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Environmental health problems require data to be solved. As a result, public health professionals are, by nature, data explorers. Attempting to identify, measure, and respond to pressing environmental health problems requires reliable data that are accessible, understandable, timely, and actionable. Data do not, however, collect themselves. They must be collected and put into a useable format. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Environmental Public Health Tracking Program (Tracking Program) does exactly that.

The Tracking Program provides valuable tools for environmental health professionals. For example, the Data Explorer produces interactive maps, tables, and charts to visualize more than 500 environmental and health data measures. The Info by Location tool empowers users to quickly learn about the top environmental issues by county or ZIP code. Most importantly, the Tracking Program is built and run by a national network of public health professionals whose priority is to help address the public health data gaps that practitioners encounter.

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How Does the Tracking Program Help?

The CDC Tracking Program funds 26 state and local programs that feed data into a national surveillance system called the National Envi-

What Is the Info by Location Tool?

Info by Location provides users with a quick snapshot of the top environmental issues a

