

AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY

FY 2017 President's Budget Request | \$75 Million

Mission

We protect people's health from environmental hazards that can be present in the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the world that sustains us. We do this by investigating the relationship between environmental factors and health, developing guidance, and building partnerships to support healthy decision making.

Where We Work

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) is a non-regulatory environmental health agency. We provide public health expertise to keep Americans safe from hazards in the environment.

Staff in our 10 regions, along with headquarters staff, interface with partners and public petitioners for public health assessments, and engage in emergency preparedness and response activities.

Goal Highlights

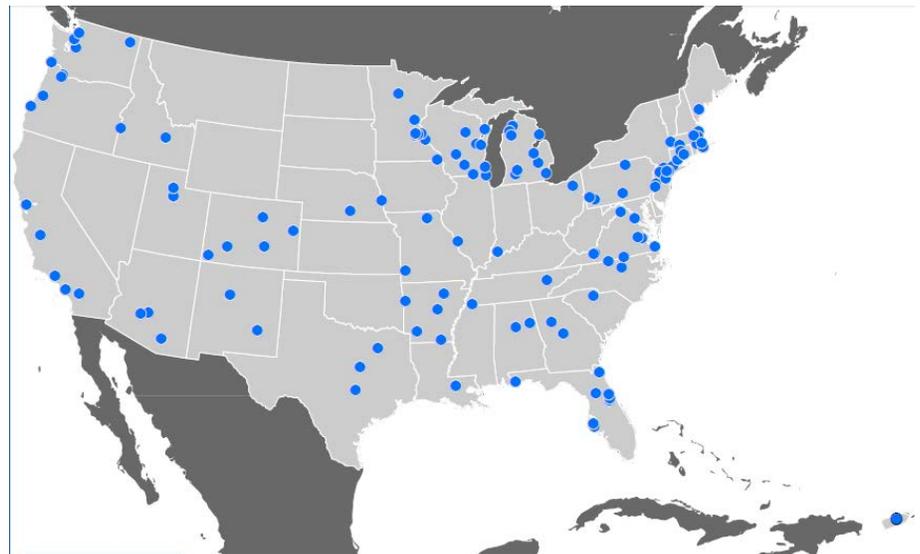
- Develop and apply state-of-the-art science to characterize health risks from environmental exposures
- Reduce exposures to harmful chemicals in communities and empower communities to protect themselves from site-related hazards
- Inform public health actions with Toxicological Profile science
- Expand the application of geographic information system (GIS) science & technology for public health research and practice
- Reduce the burden of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) through improved understanding of disease etiology and risk factors

Why We're Here

- Environmental factors contribute to more than 25 percent of diseases worldwide, including cancer, asthma, and heart disease
- ATSDR experts provide a 24/7 response to toxic chemical exposure, hazardous leaks and spills, environmentally related poisonings, natural disasters, and terrorist acts

Informing Action to Protect Health

ATSDR investigated potentially harmful exposures in 142 communities last year.



How We Work

- We work in communities to assess human exposures to potentially harmful contaminants
- Our experts advise federal and state regulatory agencies and community members on actions needed to protect health
- Our scientists answer questions about environmental exposures and provide guidance to health care providers



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Impact Highlights



ATSDR assessed 1,290,000 people through investigations of potentially harmful exposures



Approximately 250,000 people were protected by federal, state, and local actions resulting from ATSDR's investigations



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Budget Authority (BA)

- Request of \$75 million
- Level with FY 2016 Enacted level

Budget Highlights

- Provide 24/7 response to protect America from health and safety threats
- Investigate potential exposure to harmful substances and educate residents in 250 communities
- Respond to approximately 50 environmental emergency events
- Maintain toxicological publications on 180 substances, including 29 new publications or updates

ATSDR Funding History

