



# Find Out What's Happening in Your Community

## Using EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)

*Are industrial facilities near me releasing toxic chemicals?*

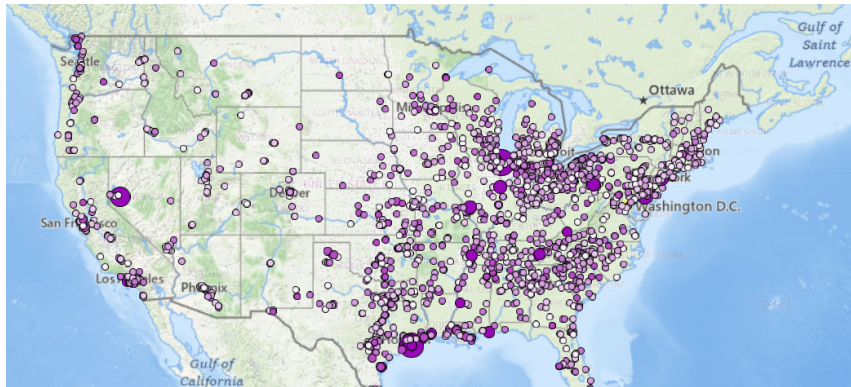
*What chemicals are being released?*

*What is being done to reduce chemical releases?*

### **TRI can help you find answers!**

We all have the right to know about the chemicals we may be exposed to in our daily lives. The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 and the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 require certain industrial facilities to submit TRI reporting forms each year on the chemicals they release into the air, water, and land—and on how they're preventing or reducing pollution.

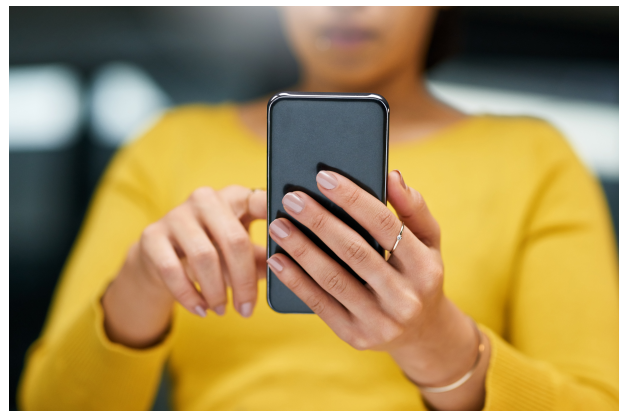
TRI includes data about more than 21,000 facilities and covers more than 800 chemicals and chemical categories.



### **The online TRI tools can identify:**

- Which industrial facilities release chemicals into the air, water, and land
- Which chemicals each facility releases
- How much of each chemical is released
- How facilities are reducing chemical releases
- What potential health impacts are linked to those chemicals

Visit [www.epa.gov/tri/toxicstracker](https://www.epa.gov/tri/toxicstracker) to learn about chemicals and facilities in your community.





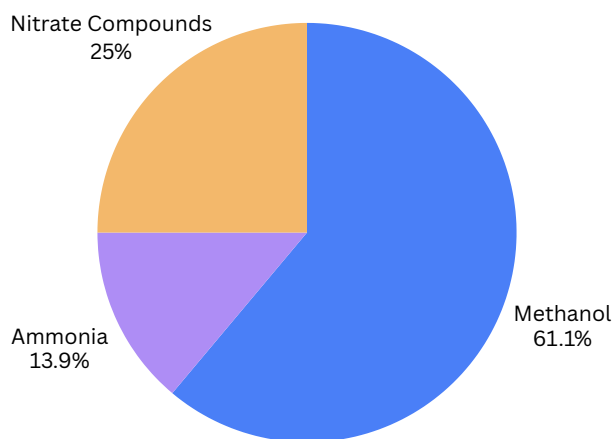
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### Which chemicals are released?

You can identify which chemicals are released into the air, water, and land, and which are released in the largest amounts.

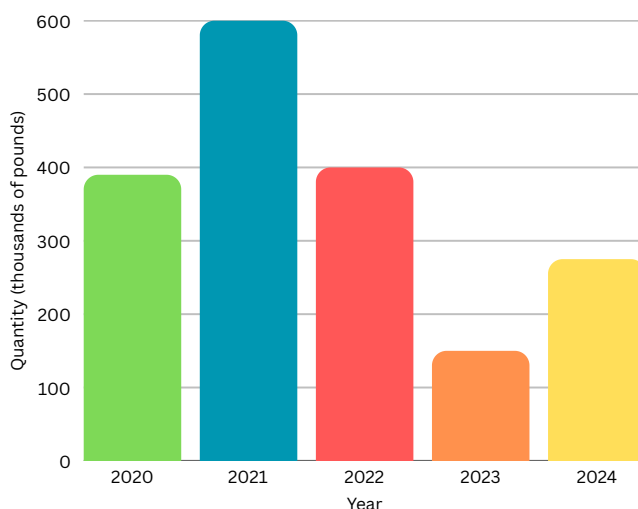
On-Site Water Releases in XYZ City



### Have chemical releases changed over time?

Historical data are available to track trends in toxic chemical releases from facilities in your community.

Total Releases in XYZ City



### How are facilities working to prevent pollution?

TRI tracks facilities' progress in eliminating or reducing chemical pollution and collects data on effective pollution prevention (P2) practices.

TRI can be used to identify facilities that are implementing P2 and to share innovative P2 practices between facilities.

### What can you do with TRI data?

TRI data can provide a starting point for discussing your community's environmental health with neighborhood associations, community groups, local and state government agencies, elected officials, researchers, and others.



TRI data can also help you start conversations with representatives of local facilities about their environmental performance—including by encouraging them to implement new P2 activities or expand existing ones.

Find examples of how individuals and groups are using TRI data at [www.epa.gov/tri/action](https://www.epa.gov/tri/action).



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