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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM
HAZMAT SUMMARY BY CLASS FOR CALENDAR YEAR - 2003

Serious Incidents*

Hazard Class	Incidents	Injuries		Fatalities	\$ Damages
		Major	Minor		
Flammable-Combustible Liquid	245	7	14	9	29,184,770
Corrosive Material	100	6	1	0	2,156,533
Miscellaneous Hazardous Material	41	0	0	0	747,553
Nonflammable Compressed Gas	25	1	2	1	1,275,518
Combustible liquid	24	0	0	0	1,287,478
Oxidizer	20	0	0	0	636,942
Flammable Compressed Gas	18	0	0	0	252,328
Poisonous Materials	11	1	0	0	2,478,350
Flammable Solid	7	0	0	0	390,322
Very Insensitive Explosive	3	0	0	0	117,026
Poisonous Gas	2	1	1	0	347,700
Explosive Fire Hazard	1	1	0	5	216,795
Explosive No Blast Hazard	1	0	0	0	0
Dangerous When Wet Material	1	0	0	0	0
Infectious Substance(Etiologic)	1	0	0	0	0
Total - 2003	500	17	18	15	39,091,315

NOTE: DUE TO MULTIPLE CLASSES BEING INVOLVED 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 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.