
Toxic Chemicals and Safer Alternatives--A Survey of Business Needs and Interests, 2015

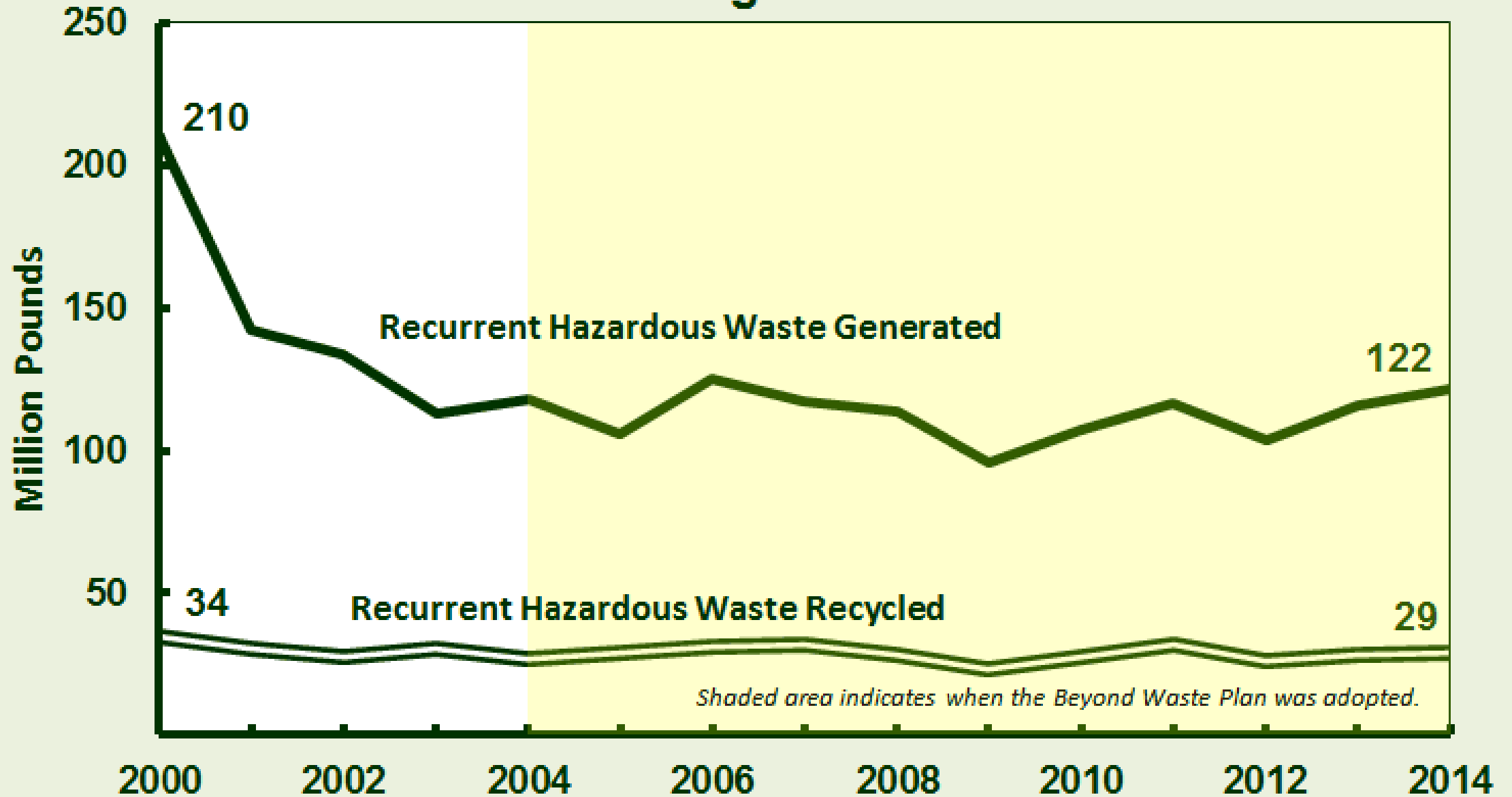
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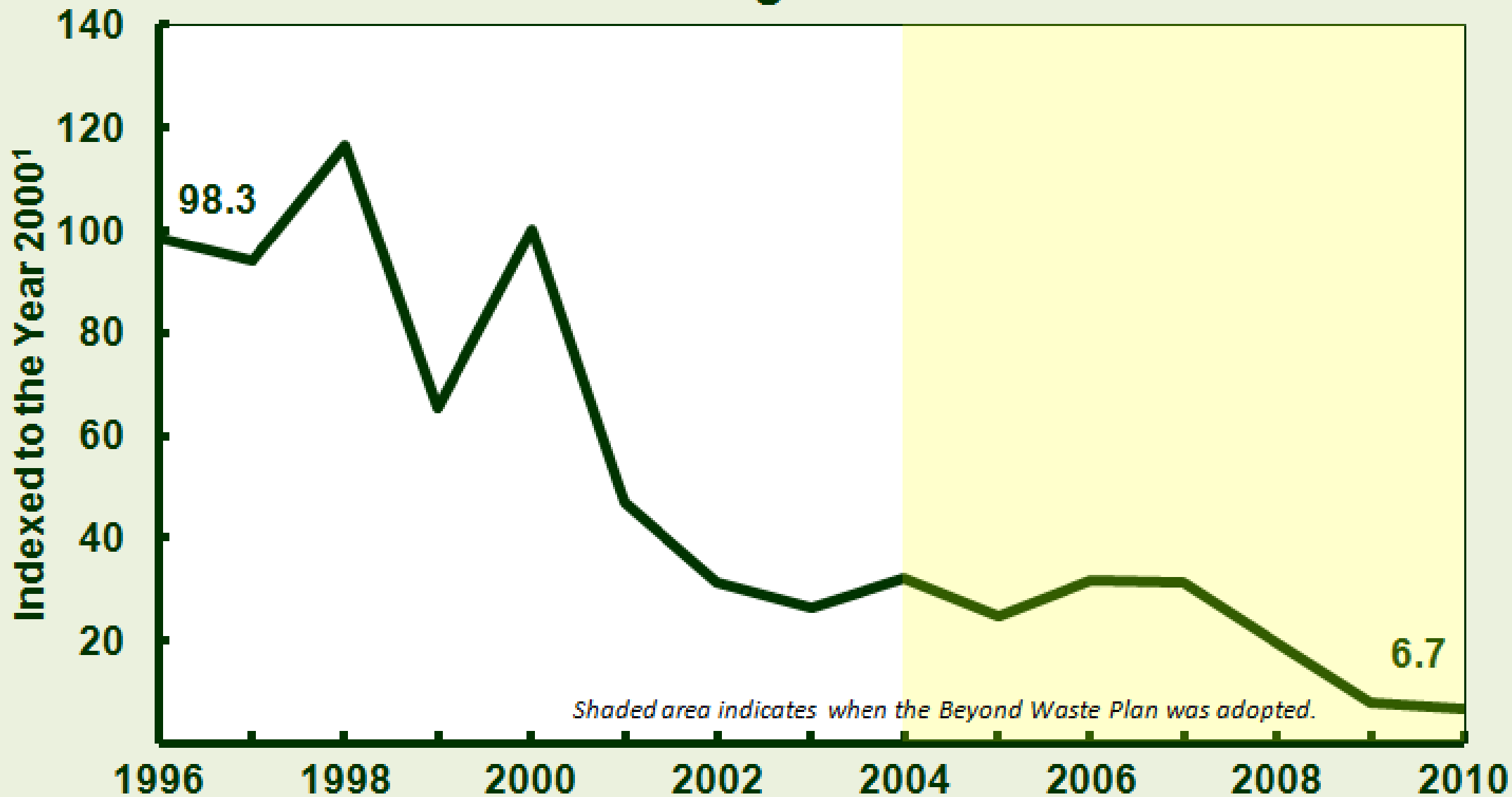
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Recurrent Hazardous Waste Generated & Recycled in Washington: 2000-2014



Toxic Release Risks from Manufacturers in Washington: 1996-2010



Data series is scaled to make the initial value 100. A value below 100 indicates lower emissions or a positive outcome.

How many business have some likelihood of trying to find a safer alternative or are already working on it?

94%

How many businesses had at least some concern about working with Ecology?

58%

How valuable is advice from each of the following sources?

Trade association: 81%

Peers: 91%

What factors motivate businesses to find safer alternatives?

Safety of workers: 99.7%

Safety of community: 99.7%

What barriers prevent you from finding safer alternatives?

Cost of the safer alternative itself: 87%

Cost of implementing the alternative: 87%

Quality concerns: 89%

Customer preference: 81%

My questions for you:

- How do these results agree with your beliefs? Or not?
- What advice do you have for us?
- Do you want these services or to learn more about the survey?

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