

## Woodcraft Mill & Cabinet Salt Lake City, UT

**Woodcraft Mill & Cabinet** (WMC) creates its cabinets in a 25,000 square-foot mill with 50+ cabinetmakers, woodcarvers, designers and installers. To date, WMC has completed more than 3,000 individual jobs and the number continues to grow.

### **Business Challenge:**

In 2003, WMC had a moderate workers' compensation premium of about \$35K per year. In 2004, two of the company's employees had accidents within a 6 month period. The combined cost of the worker's comp payout for both accidents was more than \$160K. WMC's annual premiums shot up to \$80,000 per year.

### **Solution:**

In 2005, WMC began conducting safety meetings on a regular basis to help establish improved safety processes and procedures. As a result, WMC modified its existing machinery to include improved guarding and safety features. In addition, WMC replaced all of their standard table saws with SawStop Industrial Grade Cabinet Saws.

### **Benefit: \$63K in annual savings!**

Since implementing improved safety processes, procedures and machinery, including the installation of SawStop saws, WMC reduced their annual workers' compensation premiums from a high of \$80,000 to **a new low of \$17,000!**

### **Two Finger Saves Help Keep Rates Low:**

Accidents happen and in November '06 and January '07, WMC's Investment in SawStop paid off big time and helped to maintain their clean safety record.

**"Our workers' compensation rates dropped this year to a mere third of what they have been in years past. The prevention of two major accidents (both of which required nothing more than a band-aid) will serve to keep our rates low. There is also a genuine appreciation by our employees for the investment made in their safety".**

*Jason Hall - Co-owner  
Woodcraft Mill & Cabinet*



**SawStop finger save #100  
Woodcraft Mill & Cabinet - 11/06**



**SawStop finger save #122  
Woodcraft Mill & Cabinet - 1/07**

**"After owning two SawStop saws for over a year (WMC now has three SawStop saws) and having prevented two major accidents, we are definite fans of SawStop. After reviewing the photos from each incident, we found that one would have removed the thumb down to the knuckle and the other would have gone right through the middle of the palm. Both of these accidents would have had dramatic financial and emotional repercussions for the company and the worker."**

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