

Interstate Mercury Education & Reduction Clearinghouse (IMERC)

- Launched in 2001 by the Northeast states
- Provide ongoing technical and programmatic assistance to states that have enacted mercury education and reduction legislation
- Act as single point of contact for industry and the public for information on mercury-added products and member states' mercury education and reduction programs



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- States passed enabling legislation over the next six years, including labeling, collection, notification, and phase-out/bans
- In 2013, there were 15 IMERC states; 8 required notification





Mercury-Added Product Notification

- Applies to companies that manufacture, sell, distribute, or import a mercury-added product into the states of CT, LA, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, VT
- Currently >660 companies in IMERC's Database
 - ~235 have confirmed phase out
 - ~35 no longer sell in IMERC Notification States
 - ~50 that never filed and IMERC suspects is noncompliant
- Report includes information on:
 - Products that contain intentionally-added mercury
 - Amount of mercury in the specific product
 - Total mercury used in in product lines sold in the US every three years starting in calendar year 2001



Mercury-Added Product Notification

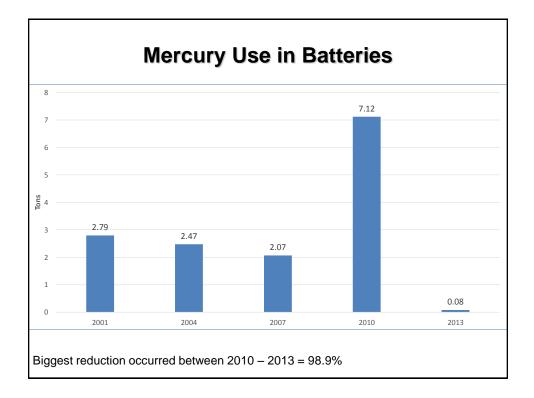
- Companies report through IMERC's online e-filing system: <u>https://imerc.newmoa.org/Public</u>
- Types of forms:
 - Single Manufacturer
 - Lamp Manufacturer
 - Automobile Manufacturer
 - Multiple Manufacturer (Trade Associations)
- Classification of filers:
 - Manufacturer
 - Distributor / Wholesaler
 - Importer
- · Analysis focuses on data from OEMs

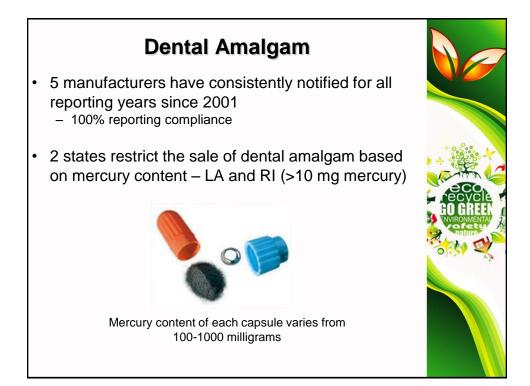


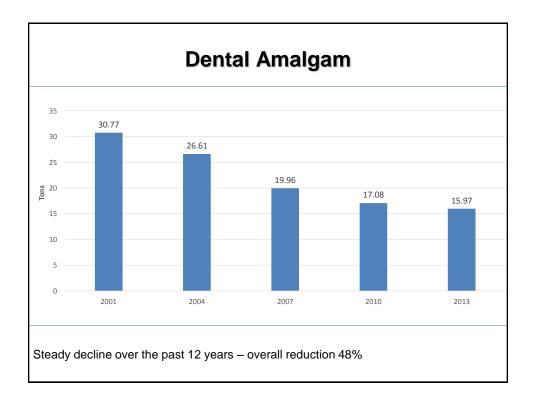
Mercury-Added Product Notification 2013 Data Summary – Updated August 2016

Product/Component	<u>2001</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2013</u>	Percentage Change 2001-2013
Batteries	2.79	2.47	2.07	7.12	0.08	- 97%
Dental Amalgam	30.77	26.61	19.96	17.08	15.97	- 48%
Formulated Products	1.20	1.04	1.45	1.37	0.52	- 57%
Lamps	10.71	10.07	10.65	8.40	5.22	- 51%
Measuring Devices	5.12	3.05	1.13	0.77	0.63	- 88%
Miscellaneous Products	4.25	2.40	2.78	2.38	2.16	-9%
Switches & Relays	60.07	51.44	29.93	19.43	N/A	- 68% (2010)
Thermostats	14.63	14.45	3.74	0.02	0.05	- 99%
Note: Data presented is in U.S. short tons (1 ton = $2,000$ pounds)						

Mercury Use in Batteries 53 manufacturers have notified for one or more reporting years since 2001; 3 new for 2013 37 have confirmed mercury phase-out 1 company out of compliance for 2013 notification - approx. 94% reporting compliance 16 companies included in 2013 report 4 states ban mercury batteries – CT, LA, ME, RI



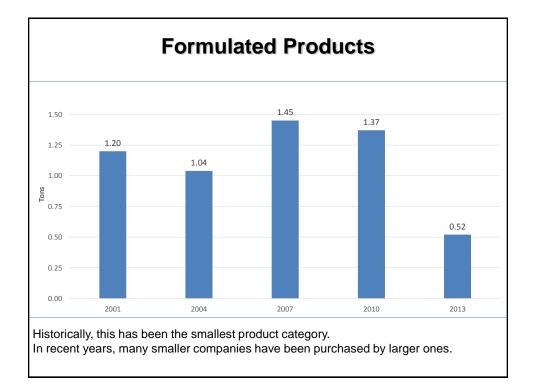


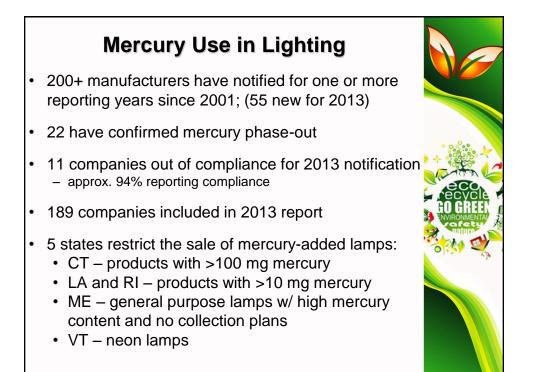


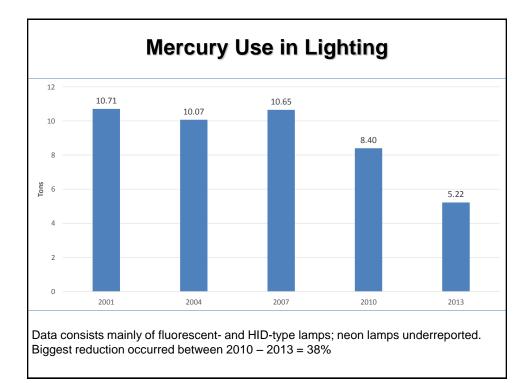
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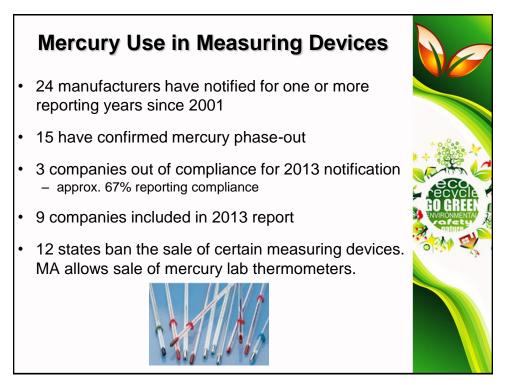
- 39 manufacturers have notified for one or more reporting years since 2001; (7 new for 2013)
- 13 have confirmed mercury phase-out
- 2 companies out of compliance for 2013 notification
 approx. 92% reporting compliance
- 26 companies included in 2013 report
- 4 states restrict the sale of formulated products:
 - CT products with >50 ppm mercury
 - LA and RI products with >10 ppm mercury
 - · MN pharmaceutical products and cosmetics

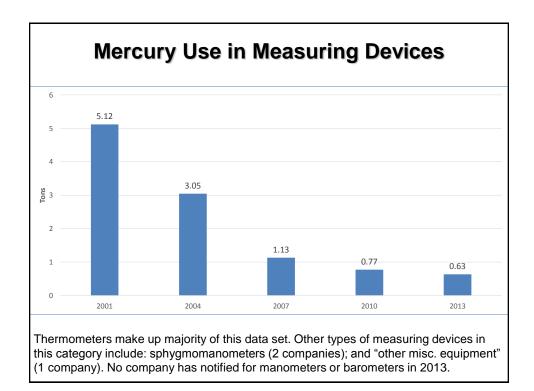


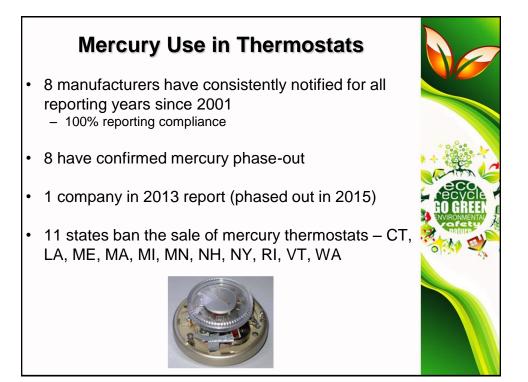


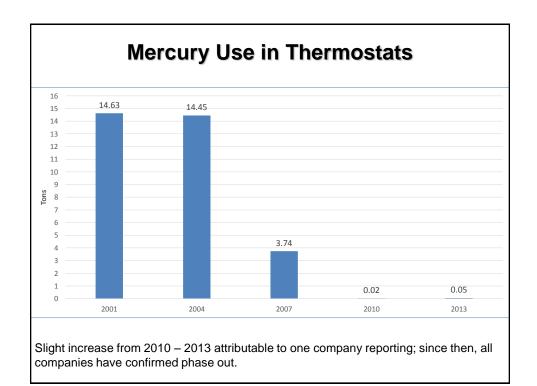












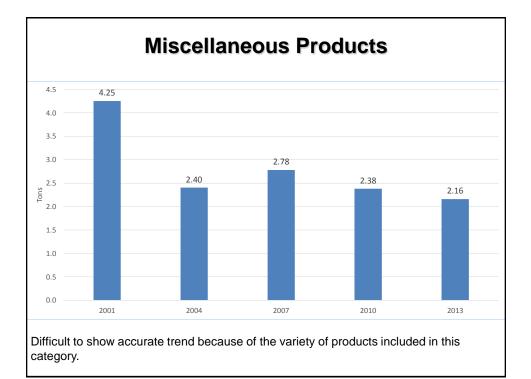
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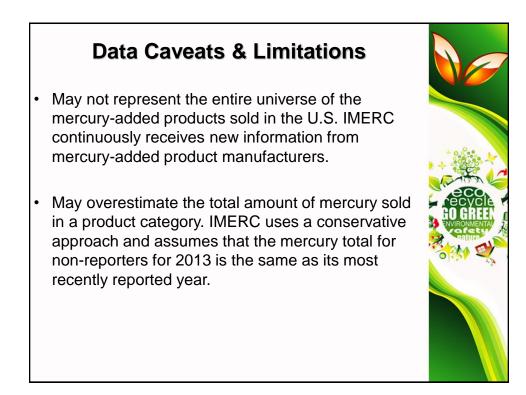
- 19 manufacturers have notified for one or more reporting years since 2001; (8 new for 2013)
- 3 have confirmed mercury phase-out
- 3 companies out of compliance for 2013 notification – approx. 81% reporting compliance
- 16 companies included in 2013 report
- At least 3 states restrict the sale of these products.
 - CT products with >100 mg mercury
 - LA and RI products with >10 mg mercury
 - Other bans may apply depending on the state and product.

Miscellaneous Mercury Products

- Examples of "miscellaneous" mercury-added products include:
 - Pressure transducers
 - Film
 - Electrodes / electrical connectors
 - Recoil reduction suppressors in firearms
 - Mercury shock absorber for tennis elbow







Data Caveats & Limitations

- Applies only to manufacturers and distributors of mercury-added products that are allowed to sell into one or more of the IMERC Notification States.
- Does not include products sold prior to January 1, 2001 or exported outside of the U.S., or products sold in-between triennial reporting years.
- Includes only mercury that is used in the product, and does not include mercury emitted during mining, manufacturing, or other points in the products' life cycle.



Additional Information

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Mercury-added Products Database www.newmoa.org/prevention/mercury/imerc/Notification

Mercury-added Product Fact Sheets www.newmoa.org/prevention/mercury/imerc/FactSheets

