

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM
HAZMAT SUMMARY BY INCIDENT STATE FOR CALENDAR YEAR - 1997
SERIOUS INCIDENTS*

Incident State	Incidents	Injuries		Fatalities	\$ Damages
		Major	Minor		
Alabama	8	0	0	0	357,190
Arizona	14	0	0	0	635,329
Arkansas	8	1	0	2	393,691
California	32	27	2	2	1,399,879
Colorado	13	0	1	0	593,397
Dist. Of Columbia	1	0	0	0	0
Florida	18	1	6	0	2,711,532
Georgia	15	0	1	0	804,500
Hawaii	1	0	0	0	1,144
Idaho	3	0	0	0	142,510
Illinois	26	0	2	0	828,248
Indiana	14	1	0	0	374,341
Iowa	9	1	1	0	661,860
Kansas	12	0	0	0	509,565
Kentucky	5	0	0	0	29,160
Louisiana	18	0	0	2	709,953
Maryland	7	0	0	1	99,006
Massachusetts	3	0	0	0	31,792
Michigan	13	2	3	0	299,372
Minnesota	6	0	0	1	362,950
Mississippi	6	0	0	0	180,245
Missouri	10	0	0	0	149,281
Montana	2	0	0	0	142,700
Nebraska	3	0	0	0	53,448
Nevada	1	0	1	0	200
New Hampshire	1	0	0	0	5
New Jersey	18	1	0	0	230,294
New Mexico	9	0	2	0	374,114
New York	15	0	1	1	96,042
North Carolina	26	2	0	1	894,969
North Dakota	3	0	0	0	30,390
Ohio	20	1	1	0	813,443
Oklahoma	11	0	0	0	736,877
Oregon	3	0	0	0	156,976
Pennsylvania	17	1	1	0	1,201,334
Rhode Island	1	0	0	0	245,000
South Carolina	6	0	0	0	253,295
South Dakota	5	0	0	0	222,746
Tennessee	13	0	0	0	419,209
Texas	40	2	3	1	1,201,589
Utah	12	0	0	0	697,114
Vermont	1	0	0	0	185,700
Virginia	8	1	1	1	177,781
Washington	2	0	0	0	103,000
West Virginia	7	0	0	0	1,496,635
Wisconsin	6	0	0	0	122,059
Wyoming	8	0	0	0	298,331
U.S. Territory or Foreign Country	4	0	0	0	188,036
Total: - 1997	484	41	26	12	21,616,232

Only those states that had a Hazardous Material Incident are listed.

Source: Hazardous Materials Information System, U.S. Department of Transportation. Data as of 03/30/2005

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

- a fatality or major injury caused by the release of a hazardous material,
- the evacuation of 25 or more persons as a result of release of a hazardous material or exposure to fire,
- a release or exposure to fire which results in the closure of a major transportation artery,
- the alteration of an aircraft flight plan or operation,
- the release of radioactive materials from Type B packaging,
- the release of over 11.9 gallons or 88.2 pounds of a severe marine pollutant, or
- the release of a bulk quantity (over 119 gallons or 882 pounds) of a hazardous material.