimited time allotted

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ITI Construction Hazard Identification

- Score candidates as they operate
- Terminate at time limit or when they exit
- Total Points = Sum points of Hazards identified, subtract penalties
- Score = Total points / Sum of available points in playlist
- If score $\geq 70\%$ Pass; If Score $< 70\%$ Fail



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Q & A

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