

NEWSLETTER



Fasteners On The Move: Where is the industry heading

The fastener industry entered the second half of 2026 showing significant changes.

The *June Fastener Distributor Index* reached 60.0, its highest level since mid-2021 and its 14th consecutive month of expansion. Sales also increased, with 63% of surveyed distributors reporting above-seasonal sales.

For distributors and customers, that points to continued activity across the industrial supply chain.

It also reinforces something we see every day at **Warren Fastenings**: customers need more than one product to keep a project going. Fasteners may be the starting point, but the job may also require additional purchases such as carts, storage, shelving, ladders, work benches, safety equipment and other material handling products. This is a reflection of how we're expanding the way we serve our customers.

Back to Business: What Does "Good Teamwork" Look Like?

September often feels like a reset. Summer schedules are winding down. Projects are picking up and customers are planning for second semester. Everyone is getting back into their normal routine again.

At **WFS**, teamwork doesn't have to be complicated. It's about communicating the problem before it escalates. Helping a coworker when you see they need it. Taking ownership instead of waiting for someone else. Exchanging knowledge. Doing the small things correctly because they affect the next person in line. Every department at **WFS** is connected. Sales, purchasing, warehouse, accounting, customer service and management all play a role in getting the right product to the right customer. A strong team isn't just busy. It's connected.



Monthly Awareness: National Preparedness Month

September is **National Preparedness Month**, a reminder that readiness isn't a action to be taken when needed, it's a habit. That applies at home, where a basic emergency kit and a family plan make a real difference, and it applies at work, where the businesses that weather a disruption best are the ones that planned for it before they needed to.

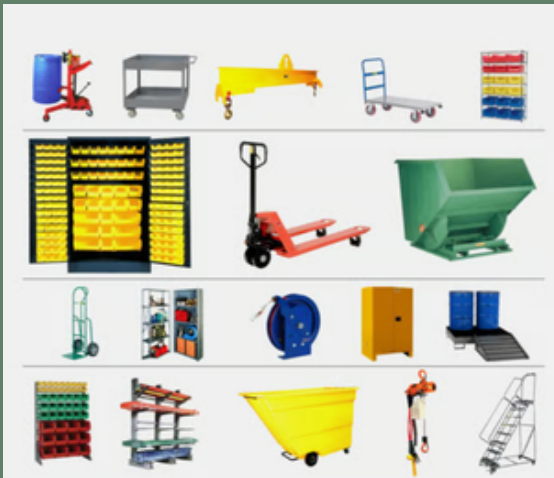
It's also a natural moment to think about your own facility's readiness: is your material handling and storage setup built to keep operations moving if a shipment is delayed, a department is short-staffed, or a space needs to be reorganized in a hurry?



Safety First

If it's time to take stock, our team can help you find the right shelving, storage, and safety equipment to close those gaps.

Check our website: wfsinc.net



WFS MATERIAL HANDLING MONTH

Four weeks, one main goal: helping you move, store, and protect materials better.

This September we're spotlighting our full **Material Handling Solutions** catalog, one category at a time: a full lineup preview in *Week 1*, **Storage & Organization** in *Week 2*, **Material Movement** in *Week 3*, and **Safety & Dock Equipment** in *Week 4*. The timing lines up with **National Preparedness Month**, the facilities that handle disruption best are the ones with the right equipment already in place before they need it. Catch each week's flyer on our social channels, and browse the full catalog anytime at wfsinc.net.

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