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Dr. Babich,

How many people have died this past year in the US as the result of exposure to phthalates? I really want an answer since millions of tax dollars are being spent to minimize it.

Over 100,000 people have died in USA hospitals this past year, and every year, as the result of hospital error or incompetence. For a perspective, that's like 4 fully-loaded 747s crashing and burning in the US every week. Yet I see nowhere near the efforts being directed toward this catastrophic problem as with phthalates.

It appears that the government is spending most of its resources on chasing dust-bunnies while a herd of wild elephants are crapping on the floor.

Once again, please provide the number of documented deaths caused by phthalates so I can get some perspective on the importance of your and the government's extensive and costly efforts.

Many thanks,

John Hankwitz