



Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) for Tribal Communities

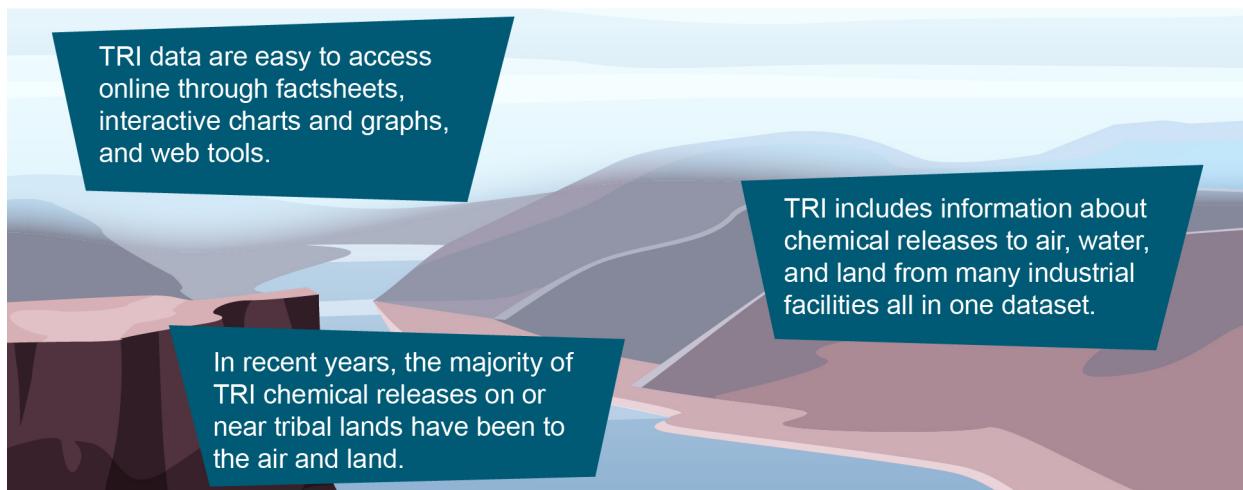
TRI data can help you learn about chemical releases and pollution prevention activities reported to EPA by nearby industrial and federal facilities.

How can tribal communities use TRI data?



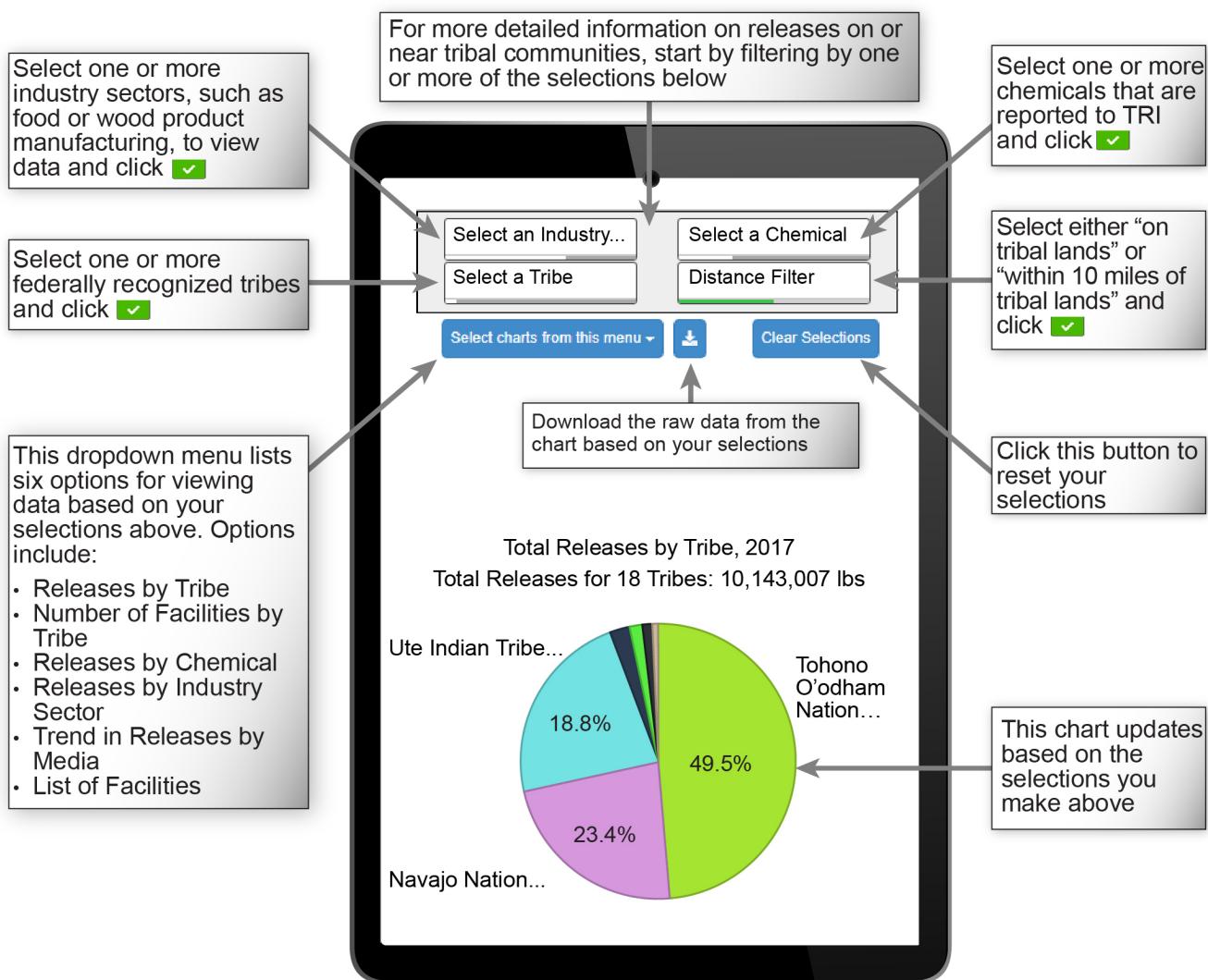
What can tribal communities learn from TRI data?

TRI is a publicly available database with web-based tools that allow communities to access information about chemical releases to air, water, and land. Facilities in 30 different industry sectors submit TRI reports annually to EPA about the chemicals they manage and release into the environment, as well as about the activities they have implemented to reduce waste generation. Facilities that are located on the lands of federally recognized tribes are also required to submit a copy of their annual TRI reports to a designated representative of each of the affected tribes.



How can tribal communities access TRI data?

The TRI Tribal Search Interface provides interactive charts to easily access data about releases from TRI facilities on or within 10 miles of tribal lands. It is available at www.epa.gov/tri/tribal. Find other tools for accessing and analyzing TRI data at www.epa.gov/tri/tri-data-and-tools.



Are tribal communities at risk from chemical releases?

While TRI data can be used to identify potential chemical hazards on or near tribal lands, these release data alone are not sufficient to determine exposure or to calculate potential risks to human health and the environment. To better understand potential long-term risks in your community, TRI data should be considered along with other information, such as the toxicity of the chemical(s), quantity released, route of exposure, and other information.

How can I learn more?

- Call EPA's TRI Information Center at (800) 424-9346 and select menu option #3
- Visit www.epa.gov/tri or www.epa.gov/tribal
- Email the TRI Program at tri.help@epa.gov
- Contact designated TRI Tribal Contacts at www.epa.gov/tri/tribal/contacts
- Find your EPA TRI Regional Coordinator at www.epa.gov/tri/contacts