

FACT: LEAD IS TOXIC

It is harmful to everyone and

DAMAGES:



BRAIN



KIDNEYS



LIVER



BLOOD



REPRODUCTIVE
SYSTEM

Young children

are most vulnerable. Their nervous systems are still developing and they absorb **4-5 times more than adults**, which can cause:

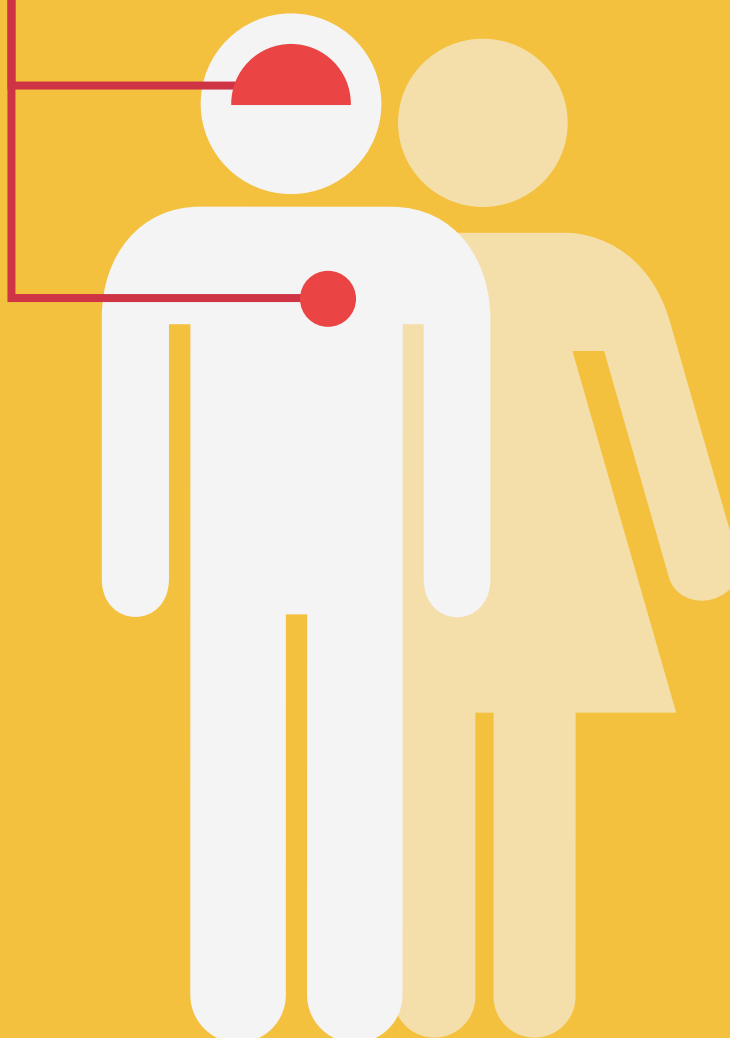
- intellectual disability
- underperforming at school
- behavioural issues



In adults

lead exposure increases the risk of:

- ischaemic heart disease
- stroke



In pregnant women

lead exposure damages many organs but also affects:

- the developing foetus



There is no safe level of lead exposure

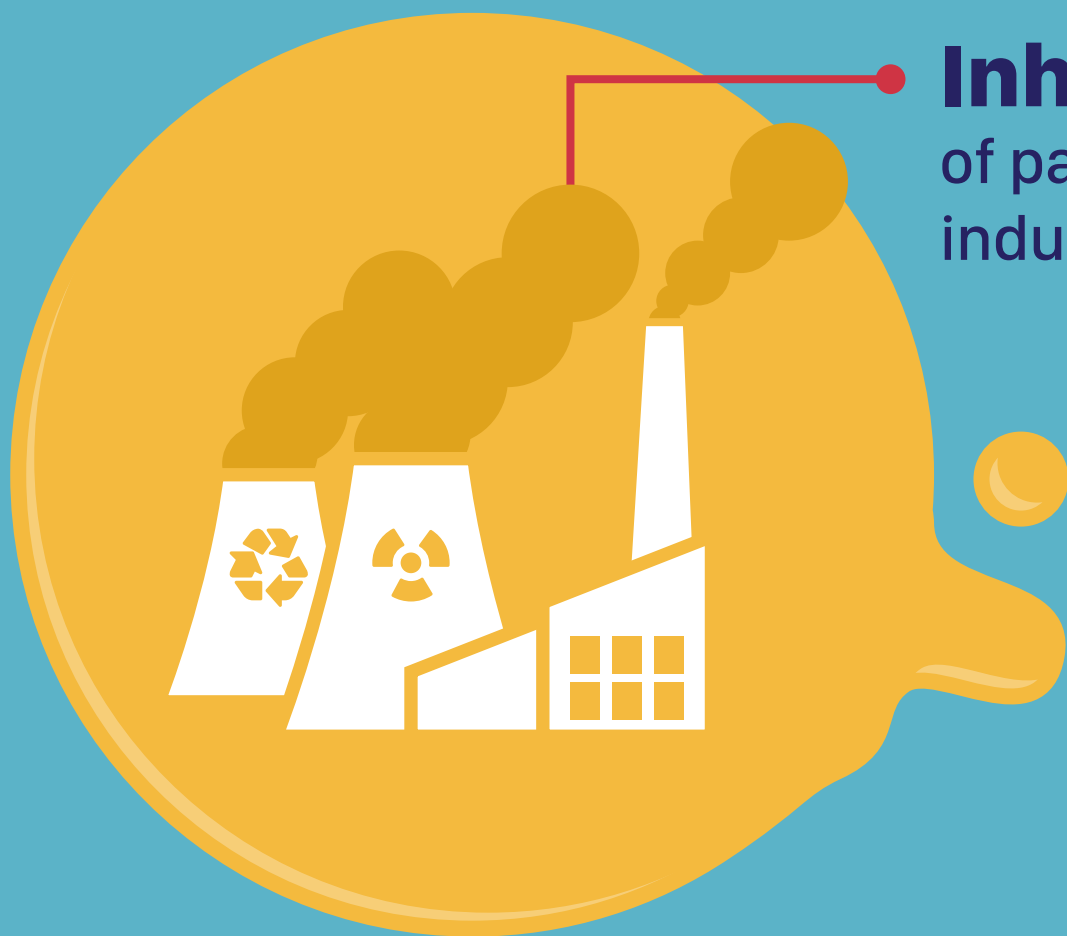


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LEAD EXPOSURE CAN OCCUR THROUGH...

Inhalation

of particles released by industry or recycling



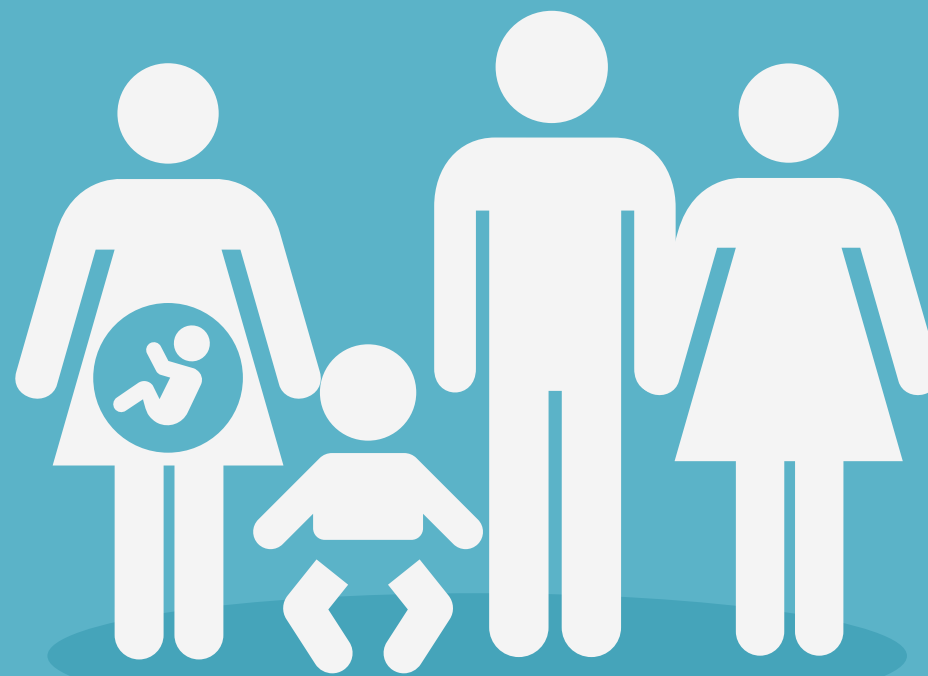
Lead-containing products

such as lead-glazed ceramics and some traditional medicines or cosmetics



Ingestion

of contaminated soil or dust from decaying lead paint – particularly when children play on the ground and put toys or fingers in their mouths



Food or water

contaminated with lead



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