

**Hearing trends**

Noise at Work Regulations 2005

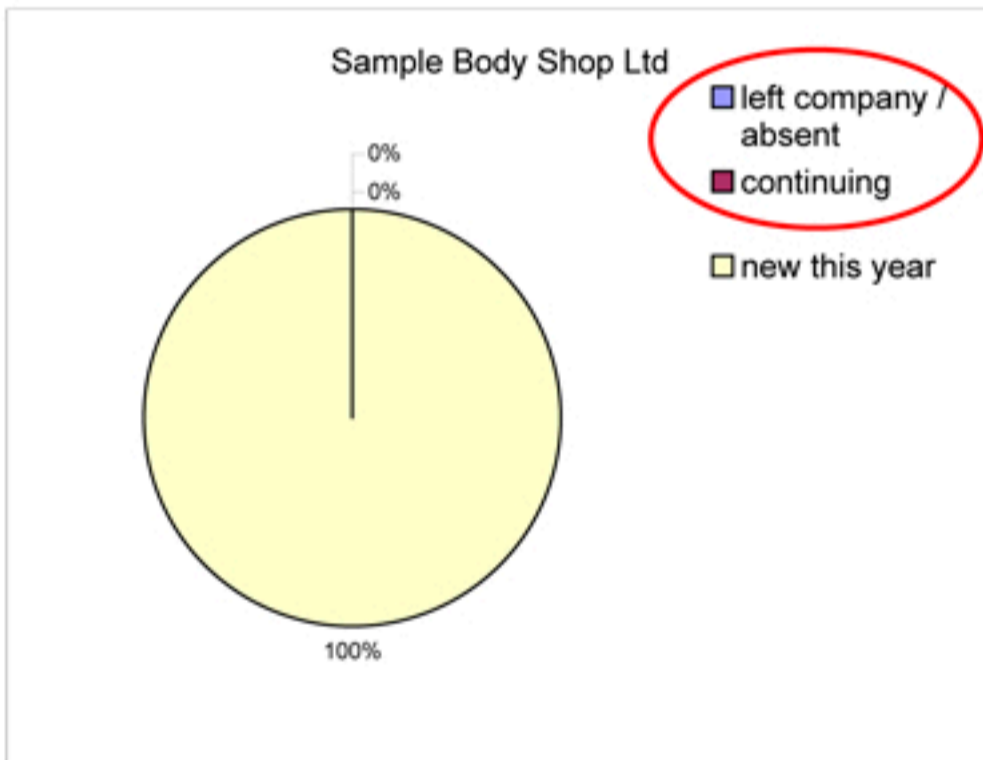
**No Previous Year's Results**

In this trend we compare the hearing results of last year with those of this year for all employees, some of whom may have left and some may be new employees.

We show the proportion of employees in each of the HSE hearing categories 4-U-3-2-1. Ideally there should be an '∩' shaped curve containing mainly HSE Cat 1's. There should be no Cat 4's. Unilateral hearing loss Cat U's may be medically related.

average change in HSE category **0.00** (no previous year's results)

If the average change in HSE category is below zero that is a good trend. If it is above zero then more attention needs to be paid to company hearing conservation programmes.



In the pie chart (left) we show the relative number of new and continuing employees and the proportion who have left the company since the last hearing tests were done. Only the data of 'continuing' employees is used to calculate the average change in HSE category described above.

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