

Conditions Caused by Toxic Emissions

Respiratory Issues

Since 2016, the number of hospitalizations caused by asthma cases has more than tripled. Many of the chemicals shown in the pie charts, such as Nitric Acid and Chlorine, are linked to respiratory issues and have been polluting the air in increasing amounts.

Cancer

Several chemicals that fall under the category of a N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone, as well as Chromium, can cause various cancers.

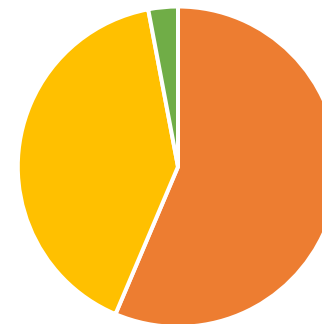
Neurological

Manganese toxicity is linked to a permanent neurological disorder known as manganism with symptoms that include tremors, difficulty walking, and facial muscle spasms. Phenol absorption can cause central nervous system effects such as excitability, dizziness, loss of balance, and confusion.

Reproductive and Endocrine

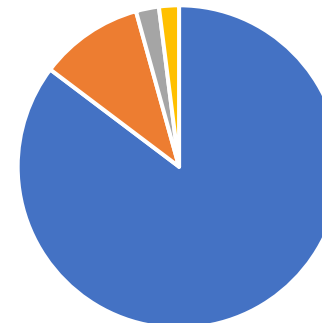
Air pollution, in general, can be linked to infertility and endocrine disruption. This can lead to pregnancy related conditions, such as pre-eclampsia and low birth-weight.

Chemicals Released in 48211



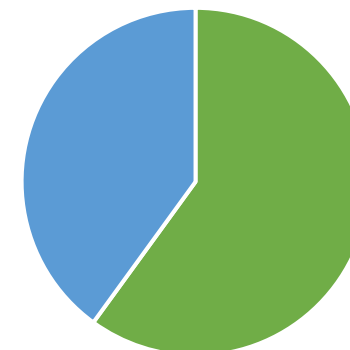
Chromium Zinc N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone

Chemicals Released in 48212



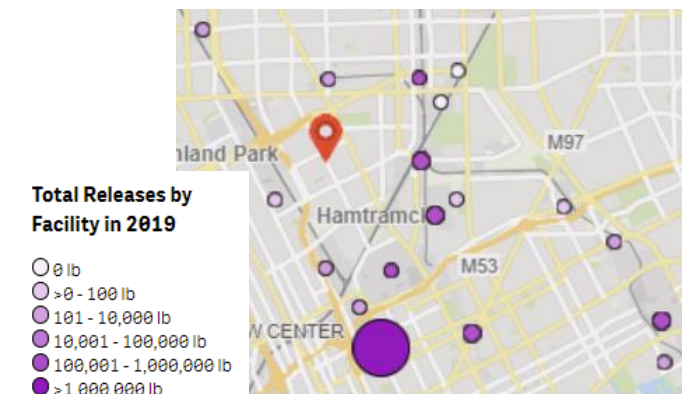
Zinc Nitric Acid Phenol Butyl Alcohol

Chemicals Released in 48213



Manganese Chlorine

Industries in Wayne County produce 17% of all emissions in Michigan



In 2019, a majority of the state's industrial toxic emissions were produced and managed in Detroit.

- 118 out of the 783 of Michigan's facilities are in Wayne County
- Over 130 million pounds of toxic emissions were released into Wayne County in 2019
- The most harmful emissions in the state were released in Detroit, where the majority of Black, Brown, and Immigrant residents live.