**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

# EPA Response to September 11



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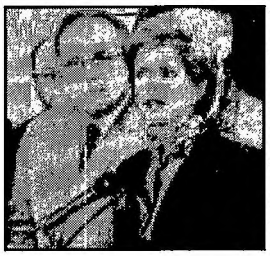
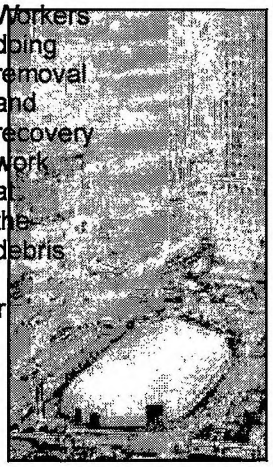
## Administrator Whitman and NYC Mayor Giuliani Open Winterized Indoor Wash Station for WTC Workers





Workers doing removal and recovery work at the debris pile of the World Trade Center during the winter months – including thousands of city, state and federal employees, volunteers and contractors – will use this state-of-the art facility until the spring. The new 31,000 square foot indoor wash station features boot and mask wash areas, HEPA vacuums for dusty clothing, 30 shower stalls, men's and women's locker areas, Salvation Army hot and cold food stations, and American Red Cross disaster mental health counseling. Up to 6,000 workers use the facility every day.

### EnviroMapper Tool

Monitoring data from the World Trade Center have been available on this site for several weeks - showing maps and measurement results by individual substance. We have now added a new interactive tool - EnviroMapper for NYC Response - which allows you to map the monitoring sites and results for many substances at once.

In particular, you can:

- select your own location and see where monitoring activites are being conducted
- review measurements for many substances (e.g., asbestos, pcbs, benzene, particulate monitoring)
- see aerial photographs of the area
- search by location for all information

### Environmental Monitoring

**New York City Area**
Data Summaries

Interactive Mapping Interface

- NYC EnviroMapper

Data Tables

- Asbestos in Air
- Particulate Matter 2.5 (fine particles)
- Particulate Matter 10 (fine & coarse particles)
- Asbestos in Bulk Dust
- Drinking Water
- PCBs in Air
- Lead in Air
- Benzene in Air
- Dioxin in Air
- Chromium in Air

**Pentagon**
Data Summary

**Other Air Monitoring Data** EXIT disclaimer
**New York State DEC**
**New York City DEP**
**New Jersey DEP**

about that site (e.g., Stuyvesant High School)
- follow routes used by trucks and barges to haul away debris and materials;

While EnviroMapper provides a more comprehensive way to view data, we will also continue to provide the individual data tables as before.

**Information About Re-entering Buildings**

EPA has found the presence of asbestos-containing material in some of the dust samples taken from the World Trade Center debris. If you find that your apartment or workplace contains more than a minimal amount of dust, the space should be cleaned by a professional asbestos contractor before you re-occupy. A list of certified contractors EXIT disclaimer in the New York area can be found on the New York City Department of Environmental Protection Web site.

If you find a minimal amount of dust on returning to your home or workplace, follow the New York City Department of Health EXIT disclaimer recommendations for people re-occupying buildings. These procedures should also be followed if re-occupied residences or offices become dusty due to ongoing work at the World Trade Center.

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# General Information

Frequently Asked Environmental and Public Health Questions about the World Trade Center and Pentagon Tragedies

Asbestos Health Information

Fact sheet about smoke and dust (particulate matter)

Related EPA Press Releases

Information from the New York City Department of Health EXIT disclaimer
Air Quality Information

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Pictures from the World Trade Center Response

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NYC 9/11 Public Portal Document



# How You Can Help

**Information from the White House** EXIT disclaimer

Find out how you can help American relief efforts through the **American Liberty Partnership**. EXIT disclaimer

**FirstGov** EXIT disclaimer has compiled a list of resources for victims of the attacks and those who want to help.



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