



NOTE

The Worker Protection Standard (WPS) Inspection and Enforcement Accomplishment Report is prepared annually by EPA based on data submitted by states and tribes or the regional program staff in instances where EPA manages the WPS program.

This data represents only those inspections reported to EPA and may not include all inspections or enforcement actions take by a state or tribe.

EPA provides guidelines on reporting WPS compliance monitoring and enforcement activities conducted under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) Cooperative Agreement program.

WPS Violation Categories

The agriculture employer, including owners and managers of agricultural establishments, employers of agricultural workers and handlers, commercial applicator employer and farm labor contractors, are responsible for complying with all WPS provisions. The ten specific WPS violation categories are:

1. **Pesticide Safety Training**—Failure of agricultural employer to ensure that each worker or handler is trained according to the provisions of WPS.
2. **Central Posting**—Failure of agricultural employer to display required information at a central location on the agricultural site where it is readily accessible to workers and handlers.
3. **Notice of Application**—Failure of agricultural employer to ensure that notification and posting requirements for pesticide applications comply with the WPS label.
4. **Entry Restrictions**—Failure of agricultural employer to ensure that no one enters or remains in the treated area during a pesticide application other than an appropriately trained and equipped handler, until the time specified by label and regulations has elapsed.
5. **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**—Failure of agricultural employer to assure that handler uses the clothing and PPE specified on the label for use of the product.
6. **Mix or Loading, Application Equipment**—Failure of agriculture employer to assure that handler performing mixing or handling activities received instructions in the safe operation of such equipment.
7. **Decontamination**—Failure of agricultural employer to provide decontamination supplies for washing off pesticides for workers and handlers in accordance with the WPS.
8. **Emergency Assistance**—Failure of agricultural employer to provide emergency medical assistance and prompt transportation to an appropriate emergency medical facility to a worker or handler.
9. **Information exchange**—Failure of agricultural employer to provide specific information to commercial handler employer about all areas on the establishment that the handler may be in and that may be treated with a pesticide or that may be under a restricted-entry interval. Or, the failure of handler-employer to provide specific information to agricultural employer about the application of any pesticides on or in an agricultural establishment before any application
10. **Retaliation**—Action taken to punish or discourage a worker or a handler from complying or attempting to comply with any requirement of WPS by the agricultural employer.

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	States	Pesticide Safety Training	Central Posting	Notice of Application	Entry Restrictions	Personal Protective Equipment	Mix/Loading, Application Equipment & Applications	Decontamination Supplies	Emergency Assistance	Information Exchange	Retaliation
Region 1											
	Connecticut	1	1								
	Maine	9	8	1							
	Massachusetts	0	0								
	New Hampshire	3	10								
	Rhode Island	1	4			1					
	Vermont	0	0								
	Total	14	23	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Region 2											
	New Jersey	0	0								
	New York	13	12			1	2	5			
	Puerto Rico	39	45	1	0	27	0	28	8	0	0
	Virgin Islands	0	0								
	Total	52	57	1	0	28	2	33	8	0	0
Region 3											
	Delaware	3	2			1		1			
	Maryland	3	4	2				2			
	Pennsylvania	7	6	4	1	2	0	1	0	0	0
	Virginia	0	0	0	0	1					
	West Virginia	0	0	1			1				
	District of Columbia	0	0								
	Total	13	12	7	1	4	1	4	0	0	0
Region 4											
	Alabama	24	49	0	0	3	6	1	1	0	0
	Florida	106	126	10	15	19	5	61	2	0	0
	Georgia	40	76	0	16	4	0	2	0	0	
	Kentucky	17	10	5	2	3	0	1	1	0	0
	Mississippi	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
	N. Carolina	39	27	31	0	15	1	2	0	0	0
	S. Carolina	14	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
	Tennessee	39	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	282	331	46	34	44	12	69	4	1	0

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Region 5	Illinois	7	9	6	5	5	5	4	1	0	0
	Indiana	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Michigan	8	14	4	0	3	2	5	0	5	0
	Minnesota	50	49	19	2	28	1	21	1	4	0
	Ohio	0	0	0	0						
	Wisconsin	0	0	0							
	Total	65	72	29	7	36	8	30	2	9	0
Region 6	Arkansas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
	Louisiana	3	2	0	0	1					
	New Mexico	4	6	2	1	1	0	3	2	0	0
	Oklahoma	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Texas	11	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
	Total	18	13	2	4	2	0	6	2	0	0
R6 Tribe	Jicarilla Apache										
Region 7	Iowa	8	7	4	5	4	5	5	7	5	4
	Kansas	9	10	1	2	4	0	5	1	1	0
	Missouri	8	8	2	0	2	1	1	0	1	0
	Nebraska	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
	Total	25	26	8	7	10	6	12	8	9	4

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Region 8	Colorado, Federal	13	14	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
	Montana	0	0	0							
	N. Dakota	6	7	4	3	4	1	3	3	3	0
	S. Dakota	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Utah	1	0								
	Wyoming, Federal	1	1	0	1						
	Total	21	22	4	4	6	4	4	3	3	0
Region 9	Arizona	26	14	14	5	13	13	7	0	2	0
	California	5	12	3	1	7	1	9	0		
	Hawaii	4	1	0							
	Nevada	2	2	5					2		
	Total	37	29	22	6	20	14	16	2	2	0
R9 Tribes	Salt River Tribe		1								
	Colorado River Trib	0									
	Fort Mojave										
	Cocopah										
	Quechan										
	Navajo Nation										
	Yakama Nation	0	2	2	0	1	1	1			
	Gila River										
	Total	0	2	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Region 10	Alaska	3	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Idaho	0	2	5	0	8	0	0	0	8	0
	Oregon	26	52	6	1	27	0	15	1	0	0
	Washington	58	106	5	7	6	6	27	0	3	0
	Total	87	165	20	8	41	6	42	1	11	0

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Region 1		14	23	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Region 2		52	57	1	0	28	2	33	8	0	0
Region 3		13	12	7	1	4	1	4	0	0	0
Region 4		282	331	46	34	44	12	69	4	1	0
Region 5		65	72	29	7	36	8	30	2	9	0
Region 6		18	13	2	4	2	0	6	2	0	0
R6 Tribe		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region 7		25	26	8	7	10	6	12	8	9	4
Region 8		21	22	4	4	6	4	4	3	3	0
Region 9		37	29	22	6	20	14	16	2	2	0
R9 Tribes		0	3	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Region 10		87	165	20	8	41	6	42	1	11	0
Total		614	753	58	29	193	54	217	30	35	4