

# Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp.

## Defect Analytics

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Agility to Innovate, Strength to Deliver



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# Guided by our MA Mission Statement

- **Promote accountability of process owners and continual process improvement across company**
- **Provide data-driven approaches to problem solving and solution development**





## Anomaly & Corrective-Action Tracking System (ACTS)

Collection of non-conformance data  
Standard fields facilitate data mining

## Enterprise Data Warehouse (EDW)

Query non-conformance data and compare attributes

- Responsible Work Center
- Root Cause
- Part Number
- Shop Order Operation
- Supplier
- Disposition

Customizable  
charts and  
dashboards

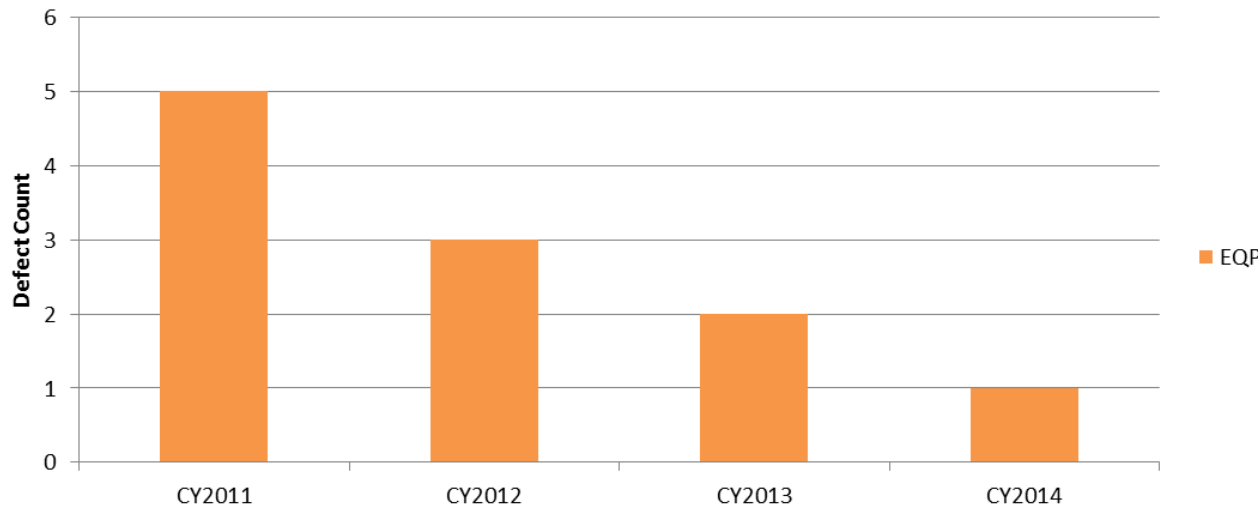
Data refreshed  
with a click of a  
mouse





# Aerospace Manufacturing Center Example

**Aerospace Manufacturing Center  
Work Center A**



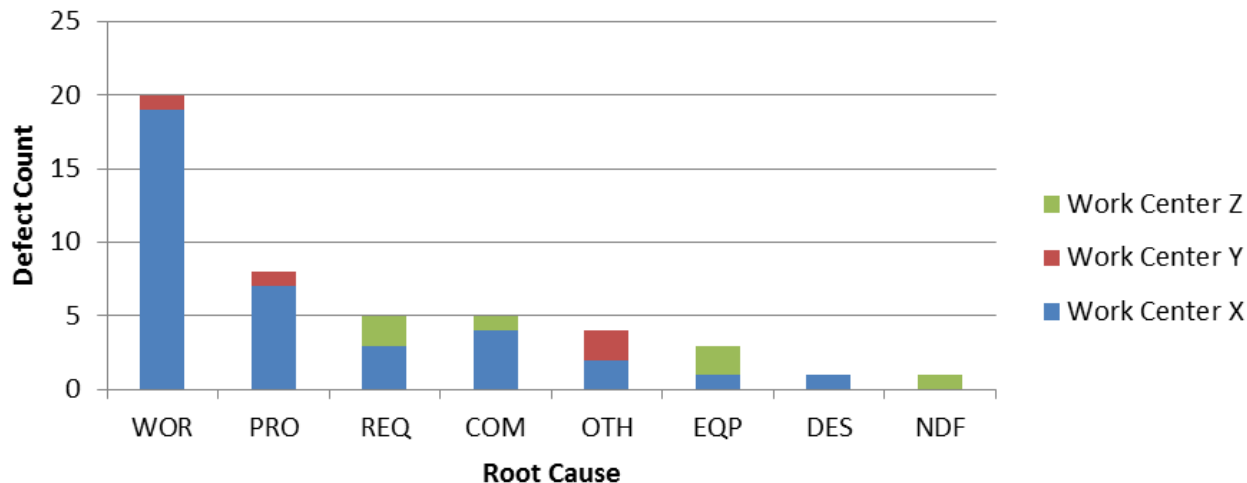
- 2011 Work Center A defects primarily due to equipment root causes
- Program-provided tools causing vacuum leak failures
- Several work centers experiencing tooling issues
- Tooling Engineer hired in 2011

Utilizing lessons learned for success with spaceflight product development



# Analyze Data

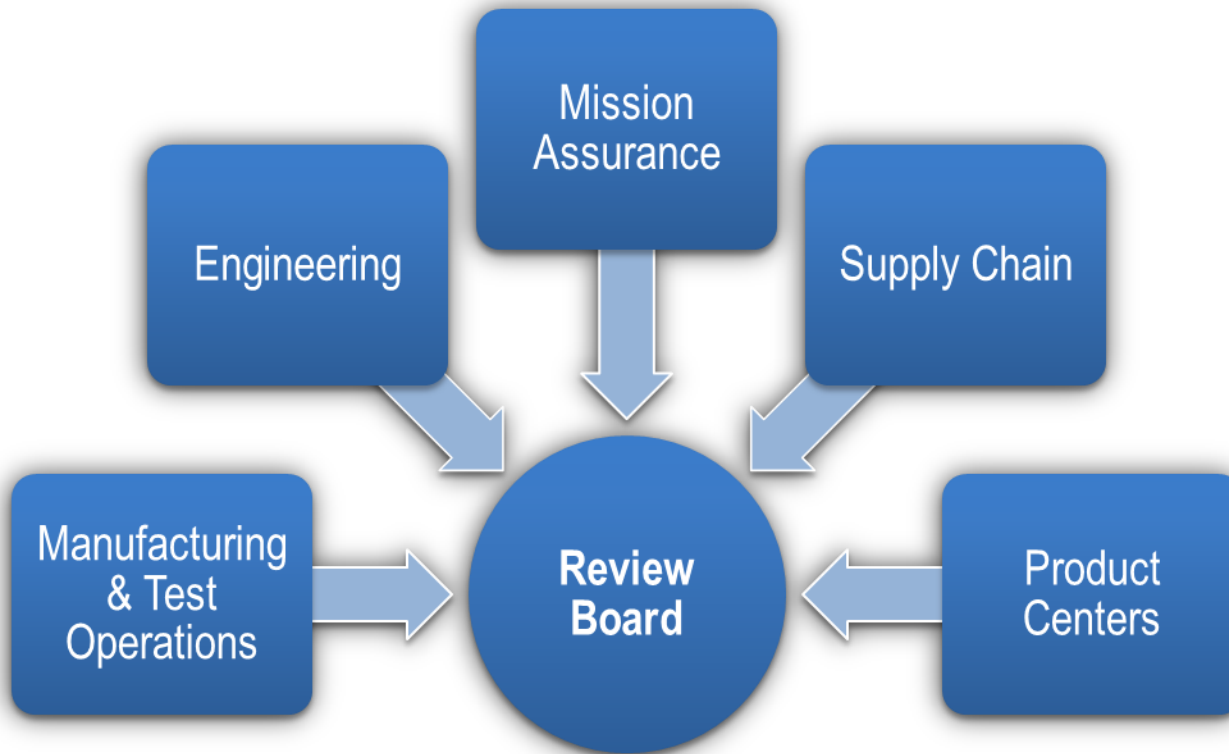
## Product Center 2013 Q1



- Closer look at work centers within a particular Product Center
- Work Center X responsible for 79% of the defects
- More than half of the defects due to workmanship



# Share Data



**Identifying cross-area trends**

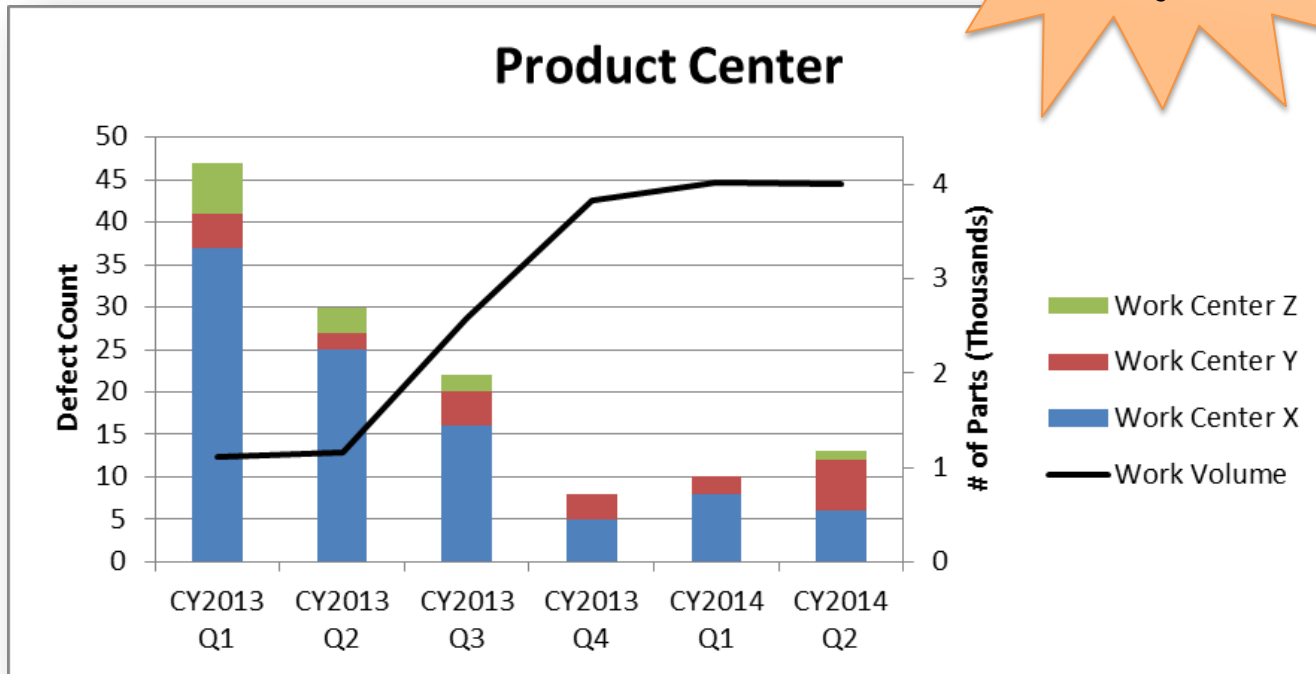


**Translating data into actionable insight to foster change**



## Act on Data

**84% reduction  
in workmanship  
defects**



- Improvements to standard process plans
- Pre and post shop order reviews
- Photo-heavy drawings and test procedures
- Vellum CAD model cable routing to place on mock-ups

**72% overall defect reduction with a 2.5x increase in work volume**



# Maximizing Value in our Existing Business

- Defect reduction efforts facilitates culture of continuous improvement and dissemination of lessons learned
- Structured cross-functional analysis of defects enables improvements in operational performance
- Investments in preventative actions lead to affordable program execution

