

Data from The Lancet Commission on Pollution and Health, a project of GAHP

Total pollution deaths in 2015 by region (IHME):

- Africa **1,379,251**
- Americas **499,076**
- Eastern Mediterranean **688,763**
- South-East Asia **3,242,995**
- Western Pacific **2,199,591**
- Europe **830,255**

Pollution deaths in 2015 by World Bank income groups:

- High-income **736,146**
- Upper middle income **2,695,245**
- Lower-middle income **4,415,573**
- Low-income **1,011,725**



Quick Facts
from
Lancet Commission
on Pollution & Health
report for
GAHP members at UNEA3

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1. Pollution in air, water and soil **kills over 9 million people** a year, **92%** of those deaths occur in low and middle-income countries.
2. Pollution **destroys physical and intellectual health**, reduces economic growth, drives up health care spending, and lowers the IQ of children, restricting their future earning potential.
3. It's not just air pollution. Chemical wastes that pollute soil and water are **undercounted** and likely kill as many people as air pollution, while degrading agricultural land and groundwater supply.

4. **The international community can assist.** Let's together make it a priority to solve pollution.
5. **Plan & Prioritize**—Examine where the largest impacts from pollution occur. Use Health and Pollution Action Plan (www.gahp.net/planning-health-pollution-action-plans/) to prioritize interventions.
6. Design and **implement solutions** to save lives, and help economic growth.

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