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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY  
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM  
HAZMAT SUMMARY BY CLASS FOR CALENDAR YEAR - 1998

Serious Incidents\*

CLASS	INCIDENTS	INJURIES		DEATHS	DAMAGES
		MAJOR	MINOR		
Other Regulated Material, Class D	2	0	0	0	13,959
Explosive No Blast Hazard	5	1	0	0	0
Very Insensitive Explosive	6	0	0	0	296,162
Combustible liquid	17	1	0	0	920,128
Flammable Compressed Gas	25	0	1	0	889,152
Nonflammable Compressed Gas	31	2	0	0	439,974
Poisonous Gas	5	0	0	0	61,411
Flammable-Combustible Liquid	188	5	6	13	22,861,487
Flammable Solid	2	0	0	0	43,000
Spontaneously Combustible	3	0	0	0	201,000
Oxidizer	24	0	0	0	847,525
Organic Peroxide	6	0	0	0	92,475
Poisonous Materials	15	0	2	0	360,264
Infectious Substance(Etiologic)	1	0	0	0	20,000
Corrosive Material	114	11	34	0	8,714,608
Miscellaneous Hazardous Material	45	2	0	0	1,899,048
<b>Total - 1998</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>37,660,193</b>

NOTE: DUE TO MULTIPLE CLASSES BEING INVLOVED IN A SINGLE INCIDENT, THE TOTAL ABOVE MAY NOT CORRESPOND TO THE TOTAL IN OTHER REPORTS.

\* PHMSA revised the definition of a serious incident in 2002. This report uses the previous definition:

- a fatality or major injury caused by the release of a hazardous material,
- closure of a major transportation artery,
- the evacuation of 6 or more persons due to the presence of a hazardous material,
- a vehicle accident or derailment resulting in the release of a hazardous material