

Methodology and Topline Results

Methodology

Topline Results

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Question #2: Please give your community a grade between A and F on the following traits:

Question #3: Take a minute to review this image.

Question #4: In your own words, what did you see in that picture and how do you feel about it?

Question #5: How would you rate the job Governor Steve Beshear is doing to protect water supplies in Kentucky?

Question #6: Which of these should be a higher priority for Governor Steve Beshear?

Question #7: Which of the following best describes your feelings about pollution standards along waterways in Kentucky?

Question #8: When public health officials issue new standards, how many years should an industrial facility have to meet them?

Question #9: How should public health officials respond if a facility can't meet a health standard in time?

Question #10: If you came across the word ORSANCO, what would you think it means?

Question #11: In your own words, what do you know about the chemical known as mercury?

Question #12:Text

Question #13: In your own words, how do you feel about what you just read?

Appendix A: Verbatim Qualitative Responses

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Question #12: Here are a few facts about mercury:

Here are facts about mercury. Mercury is poisonous to humans and animals. There is already too much mercury in the Ohio River and it is not safe to eat the fish. In 2004, public health officials ordered facilities along the river to cut how much mercury they release into the water. More than 10 years later, there are still about 60 facilities that haven't cleaned up yet and want to be excused from the requirement.

Question #13: In your own words, how do you feel about what you just read?

Methodology

Water Words That Work, a communications and market research firm, conducted the survey for Kentucky Waterways Alliance. The firm collected input from 400 state residents using an opt-in online panel. Panelists were selected at random and received an honorarium for participating in the survey. This sample size produces a margin of error of 4.9%.

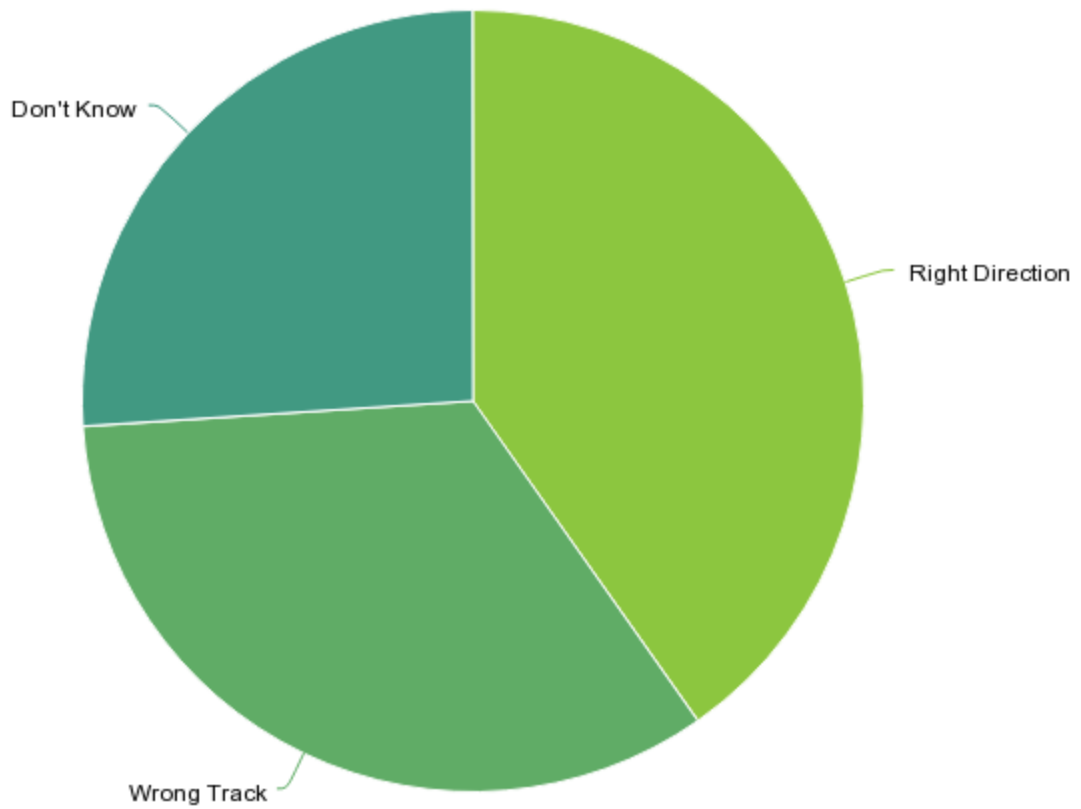
We selected this method for two reasons. In an online panel, we can offer residents the opportunity to read full statements, view photographs, and offer their thoughts and opinions in their own words. In addition, landline phone usage has dropped sharply in recent years.

Here is a representation of where the answers came from:



Topline Results

Question #1: Is your state heading in the right direction, or is it on the wrong track?



Answer	# Answering	% Answer
Right Direction	161	40.2%
Wrong Track	135	33.7%
Don't Know	104	26%

Question #2: Please give your community a grade between A and F on the following

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traits:

Trait	F	D	C	B	A
Economy	8%	25%	27%	36%	3.5%
Education	8%	26%	30%	29%	8%
Crime	9%	24%	30%	31%	7%
Clean Water and Air	3%	19%	28%	38%	12%
Recreation	6%	17%	29%	35%	14%
Taxes	9%	28%	35%	24%	5%
Transportation	10%	26%	31%	28%	6%

Question #3: Take a minute to review this image.



Question #4: In your own words, what did you see in that picture and how do you feel

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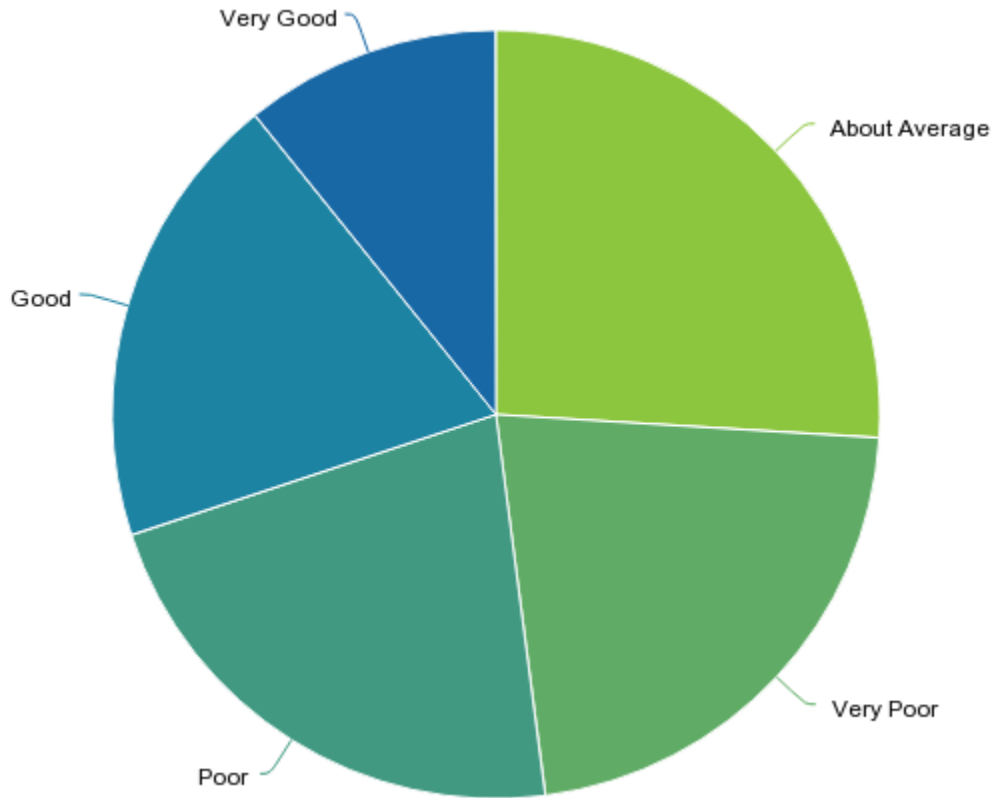
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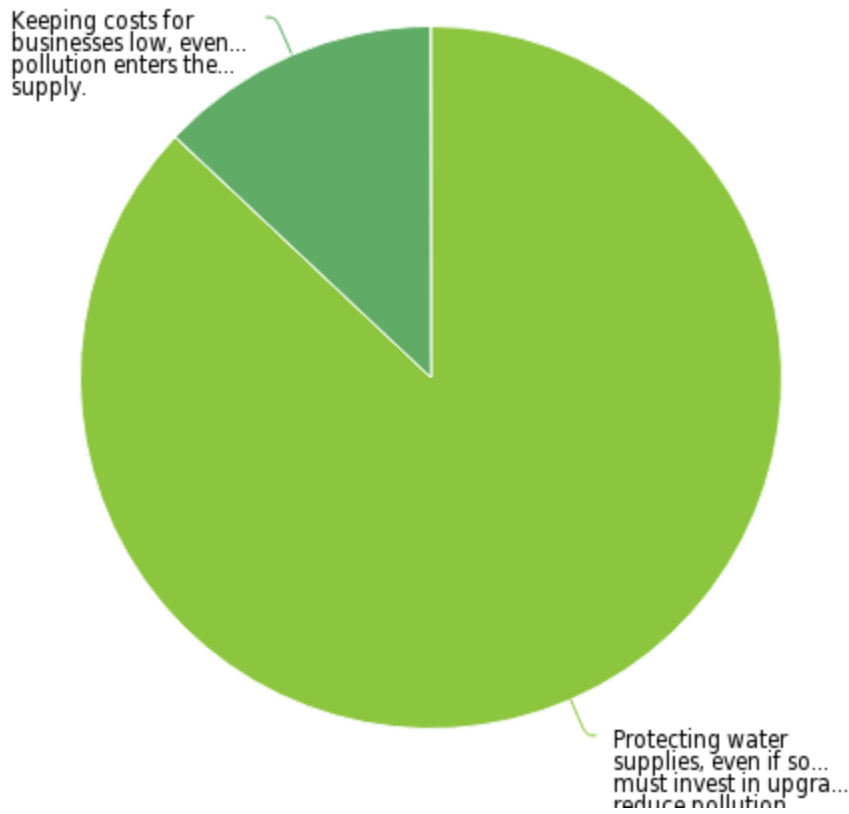
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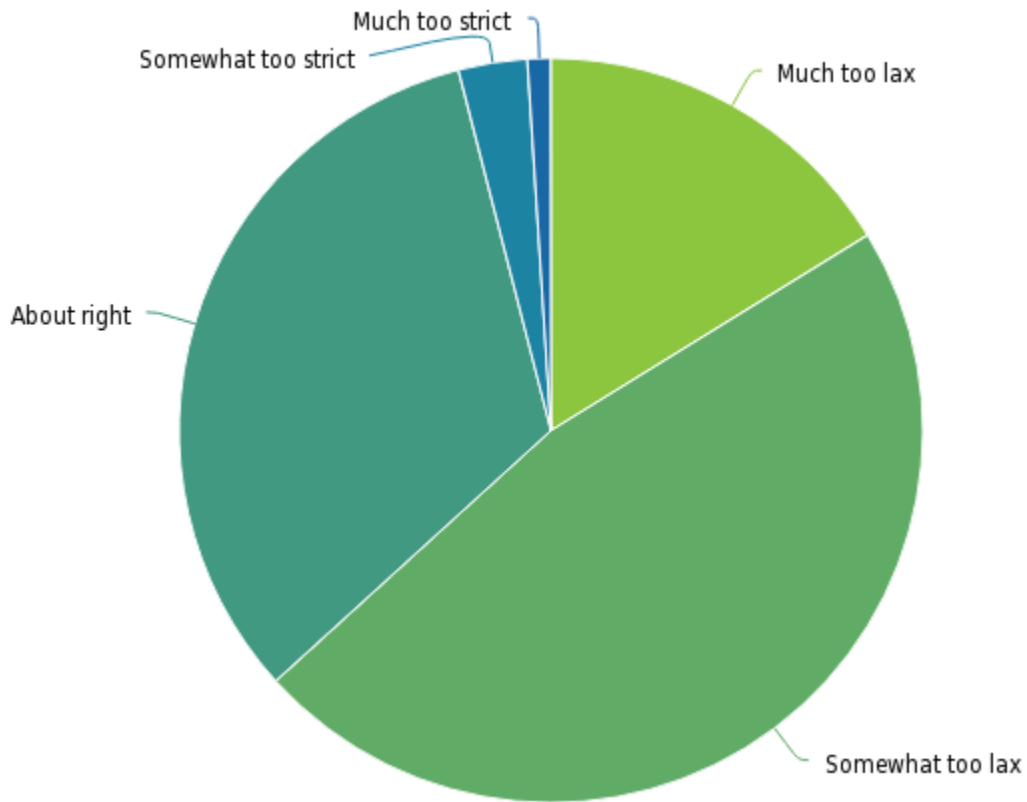
Answer	# Answering	% Answering
Very Poor	88	22%
Poor	88	22%
About Average	104	26%
Good	77	19%
Very Good	43	11%

Question #6: Which of these should be a higher priority for Governor Steve Beshear?



Answer	# Answering	% Answer
Protecting water supplies, even if some plants must invest in upgrades to reduce pollution.	348	87%
Keeping costs for businesses low, even if more pollution enters the water supply.	52	13%

Question #7: Which of the following best describes your feelings about pollution standards along waterways in Kentucky?



Answer	# Answering	% Answer
Much too lax	65	16.2%
Somewhat too lax	188	47%
About right	131	32.7%
Somewhat too strict	12	3%
Much too strict	4	1%

Question #8: When public health officials issue new standards, how many years should an industrial facility have to meet them?

Answer	# Answering	% Answer
1	104	26%
2	105	26.2%
3	45	11.2%
4	23	5.7%
5	60	15%
6	8	2%
7	7	1.7%
8	4	1%
10	10	2.5%
12	1	0.2%
15	17	4.2%
Please type in your answer (see other responses below)	16	4%

Other answers:

- Forever
- forever
- not sure
- For as long as the standard is viable
- I have not idea
- forever
- Depends on the standard
- forever
- I do not think they should be given years. It is something they should take very seriously and get started on it the very next day. Stop pussy footy around with all their excuses!!!!!!
- forever
- Every year
- every year
- FOR A LEASE PERIOD FOR THE TIME THEY ARE IN BUSINESS AT THAT LOCATION AND A PERIOD OF 50 YEARS OVER THAT
- 20+
- They should always have to meet them
- As long as the bill is on the table

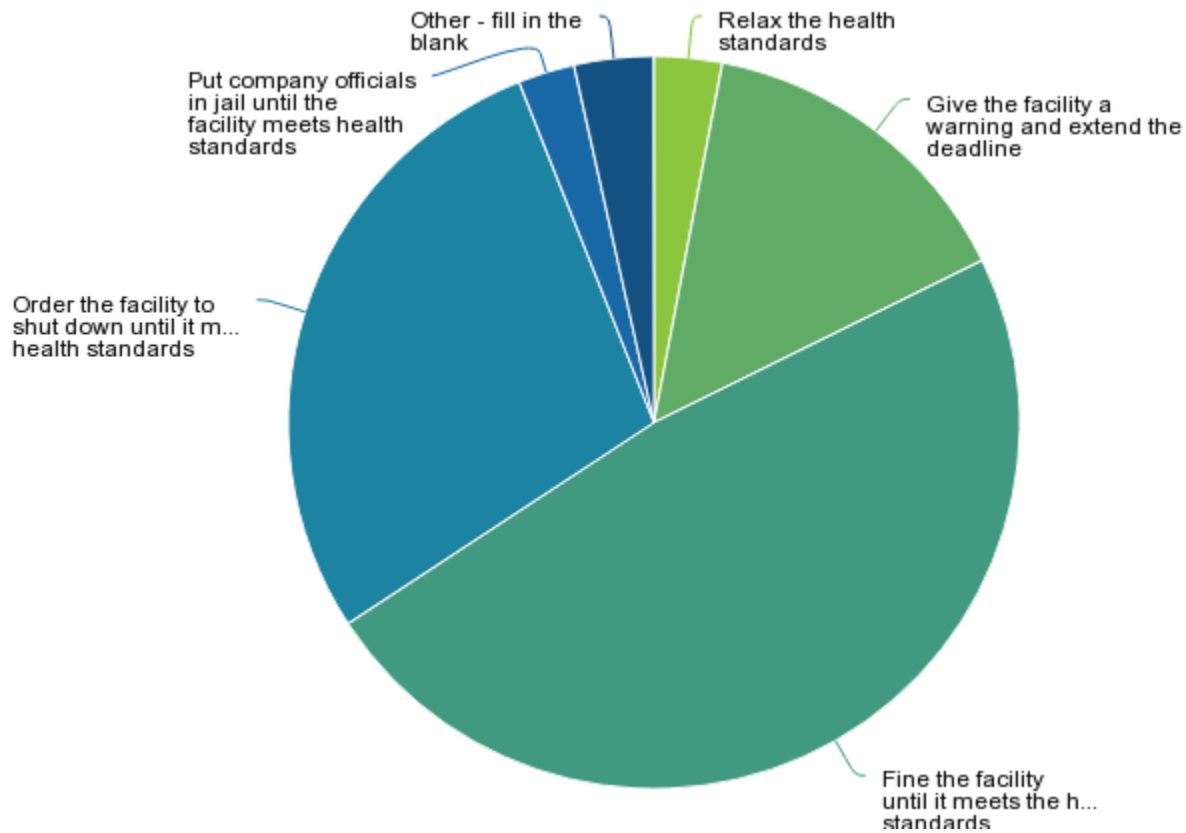
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Question #9: How should public health officials respond if a facility can't meet a health standard in time?



Answer	# Answering	% Answer
Relax the health standards	12	3%
Give the facility a warning and extend the deadline	59	14.7%
Fine the facility until it meets the health standards	192	48%
Order the facility to shut down until it meets health standards	113	28.2%
Put company officials in jail until the facility meets health standards	10	2.5%
Other - fill in the blank <i>(see other responses below)</i>	14	3.5%

Other answers:

- figure out what can be done to meet the new regulations, possible assist to business. SACK the people who always go for the highest standard (even if they know it is unobtainable) then punish people and businesses for not meeting them
- Review the reason why the facility hasn't met the standard. If it's Executive biz as usual delaying infrastructure upgrade to improve bottom line , fine heavily and even jail the individuals responsible. We fought 5 years to shut down a privately owned sewage plant that dumped raw sewage into our creek with no EPA or state penalties!!!! If a plant is making strides in good faith to improve then the state should work with them to help move them along.
- give them guidelines and help them fulfill them.
- If they are having trouble meeting the specks maybe not enough money offer help to get it done,just because it,s a business does not mean there is alot of money to be used for upgrades.
- If they are having problems updating offer them help.
- It depends on the situation
- work with the company for them to be able to meet the standards
- some company may not be able 2 fix, so why not help them some how
- Depends on the issue some officials are idiots and have unrealistic expectations
- shut them down fine them,give them time to correct & if requirements aren't met put company officials in jail until they are met.
- all the above depending on the situation
- Determine whether the facility's delay is from a valid reason or not. Fine or shut them down if not. If so, extend the deadline if an honest effort to comply has/is being made.

Question #10: If you came across the word ORSANCO, what would you think it means?



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Appendix A: Verbatim Qualitative Responses

Question #4: In your own words, what did you see in that picture and how do you feel about it? (click the thumbnail to see it again)

- some sort of factory
- power plant on Ohio River
- It was beautiful
- pollution
- smog from a plant a blue ocean very pretty
- Beautiful Clean water with a power plant beside it. I feel good about it. we have to get power from somewhere
- I saw a river surrounded by green woods and barges being loaded. I like it
- I see nothing other than a very pretty scene
- river and smokestack, the air and river look pretty good except for the smokestack - pollution
- I'm assuming that's coal. And that the plant by the river is burning coal with the emissions being let into the open air. I can't tell much else, the photo was taken high in the air.
- river and coal dock happy that maybe people are getting to work
- Power plant close to water. Makes you concerned about water pollution
- Water
- fog that is polluting the earth
- Plant looks too close to water.
- Smoke coming from the pipe. Would like to make the air cleaner.
- look naistit
- A beautiful river next to a factory producing a lot of emissions
- The water is not clear. There's smoke in the air. It looks like a place I would not want to be.
- smoke stack from plant right by water its sad to see
- smoke
- I saw a large body of water surrounded by factories.
- Coal Keeps the lights on
- Looked peaceful, except for the metal in water & steam
- I see a pollution from the plant tainting the water nearby
- pollution
- lots of buildings and a river
- Large air and water pollution
- I see the river being used as an industrial resource to impact our economy.
- It's a waterway with some barges on the water.
- A river and it was beautiful
- a scenic view, and it was a very beautiful sight
- I saw a beautiful river that a plant of some kind was next to. I don't like the plant next to it. those types of things are just the kind of thing that causes water to be polluted .
- Pollution by the river and poisoning the water. No penalties because it keeps happening. Its all about money.
- DIRTY WATER,AIR POLLUTION AND WASTE



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- A road
- looks like a factory or power plant, pollution, destruction of beauty
- I saw a river going back to the horizon with trees surrounding it and a big factory on the left side polluting the air and presumably the river too. I felt like the factory was spoiling the rest of the scene.
- It appears some type of energy production with air pollution and water pollution occurring as a result.
- a lot of pollution coming from the smokestack, is it affecting the water
- Factory on a river
- WATER. IT WAS PRETTY
- I see beautiful greenery and wide open spaces beautiful river and what looks like a coal plant next two the River. Seeing the coal plant that close to the river is little concerning because you don't know what is being pushed into the river from that plant.
- Industry
- water boats no feelings
- looks like a coal fired electrical generation plant
- Pretty except for the factory smoke.
- The KY American water treatment plant on the Kentucky River. There has been controversy for years over whether it can be sold to a German company, or not. Not sure if that has ever ended. Company seems to be less hostile now than it was for a while. I think our government was trying to buy out the company but don't know what ever happened with that, either. I am concerned that there seems to be nothing that can be done to filter medications from our water supply and we still don't have great storm drainage here and the system gets overrun at times of flood (of course, that may relate more to our sewage facility than the water co.)....
- A factory on a river, as long as it's clean and doesn't hurt the environment there's nothing really I can say bad about it.
- It was a waterway that looked clean
- Area surrounded by water. Kind of dirty looking
- Coal fed energy plant. I think coal remains a viable energy source. However, I believe we could find more safer more responsible means in which to handle by products
- Appears to be a power plant. I had no strong opinion about it
- Pollution, dirty
- Saddened by the possible water contamination
- I seen a power plant polluting the air, and the water. I think there should be something done to reduce carbon going into the environment.
- It's beautiful
- I see a lot of air pollution
- Good
- smoke stack - pollution
- don't know
- Making the river dirty and polluted, as well as air pollution
- Lot's of pollution going into the air and water. I don't like it! I used to live near one of those stacks and the air was filthy. When it rained our homes and cars became stained with black crud.
- looks like a so-so river that could use improving
- Riverfront with downtown behind.
- water ways
- manufacturing plant along the river
- It Looks like smoke is polluting the air.
- waterway, green spaces, flat land, factory, air pollution; I would not want to live there.
- I saw a river being polluted
- power plant a lot of emissions
- A factory of some sort on the banks of a river with smoke coming
from a smoke stack.
- Coal bargess and it looks good.
- smoke stake. Not sure
- river
- A factory near a water source. I have no feelings about it.
- pollution and unhappy
- Seen a beautiful area being filled with a cloud of 'smoke' from a factory

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- earth, divided by a river with a factory nearby. Just a land view from a distance. no real feeling on it
- Clean water
- I saw smoke and I don't feel that smoke harms the environment not one bit
- Factory
- good
- There was water appeared to be a factory or a mill close to the river. It makes me concerned about the safety of the water.
- I saw what looks to be pollution
- Pollution next to a river...
- DIRTY Kentucky River
- Beautiful
- pollution in the air
- I saw what looked like the Ohio river, everything was so green There was a plant also it looked very clean.
- The smoke tower get rid of it
- a town around shore line smoke stacks
- I seen factories and water , and real did feel much about it
- Awesome river Ohio I think everything is green
- a lot of nature (water and green) and a bit of industry. I felt fine
- Smokestacks. Too much pollution.
- Looked like a bridge going nowhere.
- I saw coal barges on a river next to a power plant. I do not feel one way or the other about it.
- Polluting air and waterways
- It's a lovely waterway, but having a manufacturing facility right near the water makes me wonder if there is some pollution going on
- I see an energy plant producing clean power. I see steam from cooling water rising in the air.
- looked like a factory next to a river. I assume I'm supposed to believe that this particular factory dumps its waste in the river, so I should be displeased about this
- power plant that's making electric with no pollution
- I saw A SMOKESTACK FROM A POWER PLANT NEXT TO A PRETTY RIVER SEEN THAT IS HOW IT LOOKS HERE EXCEPT THE SMOKE STACK IS SPEWING SMOKE AND SOOT
- it looked like a dam on the river
- looks like a coal industry.
- river with smoke coming from a factory
- I see a river next to a tower with smoke coming out of it, it looks like it might pollute the water.
- I feel like that picture could have been taken in my state, Kentucky.
- Not sure
- Don't like cause of the chemicals and bad pollution being dispensed from the plant
- a beautiful river
- Pollution
- It appeared to be barges on the river with coal being loaded.
- a river. nothing.
- I saw a smokestack next to a river. It concerned me that this building could be putting harmful chemicals into the river.
- like there's a nice pretty river and a coal operation next to it.
- It looks a barge on the river
- I see a large factory near a river. It worries me a bit that they could possibly be dumping in the river. Mostly I just see great progress
- I feel ok with it love the blue sky and green grass, didn't like the dirty look to the water and the factory
- I noticed the power plant next to a river. It made me sad, because it makes me think that area is polluted
- I see a river with a factory beside it, polluting the water. It makes me sad to see the water being treated that way.
- A factory near the river
- Pollution with makes me feel bad about the location.
- I saw a power plant on the river. It would be pretty..without the power plant.
- Looks like an energy plant with coal and barges on the river ready to transport.

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- mnmn
- cleft and the river
- looks like a coal fired power plant ... cheap electric power
- Smog and pollution affecting air, water, and land.
- Water and coal. We need both.
- coal powered electrical plant
- I see a plant next to a river which kinda bothers me but at the same time if we close it down then not only will people be out of jobs but we'll end up having to import more coal etc into the region costing us more money.
- Wasn't crazy about it. I never like looking at smokestacks.
- smoke stack blowing out a steady stream go pollution
- smokestack
- a smokestack polluting and a plant on a river
- Pollution! I feel angry about it!
- A lot of pollution near a river
- Beautiful river and green grass. Not sure if the smoke coming from that plant is toxic or not though. What kind of plant is that?
- I saw a lot of air pollution coming out of what appeared to be a factory. Makes me think about poor air quality
- good
- A river running beside a city. It looks like a factory there beside it. It looks kind of nasty.
- I only see one smoke stack. To me this is a lack of coal production. The river looks very clean.
- I see what looks like a coal burning electric plant next to a river which it was almost certainly polluting..I am not very happy about it
- SMOKE STACKS POLLUTING THE AIR-DETRACTS FROM QUALITY OF AIR AND BEAUTY OF RIVERS
- Well I saw a river and looks like I saw a coal mine, when I see the coal mine it makes me feel like there's jobs there for work
- factory beside of river (Possible pollution)
- I see a smoke stack with a lot of smoke polluting the air. There is also a lot of trees and green area around the river that looks like there might be barges on. It looks like they are doing the best that they can to keep the area clean. Makes me feel good.
- Coal loading station along a river.
- I see the beautiful Ohio River, and a factory built right next to it polluting the air we breath, and I am sure dumping into the water its waste. I do NOT like this kind of stuff at all. I know we need things in life to make it easier on US...but we are destroying the beautiful land we have been given from the generation before us, and look at what we are going to be leaving for the next generation....THESE KINDS OF MESSES!!!!!! Just makes ya whata' cry!!!!!!
- Nice river view but don't enjoy the smog.
- I see water being polluted by a factory
- Ohio river with coal fired energy plant.
- Factory polluting the community.
- boats
- A plant on the side of the river most likely TVA
- Mountain and water, it looks peaceful
- A beautiful picture of a river with a industry at work.
- I saw some sort of pollution going into the air. The water doesn't look very clean but the land looks green and healthy. It looks like there are barges in the water
- I see a possible chemical hazard but I also see energy production. The taller tower indicates potential environmental efforts to lessen the harmful effects of the utilization of coal.
- I SEE EITHER SMOKE OR GASSES FROM A FACTORY OF SOME KIND
- The water was nicer than a cement village.
- I can't really tell what it is. The surrounding land is beautiful, would be great without that smokestack.
- beautiful picture of water, trees and roads. Peaceful looking
- river that look clean with a smoke stick beside it
- Looks polluted

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- I see pollution and smog near the river, which makes me question the safety of the area.
- beautiful water, but smog and smoke in the air
- Ige .not much
- It was a picture of a river flowing between two lands. It was very pretty .
- Appeared to be an electrical plant adjacent to the Ohio River in western Kentucky.
- Looks like a river, next to a power plant and coal yard.
- water, sky, and smokestack
- A factory polluting the air and water
- river with shipping area
- water pollution, coal right near the river
- Smoke belching from stack. Don't like it.
- A beautiful river. An industry with smoke stack. Don't care much for the pollution, but that also means jobs are there.
- A factory on a river bank. Potential for pollution of said river
- A coal burning power plant using local resourced to provide economical electric power to the area
- it looks like some kind of waterway or basin
- water along the road
- The Ohio River; steam/smoke coming from a plant
- Dirty water and A lot of pollution. I didn't feel very good about it.
- tower in city along a river...no emotion
- Pollution
- ok
- A river...exhaust...i'm not sure what I'm really looking at
- Smoke stack by the water. Could be contaminating the river. Don't like it
- Looks like a plant of some kind near the river. They need to take these kind of places somewhere away from the water that everyone has to use so harmful chemicals aren't spilled into the water supply.
- na
- I see some industry along a river, with emissions rising from a smokestack. I feel a mix of "oh, this is inevitable" and "I sure hope they are fastidious about cleaning up and maintaining wastes, by-products, and externalities, especially since they're on the water."
- River with a plant beside it
- A river with a factory on the side I think it is ok though since it is only one factory.
- pollution
- I see smoke rising in the air, We need to cut off air pollution
- power plant
- A plant right on the water line. I see air pollution and an industrial park right on the waterline.
- Smoke stack...sad
- city with river running through it
- The smoke and fumes from the factory lying on our waterways. That's why we have bad water in the area I live.
- pollution not good feeling
- a river, business right next to the river, heavy smoke coming out of the smokestack
- I saw a power plant along the river on a sunny day. Nothing bothered me about the image.
- It seemed beautiful until you see the smoke coming out of the pipe. It could be smoke or coal and that wouldn't be good for the environment.
- pollution on our rivers
- I saw water and green fields and a smoke stack of some kind.
- Beautiful scenery minus plant.
- river
- water treatment plant; concerned as to closeness to river
- Smoke stack and barges. Grew up seeing this every day.
- factory next to the river, I don't like the pollution.
- pretty surfside
- it looks like a scenic area that is being polluted by a smoke stack.
- river, city, maybe some pollution concerns
- Beautiful river goes unnoticed because of the smog pipe

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- Issues that could hurt the ecosystem might be toxic waste dump into the river and that's not a good thing.
- Factory pollution on a river
- It looks like a factory or plant for coal or some such. I find it troubling it is by a river. It makes me wonder what is there and why the black quarry? is open. I'm not sure I see any safeguards to protect the water. And I'm thinking about the spill in West Virginia last year.
- a river with an industrial complex beside it
- I saw a smokestack that is allowing steam or pollution to go up in the air. Other than that I saw a beautiful river scene.
- I think the factory is a lot closer to the river than it should be.
- I saw a beautiful landscape with a smokestack that was very ugly. The picture made me unhappy.
- I see a factory next to a river. I'm concerned about pollutants from the factory getting into the water that is used for drinking in households.
- The river but more importantly some sort of factory or plant. Not sure what it the pollution of it so that concerns me
- peaceful
- big business polluting the water
- Smokestack, coal yard, conveyor belt- it's dirty fuel.
- A factory next to water.
- a factory polluting the water
- Looks like it's a factory on the waterfront.
- I saw what looks like a coal or steel plant that is billowing toxic fumes into the air. I am highly disturbed by the amount of pollution that is emitted into the atmosphere from these plants, and that is probably why Kentucky is the state highest in cancer deaths.
- I saw pollution first of all and a clear river that is not around here
- I think it was okay.
- Barges on the river.
- burning coal is ok
- Adventure and vacation
- place in between water
- it's a coal dock on the it's a way of life here in ky . without places like this there would be fewer jobs ..
- a river and grass
- I see problems with emissions coming from a factory on the river which pollutes the air and water each in their own way
- smoke rising from some sort of plant next to the river...kinda messed up
- pollution in the water and the air
- the ohio river and I&E . it looks better in the picture taken on a nice day
- I saw a large smokestack, and an industrial area on an otherwise beautiful scene with the river and greenery.
- I see foggy looking stuff and it very pretty but wish it looked cleaner
- Industry potentially damaging natural resources including what is probably the source of drinking water for millions of people. It makes me nervous, especially given all the issues associated with water contamination in the US.
- clean
- Smoke stacks polluting air and maybe water. Makes me sad
- Factory or Plant near water
- A plant that is polluting the air and the water
- it was a river by an electric plant and it's ok I guess
- I seen water it looked peace Full
- I saw a smoke stack and a river. The river seemed pretty.
- A company on the river with a smoke stack
- I see a river with barges and a possible energy plant.
- I see a factory spewing pollution into the air and with its proximity to water it is probably polluting it also.
- A river, with cities on each side. Very scenic and natural beauty is the first thing that came to my mind.
- it was a steam power plant along the river. It is making power so I can live, work, and make money
- Beautiful river
- A factory by a river.

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- Its ok with me everyone need to make money in life
- Smog.
- I see a factory near a river with potential for air/water pollution
- It looks like a beautiful river
- Plant on the water. No thoughts except how it takes away from the beauty of the water.
- looks like a barge on a river
- That is a trick question as that is a picture of a coal fired power plant that does not have smoke stack scrubber pollution technology installed. Nice try but the plants today emit primarily steam from their cooling towers. The EPA no longer allows plants as pictured to operate. In fact , the emission limits have been lowered yet again on the pollution controlled plants now operating requiring more upgrades to meet the new lower levels.
- Pollution near water
- Power plant next to a river. As long as it doesn't ruin the river it is fine.
- Ohio River and it looked bad.
- Smog
- looks like a mine or some type of plant.....loading barges to transport their product down a river.
- power plant good
- A town with a river beside it
- I see a water reservoir and how I feel about it is questionable.
- I saw a factory adjacent to a waterway and a wooded area. I feel that the factory creates jobs, and provides some sort of service, and I hope that they're disposing of their waste properly in order to protect the delicate environment they've set up within.
- Looked like disgusting pollution in progress right on the Ohio river. Makes me feel grossed out.
- It looked like a coal temple
- just looked like a water way with factories around it
- I saw a river, with what looked to be coal barges on the water. This was beside a power plant or something. I feel that this is a natural sight in this state
- A factory next to a river and will the run off from the factory go into the river ?
- a river.....good transportation for supplies
- power plant
- nothing wrong with it
- big business polluting rivers
- dirty river
- I don't know
- I see a river with a refinery beside it. It is necessary for jobs and whatever it produces. Many of our communities would be devastated if it or those like it shut down.
- Industry in action
- I saw a plant emitting lots of smog into the air.
- I see a plant producing a lot of smoke along a waterway. Feel it may be necessary for them to be by water way, but hope that all safety precautions according to EPA guidelines are being followed to prevent contamination
- coal power plant. If it has the proper EPA scrubbers on the stacks I see nothing wrong with it until a suitable replacement can be built
- company contributing to air pollution
- Pollution
- Smog from a factory going up in the air beside the river. I do not like the idea of added pollution to the air.
- i see a river
- I see pollution in the air from the factory that is right on the water canal. a bunch of trees and more cleared land than trees.
- Too much pollution.

Question #10: If you came across the word ORSANCO, what would you think it means?

- i have no idea
- ohio river clean group
- Not sure
- Recycle
- no idea
- company that improves water quality
- Some type of sanctioning committee
- don't know
- organic something company
- Ohio River something
- no idea
- Sanctions
- FI
- organic
- name of company
- not sure
- I read it don't know
- That it's an acronym but I don't know what for.
- I do not know
- chemical
- don.t no
- I believe its a company in Ohio that ensures that their water is up to par.
- Ohio River sanitation commission
- Sanitary guidelines
- Its the Ohio River water sanitation commission
- a health organization
- na
- Company name
- No idea
- It's something to deal with health issues
- Some com0any??
- no idea
- chemical
- A big corporation that puts money
- COMPANY NAME
- I dont know
- no idea
- I have no idea. It ends in CO so I assume it's a company name.
- I have no idea.
- maybe the name of a company
- dont know
- DUNNO
- Ohio river basin service
- I don't know
- don;t know
- no
- A research company
- I do not know.
- I have no idea.

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- Some kind of department of sanitation
- i have no clue
- Energy / Utility
- Ohio River Standards And... no clue
- I do not know
- I have no idea
- Industrial company standard
- No clue
- don't know
- Oil
- no idea
- dont know
- don't know
- Ohio River water sanitation
- not sure
- Don't know
- not sure
- pollution department
- I don't know.
- chemical
- I'd think it was a type of plant
- don't know
- Not sure
- don't know
- don't know
- nothing
- I don't know
- recycling company
- No idea, I would Google it
- Have no idea
- A company that delivers some that has something to hide
- Pollution
- good
- Organic something
- Don't know
- ohio river sanitation
- no clue
- Gay
- something bad
- No idea
- I don't know
- some type of environmental
- I don't know because I don't know what that is
- no idea
- I have no idea
- don't know
- no idea
- have no idea
- Have no clue
- I haven't any idea
- I have no idea.
- Orsan Company
- none
- big energy company
- not sure at all
- dont know

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- some company name
- I have no idea
- I have no clue.
- Fertilizer company
- Don't know
- plant
- DON'T KNOW
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
- I don't know.
- I don't know.
- im not sure
- Organic
- No idea
- I don't know what it means
- I don't know
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
- Don't know but it would sound weird saying
- Don't know.
- Organic of some sort, but sounds like a fancy way to say power plant.
- Not sure, never seen it
- I don't have any ideas
- no idea
- No idea. Probably trade group.
- Not sure
- dont know
- to make things better?
- An acronym, don't know what for.
- i have no idea
- not sure
- not sure
- a company?
- don't know
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Committee
- something sanitary?
- good
- I have no idea. Maybe water with waste in it?
- Without this survey. Maybe Organic
- organic company some sort
- SOMETHING TO DO WITH CHEMICALS
- Something about cleaner population
- nothing
- i have no idea
- That it is an anagram for a governing agency.
- I have no idea. But I'm sure it's something to do with the issues of why they have to do the things they do with the factories/waterways.
- Fertilizer
- Its the Ohio water and sanitation department who regulates the health and safety of the water in this area.
- no idea
- Organization
- i dont know
- chemical company
- Organic
- A group to improve water pollution.
- A water cleansing system used to rid the water of pollutants.
- It sounds like a chemical
- A COMPANY

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- No idea
- pesticide
- I have no idea
- organic
- Um sure
- The "SANC" part reminds me of "sink", so it might mean sinking or going underwater.
- certified control
- dont know
- No idea
- No idea
- ldk
- no idea
- No idea
- it stands for something
- im not sure
- Oil company
- An organic company of some kind.
- I have no idea.
- Not a freeking clue
- its a water related organization
- poison
- no clue
- I have no clue.
- no idea
- Not for sure
- idk
- I have no idea
- I don't have any idea
- oil refinery
- na
- That it's a corporation.
- No idea
- organic
- not sure
- no idea
- not sure
- some big pant company.
- no clue
- not sure
- I have no idea
- Don't know.
- i have no idea
- have no idea
- Ohio river water sanitation company
- No idea
- some kind of standards company
- No clue.
- I'm not sure
- not sure
- Organized sanitation commission
- I really have no idea, nothing really came to mind at all.
- I dont know what it means. "san" could be part of 'sanitary', hinting to it being a company involved in water cleaning and purification. Just a guess.
- no idea
- Not sure
- Unsure

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- N/A
- No idea
- any kin to mosanto.
- don't know
- No idea.
- It has to do with keeping the Ohio River cleaner.
- na
- Not sure
- don't know
- nothing never heard of it
- Organic ways to sanitize water.
- water contaminate
- I have no idea
- No idea.
- I believe it is affiliated with helping businesses around the Ohio river meet their requirements.
- nothing
- have no idea
- No idea.
- Ore sanitation company was 1 thought haha. I have no idea.
- I don't know.
- nothing
- improve water quality
- A fancy term for epa
- I AM NOT SURE
- I do not know
- some type of chemical maybe
- not sure
- n/a
- I don't know.
- Oregon Sanitary Commission
- I have no idea except it's an acronym for something.
- I don't know
- i have no idea
- It's the Ohio River Valley Sanitation Commission.
- I don't know for sure.
- I think for whatever the reason they set pollution standards across the U.S. by the evil EPA;
- no real way to feel anything, The word shown sounds like one giant corporations use to help actually hide what they are doing
- No idea
- No idea
- a chemical company
- sounds like some evil lethal product
- New people
- have no idea
- Nothing
- uncertain
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
- I don't know
- I have no idea
- not a clue
- Oregon Sanitation Co
- I have no idea what that could mean, organic sands company?
- cool
- have no idea
- I don't know
- I don't know

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- don't know
- It doesn't mean anything to me.I'm not sure.
- I HAVE NO CLUE.
- don't know
- No idea
- Never heard of it till I looked it up just now.
- I have no idea.
- It sounds like an exterminator
- nothing
- good
- No clue - it could be named after its founder - John Q. Orsan
- i dont know
- I don't know
- Ohio River Sanitation Corp
- No clue
- Don't know
- No idea
- I don't know. I would have to google it.
- A company or conglomerate of an unknown type.
- No idea
- ldk
- no idea
- no idea
- I have no clue
- O mg
- Don't know
- Ohio river sanitation company
- No idea
- just another company
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
- don't know
- truly i have no idea
- I have no idea
- Something to do with the oil, natural gas, and coal guidelines.
- not sure
- I have no idea
- No clue
- organic
- nothing comes to mind
- I have no idea
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
- no idea
- do not know
- river standards and
- Don't know
 Would Google it
- Something that have to do with Gov. Organization
- I don't have any idea
- I confess I looked it up just nowâ€¦ but I would have thought it was probably a regulatory agencyâ€¦ or lobbying group.
- a company?
- I would think drug company
- No idea
- I wouldn't know.
- a misspelling..
- No clue
- health

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- no clue
- Sounds like a chemical company but could be an advocate group, I dunno.
- I really don't know what that means, so i wouldn't know how to feel about orsanco.
- I have no idea
- Never heard of it before, so it means nothing to me.
- ohio river valley water sanitation commission
- Something to do with oranges
- I have no idea.
- Water pollution.
- no idea
- Health food company
- some cleaning agent
- it stands for something but i don't know aht !
- some kind of company
- don't know
- i don't know
- I have no idea
- no idea
- I don't know.
- i dont even know or what that is
- Ohio River Sanitation Commission
- clean
- Not sure
- Something organic
- I dont know
- i have no idea
- ldk
- I have no idea.
- Unknown
- Environment agencies
- I have no idea.
- I wouldn't have any idea. My 1 thought may be an organic food company.
- ohio river
- No idea
- A name of a company
- I don't know
- I have no idea.
- acronym for something
- Not Sure.
- Ohio River Sanitation Company
- something to do with rivers
- That is an acronym , not a word, even so I do not know what it stands for.
- Not sure
- No idea
- N/A
- a company name?
- chemical
- idk
- River
- Judging by the other questions in this survey, I'd guess some sort of environmental group.
- A brand of instant coffee or a big corporation. Possibly an acronym.
- I don't know what it means
- no idea
- I think that it means, an organization that is looking to try and clean and protect the waterways in the state and surrounding areas. I think that I have heard of it before.
- Orange San Francisco Company ???

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- unknown
- dunno
- I don't know
- no clue
- no idea
- ldk
- no clue
- No idea
- Not sure
- not sure of what it would stand for
- I have no idea
- don't know
- Sounds like a corporate fat cat money making scheme cooked up by lobbyists.
- I don't know
- hi
- OHIO RIVER SANITATION COMPANY
- Don't know what it means.

Question #11: In your own words, what do you know about the chemical known as mercury?

- it can be deadly
- yes
- It' comes from fish and is poisonous
- thermometer
- not much
- Mercury is harmful and can cause death if too much ingested. It is tuna and other kinds of fish
- It is used in thermometers and is dangerous
- Not a lot
- a little - it's not good for us
- very little other than its used in thermometers and that it can be deadly
- dangerous
- Can be dangerous in high levels
- Nothing
- its dangerous
- not safe to ingest
- Can burn the skin. It's in flourescent light bulbs
- it danger
- That it's deadly.
- Mercury is dangerous. It used to be used in thermometers.It's silver. It is a liquid.
- not much just its bad
- sky
- I know that if you eat too much fish that mercury can harm you.
- The chemical element symbol is Hg. Mercury is used in thermometers. It is a heavy silver metal and a conductor of electricity.
- Helps keep things clean
- Its dangerous if consumed in large amounts. Traces are found in seafood, but can be fatal if too much are consumed
- its deadly
- dangerous
- It's not got for you
- I know it's found in fish and in high quantities is dangerous for health.
- Mercury is not good for a person
- It's bad for your health
- not much

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- that to much isnt good for people
- It's a poison and I think its in our water supply.
- FOUND IN WATER,USED IN THERMOMETERS
- Nothing
- it's a pollutant, can be toxic
- It's very bad for you to ingest it in significant amounts but we are exposed to tiny amounts all the time that are pretty harmless. It's in fish we eat and some vaccines.
- I know that it is toxic in humans.
- poisonous
- poison
- NOT SURE
- I know too much is not good for you
- Poisonous
- nothing
- useful in a variety of processes. Can cause brain problems. Has been around for a long time and the amount of mercury found in ocean fish has not changed since both regular testing started AND in very old museum specimens which were tested about 30 years ago.
- Dangerous
- It is a deadly neurotoxin.
- I know that it is very poisonous and harmful to any type of living creature or plant life.
- It is dangerous
- it's poisonous
- That it is dangerous. While when I was a child we didn't understand this and even thought it was cool to move around the beads that came out of a broken thermometer, I would ever let a person touch or ingest this chemical now.
- Causes brain damage if you drink it. Symptoms appear like mental illness. And death
- Not much
- It can be hazardous
- It can be dangerous
- dangerous
- not alot
- Harmful
- not much but found in fish
- very dangerous
- toxic and dangerously high in water and land around some plants and ocean
- It's not safe for humans or animals. It contaminates fish and makes it unsafe to eat.
- its bad
- Nothing
- not sure
- it helps to conduct electricity
- I'm not familiar with all the implications of mercury.
- can be dangerous
- People shouldn't ingest it
- a killer
- I know it is a liquid metal deadly poison that is very dangerous to human life.
- nothing
- na
- nothing
- It was used in thermometers, is harmful to ingest.
- nothing
- it is dangerous to humans
- nothing
- It is harmful and was once kn thermometers
- leave it alone, been here for years
- Not much
- good

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- It can be found in water and fish. High amounts have been linked to autism
- It's dangerous to our health
- deadly poison
- carcinogen
- Nothing
- that it can kill you
- don't know
- Bad
- no
- all I know about it that it is not good for us
- not allot
- It is deadly and can cause cancer
- dangerous
- that it can be deadly if high quantities are ingested
- it is a heavy metal that is liquid at room temp, it is toxic
- It is highly toxic to humans, animals and fish
- That it collects in living organisms' tissues and causes health issues
- It is an element that naturally occurs and at room temperature is in a liquid state. It is toxic at high levels.
- it's in thermometers and light bulbs and is bad for the environment
- very bad for humans
- it was used in hospitals in the past and you can build anything on property that has mercury in the dirt
- its dangerous
- found in thermometers can cause mercury poisoning
can be found in some fish at different levels
- its a chemical
- I don't know much at all about it
- It has several different uses. And was at one time used in thermometers. It's harmful when injected into the body.
- Causes cancer and other diseases
- Nothing much
- can be deadly if consume too much
- It's pretty poisonous
- It is dangerous to your heath if ingested.
- nothing.
- I know it can potentially kill fish and harm and/or kill humans.
- its extremely toxic
- It can kill humans
- It can be harmful to the general health of most living things in large doses .
- That it used to be in thermometers
- I know it's found naturally, and can be dangerous in large amounts
- I know it's a poisonous and dangerous chemical.
- I don't know nothing about it
- That is poison and it can harm everything.
- Dangerous if consumed in large levels.
- Very harmful. Something that needs to be monitored
- m
- its helps the water
- Hg, heavy metal, not good for you.
- Poisonous. Ohio River has high levels in it because of runoff.
- I know that it's not good for people in high amounts. It's found in water and fish.
- we played with it as a kid, now it is a major environmental threat, haz mat has to be called if a spill occurs, doesn't break down,
- not much
- Not great to eat.
- it is dangerous
- kills fish
- its bad stuff...cancer

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- In large quantities it is very harmful.
- very dangerous
- It is very potent and very dangerous.
- dangerous to health, can be found in some saltwater fish
- none
- I don't know much about mercury. It is probably not good in rivers and lakes.
- It's found in certain types of fish. It's been linked to the children's MMR shot.
- it is the only element that is liquid metal at room temp and the fumes are poisonous to humans
- IT'S IN OLD THERMOMETERS AND IF A SPILL HAPPENED IT WAS VERY DANGEROUS
- I believe it's very dangerous in the water
- in thermometers
- it is in the thermometers and very poisonous
- It causes irreversible damage when exposed to it even in small amounts. It is a by-product from mining. It can get in the air, water or be absorbed directly in the skin.
- What I know is that the chemical mercury is DEADLY!!!!
- Dangerous
- Its a poison that is found in seafood and can be deadly to humans
- poisonous
- Dangerous. Brain Damaging.
- no
- it's in the water supply and can kill people
- nothing
- It is dangerous.
- Please specify...
- It can be utilized for good but too much of it can cause illness
- IT IS VERY DANGEROUS
- Its not good to be around.
- can be deadly
- just that it is bad for you
- not good for you
- It is dangerous
- It is found in fish, and humans should not consume large amounts of it.
- can kill you
- bad
- It is poisonous when ingested.
- Can be hazardous. Is part of the new light bulbs and we are told not to drop those bulbs as mercury is present.
- That it is detrimental to humans and animals.
- its used in thermometers, can be dangerous in high levels
- Poisonous
- it's used in thermometers & can cause nerve problems
- its really dangerous
- It's in fish and my thermostat and its poison.
- It is deadly. It is in thermometers.
- Mercury is a toxic heavy metal which is liquid at normal ambient temperatures. Mercury poisoning was responsible for the creature in the horror movie Prophecy.
- Usually in a fluid state was formerly used in thermometers
- high amounts of it are dangerous if humans ingest it
- was used in thermonotors
- bad for you
- Mercury Is a type of metal used in thermometer.
- yes
- Not that much
- it is dangerous
- its dangerous
- high doses affects the brain kidneys and lungs negatively

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- it's poisonous
- na
- I don't know much -- Mg, liquid at room temperature, "quicksilver," used in old thermometers....
- Nothing
- it can be harmful for humans
- a little
- only that is a poison
- natural chemical
- Bad for you.
- It's not good to ingest.
- all i know is it's not good for my health
- I don't know a lot about it.
- It is found in some fish and can be dangerous, if not lethal, in large amounts.
- that it can be dangerous
- it kills
- Bad for humans
- No
- I know its deadly
- That it's dangerous and can cause neurological issues
- not much
- it has adverse health effects
- I know that it is a deadly substance with prolonged exposure. It causes dementia and death
- I know high mercury levels have been linked to cancers and other health problems and that mercury is poisonous to humans.
- I know it is a heavy metal that is highly poisonous.
- dangerous - not to be ingested
- Nothing
- Deadly, a person can get mercury poison. Thought it was illegal to be used now.
- POISON
- No idea
- not much.
- poison
- Nothing.
- Mercury is toxic. Found in the river. Found in fish. Lightbulbs.
- poison
- It can be deadly
- nothing
- nothing
- You cannot see it, maybe odorless but harmful
- It is bad for people to consume. Many fish had a lot of mercury in their bodies that are taken from the Ohio river
- poison
- It's toxic.
- Mercury is an element that can be harmful if a great amount is ingested. A lot of Mercury is found in fish so you have to be careful what you eat. This is why it is important for businesses to maintain their companies the right way.
- none
- poisonous
- Only that it is present in some fish, and you shouldn't eat those fish.
- Lethal to digest. Found in thermometers. Hg atomic #80
- It's bad
- Its toxic as fumes.
- dangerous to body
- Deadly in the human body in quantities
- NOTHING REALLY
- Some, it is usually found in some waterways. And can be found in some fish

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- know of it but not sure the elevated type of level in water lakes or river
- it can be bad
- n/a
- It's poisonous to humans and can collect in the tissues of some fish we eat. It's often a byproduct of industrial pollution.
- Lethal
- It can be poisonous if ingested and it can burn the skin.
- Not much
- its lethal to humans
- It's in some fish. It's a liquid at room temperature. It's also called quicksilver. It can cause birth defects.
- It's toxic and dangerous, although some years ago this wasn't very controlled
- Highly toxic and poisonous
- quite a bit-from its elemental status to its old uses in industry all the way up to how widespread and toxic it is to humans and other living things
- I just know that too much mercury in the body is dangerous and lethal
- It can cause neurological damage, especially in children.
- poisonous
- bad.....very bad. Used to break oral thermometers and play with it. Dad said just don't put it in your mouth. They don't make those like that anymore. Not safe stuff
- It's awful for fish
- poisonous
- Its a chemical
- toxic
- That is very dangerous
- It's poisonous to humans if you ingest / absorb enough of it
- it use to be used for thermometers and other things but is now a dangerous chemical sometimes found in fish
- it isnt good for humans
- It used to be in thermometers and its poisonous
- I know it's poisonous to humans and has been a cause of cancer in people for a long time.
- cool
- nothing
- It's toxic.
- found in fish
- not good
- I believe it has to do with temperature.
- IT RESIDES IN FISH AND CAN BE DEADLY IF THE BODY CONSUMES TOO MUCH OF IT.
- it is very poisonous
- Used in thermometers- poisonous
- poison
- Very poisonous.
- I know that too much exposure is dangerous, but I don't know why specifically.
- nil
- Its not good
- It's a toxic heavy metal - also known as quick silver - that can cause deformities in fish. The toxicity can be passed on to people who eat the fish, but I don't recall the effects on humans.
- its poison
- Not much
- It is harmful to wildlife and humans. It can be inhaled and if consumed cause health problems and in some cases death.
- Thermometers, harmful
- It is hazardous to your health
- It's poisonous and it was uses in thermometers.
- It is used to determine temperature. It can be poisonous to humans.
- It is not healthy when in the air or water- or when in soil used for growing plants for consumption.
- That it's not good. Like lead but not as bad.

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- ldk
- I know it's very dangerous
- i know it's not good for you.
- dangerous
- Poison
- I only know that it is a chemical.
- It should not be consumed by humans, as it is poisonous.
- Very dangerous. Found in waterways, oceans, fish and seafood.
- dangerous to mess with
- Quicksilver
- deadly poison
- very little, i know too much can harm you
- You can't come in direct contact with it, or you will be poisoned and require immediate medical attention.
- Its deadly.
- damaging
- it's toxic
- Toxic
- only that it is old thermometers and it is dangerous
- it's in thermometers
- Poisonous
- its in the water
- nothing
- I know that it can be absorbed through the skin. It can cause cancer and affect the brains of infants, children and the development of the embryo when ingested.
- not much
- Very poisonous
- Its not very good to touch smell or burn
- Poisonous
- It is a highly toxic metal that is liquid at room temp. It causes poisoning in relatively small doses. It can be absorbed through the skin as well as drinking.
- toxic material
- I know that it is very dangerous to our waterways and to our health when it gets in the fish that we eat
- It's toxic to living things in large quantities.
- It's fine in small amounts but can have damaging affects to people who come into contact with it in larger quantities.
- it's hazardous to humans and animals
- I know it's poisonous but is used in certain items
- nothing
- you don't want to encounter large amounts of it...poison
- I eat too much in fish. White albacore is the worst, causes memory issues and even death. Remember big issues in Japan over this- maybe Okinawa back in the 60's.
- I know that it is bad for you and very posionies
- mercury is a killer
- It's a metallic liquid at room temperature that can cause mercury poisoning.
- that it is fatal if ingested
- It was in merchrachrome ,poisoniness
- It is used in thermomators.
- It's dangerous.
- it is poisonous
- Not much
- spacious latter
- it is a liquid metal and is dangerous /
- it's deadly
- It is a deadly poison if enough is put into the body or in fish or water
- deadly
- It is bad

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- nothing
- Mercury is poison for fish and other life. It accumulates in the organism's system, becoming more and more concentrated as it moves up the food chain.
- i know it bad for you
- I know that it is toxic on many levels and even carcinogenic. It's found (among other places) in the bituminous coal that is burned in local power facilities and escapes into the atmosphere where it is thereafter deposited in water sources, tainting them indefinitely. The water sources in Kentucky are so tainted that even the State recommends you not eat more than one meal of fish caught inside KY per week, and even that is pushing it.
- hot
- It's not good to get to much of it because it can be deadly
- It's dangerous
- It is poisonous, and can hurt you if you are around it for to long
- its poison and its in a lot of stuff
- I don't really know anything
- Not much. I know that it is bad for you in high amounts and it affects your brain at high levels.
- Very toxic and deadly
- Poison
- I believe it is a heavy metal and dangerous when consumed such as in fish that come from mercury polluted waters.
- Used in thermometers.
- it is bad for you
- Can cause cancers and birth defects
- It is poisonous and can cause health problems
- Nothing rely
- Not much
- Used in thermometers, dangerous if touched or ingested
- It's a chemical.
- Very little except it's bad if you digest it. Pregnant women are warned about eating fish that might contain it.
- it's a potent chemical
- The element mercury is a heavy metal that is a silvery liquid at room temperature. It is toxic to living organisms when ingested or touched , human beings included. Once ingested ,it cannot be flushed from the body. It has been used in mining and industrial processes even though misused it is quite deadly.
- Poisonous
- It is poisonous to humans
- It is toxic.
- Depends on the type some are dangerous
- dangerous!
- it is dangerous
- not much
- Not a good thing
- I know that the chemical is used for thermometers, and that it's a poisonous substance in large amounts. I also know that there's an issue with it polluting aquatic environments and getting into the food chains.
- In high levels and repeated exposure it can kill you.
- I don't know much...it was used in glass thermometers
- just that it isn't good for humans
- I know that it is an element. It is extremely dangerous and a person should not touch it. It is toxic. It can damage a persons nerves, and certain organs in their body. It can get into their body through an open wound, or by breathing it in. Also in its liquid form, it can be very beautiful.
- Mercury is or was used in Thermometers
- liquid metal.....poisonous.....silver
- deadly
- in fish, can kill you
- can be deadly
- just that it is harmful

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- ldk
- it is a poison when ingested
- Carcinogenic
- only that it is found in high levels in fish
- used in old style thermometers and can be hazardous to your health if ingested or gets on your skin
- it's poisonous
- deadly
- It's dangerous and will kill you.
- It was found in thermometers.
- hi
- THAT THEY USE TO USE IT IN THERMOMETERS. IT CAN BE VERY HARMFUL IF INGESTED AND THEREFORE IS NO LONGER PERMITTED IN WATER/MEDICAL MEANS/PRODUCTS
- Something that can be toxic.

Question #12: Here are a few facts about mercury:

Here are facts about mercury. Mercury is poisonous to humans and animals. There is already too much mercury in the Ohio River and it is not safe to eat the fish. In 2004, public health officials ordered facilities along the river to cut how much mercury they release into the water. More than 10 years later, there are still about 60 facilities that haven't cleaned up yet and want to be excused from the requirement.

Question #13: In your own words, how do you feel about what you just read?

- informed
- poison
- Kind of scared
- Seems more trouble
- sad
- I feel the companies should try to harder to meet the standards
- It is sad but I am not that affected by it
- Not good
- that it's not good, but environmental issues are complicated
- I feel that mercury should not be released into natural resources at all.
- sad
- State is too lean on the businesses not complying
- I don't care
- I don't trust mercury and lots of our waters are filled with mercury
- feel like all should be forced to comply
- Awful. 60 years is way too long to wait to force the businesses to do something
- what wrong with the people
- That's ridiculous. 10 years is waaaaay too long. At this point, they haven't done anything about it because no one is enforcing it,
- I think these businesses should be shut down. They are poisoning the water supply.
- upset
- bad
- I feel like they have had plenty of time to clean up their act and that they should be fined.
- The 60 companies should not be excused. That is a high amount of mercury and efforts should be made to reduce the amount of mercury in the Ohio river.
- That I was wrong on what I thought it was and that's sad
- I feel angry that these facilities haven't fulfilled the obligations and cleaned up their pollution
- its disturbing
- too lax on them
- Companies need to be held accountable
- I would like to do more research, but if that statement is true, i feel that zero waste should be released into the water and ground.

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- The fish is not too safe to be eating still.
- That they should be punished for not complying with the regulations
- There needs to be something done about it
- These facilities should be shut down they're contaminating the water with no repercussions.
- I am very angry. I heard this on the news and I do not understand how this is happening. This is detrimental to people's health the environment and the animals.
- DISGUSTED
- Grossed out
- mad/sad, as usual. they should have to comply.
- I feel like they should definitely NOT be excused from it and someone needs to crack down harder on them to make them comply.
- Angry but not surprised.
- the facilities need to be shut down till they comply, they have had plenty of time
- the factories need shut down
- NOT SURE
- I am surprised
- Not sure
- angry no excuse for letting those get away with this that long.
- probably many people deserve to be fined and probably jailed. That includes regulators, politicians and business people.
- Companies don't care about human and animal life.
- Shut them down now. They have had enough time to comply. Why haven't there been fines or temporary shut-downs prior to this time?
- It makes me very angry, if those companies don't wanna meet the requirements then they should either be forced to move or shut down after that long.
- It is a problem that needs addressed immediately
- scared
- No they should not be granted the extension. They should be held liable and possible even have criminal charges brought against them for knowingly endangering lives. No matter how many warnings are put out there, people still fish, ski, swim in the Ohio River. These companies know this yet continue to poison the water they know is being ingested in some form. If I as an individual was caught pouring used motor oil in a waterway they would face harsh penalties. So should companies.
- Angry
- It makes me sick!!!!
- Angry about pollution and company's lack of regard
- The companies that are refuse to comply with the standard should be forced to close down and be fined for all the time they refused to comply with the standard.
- That makes me worried and concerned
- dangerous
- Scared
- More needs to be done to fix this problem
- sad
- I think those plants not in compliance should be fined and shut down until they comply. If they claim bankruptcy then they must still clean up mess
- It makes me angry that these companies are still contaminating the water and that after all these years, nothing is being done to stop them!
- sad
- Clean up or get out
- mercury is harm to human
- surprised
- I'm upset about it this is not acceptable.
- fine them and if they do not meet requirements, shut them down.
- It angers me that a decade later places still haven't met the requirements and still want more time.
- This is typical in the government today
- Somewhat angry and would like to see this practice stopped.
- they need to fine them or shut them down.

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- na
- scary
- Those that want to be excused from the requirement to reduce mercury should be fined and forced to shut down until they meet requirements.
- why do we still use it if I can die from it?
- Very disappointed that 10 years later and nothing has been done to the companies who are clearly defiant of what was asked of them
- It makes me angry. Those companies should be shut down immediately
- It's a little bit of alarming. Some of it, I already knew
- omg, I didn't know this. If its been that long they need to shut them down.
- It. Sounded bad
- good
- Upset. These facilities should be fined and held to the same standard as the other facilities
- I think they should all have to eliminate any potential for putting mercury in our water
- pissed off
- disgusts me
- Eh
- that some people don't care for others they just care about money
- not sure
- Boring
- sad it would be nice to clean up
- well then they should be fined and if that don't work shut them down
- There are some issues but something can be worked out
- Not happy at all
- so true
- The facilities need to clean up waste or be shut down
- they should have to comply
- Very concerning and frustrating
- That is alarming! And is it in our other waterways as well?
- I need more information to understand the issue.
- if you can't abide by the law, you should be punished. Put the heads of these companies in prison
- make them shut down or comply
- Its scary that it is not being taken care of by the companies that have used it
- that its dangerous
- its all about the money
- i enjoyed learning about mercury
- I think they all need to meet the requirements.
- Frankly I'm pissed about that. My children love to play in the water and should have to be concerned about Mercury poisoning.
- The companies should be shut down
- Don't like it much
- very disappointed
- Pissed.
- They need to clean up their act or should them down.
- I don't care
- I don't think facilities should have been given that much time to clean up their act.
- im mad at the facilities that wont comply and i feel that they should be punished.
- I think it is crazy that the state let's this happen!!
- It is ridiculous that it has been going on for so long now. They are endangering the well fair of the state and by definition causing harm. They should be punished by a fine and if they still do not comply they should be shit down.
- Ok as long as Mercury is contained
- Angry and like they don't care about the well being of other humans as long as they make money
- I feel this is unacceptable. Our state and especially Louisville has a serious pollution problem. We need to take more initiative to keep our waters clean.
- Nothing

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- Sad.
- They should not be able to continue. It is harmful to others. However, should we all stop eating fish?? I don't usually buy fish if I know it came from the river. We usually only buy farm raised, or if we're on the ocean buy fresh. But, there still will be mercury in it. We just can't eat it that often. PS. I still have mercury fillings in my teeth and so far, I'm OK.
- Those companies should have to close until they comply. They've had plenty of time.
- m
- its awful..i hope the government will do something
- not bad extend the deadline and offer help
- Public officials are weak and private interest can control. Especially sad because Kentucky is a beautiful state and water helps other interests like travel and bourbon.
- It's terrible. Why isn't human safety held at higher standards?
- They have had ten years to be in compliance, and it is a blatant disregard of rules and sanctions, fine them so much it will break them or close them until they are in compliance,,, they know nothing will happen to them, is why ten years later nothing has changed
- It doesn't shock me in the least but it's no different than the GMO's that's in our food that we eat every single day. Is it bad? yes! can we do better! absolutely!
- Not good! Let's work on that.
- I didn't know about the Ohio and I see people get fish from the river. signed should be posted stating the danger
- need to keep river clean
- it needs to stop
- I feel outraged and disgusted something needs to be done!
- Very serious situation that need to be taken care of now.
- No one should be exempt from the responsibility of protecting our environment. ESPECIALLY when it becomes a law. Do they think they're above the justice system? If I broke the speed limit would I not be expected to pay a fine?
- It is shameful that 60% of the companies have not complied, and want to be exempt. No one company should be exempt.
- so bad
- It doesn't sound good. I live about 25 miles from the Ohio River at Cairo< il
- What steps need to be taken to make things Really change! This is extremely scary!
- not happy about it since i like to fish and also eat what I catch
- **THOSE COMPANIES HAVE HAD AMPLE TIME TO CLEAN UP/MAKE CHANGES TO THEIR WASTE AND SHOULD BE FINED SEVERELY AND/OR SHUT DOWN UNTIL IMPROVEMENTS MADE**
- I feel like they need to do something about it before it gets dangerous
- It is wrong. Why are they being allowed to still continue doing this. Shut them down. They were given sufficient time.
- it is sad
- Disgusted as usual with how these companies get away with this and have always gotten away with it.
- I say BULL SHIT.....NO more excuses CLOSE THEM DOWN!!!!!!
- Sad
- It makes me angry that some companies are still not taking care of the issues
- Makes me angry! I had no idea.
- Scared.
- nothing
- That is unexceptable, the plants should be shut down until they meet the requirements
- I dont really know kind of way about the picture..
- If true (and I would have to see evidence), it should be improved while not taking away jobs.
- The river is a life source to many creatures and we should never knowingly harm our environment. Those comanies should either find a different way of doing things or move their businesses so that the water supply is no longer contaminated
- I feel that the companies should not ignore direct regulation and should infact face shut down if they do not comply with the regulation
- **THE GOV.ISNT ANY BETTER THAN THOSE COMPANIES , THEY ARE NOT DOING THEIR JOB EITHER, OR THEY WOULD NOT STILL HAVE THE PROBLEM. THE GOV. NEEDS TO GET**

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OFF THEIR BEHINDS AND INFORCE SOME LAWS.

- Indifferent
- They need to be shut down if they can't abide by the law
- angry they should be made to comply
- you can blame it all the company but what about the chemical that wash into the creeks and rivers from spraying the ground with chemicals
- That is scary
- It makes me angry. These companies should be closed.
- they should be fined or closed down, not exceptible
- not good
- I think the facilities that haven't met requirements should have been shut down before.
- The companies should be fined until they meet the requirement.
- I think it is a shame that these companies have not been held to the proper standards. I think they should be fined until they adhere to the standards.
- these companies need to be held accountable
- Disgusted
- It's bad, but I think there's a lot coming from upstream not just KY
- it makes me mad!
- They need to be forced to clean up or shut down.
- I am angry that those companies are still getting away with dumping Mercury into the river.
- Bullshit.
- About the same as when they told me the M 16 was self cleaning and wouldn't jamb in combat
- angry
- they need to
- I feel like our laws aren't being enforced
- This is not right, those facilities should not be excused and should be fined and forced to clean up or be shut down.
- angry, but not surprised
- That it's messed up and they need to comply so that the fish are healthy
- it is scary
- sick...it's sad!
- It's Horrific. I had no idea
- I know the ohio river is in bad shape. Just about everyone here has to drink bottled water because the water is polluted. I think they need to make the plants get up to code.
- na
- Outraged.
- No feelings g in particular
- I feel like that is unfair if other companies can do it so can they.
- that terrible they should have to abide by the requirements to protect us and the economy
- They have had plenty of time to comply, so fine the hell out of them or shut them down, believe me that will get them moving!!!!!!
- interested
- Makes me mad. They have had enough time! They are killing us!
- More than a little irritated but, unfortunately, not that surprised.
- it's been more than 10 years I think they should either be shut down or put in jail
- I feel that they should be held to the standards and stricter laws if they havent corrected the problem by now
- I feel sickened and that those facilities should be shut down until they are up to code with the regulations set forth by the government.
- it is a worry
- it is dangerous and probably hurting people slowly
- Companies need to be monitored and required to maintain records showing that their standards and achievement's meet or exceed the Federal Requirements
- Bad
- I think they need to be fed a diet of fish from the river they are polluting actually. A lot of ky families fish in the rivers to feed their families who are probably unaware it could be deadly! not only that but what about

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when it floods and those waters rise into homes where families live and pets and the wildlife they should do what they need to or be forced to close and CLEAN up the river with their money!

- That is ridiculous and it shouldn't be tolerated!
- that is not very impressive on their part, they should hold their end of the bargain
- they should be fined and then shut down
- I am concerned by this statement however, I am more concerned with the lack of involvement by the state in helping them find ways to clean up the sites only mandates.
- I feel that these places need to step it up and get compliant or be fined or sued if they do not.
- It is a horrifying statistic. Those remaining yet to comply must make greater efforts to come into alignment with the newest regulations. Fines should be levied on each quarter baseline corrections are not met. If after 10 years, those companies that still fall at least 75% short of leveled goals, will be closed.
- No company should be excused. Either clean up or close up
- Makes me worry
- Furious! They should have been shut down years ago. They are endangering the health of thousands for their own corporate gain.
- N/A
- Mercury is poisonous
- companies need to comply with standards.
- horrified
- I didn't know this information, but I feel something should be done if there is that much mercury in the river.
- I hate that there's so much mercury in the Ohio River.
- conform or be fined or closed
- It needs to be fixed
- don't believe it
- terrible
- I knew about that, but I do not eat fish so I am not as concerned.
- I think these companies should immediately have to make a real effort to become compliant, if not they should be shut down and fined
- the state should fine them til the get it fixed
- Typical. They probably won't be made to comply. Many people will have high levels of mercury because so many people fish for sport and nutritional necessity.
- I do enjoy eating fish so it scares me that isn't good for me because of the high levels of mercury. I can't get over that in ten years not much has changed. It even angers me that 60% of businesses near and around my home have yet to comply and have had such a long time to get their act together.
- bad
- scared
- They should not be excused under any circumstances.!
- Not happy. We're killing the world at a rapid pace, and we better do everything we can to fix it or at least slow it down.
- I'm shocked
- It's a ridiculous situation, all companies have had ample time to fix their problems.
- very alarming
- I want to know which companies and how much they are putting in the river.
- NOT RIGHT, MAKE THEM CLEAN IT, CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST THEIR HEIRACHY.
- I think they should be giving one last warning and given a month to clean up their act or be forced to shut down
- the companies should abide by the regulation or pay a stiff penalty
- it is bad but mercury is only one of the problems with the ohio river
- n/a
- Angry.
- The companies should be fined and the executives should be held responsible
- It doesn't surprise me. I don't think the businesses should be excused.
- Companies should be made to follow the same rules and protect our river
- they need to be shut down now and the owners jailed
- Awful. And ashamed to be a Kentuckian. There's no reason why a company can't clean up their act.

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People fish in the Ohio River (not sure why, since it's filthy). By protecting our natural resources, we protect ourselves, our children and our children's children. The dumping needs to end.

- It's outrageous that they seem not to care about our health
- Apparently they don't care about what they're doing and it is hurting animals and humans.
- outraged. typical occurrence where capitalism continues to not give a shit for life or the future of the species
- I feel that these facilities should be shut down because they won't meet the standards of safe water
- Ridiculous. Those companies should be shut down or pay heavy fines until they figure out a solution
- feel like those companies are getting away with big crime
- no excusing them . They need to clean up or close down
- That it is harmful
- businesses should either comply with regulations or be shut down or fined until they do
- I feel the issue about Mercury is serious
- if laws state they must comply and they refuse they must be shut down until they comply
- I think they should shut them down if it has taken this long and not been fixed.
- They should be made to comply or be shut down
- there is no excuse of these companies not abiding by clean water standards
- i think the companies need to be fined and shut down until they comply
- Disgusted! Angry! Kentuckiana residents are not important enough to correct this problem?
- It's both terrifying yet familiar. I've heard about unsafe mercury levels in fish since I was a kid, so at least two decades.
- good
- mad they should have done what was asked of them in the 10 year period
- Angry, these companies should be fined. The fine should be more than the cost of what it would take for the companies to comply with the law.
- surprised
- The ones that haven't cut the amount of mercury that goes into the water, needs to shut down until they do!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- This makes me angry that these facilities have not followed the proper protocol.
- **THEY SHOULD BE FINED NOW THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED A WARNING, NOW , JUST JAIL THE CEO'S AND THEIR POWER STRIPPED FROM THEM. GET THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS AND FREEDOM. SOMETHING WILL START TO WORK.**
- unacceptable, no excuse
- Surprised to know that there are still that many companies non compliant
- They do NOT need shut down..That causes people to lose their badly needed jobs..Just fine them heavily.
- Close the factories and companies that are responsible completely down and fine them tremendously. If it lays their employees off, so what. Teach everyone a lesson because when you learn the hard way, YOU NEVER FORGET!
- I feel strongly that something should be done about this. I feel that companies who release mercury into the environment are as dangerous as violent criminals.
- bad
- Its sad really
- 10 years is too long to allow industries to go without action. IF the science behind the safe toxicity level is sound AND the measurements are made in a truly representative fashion (I.e., frequently, at multiple locations under a variety of river stages/flows), then the offending entities should be fined if they have taken no action to comply.
- wow thats crazy they need to be held accountable
- Not good
- They should be made to comply.
- It would be good
- Disappointed
- The facilities not up to standards should be closed and legal action taken on their leadership
- I need more information. How is this information validated? Why do they need new rules? How is a companies level of liability determined?
- This should not be allowed. These companies should clean up and help make efforts to make the river

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clean outside of reducing their own contribution to pollution.

- It doesn't surprise me the way the Ohio river is. I wish it were a lot better.
- Idc
- I think these factories should be shut down immediately
- no excuses.
- I dont like it a bit
- I know all about mercury it is dangerous
- Scared for my safety and the safety of others. Something should be done to the facilities who are not meeting the standards ASAP!
- Upset, and disturbed. Because my water supply was just described as tainted. And I already feel unsettled that natives to my city have a lower life expectancy than the national average.
- Very angry. Fine them heavily and shut them down if they do not comply within one year.
- mercury is very dangerous
- I already know all about it because of where I live.
- horrible
- shameful. Something should have been done long before 10 years. they should have been revisited every two years to see their progress with a threat of closing if not trying to meet requirements
- Indifferent, but we need to understand why all facilities can't conform and think outside the box for solutions.
- The facilities should not be exused and should be fined until they comply.
- Disgusted...they should have been shut down until they complied.
- I think that those businesses should be heavily fined and then made to comply
- It is wrong. Companies should be held to same standards as others
- not sure
- it's mind-boggling
- Ridiculous!
- those facilities need to be shut down
- it enrages me. These facilities should be immediately shut down for their lack of public awareness as to the health effects of this poisonous chemical.
- The facts do not surprise me. I think that businesses do not always care about the environment. If there are no actions taken against them, they have no reason to change their behaviors. The government needs to take actions against industries that do not follow the regulations
- scary
- Those facilities who have not complied should be shut down, fined, and jail time. They are allowing their own greed to be put 1 before the good of there fellow kentuckians.
- Thats not good. Thats something that would be a big problem in the future.
- They should be fined or punished somehow for failing to follow. It makes me angry that nothing had been done
- I think the companies should be forced to comply or be shut down. I really never understood why it was ever acceptable to put toxic substances into the water supply. The solution to pollution is not dilution–
- 10 years is too long
- It truly disturbs me.
- Not happy but not all that surprised.
- It makes me sick that nothing has been done to provide a healthier habitat for the fish or clean water for us.
- I want to know WHY Mercury is still found in our water?!
- Very troubling. We know the ohio is very polluted but to know there are 60 companies that have yet to follow the orders from 10 years ago is upsetting.
- it make me mad that they find other things to do thats less important
- makes me angry about our water
- Abhorrent and absurd. They are killing people and the ecosystem.
- I feel like people need to take care of the earth and stop killing it. We need are planet for our kids. We need to find other was to run factories with out killing are selves and the water.
- it's disgusting
- It's pretty ridiculous that the businesses haven't cleaned up, but it's probably because the officials aren't doing anything to incentivize them to.

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- I am deeply disturbed by this and I think all of these facilities should be shut down until they meet the required standards
- I don't think they should be excused since the others complied. I think they should be fined .
- I am alarmed. They should enforce these rules and when the time runs out and they have not corrected the problem then they should pay a big fine every month until it is corrected. If after 6 months then shut down the plant until it is corrected.
- Very informative.
- it is not right
- The facilities should go under investigation and shut down if they can't obey the restrictions.
- justin
- those companies should be fined or orderd to shut down till its cleaned up /
- disgusted!
- I think it is past time to bring them into compliance I think it should be mandatory now not later. Whatever it takes to accomplish this it should be done
- shut them down...today....profits over safety is bullshit
- Those companies that did not follow the rules should be shut down and fined
- thats disgusting. we should be doing all we can to make sure the river is in healthy condition.
- If the measures given by the government haven't been implemented by the industries, then there should be fines applied. If they are already paying fines, and continuing to pollute, harsher measures should be used to get the industries to follow the rules.
- I already know this you learn it in class when your in school
- That the state and the EPA are failing at their responsibility to put the people of the US and Kentucky ahead of the desires of private industry.
- good
- It sickens me. They should be made to clean up
- I think it's terrible and sounds very unsafe
- The plants that do not meet the standards should be forced to close until they can meet the standard and they should also be fined
- it pretty much covers it
- Thats crazy
- NOt happy. I have heard that the Ohio River is the most polluted but I didn't know that was why. The companies need to be held accountable and made to comply.
- Company's need to comply or be fined
- No they can be given an additional few yrs and then they are fined till requirements are meet.
- I think this is atrocious.
- Terrible. Change needs to happen.
- sad
- Terrible
- Makes me feel angry how they don't care about the health and safety of the people and the environment.
- Vary bad need to stop tham not Mater what
- Businesses need to follow guidelines or be fined. 10 years is too long to continue this bad practice.
- I believe in trying to clean up the Ohio River, but have never heard of mercury as being one of the issues
- Really bothers me.
- Upset. I don't eat Kentucky River fish. But my water comes from there. Sixty is a large number.
- it's quite scary that there's too much mercury
- Unless these entities have already bought every official involved with this, those not in the process of curtailing mercury emissions should be fined off the planet , closed or both. They are stalling and getting away with it.
- Disgusted
- They should not be excused
- It is just ridicious
- It's crap. Shut them down.
- very disappointed and unaware of this!
- there is no excuse for that fine them
- Shut the companies down until its cleaned up. Don't put no more waste in the river.
- Thats horrible and something needs to be done about it

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- I feel that for the most part, it seems accurate. I believe that there could possibly be a bit of exaggeration, but I could see a decent amount of factories wanting to be excused from the requirements, and that's quite upsetting. I can see their viewpoint, but in my opinion, no, they should not be excused.
- That its inexcusable and they need to show that they are taking the steps to become compliant in the near future. (5 years) or be shut down.
- It is not good
- upset, they have had ten years too late for an extension
- I had not idea about the mercury in the Ohio River. I knew that there was some in the water, but not enough for it to be unfit to eat the fish that comes from the water. I think that the companies that have not changed anything to help the water, should have something done to them
- Factories are not penalized enough for how much Mercury they release into waters
- unfortunate.....companies should be investigated and enforced
- pissed
- they should not be excused from the requirement
- angered
- makes me furious
- ldk
- 10 years should be plenty of time to correct the problem
- Money matters more than health
- I feel appalled that companies would rather put citizens health at risk just for their bottom line. 10 years is more than enough time to comply with new regulations.
- I feel that the facilities that have not complied should be forced to close until they meet standards. By not complying they are destroying the ecosystem and harming health of people in the area
- It's BS. The violators had a time frame, and they aren't cooperating. Fine them or shut them down.
- sad and angry that the companies are not complying
- Sounds about right.
- I think those factories should be cut down. 10 years is way too much time.
- very good
- IT ANGERS ME. WHY SHOULD THEY BE EXCUSED? THEY HAVE HAD 11 YEARS TO DO SO. WHY WOULD THEY BE DUMPING POISONOUS CHEMICALS INTO OUR WATER SYSTEMS KNOWING IT NOT ONLY IS A DANGER TO OUR CHILDREN BUT ALSO THE WILDLIFE? THEY SHOULD NOT BE EXCUSED, THEY SHOULD BE SHUT DOWN NO MATTER THE COST UNTIL THEY CLEAN UP THEIR ACTS AND THEN MONITORED TO MAKE SURE THEY COMPLY WITH THE LAWS. WE HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR PLANET AND IN DOING SO WILL TAKE CARE OF US
- It makes me angry that these places want to be excluded from their clean up.