

Summary Information on Underground Storage Tanks (USTs)

The Federal Energy Policy Act (Energy Act) of 2005 requires states that receive federal Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Trust Fund money from EPA to provide summary information on USTs on or before December 31st for the prior Federal Fiscal Year (FFY). The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) receives federal funding under Subtitle I of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act in the form of both a LUST Prevention grant and LUST Cleanup grant. The information presented below fulfills the requirement of the Energy Act and subsequent guidelines issued by EPA.

The information below is presented on a FFY basis and based upon the DEP definition of an “UST” and “reportable release”. These definitions can be found in Section 245.1 of the DEP regulations. Active facilities/USTs include those in temporary closure. Facilities inspected reflect the number of on-site inspections conducted by third-party, DEP-certified inspectors and DEP technical staff. Significant operational compliance (SOC) is defined in EPA guidance and means that the UST systems at a facility have the proper equipment/procedures in place, and are being properly operated and maintained in order to detect a release. The number of confirmed releases includes releases from hazardous substance USTs. Information on releases where the source is not known is not presented. Source/cause release information is generally provided by owners, operators, certified installers/inspectors, and consultants.

Inspection, compliance and release information for individual facilities or USTs can be viewed through the DEP web site at www.dep.pa.gov (Click on Data and Tools, then Tools, then eFACTS). eFACTS is the DEP Environment, Facility, Application, Compliance Tracking System.

Questions pertaining to this summary information can be directed to the Division of Storage Tanks at 800-42TANKS (within PA) or 717-772-5599, or e-mail at tanks@pa.gov.

	FFY 2015	FFY 2014	FFY 2013	FFY 2012
	From: 10/1/2014 To: 9/30/2015	From: 10/1/2013 To: 9/30/2014	From: 10/1/2012 To: 9/30/2013	From: 10/1/2011 To: 9/30/2012
Total Number of Active UST Facilities at end of FFY:	7,922	8,020	8,130	8,254
Total Number of Active USTs at end of FFY:	22,788	22,875	23,136	23,411
Number of UST Facilities Inspected:	3,273	2,835	3,393	3,499
Percent UST Facilities in SOC:	74.8%	82.7%	82.8%	82.5%
Number of Confirmed Releases:	161	246	217	216

Summary of Release Source and Cause Information for FFY 2015

Source			Cause													
			Spill		Overfill		Phys/Mech Damage		Corrosion		Install Problem		Other		Unknown*	
#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Tank	27	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	21
Piping	29	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	28	22
Dispenser	48	38	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	46	37
STP	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4
Delivery Problem	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	15	12	0	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	8
Totals	126	100	1	1	6	5	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	116	92

STP = Submersible Turbine Pump Area

= Number

% = Percent

* To the best of their ability, owners, operators, certified installers/inspectors, and consultants report the source of the release. However, in most instances, the exact cause of the release is not able to be determined.