

Mercury Partnership Areas

Other than: Products, Waste, Supply and Storage

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Presently 7 Partnership Areas

- 1. Artisanal/small-scale gold mining
- 2. Coal combustion
- 3. Chlor-alkali sector
- 4. Air transport and fate research
- 5. Reduction in products
- 6. Waste management
- 7. Supply and storage

Other possible areas:

- cement production
- non-ferrous metals mining



OVERARCHING FRAMEWORK UNEP GLOBAL MERCURY PARTNERSHIP

Summary of Global Hg Partnership

- Overarching Framework was launched in 2008.
 - Identifies objective, priority actions, an advisory group as well as overall operational guidelines.
- Currently 46 official partners, UNEP is Secretariat.
- Projects focused on minimization and where possible elimination of mercury use and releases.
- Generating important information for the treaty negotiation process, such as technical guidance documents and awareness raising materials.

Chloralkali sector

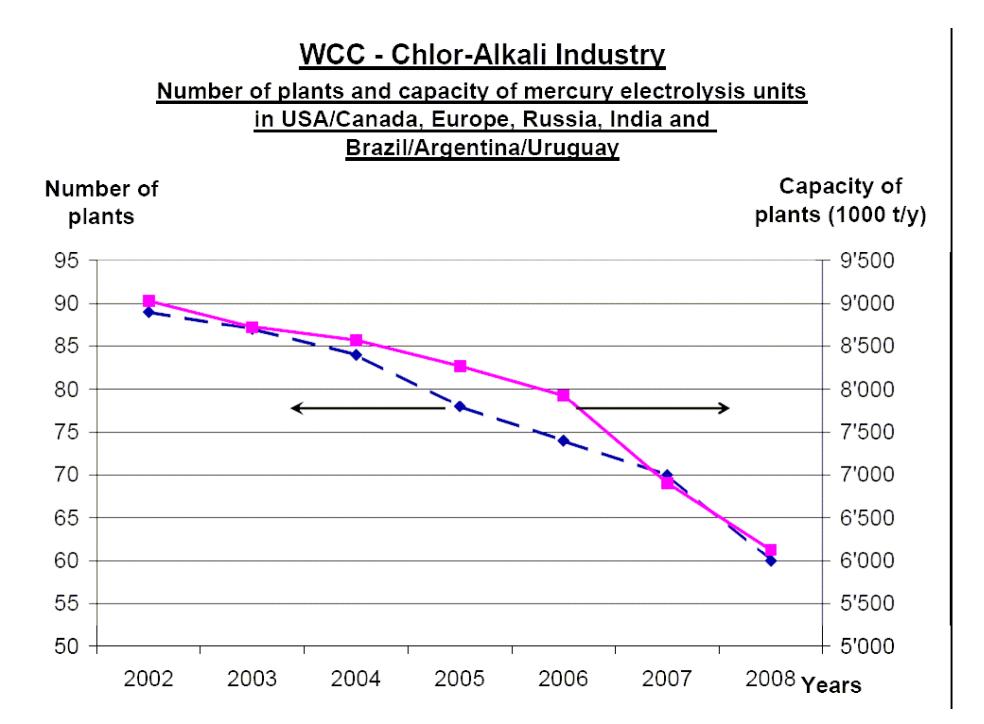
- The objective of this partnership area is to significantly minimize and where feasible eliminate global mercury releases to air, water, and land that may occur from chlor-alkali production facilities;
- Use and emission trends going down due to phase out of mercury use;
- Issue is storage of excess mercury from existing plants.

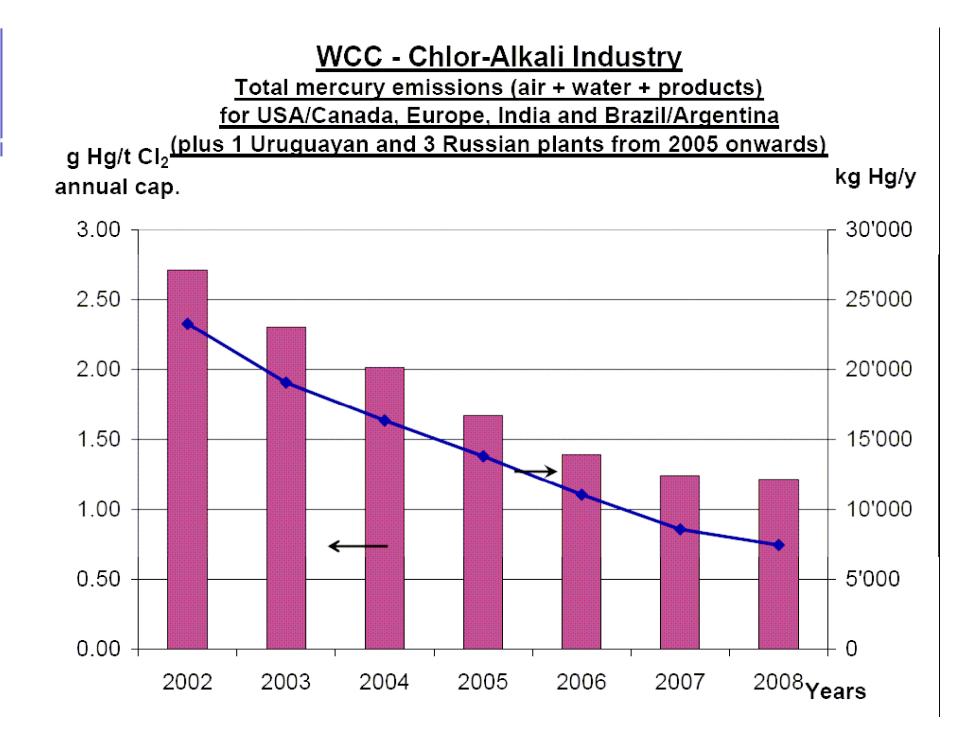
Chloralkali in 2008

Mercury consumption and emissions from chloralkali plants (kg per year)

Source: World Chlorine Council (2009)

Production year: 2008									
Country or Area	Hg plants	Capacity	Purchases /Sales	Consumption /Use	Emission to products	Emission to water	Emission to air	Total emissions	Solid waste
	Number	In 1000 t Cl ₂ /y	kg Hg /y (- if sold)	kg Hg /y	kg Hg /y	kg Hg /y	kg Hg /y	kg Hg /y	kg Hg /y
Europe	37	4'483	24'467	148'232	290	319	3'500	4'109	157'239
United States of America + Canada	5	591	0	3'845	14	14	917	945	1'572
India	8	215	2'323	5'177	25	0	170	195	442
Brazil + Argentina (1 plant) + Uruguay (1 plant)	7	438	21'716	9'753	49		1'371	1'434	4'765
Russia	3	402	40'903	29'790	37	20	700	757	21'607
Total	60	6'129	89'408	196'797	415	366.4	6'658	7'440	185'625





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port and fate research

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