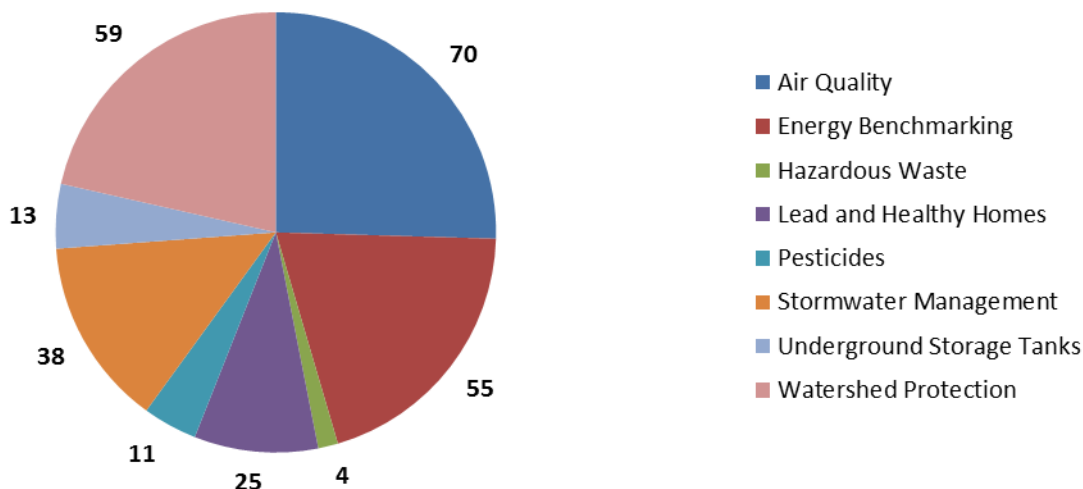


## Notices of Infraction in Fiscal Year 2015

The Department of Energy and Environment issues Notices of Infraction to assess fines for violations of the District of Columbia's environmental laws. Between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015 the Department issued 275 Notices of Infraction to enforce the laws that protect the District's land, air, water, and human health.



**Air Quality** – The Department enforces air pollution control laws and laws that protect residents from exposure to harmful asbestos. It also enforces a law to limit commercial vehicle engine idling to three minutes for motor vehicles that are parked, stopped, or standing.

**Energy Benchmarking** – The Department tracks a building's energy usage and compares its performance to their peers nationwide. These comparisons have been shown to drive energy efficiency upgrades. The Department enforces against buildings that fail to report their energy performance.

**Hazardous Waste** – The Department fines commercial businesses as well as federal, state, and local government facilities that fail to properly generate, transport, treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste.

**Lead and Healthy Homes** – The Department enforces compliance with lead paint laws by owners and managers of buildings built before 1978. It inspects homes of all children identified with elevated blood lead levels, inspects foster homes and child care facilities, and conducts inspections following

complaints by tenants (and others) of lead hazards or unsafe work practices.

**Pesticides** – The Department fines violators of regulations governing the registration, sale, distribution, use, and disposal of pesticide products and devices.

**Stormwater Management** – The Department fines businesses that fail to charge a five cent fee for each disposable carryout bag in violation of the District's bag law. This law reduces plastic bag pollution of the District's creeks and rivers.

**Underground Storage Tanks** – To protect people and the environment from exposure to petroleum and other hazardous materials, the Department enforces a law regulating underground storage tanks and systems in the District.

**Watershed Protection** – Runoff from construction sites can pollute local creeks and the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers. The Department enforces a law that requires construction site erosion control to reduce pollution of the District's waterways and the Chesapeake Bay.

All data current as of 11/12/2015