

Natural Resources

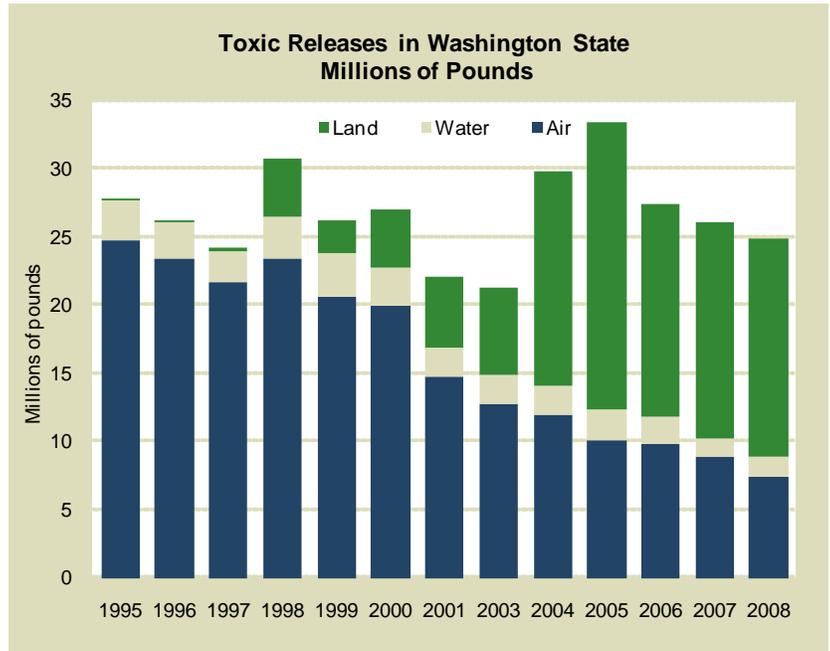
Indicator 1: Reducing Impacts on the Environment

Measure c: Toxics Releases

Description:

Facilities in Washington that store a certain amount of a hazardous chemical must report annually to the Department of Ecology. Toxic chemical release reporting is tracked through an annual summary, the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI). Over 600 chemical compounds and/or chemical categories are reported under TRI.

Reporting requirements may change over time; reporting thresholds may change and industrial sectors may be added. The large increase in land releases in 2004 was due to the opening of the Pend Oreille mine.



	Air	Water	Land
1995	24.8	2.9	0.1
1996	23.5	2.6	0.1
1997	21.7	2.3	0.3
1998	23.4	3.1	4.3
1999	20.7	3.1	2.4
2000	20.0	2.8	4.2
2001	14.8	2.1	5.2
2002	12.7	2.2	6.1
2003	12.8	2.1	6.4
2004	12.0	2.1	15.7
2005	10.1	2.3	21.1
2006	9.8	2.1	15.5
2007	8.9	1.4	15.8
2008	7.5	1.4	16.0

Sources:

[Department of Ecology, Toxic Release Inventory Report](#)