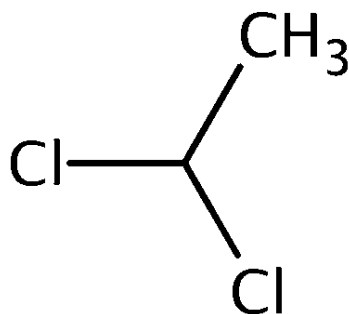




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1036 **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1037 EPA has evaluated 1,1-dichloroethane under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). In this draft risk  
1038 evaluation, **EPA preliminarily finds that 1,1-dichloroethane presents an unreasonable risk of**  
1039 **injury to human health and the environment.** The human health risks are to workers in facilities  
1040 making or using 1,1-dichloroethane, and the risks to the environment are to invertebrates (such as  
1041 worms and small crustaceans) and algae in water bodies into which 1,1-dichloroethane may be released.  
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1043 In December 2019, EPA designated 1,1-dichloroethane as a high-priority substance for TSCA  
1044 evaluation and in August 2020 released the [final scope](#) of the risk evaluation. This draft risk evaluation  
1045 assesses human health risk to workers, including occupational non-users (ONUs), the general  
1046 population, and the environment. No consumer or bystander exposures were assessed because no  
1047 consumer conditions of use (COUs) were identified. Nor were any commercial or consumer products or  
1048 articles containing 1,1-dichloroethane identified or assessed in this draft risk evaluation.  
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1050 1,1-Dichloroethane is manufactured in the United States and used as an industrial and commercial  
1051 solvent and to make many different substances, including other chlorinated solvents that have broad  
1052 industrial applications. Relatively small amounts of 1,1-dichloroethane support commercial uses in  
1053 laboratory research. 1,1-Dichloroethane is not imported, and the reported total production volume in  
1054 2020 was between 100 million and 1 billion pounds for just two corporations located in the southern  
1055 United States. (To protect proprietary information, production volumes are often reported to EPA in  
1056 ranges.) The Agency has evaluated 1,1-dichloroethane across its conditions of use ranging from  
1057 manufacture to disposal.  
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1059 1,1-Dichloroethane is a colorless oily liquid with a chloroform- or ether-like odor and is volatile,  
1060 meaning it evaporates rapidly at ambient temperatures. 1,1-Dichloroethane is soluble in water and can  
1061 evaporate into the air in hours or days, depending on environmental conditions. However, due to its  
1062 water solubility, continuous releases to water from industrial facilities that make or use 1,1-  
1063 dichloroethane will partition between water and air, with a portion of the substance remaining in water.  
1064 Given the relatively low quantity directly released to water, surface water will generally not be an  
1065 important source of exposure other than direct releases of 1,1-dichloroethane into deep, slower-moving  
1066 or stagnant surface waters. 1,1-Dichloroethane is not expected to accumulate in soil and sediment.  
1067 Nonetheless, 1,1-dichloroethane is persistent in the environment and only slowly degrades over months  
1068 and years if it gets in air, water, soil, and sediment. Estimated bioconcentration and bioaccumulation  
1069 factors indicate that 1,1-dichloroethane is not likely to bioaccumulate in aquatic or terrestrial organisms.  
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1071 ***Unreasonable Risk to Human Health***

1072 EPA evaluated reasonably available information for human health hazards from 1,1-dichloroethane and  
1073 did not find adequate human health data for this draft risk evaluation. For this reason, the Agency used  
1074 hazard data for the isomer 1,2-dichloroethane because of its structural, physical, chemical, metabolic,  
1075 cancer and non-cancer toxicological similarity as the best available candidate to provide analogous  
1076 human health data for this draft risk evaluation. The data shows that exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane may  
1077 increase the risk of kidney and other cancers, as well as harmful, non-cancer renal, nasal, immune  
1078 system, and reproductive effects. EPA evaluated the risks to people experiencing these effects at work,  
1079 in the home, in fence-line communities (residences in proximity to facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane  
1080 to ambient air), and by eating fish taken from waters into which 1,1-dichloroethane was released. When  
1081 determining the unreasonable risk of 1,1-dichloroethane to human health, in addition to workers, EPA  
1082 also accounted for other potentially exposed and susceptible subpopulations (PESS), which included:  
1083 infants exposed to drinking water during formula bottle feeding, subsistence and tribal fishers, pregnant



1084 women and people of reproductive age, individuals with compromised immune systems or neurological  
1085 disorders, workers, people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation which is more likely in people  
1086 of Asian descent, lifestyle factors such as smoking cigarettes or secondhand smoke, and fenceline  
1087 communities.

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1089 Workers with the greatest potential for exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane are those who work directly with  
1090 the chemical in environments where 1,1-dichloroethane is manufactured or used in processing or  
1091 disposal.

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1093 EPA evaluated exposures to the general population associated with (1) breathing the ambient air where  
1094 1,1-dichloroethane was released from facilities; and (2) ingesting drinking water, surface water, or soil  
1095 from 1,1-dichloroethane disposed to land (*i.e.*, direct disposal to landfills or land-applied biosolids from  
1096 public wastewater treatment works treating 1,1-dichloroethane-containing wastewater). The Agency did  
1097 not identify unreasonable risk to the general population. EPA also evaluated subsistence fishers and did  
1098 not find unreasonable risk.

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1100 **EPA's assessment preliminarily shows unreasonable risks of cancer and noncancer health effects**  
1101 **from the 1,1-dichloroethane COUs to workers.** For workers there are certain activities where acute,  
1102 short-term/subchronic, chronic, and lifetime exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane—especially from contact  
1103 with skin—contribute to unreasonable risk. Outside the work environment, EPA did not identify risks of  
1104 injury to the general population, including PESS, which would contribute to the preliminary  
1105 unreasonable risk determination for 1,1-dichloroethane.

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1107 ***Unreasonable Risk to the Environment***

1108 EPA assessed 1,1-dichloroethane exposures to the environment through the manufacturing, processing,  
1109 use, or disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane, including when the chemical leaches out or is released to water.  
1110 Exposure to aquatic species was evaluated through surface water and sediment; exposure to terrestrial  
1111 species was evaluated through soil, surface water, and sediment. **EPA's assessment preliminarily**  
1112 **determined that chronic exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane contributes to the unreasonable risk to**  
1113 **aquatic species, including invertebrates and algae, from the manufacturing, processing, and**  
1114 **disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane.** The Agency preliminarily determined that there is no unreasonable risk  
1115 of injury to aquatic and terrestrial species from acute exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane.

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1117 ***Considerations and Next Steps***

1118 Eight COUs were evaluated for 1,1-dichloroethane. EPA preliminarily determined that the following  
1119 seven COUs contribute to the unreasonable risk from 1,1-dichloroethane:

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- 1121 • Manufacturing (domestic manufacture);
  - 1122 • Processing as a reactant as an intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing;
  - 1123 • Processing as a reactant as an intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation  
1124 manufacturing;
  - 1125 • Processing: repackaging;
  - 1126 • Processing: recycling;
  - 1127 • Commercial use in laboratory chemicals; and
  - Disposal.

1128 EPA preliminarily determined that the distribution in commerce COU does not contribute to the  
1129 unreasonable risk.

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1131 **Additional Note**

1132 ECRAD has received input from senior scientists and technical experts from EPA’s Office of Chemical  
1133 Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) and across EPA. Specifically, ECRAD has received input  
1134 from the OCSPP Senior Science Advisors, OCSPP’s Science Policy Council, and through the intra-  
1135 agency review process. The areas of analysis contained in this risk evaluation reflect some of the  
1136 revisions received throughout the review process and during scientific deliberations; however, there are  
1137 some significant aspects of the draft 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation and the draft 1,2-dichloroethane  
1138 human health hazard assessment technical support document for which there is not agreement between  
1139 ECRAD and senior scientists and technical experts. In accordance with EPA’s [Scientific Integrity](#)  
1140 [Policy](#), the areas of scientific disagreement are described in relevant charge questions and are intended  
1141 to guide the scientific peer review by the TSCA Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC).  
1142 EPA is requesting the SACC provide input on these science issues—including the differences of  
1143 scientific opinion—which relate specifically to 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane but also more  
1144 broadly in the application of risk assessment practices and use of existing EPA and internally accepted  
1145 guidance documents.

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1147 This draft risk evaluation has been released for public comment and will undergo independent, expert  
1148 scientific peer review. After considering input from the public and peer reviewers EPA will issue a final  
1149 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation. If in the final risk evaluation the Agency determines that 1,1-  
1150 dichloroethane presents unreasonable risk to human health or the environment, EPA will initiate  
1151 regulatory action to mitigate those risks.

# 1 INTRODUCTION

EPA has evaluated 1,1-dichloroethane under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). 1,1-Dichloroethane is a colorless, oily liquid with a chloroform-like odor, which is primarily used in organic chemical manufacturing. Section 1.1 provides production volume, life cycle diagram (LCD), conditions of use (COUs), and conceptual models used for 1,1-dichloroethane; Section 1.2 includes an overview of the systematic review process; and Section 1.3 presents the organization of this draft risk evaluation. Figure 1-1 describes the major inputs, phases, and outputs/components of the [TSCA risk evaluation process](#), from scoping to releasing the final risk evaluation.

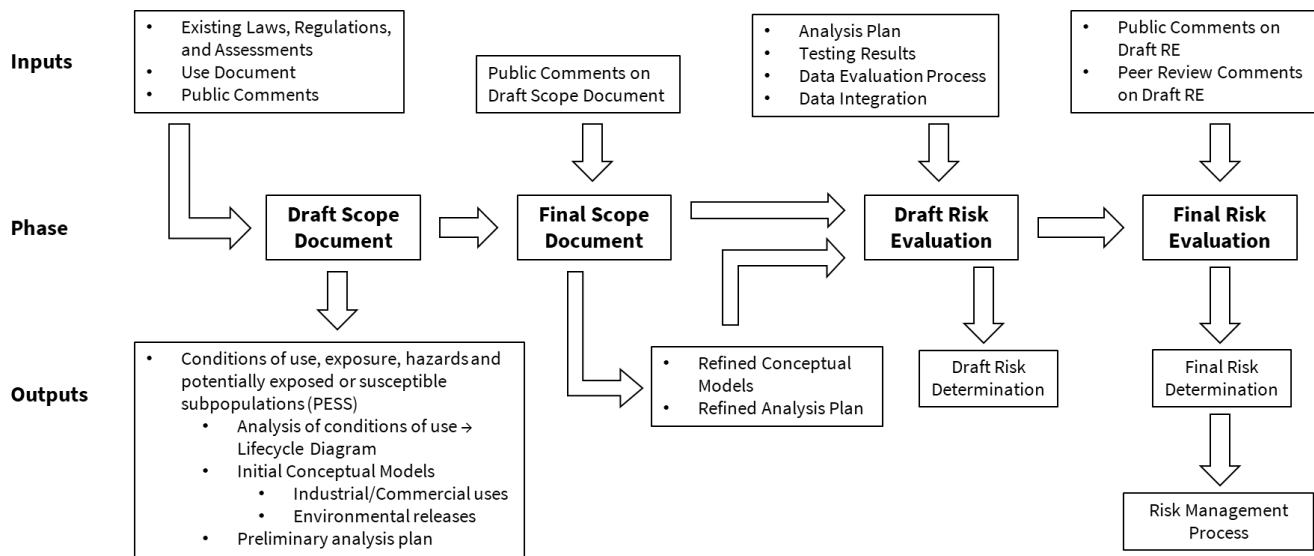


Figure 1-1. TSCA Existing Chemical Risk Evaluation Process

## 1.1 Scope of the Risk Evaluation

EPA evaluated risk to human and environmental populations for 1,1-dichloroethane. Specifically, for human populations, EPA evaluated risk to (1) workers and occupational non-users (ONUs) via inhalation routes; (2) workers via dermal routes; and (3) the general population, including potentially exposed and susceptible subpopulations (e.g., pregnant women, bottle-fed infants, immunocompromised peoples), via oral, dermal, and inhalation routes. For environmental populations, EPA evaluated risk to aquatic species via water and sediment and to terrestrial species via air, water, sediment, and soil pathways leading to dietary and direct ingestion exposure.

### 1.1.1 Life Cycle and Production Volume

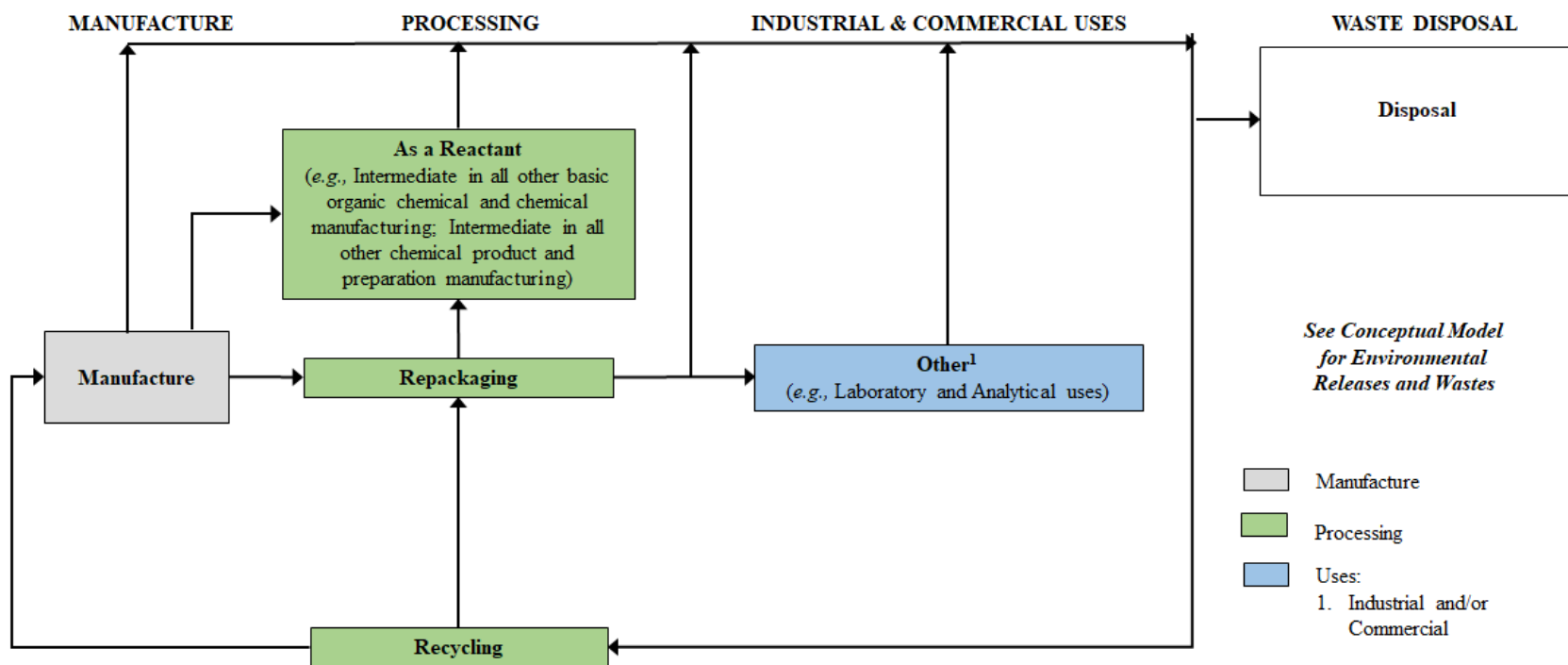
The LCD shown in Figure 1-2 depicts the COUs that are within the scope of the draft risk evaluation during various life cycle stages, including manufacturing, processing, use (industrial, commercial), distribution and disposal. The LCD has been updated since it was presented in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* (U.S. EPA, 2020) to include the processing activity of repackaging for distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane for use as a laboratory chemical. The information in the LCD is grouped according to the Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) processing codes and use categories (including functional use codes for industrial uses and product categories for industrial and commercial uses). The CDR Rule under TSCA requires U.S. manufacturers (including importers) to provide EPA with information on the chemicals they manufacture or import into the

1181 United States. EPA collects CDR data approximately every 4 years with the latest collections occurring  
1182 in 2006, 2012, 2016, and 2020.

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1184 The production volume reported in the final scope document was between 100 million and 1 billion  
1185 pounds, based on total production volume of 1,1-dichloroethane in 2015 from the 2016 CDR reporting  
1186 period. The range did not change in the latest 2020 CDR data (the reported total production volume in  
1187 2020 was between 100 million and 1 billion pounds). Production volume is described here as a range to  
1188 protect production volumes that were claimed as confidential business information (CBI). For the 2016  
1189 CDR cycle, data collected per chemical included the company name, volume of each chemical  
1190 manufactured/imported, the number of workers at each site, and information on whether the chemical is  
1191 used in the commercial, industrial, and/or consumer sector(s).

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**Figure 1-2. 1,1-Dichloroethane Life Cycle Diagram**

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<sup>a</sup> See (U.S. EPA, 2020) for additional details on 1,1-dichloroethane uses.

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The production volumes shown are for reporting year 2015 from the 2016 CDR reporting period (U.S. EPA, 2016b).

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The activities of loading 1,1-dichloroethane product into transport containers and unloading at receiving sites as well as repackaging into smaller

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containers are considered part of Distribution in Commerce and these are assessed under those OES. Cleanup of accidents/spills that may occur during

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transport are not within the scope of this Risk Evaluation.

1200 Descriptions of the industrial and commercial use categories identified from the 2016 and 2020 CDR are  
 1201 included in the LCD (Figure 1-2)([U.S. EPA, 2016b](#)). The descriptions provide a brief overview of the  
 1202 use category. The *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File:*  
 1203 *Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)) contains more  
 1204 detailed descriptions (e.g., process descriptions, worker activities, process flow diagrams, equipment  
 1205 illustrations) for each manufacture, processing, use, and disposal category.

### 1.1.2 Conditions of Use Included in the Draft Risk Evaluation

1206 The *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S. EPA, 2020](#))  
 1207 identified and described the life cycle stages, categories and subcategories that comprise COUs that EPA  
 1208 planned to consider in the risk evaluation. The COUs included in this draft risk evaluation are reflected  
 1209 in the LCD (Figure 1-2) and conceptual models (Section 1.1.2.1). These COUs are evaluated for acute,  
 1210 short-term, chronic, and lifetime exposures, as applicable based on reasonably available exposure and  
 1211 hazard data as well as the relevant study populations for each. Table 1-1 below presents all COUs for  
 1212 1,1-dichloroethane. No consumer uses were identified and therefore, none were evaluated in the 1,1-  
 1213 dichloroethane risk evaluation. In this draft risk evaluation, EPA added the COU processing –  
 1214 repackaging to account for the repackaging for distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane for use as a laboratory  
 1215 chemical.  
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1218 **Table 1-1. Categories and Subcategories of Use and Corresponding Exposure Scenario in the Risk**  
 1219 **Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Life Cycle Stage <sup>a</sup>	Category <sup>b</sup>	Subcategory <sup>c</sup>	Reference(s)
Manufacture	Domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	<a href="#">U.S. EPA (2016b)</a> <a href="#">U.S. EPA (2016b)</a>
Processing	As a reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	<a href="#">U.S. EPA (2016b)</a> <a href="#">KEML (2008)</a> ; <a href="#">(U.S. EPA, 2017b)</a>
		Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing	<a href="#">U.S. EPA (2016b)</a>
	Repackaging	Repackaging	<a href="#">(Sigma-Aldrich, 2020)</a>
	Recycling	Recycling	<a href="#">U.S. EPA (2016b)</a>
Distribution	Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	Use Document, <a href="#">EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0735-0003</a> ; <a href="#">U.S. EPA (2016b)</a> ; <a href="#">U.S. EPA (2014b)</a>
Commercial	Other use	Laboratory chemicals	<a href="#">(Sigma-Aldrich, 2020)</a>
Disposal	Disposal	Disposal	<a href="#">KEML (2008)</a>

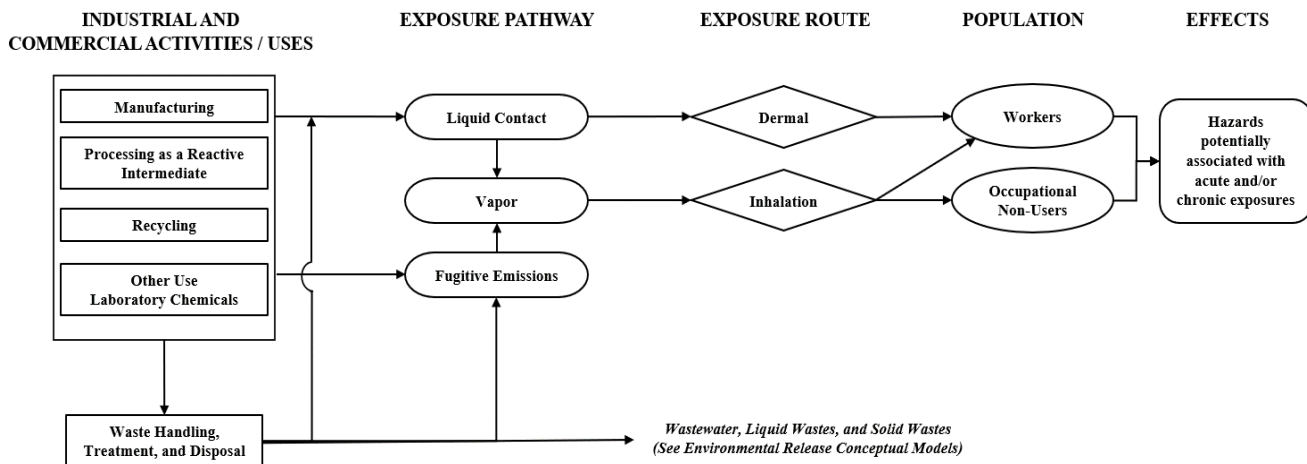
Life Cycle Stage <sup>a</sup>	Category <sup>b</sup>	Subcategory <sup>c</sup>	Reference(s)
<p><sup>a</sup> Life Cycle Stage Use Definitions (40 CFR § 711.3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– “Industrial use” means use at a site at which one or more chemicals or mixtures are manufactured (including imported) or processed.</li> <li>– “Commercial use” means the use of a chemical or a mixture containing a chemical (including as part of an article) in a commercial enterprise providing saleable goods or services.</li> </ul> <p>Although EPA has identified both industrial and commercial uses here for purposes of distinguishing scenarios in this document, the Agency interprets the authority over “any manner or method of commercial use” under TSCA section 6(a)(5) to reach both.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> These categories of COUs appear in the LCD, reflect CDR codes, and broadly represent COUs of 1,1-dichloroethane in industrial and/or commercial settings.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> These subcategories reflect more specific COUs of 1,1-dichloroethane.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The manufacture of 1,1-dichloroethane as an unintentional byproduct during the manufacture of 1,2-dichloroethane (CASRN 107-06-2) (EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0426-0027) is not included in this draft risk evaluation but will be addressed it in the draft risk evaluation for 1,2-dichloroethane.</li> <li>– In this draft risk evaluation, EPA added the condition of use processing – repackaging to account for the repackaging for distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane.</li> <li>– The presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in produced water from hydraulic fracturing is included in the disposal COU.</li> </ul>			

### 1.1.2.1 Conceptual Models

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1221 The conceptual model in Figure 1-3 presents the exposure pathways, exposure routes and hazards to  
1222 human populations from industrial and commercial activities and uses of 1,1-dichloroethane, Figure 1-4  
1223 presents general population exposure pathways and hazards for environmental releases and wastes, and  
1224 Figure 1-5 presents the conceptual model for ecological exposures and hazards from environmental  
1225 releases and wastes. For general population, only acute, chronic and lifetime exposure scenarios were  
1226 assessed as exposures resulted from the facility releases that were averaged over annual operating days.  
1227 The conceptual model depicted in Figure 2-15 of the 2020 Final Scope document has been updated in  
1228 Figure 1-4 and Figure 1-5 to reflect the exposure pathways, exposure routes, and hazards to human and  
1229 ecological receptors, respectively, from environmental releases and wastes from industrial and  
1230 commercial uses of 1,1-dichloroethane that EPA considered in the draft risk evaluation. Section 2.6.3.1  
1231 of the 2020 Final Scope stated that EPA would not consider certain exposure pathways and risks that are  
1232 addressed or could in the future be addressed by other EPA-administered statutes and regulatory  
1233 programs. As explained in the preamble to the final rule, Procedures for Chemical Risk Evaluation  
1234 Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (89 FR 37028, 37033-34, May 3, 2024), EPA no longer  
1235 interprets the law to authorize exclusion of such exposure pathways from the scope of TSCA risk  
1236 evaluations. Accordingly, consistent with that final rule (to be codified at 40 CFR 702.39(d)(9)), the  
1237 Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane does not exclude exposure pathways from ambient air,  
1238 drinking water, onsite releases to land disposal and soil, as described in Section 2.6.3.1 of the 2020 Final  
1239 Scope.

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1241 The exposure pathways depicted in Figure 1-4 are based on data EPA compiled on the presence of 1,1-  
1242 dichloroethane in environmental media as well as physical chemical properties that predict the fate and  
1243 transport and partitioning of 1,1-dichloroethane in the environment. As presented in detail in Section  
1244 3.3, monitoring data from EPA databases as well as peer-reviewed literature confirm 1,1-dichloroethane  
1245 presence in most environmental media. For example, facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane into ambient  
1246 air, surface water and landfills have reported these releases to EPA via the Toxics Release Inventory and  
1247 monitoring data of effluent containing 1,1-dichloroethane released to surface receiving waters is  
1248 reported via Discharge Monitoring Reports. Publicly-owned water treatment systems report receiving  
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1251 **Figure 1-3. 1,1-Dichloroethane Conceptual Model for Industrial and Commercial Activities and**  
1252 **Uses: Potential Exposure and Hazards**

1253 <sup>a</sup> See Table 1-1 for categories and subcategories of COUs.

1254 <sup>b</sup> Fugitive air emissions are those that are not stack emissions and include fugitive equipment leaks from valves,  
1255 pump seals, flanges, compressors, sampling connections and open-ended lines; evaporative losses from surface  
1256 impoundment and spills; and releases from building ventilation systems.

1257 <sup>c</sup> Exposure may occur through mists that deposit in the upper respiratory tract however, based on physical  
1258 chemical properties, mists of 1,1-dichloroethane will likely be rapidly absorbed in the respiratory tract or  
1259 evaporate and were evaluated as an inhalation exposure.

1260 <sup>d</sup> Population includes potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations such as infants exposed to drinking water  
1261 from public drinking water treatment systems during formula bottle feeding, subsistence and tribal fishers,  
1262 pregnant women and people of reproductive age, individuals with compromised immune systems or neurological  
1263 disorders, workers, people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation which is more likely in people of Asian  
1264 descent, lifestyle factors such as smoking cigarettes or secondhand smoke, and fenceline communities who live  
1265 near facilities that emit 1,1-dichloroethane.

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1267 influent containing 1,1-dichloroethane and therefore may have wet biosolids that still contain 1,1-  
1268 dichloroethane.

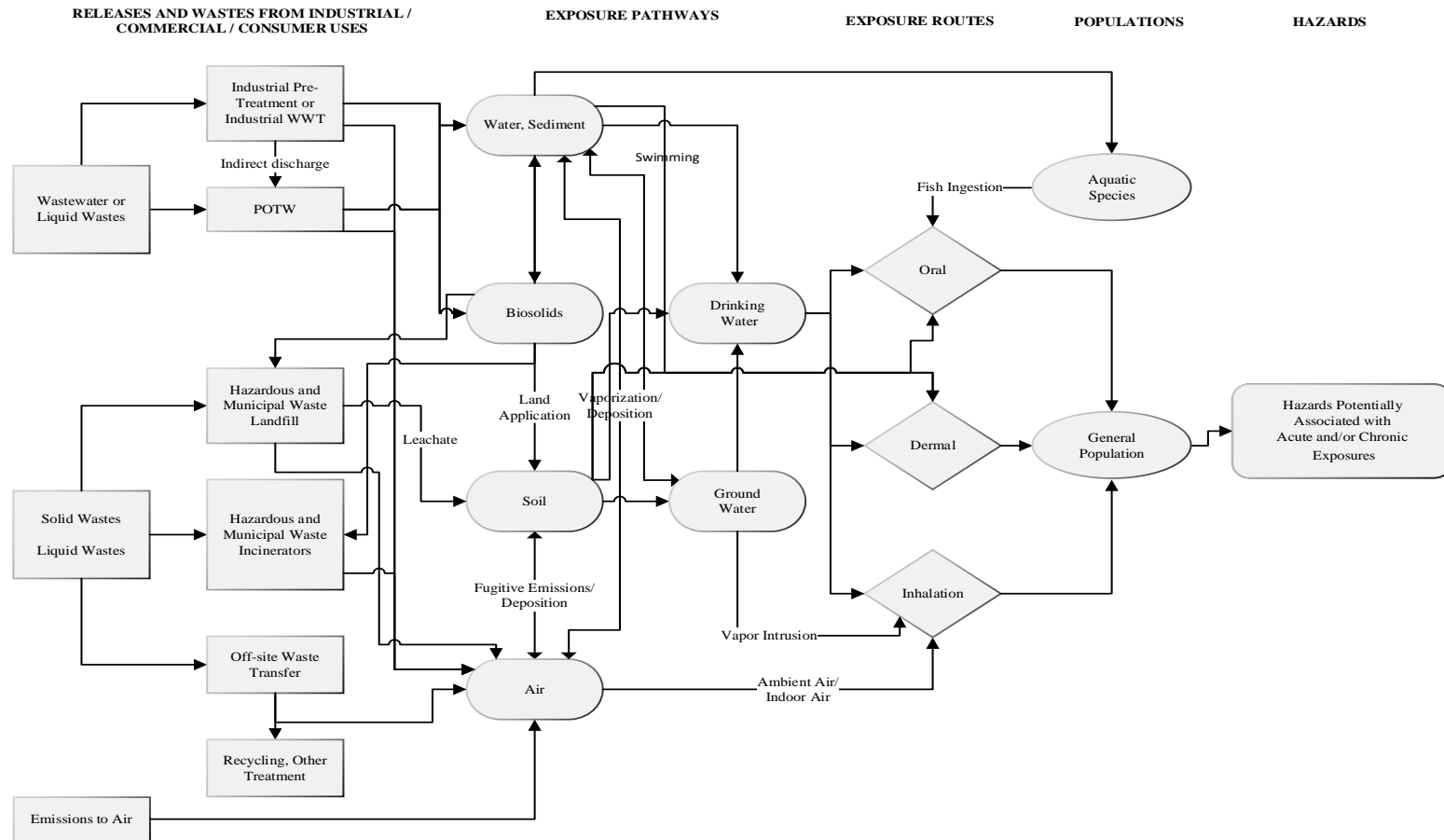
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1270 Surface water and groundwater monitoring data from the Water Quality Portal presents detected levels  
1271 of 1,1-dichloroethane and UCMR3 data from some public drinking water systems also detected 1,1-  
1272 dichloroethane in finished drinking water. Thus, monitoring data provides evidence of the presence of  
1273 1,1-dichloroethane in water which given the water solubility of 1,1-dichloroethane does not easily  
1274 evaporate from water without agitation.

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1276 Lastly, 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations are found in a number of air monitoring programs such as that  
1277 reported via the EPA Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC). Ambient air  
1278 concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane are mostly associated with industrial facility releases of 1,1-  
1279 dichloroethane.

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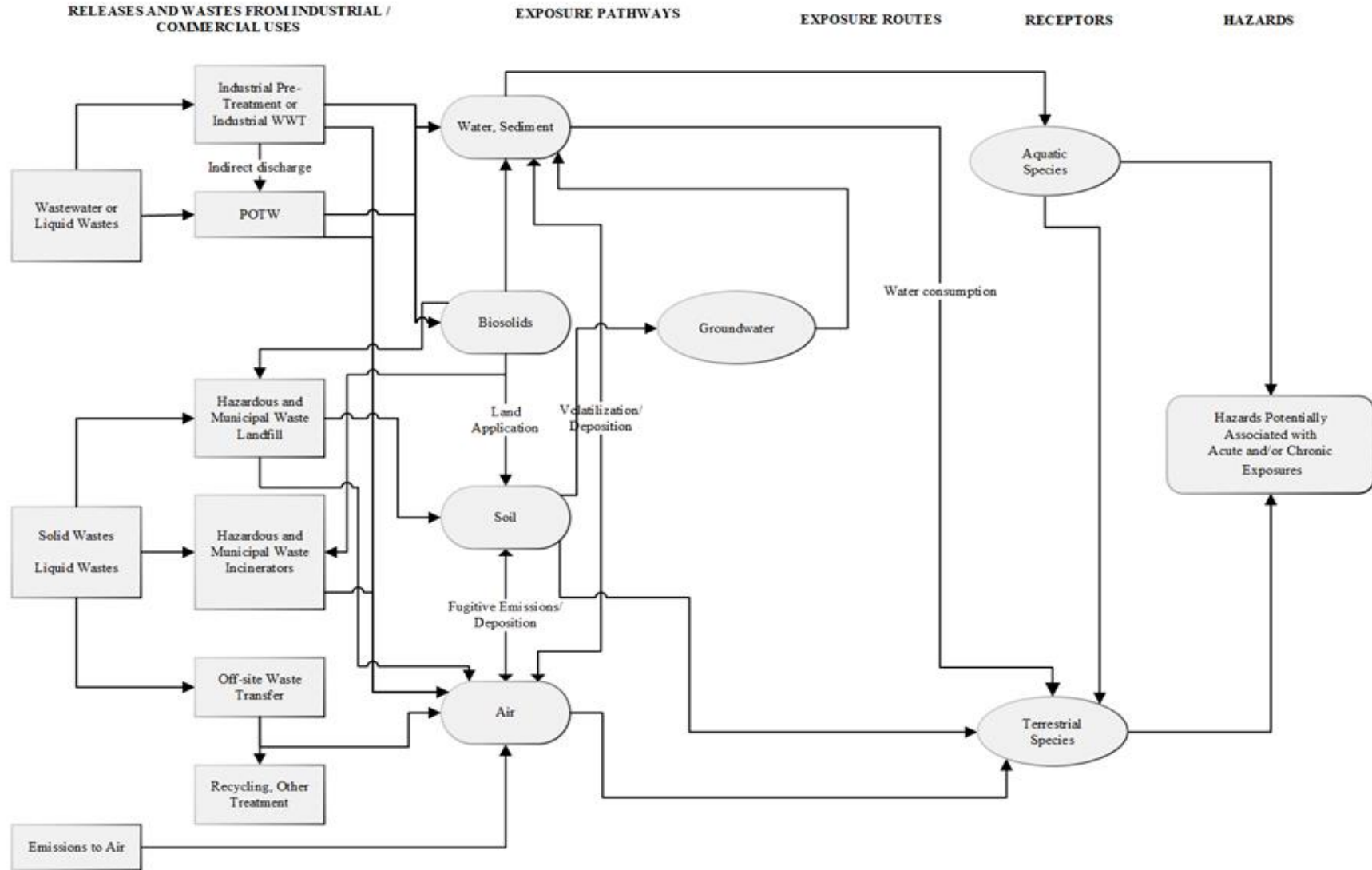
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1282 **Figure 1-4. 1,1-Dichloroethane Conceptual Model for Environmental Releases and Wastes: General Population Exposures and**  
1283 **Hazards**

1284 The conceptual model presents the exposure pathways, exposure routes, and hazards to human populations from environmental releases and wastes from  
1285 industrial and commercial uses of 1,1-dichloroethane.

1286 <sup>a</sup> Industrial wastewater or liquid wastes may be treated on-site and then released to surface water (direct discharge), or pre-treated and released to a  
1287 publicly owned treatment works (POTW) (indirect discharge).

1288 <sup>b</sup> General population includes potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations such as infants exposed to drinking water from public drinking water  
1289 treatment systems during formula bottle feeding; subsistence and tribal fishers; pregnant women and people of reproductive age; individuals with  
1290 compromised immune systems or neurological disorders; workers; people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation, which is more likely in people of  
1291 Asian descent; lifestyle factors such as smoking cigarettes or secondhand smoke; and fence-line communities who live near facilities that emit 1,1-  
1292 dichloroethane.



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**Figure 1-5. 1,1-Dichloroethane Conceptual Model for Environmental Releases and Wastes: Ecological Exposures and Hazards**

<sup>a</sup> Industrial wastewater or liquid wastes may be treated on-site and released to surface water (direct discharge) or pre-treated and released to POTW (indirect discharge).

### 1.1.3 Populations Assessed

Based on the conceptual models presented in Section 1.1.3.1, Figure 1-6 presents the human populations and ecological receptors assessed in this draft risk evaluation. EPA evaluated risk to human populations and environmental receptors for 1,1-dichloroethane. Specifically, for human populations, EPA evaluated risk to (1) workers via inhalation and dermal exposure routes; (2) occupational non-users (ONUs) workers via inhalation routes; and (3) the general population via oral, dermal, and inhalation routes. For environmental receptors, EPA evaluated risk to aquatic species via water and sediment as well as terrestrial species via air, water, sediment, and soil leading to dietary and direct ingestion exposure.

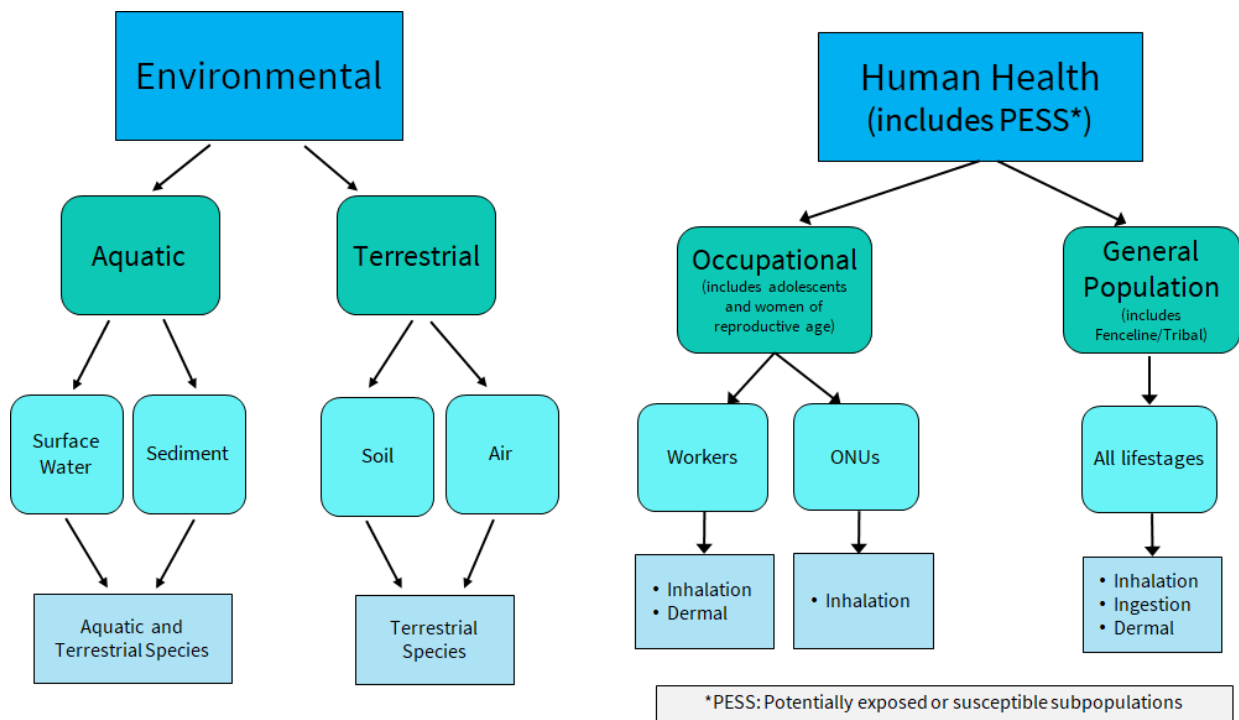


Figure 1-6. Populations Assessed in this Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane

#### 1.1.3.1 Potentially Exposed or Susceptible Subpopulations

TSCA section 6(b)(4)(A) requires that risk evaluations “determine whether a chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, without consideration of costs or other non-risk factors, including an unreasonable risk to a potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation identified as relevant to the risk evaluation by the Administrator, under the conditions of use.” TSCA section 3(12) states that “the term ‘*potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation*’ [PESS] means a group of individuals within the general population identified by the Administrator who, due to either greater susceptibility or greater exposure, may be at greater risk than the general population of adverse health effects from exposure to a chemical substance or mixture, such as infants, children, pregnant women, workers, or the elderly.”

Evaluation of the qualitative and quantitative evidence for PESS begins as part of the systematic review process. Any available relevant published studies and other data are identified from a broad literature search strategy across several databases, focused only on the chemical name (including synonyms and trade names) with no additional search limits. This broad search process is described in the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b) (also referred to as “2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol”; see Section 1.2). When adequate

1325 and complete, evidence related to PESS informs the derivation of exposure estimates and human health  
1326 hazard endpoints/values that are protective of those potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations.

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1328 PESS factors can influence the selection of relevant exposure pathways, the sensitivity of derived hazard  
1329 values, the identification of human subpopulations, and the discussion of uncertainties throughout the  
1330 assessment. Factors that may contribute to increased exposure or biological susceptibility to a chemical  
1331 include lifestage; pre-existing disease; lifestyle activities (*e.g.*, smoking, physical activity); occupational  
1332 and consumer exposures, including workers and occupational non-users; consumers and other  
1333 bystanders; physical space and geography (*e.g.*, communities living in proximity to facilities releasing  
1334 1,1-dichloroethane to air); social, economic and other demographics; nutrition; genetics; unique  
1335 activities (*e.g.*, subsistence fishing); tribal and/or other cultural practices; aggregate exposures; and other  
1336 chemical and non-chemical stressors.

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1338 EPA considered whether each of the PESS factors was addressed by the risk evaluation, including  
1339 discussion of any remaining uncertainties, as identified evidence enabled. For the 1,1-dichloroethane  
1340 draft risk evaluation, EPA integrated and assessed available information on hazards and exposures for  
1341 the conditions of use of 1,1-dichloroethane, including information relevant to specific risks of injury to  
1342 PESS. In addition to workers, PESS subpopulations identified as relevant include infants exposed to  
1343 drinking water during formula bottle feeding, subsistence and Tribal fishers, pregnant women and  
1344 people of reproductive age, individuals with compromised immune systems or neurological disorders,  
1345 workers, people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation which is more likely in people of Asian  
1346 descent, lifestyle factors such as smoking cigarettes or secondhand smoke, and communities who live  
1347 near facilities that emit 1,1-dichloroethane (see Risk Characterization for Potentially Exposed or  
1348 Susceptible Subpopulations, Section 5.3.2).

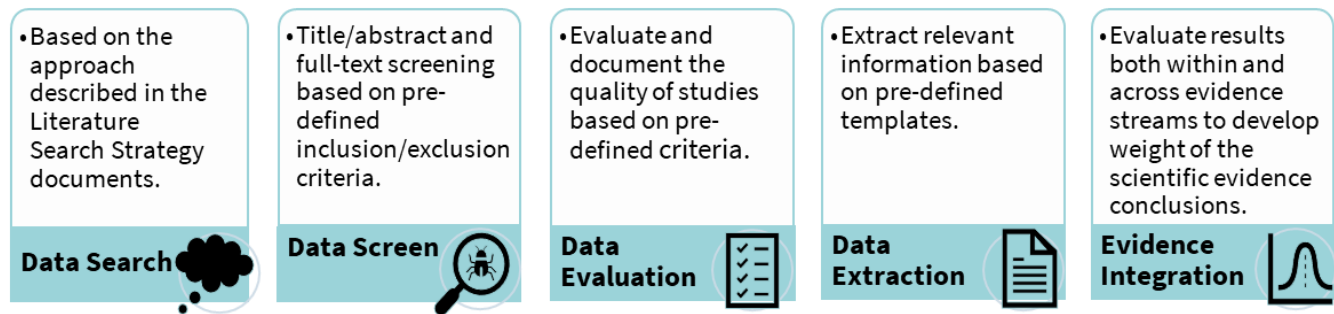
## 1349 **1.2 Systematic Review**

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1350 EPA/OPPT applies systematic review principles in the development of risk evaluations under the  
1351 amended TSCA. Section 26(h) of TSCA requires EPA to use scientific information, technical  
1352 procedures, measures, methods, protocols, methodologies, and models consistent with the best available  
1353 science and base decisions under section 6 on the weight of scientific evidence.

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1355 To meet the TSCA section 26(h) science standards, EPA used the TSCA systematic review process  
1356 described in the 2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) and the *Draft Risk*  
1357 *Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)) (hereafter “*1,1-*  
1358 *Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol*”). Systematic review supports the risk evaluation in that  
1359 data searching, screening, evaluation, extraction, and evidence integration are used to develop the  
1360 exposure and hazard assessments based on reasonably available information. EPA defines “reasonably  
1361 available information” to mean information that EPA possesses or can reasonably obtain and synthesize  
1362 for use in risk evaluations, considering the deadlines for completing the evaluation (40 CFR 702.33).

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1364 The systematic review process is briefly described in Figure 1-7 below. More detail regarding these  
1365 steps is provided in the *2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) and the *1,1-*  
1366 *Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)). The latter provides additional  
1367 information on the steps in the systematic review process, including literature inventory trees and  
1368 evidence maps for each discipline (*e.g.*, human health hazard) containing results of the literature search  
1369 and screening as well as sections summarizing data evaluation, extraction, and evidence integration.



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**Figure 1-7. Diagram of the Systematic Review Process**

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EPA reviewed reasonably available information, defined in 40 CFR 702.33, in a fit-for-purpose approach, to develop a risk evaluation that relies on the best available science and is based on the weight of scientific evidence in accordance with TSCA sections 6 and 26. EPA reviewed reasonably available information and evaluated the quality of the methods and reporting of results of the individual studies using the evaluation strategies described in the 2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) and the 1,1-Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)).

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EPA also identified key assessments conducted by other EPA programs and other U.S. and international organizations. Depending on the source, these assessments may include information on COUs (or the equivalent), hazards, exposures, and PESS. Some of the most pertinent assessments that were consulted for 1,1-dichloroethane include the following:

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- U.S. EPA 2006 [Provisional Peer Reviewed Toxicity Values for 1,1-Dichloroethane; CASRN 75-34-3](#)
- U.S. EPA 2009 [Provisional Peer Reviewed Toxicity Values for 1,2-Dichloroethane; CASRN 107-06-2](#)
- U.S. EPA Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) Chemical Assessment 1990 [1,1-Dichloroethane; CASRN 75-34-3](#)
- U.S. Department of Human Health Services, Public Health Service, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) 2015 [Toxicological Profile for 1,1-Dichloroethane](#) (also called 2015 ATSDR Tox Profile)
- California Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) 2003 [Public Health Goals for Chemicals in Drinking Water: 1,1-Dichloroethane in Drinking Water](#)
- California Environmental Protection Agency, OEHHA 2006 [Public Health Goals for 1,2-Dichloroethane in Drinking Water](#) and 2005 [update memorandum](#)

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### **1.3 Organization of the Risk Evaluation**

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This draft risk evaluation for 1,1-dichloroethane includes five additional major sections and a total of 14 appendices:

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- Section 2 summarizes basic physical-chemical characteristics as well as the fate and transport of 1,1-dichloroethane.
- Section 3 includes an overview of releases and concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in the environment.



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- Section 4 provides a discussion and analysis of the environmental risk assessment, including the environmental exposure, hazard, and risk characterization based on the COUs for 1,1-dichloroethane.
  - Section 5 presents the human health risk assessment, including the exposure, hazard, and risk characterization based on the COUs. Section 5 also includes a discussion of potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations (PESS) based on both greater exposure and susceptibility, as well as a description of aggregate and sentinel exposures.
  - Section 6 presents EPA’s proposed determination of whether the chemical presents an unreasonable risk to human health or the environment under the assessed COUs.

1415 Appendix A provides a list of abbreviations and acronyms as well a glossary of select terms used  
1416 throughout this draft risk evaluation. Appendix B provides a brief summary of the federal, state, and  
1417 international regulatory history of 1,1-dichloroethane. Appendix C lists all separate supplemental  
1418 documents associated with this draft risk evaluation, which can be accessed through hyperlinks included  
1419 in the references.

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1421 All subsequent appendices (Appendix D through Appendix N) and supplemental documents listed in  
1422 Appendix C include more detailed analysis and explanations than are provided in this draft risk  
1423 evaluation for 1,1-dichloroethane.

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## 2 CHEMISTRY AND FATE AND TRANSPORT OF 1,1-DICHLOROETHANE

Physical and chemical properties determine the behavior and characteristics of a chemical that inform its conditions of use, environmental fate and transport, potential toxicity, exposure pathways, routes, and hazards. Environmental fate includes environmental partitioning, accumulation, degradation, and transformation processes. Transformation or degradation occur through reaction of the chemical in the environment. Environmental transport is the movement of the chemical within and between environmental media. Thus, understanding the environmental fate of 1,1-dichloroethane informs the determination of the specific exposure pathways and potential human and environmental receptors that EPA considered in this draft risk evaluation.

### 2.1 Physical and Chemical Properties

EPA gathered and evaluated physical and chemical property data and information according to the process described in the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b). During the evaluation of 1,1-dichloroethane, EPA considered both measured and estimated physical and chemical property data and information for 1,1-dichloroethane summarized in Table 2-1, as applicable. Information on the fully extracted dataset is available in the supplemental file *Systematic Review of Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Physical and Chemical Properties* (U.S. EPA, 2024z).

1,1-dichloroethane is a colorless oily liquid with a chloroform- or ether-like odor (Government of Canada, 2021; NLM, 2018; NIOSH, 2007). It is soluble in water and is miscible in most organic solvents (NCBI, 2020a; NLM, 2018). With a vapor pressure of 228 mm Hg at 25 °C and a boiling point of 57.3 °C, 1,1-dichloroethane is a highly volatile organic compound (VOC) (Elsevier, 2019; Dreher et al., 2014; O'Neil, 2013; RIVM, 2007). The physical and chemical properties of 1,1-dichloroethane are listed in Table 2-1 and a detailed discussion is provided in Appendix D.

**Table 2-1. Physical and Chemical Properties of 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Property	Selected Value(s)	Reference(s)	Overall Quality Determination
Molecular formula	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	N/A	N/A
Molecular weight	98.95 g/mol	N/A	N/A
Physical form	Colorless oily liquid with a chloroform- or ether-like odor	(Government of Canada, 2021; NLM, 2018; NIOSH, 2007)	High
Melting point	-96.93 °C	(NLM, 2018)	High
Boiling point	57.3 °C	(O'Neil, 2013)	High
Density	1.1757 at 20 °C	(O'Neil, 2013)	High
Vapor pressure	228 mm Hg at 25 °C	(Rumble, 2018b)	High
Vapor density	3.44 (air = 1 g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	(NCBI, 2020b)	High
Water solubility	5040 mg/L at 25 °C	(NLM, 2018)	High
Octanol/water partition coefficient (log K <sub>ow</sub> )	1.79 at 25 °C	(Elsevier, 2019)	High
Henry's Law constant	0.00562 atm m <sup>3</sup> /mol at 24 °C	(NLM, 2018)	High
Flash point	-12 °C	(Dreher et al., 2014)	High

Property	Selected Value(s)	Reference(s)	Overall Quality Determination
Autoflammability	458 °C	( <a href="#">Rumble, 2018b</a> )	High
Viscosity	0.464 cP at 25 °C	( <a href="#">Rumble, 2018c</a> )	High
Refractive index	1.4164	( <a href="#">Rumble, 2018a</a> )	High
Dielectric constant	10.9 at 20 °C	( <a href="#">NLM, 2018</a> )	High
Heat of evaporation	30.8 kJ/mL at 25 °C	( <a href="#">Dreher et al., 2014</a> )	High

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## 2.2 Environmental Fate and Transport

**1,1-Dichloroethane – Environmental Fate and Transport (Section 2.2)****Key Points:**

EPA evaluated the reasonably available environmental fate and transport information for 1,1-dichloroethane. The following are key points from EPA's evaluation:

- Environmental Distribution:
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane is a volatile liquid that evaporates rapidly at ambient temperature. Under the COUs, environmental releases are expected to partition primarily to air with lesser amounts to water, sediment, and soil.
- Fate and Transport in Air:
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane released to air is expected to primarily remain in air due to its greater propensity to partition into air than into water (Henry's Law constant of 0.00562 atm-m<sup>3</sup>/mol).
  - In air, 1,1-dichloroethane will react with ·OH radicals with a reported half-life of 39 days and may be subject to transport and wet and dry deposition.
  - Given the relatively large quantities of 1,1-dichloroethane released to air under the COUs, and the relatively long half-life, air is expected to be an important medium for exposure.
- Fate and Transport in Soil:
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane released to soil may be subject to volatilization to air, biodegradation, runoff to surface waters, and infiltration to groundwater.
  - Due to its low affinity for soil organic matter (log organic carbon: water partition coefficient 1.48), migration through soil to groundwater will be largely unhindered.
  - Biodegradation in soil will generally occur slowly with half-lives ranging from months to years.
  - Given the expected low soil concentrations resulting from releases to land under the COUs use, soil is not expected to be an important medium for exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane.
- Fate and Transport in Surface Water and Sediment:
  - In surface water, 1,1-dichloroethane will be subject to volatilization and slow biodegradation as well as advection, dispersion, and dilution.
  - Due to its relatively high-water solubility (5,040 mg/L), continuous releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to deeper, slower moving surface water will result in a portion of the release remaining in water.
  - In sediment, 1,1-dichloroethane will generally biodegrade with half-lives ranging from months to years.
  - Given the relatively low quantity directly released to water under the COUs—coupled with the effects of volatilization, dilution, advection, and dispersion—surface water will generally not be an important medium for exposure. However, exceptions could include sustained direct releases of 1,1-dichloroethane into deep, slower moving, or stagnant surface waters.
- Fate and Transport in Groundwater:
  - Biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater generally occurs slowly with half-lives ranging from months to years.
  - Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land under the COUs use could migrate over a period of time to groundwater. Modeled groundwater concentrations suggest groundwater will generally not be an important medium for exposure.
  - 1,1-dichloroethane can be produced as a product in the anaerobic biodegradation of 1,1,1-trichloroethane in groundwater, potentially contributing to 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations.
- Persistence and Bioaccumulation:
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane meets criteria for persistence but not criteria to be classified as persistent and bioaccumulative based on estimated bioconcentration factor (BCF)/bioaccumulation factor (BAF) values of less than 1,000. With low bioconcentration/bioaccumulation potential, fish ingestion and trophic transfer are not expected to be important pathways.

**2.2.1 Fate and Transport Approach and Methodology**

Reasonably available environmental fate data—including biodegradation rates, removal during wastewater treatment, volatilization from lakes and rivers, and organic carbon: water partition coefficient ( $K_{OC}$ )—are among selected parameters for use in the current risk evaluation. In assessing the environmental fate and transport of 1,1-dichloroethane EPA considered the full range of results from sources that were rated high confidence. Data evaluation information and information on the full extracted dataset is available in the supplemental file *Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Environmental Fate and Transport* (U.S. EPA, 2024x). Other fate estimates were based on modeling results from EPI Suite™ (U.S. EPA, 2012c), a predictive tool for physical/chemical and environmental fate properties. Information regarding the model inputs is available in Appendix D.2.1.1. EPI Suite™ was reviewed by the EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB, 2007), and the individual models that comprise EPI Suite™ have been peer reviewed through publication in technical journals. Citations for the supporting manuscripts are available in the EPI Suite help files.

In addition, methods for estimation of BCF/BAF developed by EPA’s Office of Water for the establishment of Ambient Water Criteria for the Protection of Human Health (U.S. EPA, 2003c) are also presented for comparison to EPI Suite estimations. Details are presented in Appendix D.2.6

Table 2-2 provides selected environmental fate data that EPA considered while assessing the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane. The data were updated after publication of the final scope document with additional information identified through the systematic review process and supplemental literature searches.

**Table 2-2 Environmental Fate Characteristics of 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Property or Endpoint	Value <sup>a</sup>	Reference	Overall Quality Determination
Indirect photodegradation	$t_{1/2} = 39$ days (based on 12-hour day; $1.5E06 \cdot OH/cm^3$ from $\cdot OH$ rate constant of $2.74E-13 cm^3/molecule \cdot second$ at 25 °C)	(U.S. EPA, 2012c)	High
Direct photodegradation	Not expected to be susceptible to direct photolysis by sunlight because 1,1-dichloroethane does not contain chromophores that absorb at wavelengths >290 nm	(NCBI, 2020b)	Medium
Hydrolysis half-life	$t_{1/2} = 61.3$ years at 25 °C and pH 7	(Jeffers et al., 1989)	High
Aerobic biodegradation water	up to 91% in 7 days after extensive acclimation	(Tabak et al., 1981)	High
Anaerobic biodegradation Anaerobic sludge	31% in 25 days	(Van Eekert et al., 1999)	High
Anaerobic biodegradation	$t_{1/2} = 1.5-6.9$ years	(Huff et al., 2000)	High
	$t_{1/2} = 115$ days	(Washington and Cameron, 2001)	Medium
Bioconcentration factor (BCF)	7 (estimated)	(U.S. EPA, 2012c)	High
Bioaccumulation factor (BAF)	6.8 (estimated)	(U.S. EPA, 2012c)	High
Organic carbon:water partition coefficient (log $K_{OC}$ )	1.48	(Poole and Poole, 1999)	High

Property or Endpoint	Value <sup>a</sup>	Reference	Overall Quality Determination
Removal in wastewater treatment	33–100%	( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1982</a> )	High
<sup>a</sup> Measured unless otherwise noted			
<sup>b</sup> Information was estimated using EPI Suite™ ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2012c</a> )			

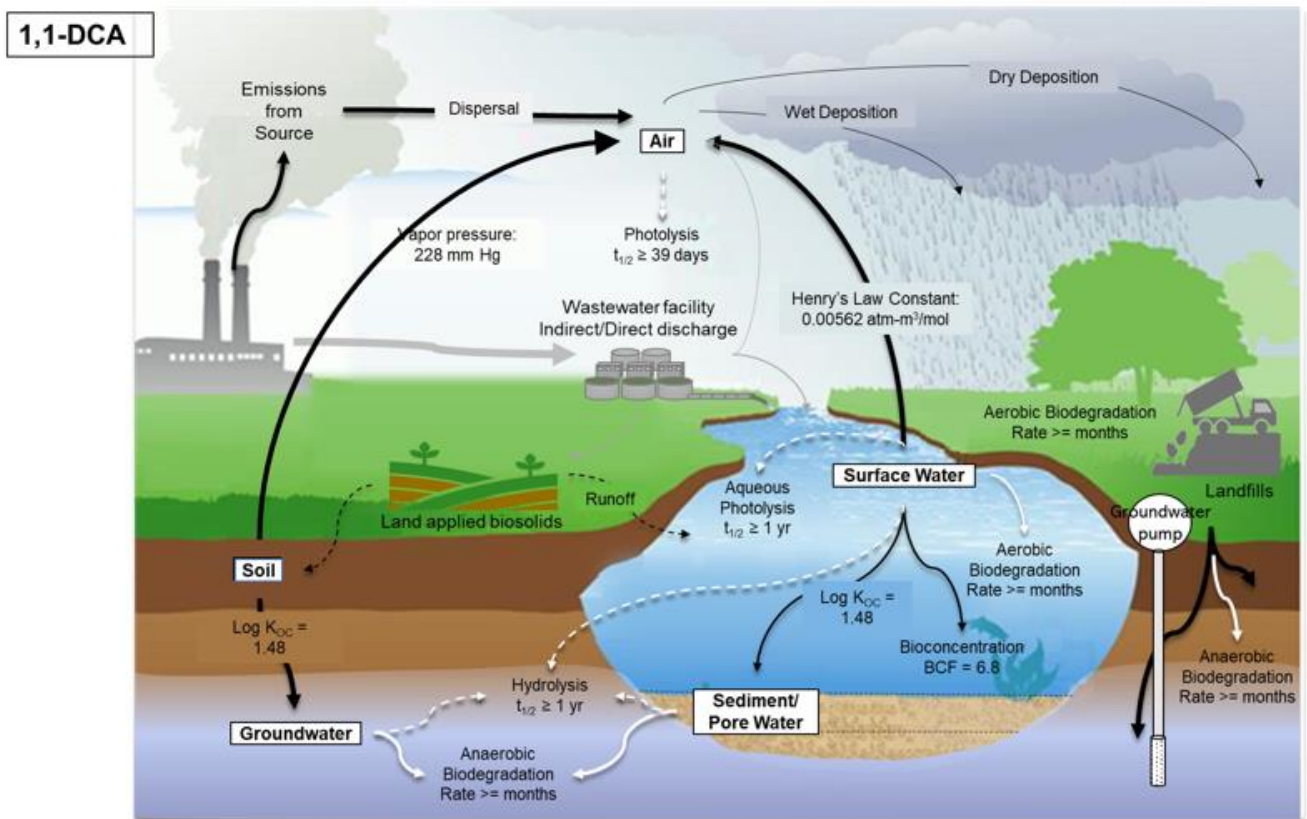
### 2.2.2 Summary of Fate and Transport Assessment

1,1-Dichloroethane is a volatile liquid that evaporates rapidly at ambient temperature ([Rumble, 2018b](#)). Estimated half-lives for volatilization from water range from hours to days depending on environmental conditions. Under the COUs, based on its physical and chemical properties, environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane are expected to partition primarily to air with lesser amounts to water, sediment and soil. Figure 2-1 graphically depicts the relative major and minor partitioning and transport pathways predicted for 1,1-dichloroethane between and within environmental media. Environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane reported to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI), and the National Emissions Inventory (NEI) between 2015 and 2020, indicate most releases are to air. Based on the reported release data, environmental partitioning modeling predicts that approximately 85 percent mass distribution will remain in air, 15 percent in water, and less than one percent in soil and sediment. See Appendix D.2.1.2 Fugacity Modeling for further discussion.

In air 1,1-dichloroethane will react with hydroxyl ( $\cdot\text{OH}$ ) radicals with a half-life of 39 days ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)) and may be subject to transport and wet and dry deposition. Because the highest releases of 1,1-dichloroethane are to air, and those releases are expected to remain in air, it is expected to be an important transport medium and inhalation is expected to be an important exposure pathway. The presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient air is confirmed by 2015 to 2020 monitoring data from the AMTIC ambient air monitoring archive, which shows national annual average concentrations ranging from  $8.0 \times 10^{-2}$  to  $0.13 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (Section 3.3.1). The fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in air is further discussed in Appendix D.2.2 and inhalation exposure further discussed in Section 5.1.2.2.1.

In surface water, 1,1-dichloroethane will be subject to volatilization to air (due to its relatively high Henry's Law constant), and biodegradation in anaerobic water. Partitioning from water to sediment is not expected to be an important process based on its low organic carbon:water partition coefficient ( $\log K_{oc} = 1.48$  ([Poole and Poole, 1999](#))). Due to its relatively high water solubility (5,040 mg/L) ([NLM, 2018](#)), continuous releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to water will result in a portion of the release remaining in water. Environmental releases to water and wastewater treatment plants are relatively low and distributed across multiple sites (see Section 3.2). Water Quality Portal (WQP) ([NWQMC, 2022](#)) concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane measured in ambient surface waters from 2015 to 2020 ranged from 0 to  $2 \mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ , with a median concentration of  $0.25 \mu\text{g}/\text{L}$  and a 95th percentile concentration of  $0.5 \mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ . The fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in water is further discussed in Appendix D.2.3.1, environmental aquatic exposure in Section 3.3.3, and human exposure in Section 5.1.2.4.





**Figure Legend**

----->	Negligible	■	Partitioning/transportation
→	Low/slow	□	Transformation/degradation
→→	Moderate	■	Wastewater facility indirect/direct discharge
→→→	High/fast/strong		

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**Figure 2-1. Transport, Partitioning, and Degradation of 1,1-Dichloroethane in the Environment<sup>a</sup>**

<sup>a</sup> The diagram depicts the distribution (grey arrows), transport and partitioning (black arrows) as well as the transformation and degradation (white arrows) of 1,1-dichloroethane in the environment. The width of the arrow is a qualitative indication of the likelihood that the indicated partitioning will occur or the rate at which the indicated degradation will occur (*i.e.*, wider arrows indicate more likely partitioning or more rapid degradation).

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1522 1,1-Dichloroethane will not partition strongly to sediment based on its low measured organic  
1523 carbon:water partition coefficient (log  $K_{OC}$  1.48 (Poole and Poole, 1999)). 1,1-Dichloroethane in  
1524 sediment is expected to biodegrade slowly with half-lives of months to greater than months (Hamonts et  
1525 al., 2009), (Şimsir et al., 2017). No monitoring data were found for exposure of humans and biota to 1,1-  
1526 dichloroethane via sediment. Relatively low levels of 1,1-dichloroethane in water and low partitioning to  
1527 sediment suggests low levels of 1,1-dichloroethane would be found in sediment. The fate of 1,1-  
1528 dichloroethane in sediment is further discussed in Appendix D.2.3.2 and environmental benthic  
1529 exposure in Section 3.3.3.4.

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1531 Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land may be subject to volatilization to air, runoff to surface waters,  
1532 and due to its low affinity for soil organic matter, (log  $K_{OC}$  1.48 (Poole and Poole, 1999)), migration

1533 through soil to groundwater. Biodegradation in soil will generally occur slowly, with half-lives ranging  
1534 from months to years ([U.S. EPA, 2013a](#)). No monitoring data were found for exposure of humans and  
1535 biota to 1,1-dichloroethane via soil. The releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land (TRI 2015 to 2020  
1536 average 1 kg/year, EPA estimated releases less than 22,682 kg/year to Hazardous Waste Landfills) under  
1537 the conditions of use will be subject to the effects of dilution, advection, and dispersion. The fate of 1,1-  
1538 dichloroethane in soil is further discussed in Appendix D.2.4.1, environmental terrestrial exposure in  
1539 Section 4.1.3, and general population exposure in Section 5.1.2.4.5.

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1541 In groundwater, 1,1-dichloroethane will have a low affinity for organic matter based on its measured  
1542 organic carbon: water partition coefficient of 31 and will not significantly sorb to suspended solids in  
1543 groundwater. 1,1-Dichloroethane has a reported hydrolysis half-life of approximately 61 years ([Jeffers et  
1544 al., 1989](#)); therefore, losses of 1,1-dichloroethane from groundwater will most likely be due to  
1545 biodegradation. Biodegradation half-lives are generally on the order of months to years under anaerobic  
1546 conditions that favor biological reductive dechlorination. Half-lives can also differ markedly within a  
1547 groundwater plume. ([Wiedemeier et al., 1999](#)) for example, report half-lives for cis-1,2-dichloroethylene  
1548 (cis-1,2-DCE) that are more than an order of magnitude higher in one portion of a plume than in another  
1549 portion of the same plume. There may be cases where no biodegradation takes place. ([Wilson et al.,  
1550 1983](#)) reported no biodegradation in unamended aquifer sediments containing 1,1-dichloroethane after  
1551 16 weeks of incubation under aerobic conditions. This indicates that 1,1-dichloroethane entering a  
1552 pristine oxic aquifer setting may conceivably be recalcitrant to biodegradation. The limited data  
1553 available in the literature makes this difficult to assess. There are no recent studies showing aerobic  
1554 biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane. There are no studies showing aerobic biodegradation of 1,1-  
1555 dichloroethane in simple mineral culture media. ([Tabak et al., 1981](#)) reported biodegradation in  
1556 laboratory experiments, but this was most likely co-metabolic degradation supported by aerobic  
1557 degradation of the yeast extract or digester solids in their reaction mix.

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1559 ([Wiedemeier et al., 1999](#)) describes three types of biodegradation behavior for chlorinated solvents:  
1560 Type I, where anaerobic biodegradation is supported by an anthropogenic electron donor such as  
1561 landfill leachate or a fuel spill; Type II, where anaerobic biodegradation is supported by natural electron  
1562 donors such as buried soils or aquifer sediment with high organic matter; and Type III, where the supply  
1563 of electron donor is inadequate, and the chlorinated organic is not biodegraded. This suggests that if a  
1564 release of 1,1-dichloroethane is not accompanied by landfill leachate or other source of electron donor it  
1565 may not biodegrade.

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1567 Monitoring data confirm the presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater. 1,1-Dichloroethane  
1568 concentrations from groundwater monitoring wells retrieved from the Water Quality Portal ([NWQMC,  
1569 2022](#)) for the years 2015 to 2020 ranged from 0 to 650 µg/L (see Appendix 6.3.1G.1). Groundwater and  
1570 soil-water leachate concentration data collected through EPA's systematic review of published literature  
1571 reported ranges from not detected to 1,900 µg/L in 400 samples collected between 1984 and 2005 in the  
1572 United States. UCMR 3 monitoring data for 1,1-dichloroethane found in finished drinking water from  
1573 404 public water sources across 16 states that draw primarily from groundwater sources indicated a  
1574 maximum concentration of 1.6 µg/L, indicating that 1,1-dichloroethane in finished drinking water  
1575 derived from groundwater was measured in relatively low amounts across the nation between 2013 to  
1576 2015 ([U.S. EPA, 2021c](#)). Modeled groundwater concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane resulting from  
1577 migration of its releases to soil suggest groundwater will generally not be an important medium for  
1578 exposure. However, 1,1-dichloroethane does frequently occur in anaerobic groundwater as a  
1579 biodegradation product of the compound 1,1,1-trichloroethane. The fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
1580 groundwater is further discussed in Appendix D.2.4.2. 1,1-Dichloroethane groundwater concentrations  
1581 are further discussed in Appendix G.

1582 Minor amounts of 1,1-Dichloroethane in wastewater undergoing biological wastewater treatment may be  
1583 removed by processes including sorption to wastewater solids. No recent data were found on 1,1-  
1584 dichloroethane concentrations in biosolids. However, the 1988 National Sewage Sludge Survey sampled  
1585 208 representative POTWs for a list of substances including 1,1-dichloroethane. 1,1-Dichloroethane had  
1586 a zero percent detection frequency. As discussed in Appendix D.2.5.2, less than 1 percent of 1,1-  
1587 dichloroethane is expected to be removed by sorption in biological wastewater treatment based on its  
1588 K<sub>oc</sub> value of 31. 1,1-Dichloroethane removed by sorption to wastewater solids may enter the  
1589 environment if the solids are land applied following treatment to meet standards (biosolids application).  
1590 Due to low sorption of 1,1-dichloroethane to solids and the low amounts of 1,1-dichloroethane  
1591 undergoing wastewater treatment (see Section 3.2 for details), land application of biosolids from 1,1-  
1592 dichloroethane wastewater treatment is not expected to be a significant exposure pathway. However,  
1593 specific POTW facilities reporting 1,1-dichloroethane releases could land apply biosolids containing  
1594 1,1-dichloroethane. Thus, land application of biosolids was further considered for general population  
1595 and environmental terrestrial exposures. The fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in biosolids is further discussed  
1596 in Appendix D.2.5.2, environmental terrestrial exposure to biosolids in Section 3.3.4.6.1, and general  
1597 population exposure in Section 5.1.2.4.4.

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1599 1,1-Dichloroethane does not meet the criteria to be classified as persistent and bioaccumulative ([U.S.  
1600 EPA, 1999](#)). Although 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to have half-lives exceeding 2 months in some  
1601 environmental compartments, it does not meet bioconcentration/bioaccumulation criteria based on  
1602 estimated BCF/BAF values of less than 1,000 ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)). With low  
1603 bioconcentration/bioaccumulation potential, fish ingestion and trophic transfer are not expected to be  
1604 important pathways. The bioconcentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in fish is further discussed in  
1605 Appendix D.2.6, trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane in Section 4.1.4, and general population exposure  
1606 through fish ingestion in Section 5.1.2.4.2 (see also Figure 2-1 above).

## 1607 **2.2.3 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for Fate and Transport**

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### 1608 **2.2.3.1 Strengths, Limitations, Assumptions, and Key Sources of Uncertainty for the** 1609 **Fate and Transport Assessment**

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1610 The weight of scientific evidence supporting the fate and transport assessment is based on the strengths,  
1611 limitations, and uncertainties associated with the fate and transport studies evaluated within and outside  
1612 systematic review. The judgment is summarized using confidence descriptors: robust, moderate, slight,  
1613 or indeterminate confidence descriptors. This approach is consistent with the *Draft Systematic Review*  
1614 *Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)).

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1616 The weight of scientific evidence regarding fate and transport as reported in high-moderate quality  
1617 studies, identified both through systematic review and outside of systematic review, give robust to  
1618 moderate confidence that 1,1-dichloroethane

- 1619 • will not undergo direct photolysis (Appendix D.2.2);
- 1620 • will not appreciably partition to organic carbon in particulate matter in the air (Appendix D.2.2);
- 1621 • will exist in the gas phase (Appendix D.2.2);
- 1622 • will undergo slow indirect photolysis (Appendix D.2.2);
- 1623 • will not undergo hydrolysis at environmental pH and temperature (Appendix D.2.3);
- 1624 • will undergo slow or negligible biodegradation in water under aerobic conditions (Appendix  
1625 D.2.3.1);
- 1626 • will undergo slow biodegradation to form chloroethane in soil and sediment under anaerobic  
1627 conditions (Appendix D.2.3.1);

- 1628 • will volatilize from surface water and moist soil (Appendixes D.2.3.1 and D.2.4.1);
- 1629 • will not appreciably partition to organic carbon in sediment and soil thus has the potential to
- 1630 migrate to groundwater (Appendixes D.2.3.2 and D.2.4.1);
- 1631 • is not bioaccumulative in fish (Appendix D.2.6);
- 1632 • will be removed in wastewater treatment by volatilization with a very low fraction adsorbed onto
- 1633 sludge (Appendix D.2.5.2);
- 1634 • is minimally removed in conventional drinking water treatment but may be highly removed by
- 1635 certain other treatment technologies (activated carbon adsorption and packed tower aeration)
- 1636 (Appendix H.3);
- 1637 • is not expected to undergo long-range transport (LRT) relative to LRT benchmark chemicals
- 1638 (Appendixes D.2.2); and
- 1639 • can be formed under environmental conditions by the anaerobic biodegradation of 1,1,1-
- 1640 trichloroethane (Appendix D.2.4.1).

1641 There is limited evidence on the aerobic biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in water under  
1642 environmental conditions. The single study identified was a laboratory study that employed extensive  
1643 efforts to develop microbial populations capable of biodegrading 1,1-dichloroethane. As such,  
1644 extrapolating rates of biodegradation observed in the laboratory study to environmental biodegradation  
1645 rates is highly uncertain (Appendix D.2.3.1). A detailed discussion of strengths, limitations,  
1646 assumptions, and key sources of uncertainty for the fate and transport assessment of 1,1-dichloroethane  
1647 is available in Appendix D.2.

### 3 RELEASES AND CONCENTRATIONS OF 1,1-DICHLOROETHANE IN THE ENVIRONMENT

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EPA estimated environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane that are discussed in Sections 3.1 and 3.2. Section 3.1 describes the approach and methodology for estimating releases. Section 3.2 presents estimates of environmental releases by geographic location, media of release, and by OES. This section also includes an evaluation of the weight of scientific evidence for the environmental releases. Section 3.3 presents the approach, methodology for estimating environmental concentrations, and the estimates of environmental concentrations that result from environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane.

#### 3.1 Approach and Methodology

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The assessment of environmental releases for 1,1-dichloroethane focuses on releases from industrial and commercial sources.

##### 3.1.1 Industrial and Commercial

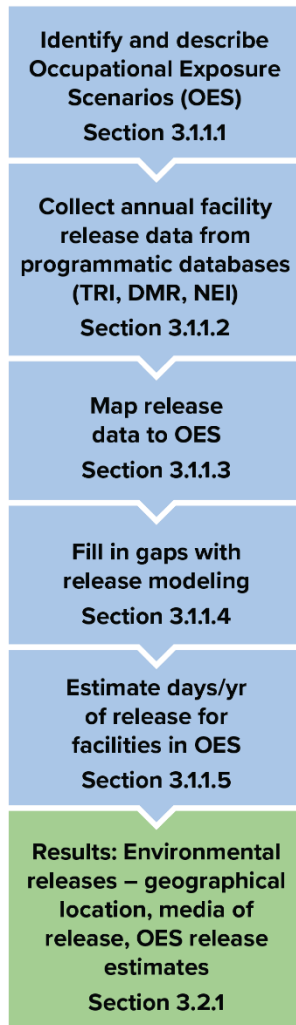
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1,1-Dichloroethane is a TRI-reportable substance effective January 1, 1994. It is (1) included on EPA's initial list of hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) under the Clean Air Act (CAA), (2) a designated toxic pollutant under the Clean Water Act (CWA), and (3) currently not subject to National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR) under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

As mentioned in Section 1.1.1, the total production volume (PV) of 1,1-dichloroethane in 2015 from the 2016 CDR reporting period was between 100 million and 1 billion lb. This range did not change in the 2020 CDR reporting period. Due to a lack of information, EPA was not able to identify the percentage of the PV that goes toward processing as a reactive intermediate or commercial use as a laboratory chemical. The Agency assumes that a high percentage of the PV is used for processing as a reactive intermediate, and a small percentage of the PV is used for commercial use as a laboratory chemical.

EPA's approach for estimating releases is illustrated in Figure 3-1 below.





**Figure 3-1. Overview of EPA’s Approach to Estimate Releases for Each OES**

The following Sections (3.1.1.1 through 3.1.1.5) provide information on this approach. A more detailed description of occupational exposures and environmental releases is available in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

### **3.1.1.1 Identify and Describe OES**

COUs are the unique combinations of Lifestyle Stage, Category, and Subcategory that EPA developed and are presented in Table 1-1 of this draft risk evaluation. EPA has identified eight COUs in Table 3-1. An OES was identified for each COU with the exception of processing as a reactive intermediate where three COUs were combined into one OES due to expected similarities in release and exposure potential. Table 3-1 also lists the seven OESs that EPA assessed for 1,1-dichloroethane.



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**Table 3-1. Crosswalk of Conditions of Use to Occupational Exposure Scenarios Assessed**

Condition of Use			OES
Life Cycle Stage	Category <sup>a</sup>	Subcategory <sup>b</sup>	
Manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing <sup>c</sup>
Processing	As a reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing	Processing as a reactive intermediate
	As a reactant	Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing	
	Recycling	Recycling	
	Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging
Distribution in Commerce	Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce <sup>d</sup>
Commercial Use	Other use	Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical
Disposal	Disposal	Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal
			Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)
			Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)

<sup>a</sup> These categories of COUs reflect CDR codes and broadly represent COUs for 1,1-dichloroethane in industrial and/or commercial settings.

<sup>b</sup> These subcategories reflect more specific uses of 1,1-dichloroethane.

<sup>c</sup> 1,1-Dichloroethane manufactured as a byproduct during the manufacture of 1,2-dichloroethane will be assessed in the draft risk evaluation for 1,2-dichloroethane.

<sup>d</sup> EPA considers the activities of loading and unloading of chemical product part of distribution in commerce. These activities were assessed as part of the OES of Manufacturing, processing as a reactive intermediate, processing – repackaging, and commercial use in laboratory chemicals. EPA’s current approach for quantitatively assessing releases and exposures for the remaining aspects of distribution in commerce consists of searching DOT and NRC data for incident reports pertaining to 1,1-dichloroethane distribution.

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After identifying the OES that will be assessed, the next step was to describe the function of 1,1-dichloroethane within each OES (Table 3-2). This would be utilized in mapping release data to an OES as well as in applying release modeling approaches.

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**Table 3-2. Description of the Function of 1,1-Dichloroethane for Each OES**

OES	Role/Function of 1,1-Dichloroethane
Manufacturing	1,1-Dichloroethane may be produced by chlorination of ethane or chloroethane, addition of hydrogen chloride to acetylene or vinyl chloride, or oxychlorination with hydrogen chloride. Additionally, 1,1-dichloroethane is manufactured as a byproduct or impurity during the intentional manufacturing of 1,2-dichloroethane ( <a href="#">NCBI, 2020a</a> ; <a href="#">Dreher et al., 2014</a> ).
Processing as a reactive intermediate	1,1-Dichloroethane is used as an intermediate in the production of other chemicals, primarily 1,1,1-trichloroethane ( <a href="#">Dreher et al., 2014</a> ; <a href="#">RIVM, 2007</a> ; <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2000a</a> ). Additionally, EPA assumes that waste streams containing 1,1-dichloroethane may be recycled on-site and then re-introduced into the facility's process waste stream or recycled as a feedstock to be used in the manufacture of other chemicals.
Processing – repackaging	A portion of the 1,1-dichloroethane manufactured is expected to be repackaged into smaller containers for commercial laboratory use.
Distribution in commerce	1,1-Dichloroethane is expected to be distributed in commerce for processing as a reactive intermediate and commercial laboratory use. EPA expects 1,1-dichloroethane to be transported from manufacturing sites to downstream processing and repackaging sites.
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	1,1-Dichloroethane is used as a laboratory reference standard domestically for instrument calibration and analytical method validation ( <a href="#">Sigma-Aldrich, 2020</a> ).
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Each of the OES may generate waste streams of 1,1-dichloroethane that are collected and transported to third-party sites for disposal or treatment, and these cases are assessed under this OES.

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### 3.1.1.2 Collect Facility Release Data from Data Sources

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Sections 3.1.1.2.1 through 3.1.1.2.5 describe sources of facility-specific release data for 1,1-dichloroethane and the methods used to collect the data from TRI, Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs), and the NEI. To help evaluate trends in releases, release data was collected for multiple years from these data sources. The results of the systematic review are also a potential source of release data as described in Section 3.1.1.3.4.

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When evaluating releases during distribution in commerce of 1,1-dichloroethane, EPA considered National Response Center (NRC) data and Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazmat Incident Report Search Tool data during the 2015 to 2020 timeframe ([NRC, 2009](#)) (DOT Hazmat Incident Report Data) as described in Section 3.1.1.2.5.

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#### 3.1.1.2.1 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

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The TRI database includes facility-specific information on disposal and other releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to air, water, and land ([U.S. EPA, 2022f](#)). The release data is reported in lbs/year. EPA downloaded available water, air, and land release data from TRI for six reporting years from 2015 through 2020:

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- Air emissions in TRI are reported separately for stack air and fugitive air and occur on-site at the facility. From 2015 to 2020, 23 facilities reported air emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane, and there were 98 total reports.

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- Water releases in TRI include both reports of annual direct discharges to surface water and annual indirect discharges to off-site POTWs and wastewater treatment (WWT) facilities. Four

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1715 facilities reported water releases of 1,1-dichloroethane, with a total of nine reports over the 6  
1716 years that were assessed.

- 1717 Land releases in TRI provide the type of release media for a particular facility, as well as how  
1718 the chemical is managed through recycling, energy recovery, or treatment. Two facilities  
1719 reported land releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to RCRA Subtitle C landfills and other non-site  
1720 landfills respectively, and there were six non-zero reports over the 6 years assessed.

1721 EPA obtained 2015 to 2020 TRI data for 1,1-dichloroethane from EPA’s Basic Plus Data Files. EPA  
1722 followed a similar approach to estimate air, water, and land releases. The Agency used the reported  
1723 annual releases directly as reported in TRI. EPA then divided the annual releases over the number of  
1724 estimated operating days (as discussed in Section 3.1.1.5) to obtain daily average release estimates. EPA  
1725 presents the release data as high-end and central tendency estimates, as discussed in Section 3.2.1.  
1726 Release estimates are separated by stack and fugitive air emissions, surface water discharges, and land  
1727 releases.

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1729 A facility is required to report to TRI if it has 10 or more full-time employees; is included in an  
1730 applicable North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code; and manufactures, processes,  
1731 or uses specific chemicals in quantities greater than specified thresholds.<sup>1</sup> Facilities provide on-site  
1732 release information using readily available data (including monitoring data) collected pursuant to other  
1733 provisions of law, or, where such data are not readily available, “reasonable estimates” of the amounts  
1734 released.

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1736 For each release quantity reported, TRI filers select a “basis of estimate” code to indicate the principal  
1737 method used to determine the release quantity. TRI provides six basis of estimate codes, which in no  
1738 particular order, are continuous monitoring, periodic monitoring, mass balance calculations, published  
1739 emission factors, site-specific emission factors, and engineering calculations/best engineering judgment.  
1740 For facilities that use a TRI chemical in multiple operations, the filer may use a combination of methods  
1741 to calculate the overall release quantity. In such cases, TRI instructs the facility to enter the basis of  
1742 estimate code for the method that corresponds to the largest portion of the reported release quantity.<sup>2</sup>  
1743 Additional details on the basis for the reported release estimate (*e.g.*, calculations, underlying  
1744 assumptions) are not reported in TRI.

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1746 For further discussion of water, air, and land emission data collection and estimation from TRI, refer to  
1747 the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental*  
1748 *Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

### 1749 **3.1.1.2.2 Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMR)**

1750 DMRs include facility-specific information on releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to water. Under the CWA,  
1751 EPA regulates the discharge of pollutants into receiving waters through the National Pollutant Discharge  
1752 Elimination System (NPDES). A NPDES permit authorizes discharging facilities to discharge pollutants  
1753 up to specified limits and requires facilities to monitor their discharges and report the results to EPA and  
1754 the state regulatory agency in DMRs. EPA makes these reported data publicly available via EPA’s  
1755 Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO) system and EPA’s Water Pollutant Loading Tool  
1756 (Loading Tool). The data collected is annual release data for a given reporting year.  
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<sup>1</sup> See <https://www.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/tri-threshold-screening-tool>.

<sup>2</sup> See TRI Program Guidance on EPA’s GuideME website under Reporting Forms and Instructions, Section 5. Quantity of the Toxic Chemical Entering Each Environmental Medium On-Site (Form R).

1758 EPA downloaded DMR data from reporting years 2015 through 2020 ([U.S. EPA, 2022c](#)) using ECHO  
1759 system and the Loading Tool. Over the 6 reporting years, 79 facilities reported water releases in DMR  
1760 for 1,1-dichloroethane with a total of 219 reports.

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1762 Where available, EPA used DMR data to estimate annual wastewater discharges, average daily  
1763 wastewater discharges, and high-end daily wastewater discharges. For DMR, annual discharges are  
1764 automatically calculated by the Loading Tool based on the sum of the discharges associated with each  
1765 monitoring period in DMR. Monitoring periods in DMR are set by each facility's NPDES permit and  
1766 can vary between facilities. Typical monitoring periods in DMR include monthly, bimonthly, quarterly,  
1767 biannual, and annual reporting.

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1769 In instances where a facility reports a period's monitoring results as below the limit of detection (LOD)  
1770 (also referred to as a non-detect or ND) for a pollutant, the Loading Tool applies a hybrid method to  
1771 estimate the wastewater discharge for the period. The hybrid method sets the values to half of the LOD  
1772 if there was at least one detected value in the facility's DMRs in a calendar year. If all values were less  
1773 than the LOD in a calendar year, the annual load is set to zero. EPA included emissions below the LOD  
1774 in the release estimates. To estimate daily discharges, EPA divided the annual discharges over the  
1775 number of estimated operating days (as discussed in Section 3.1.1.5). In some cases, the same facility  
1776 reported water releases to both TRI and DMR for a given reporting year. EPA presented data from both  
1777 sources for the water release assessment.

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1779 For further discussion on the collection of DMR data, refer to *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
1780 *Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure*  
1781 *Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

### 1782 **3.1.1.2.3 National Emissions Inventory (NEI)**

1783 NEI was established to track emissions of Criteria Air Pollutants (CAPs)<sup>3</sup> and CAP precursors and assist  
1784 with National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) compliance under CAA. 1,1-Dichloroethane is  
1785 on EPA's initial list of HAPs under the CAA.<sup>4</sup> Air emissions data for the NEI are collected at the state,  
1786 local, and tribal (SLT or S/L/T) level.<sup>5</sup> SLT air agencies then submit these data to EPA through the  
1787 Emissions Inventory System (EIS). In addition to CAP data, many SLT air agencies voluntarily submit  
1788 data for pollutants on EPA's list of HAPs. EPA uses the data collected from SLT air agencies, in  
1789 conjunction with supplemental HAP data, to build the NEI. EPA releases an updated NEI every 3 years.

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1791 For this draft risk evaluation, 1,1-dichloroethane, NEI emissions data was collected for point sources  
1792 and area or nonpoint sources. Point sources are stationary sources of air emissions from facilities with  
1793 operating permits under Title V of the CAA, also called "major sources." Point source facilities include  
1794 large energy and industrial sites and are reported at the emission unit<sup>6</sup> and release point-level.<sup>7</sup> As  
1795 documented in the Technical Support Document for the 2017 NEI,

1796 For point sources (in general, large facilities), emissions are inventoried at a process-level within  
1797 a facility. The point data are collected from S/L/T air agencies and the EPA emissions programs  
1798 including the TRI, the Acid Rain Program, and Maximum Achievable Control Technology

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<sup>1</sup> The CAA requires EPA to set National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for five CAPs: ground-level ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), particulate matter (PM), carbon monoxide (CO), lead (Pb), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), and nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>4</sup> See [EPA's initial list of HAPs](#) and subsequent modifications.

<sup>5</sup> See EPA Air Emissions Reporting Requirements ([AERR](#)).

<sup>6</sup> Defined as any activity at a stationary source that emits or has the potential to emit a regulated air pollutant.

<sup>7</sup> Defined as the point from which air emissions from one or more processes are released into the atmosphere (*e.g.*, a stack).

1799 (MACT) standards development. For nonpoint sources (typically smaller, yet pervasive sources)  
1800 and mobile sources<sup>8</sup> (both onroad and nonroad), emissions are given as county totals.<sup>9</sup>

1801 Area or nonpoint sources are stationary sources that do not qualify as major sources. The nonpoint data  
1802 are reported at the county-level and include emissions from smaller facilities as well as agricultural  
1803 emissions, construction dust, and open burning. Industrial and commercial/institutional fuel combustion,  
1804 gasoline distribution, oil and gas production and extraction, publicly owned treatment works, and  
1805 solvent emissions may be reported in the point or nonpoint source categories depending upon source  
1806 size.<sup>10</sup>

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1808 EPA downloaded NEI data from reporting years 2014 and 2017, which were the most recent datasets  
1809 available at the time of this evaluation. In 2017, there were 2,111 facilities that reported point source air  
1810 emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane to NEI and 5,136 point source reports, and 13,527 area source reports.  
1811 In 2014, there were 2,111 facilities that reported point source air emissions to NEI, 4,192 total reports,  
1812 and 13,269 area source reports.

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1814 Where available, EPA used NEI data to estimate annual and average daily fugitive and stack air  
1815 emissions. Facility-level annual emissions are available for major sources in NEI. EPA then divided the  
1816 annual stack and fugitive emissions over the number of estimated operating days (as discussed in  
1817 Section 3.1.1.5) to develop daily release estimates. In some cases, the same facility reported air releases  
1818 to both TRI and NEI for a given reporting year. EPA presented data from both sources for the air release  
1819 assessment.

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1821 See the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental*  
1822 *Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)) for additional information on  
1823 obtaining NEI data.

#### 1824 **3.1.1.2.4 Systematic Review**

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1825 EPA conducted a systematic review of the literature to supplement release data of 1,1-dichloroethane  
1826 from DMR, TRI, and NEI. The systematic review process is briefly described in Section 1.2. More  
1827 detail regarding these steps is provided in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
1828 *Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S.](#)  
1829 [EPA, 2024e](#)). Upon review of the literature, EPA did not identify release data pertaining to 1,1-  
1830 dichloroethane.

#### 1831 **3.1.1.2.5 National Response Center and DOT Hazmat**

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1832 Section 103 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act  
1833 (CERCLA) requires the person in charge of a vessel or an onshore or offshore facility to immediately  
1834 notify the National Response Center (NRC) when a CERCLA hazardous substance is released at or  
1835 above the reportable quantity (RQ) in any 24-hour period, unless the release is federally permitted (40  
1836 CFR 302). The NRC is an emergency call center maintained and operated by the U.S. Coast Guard that  
1837 fields initial reports for pollution and railroad incidents. Information reported to the NRC is available on  
1838 the NRC website. The DOT Hazmat Incident Report Data uses submissions from Hazardous Materials

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<sup>8</sup> Note that the NEI provides data for marine vessel and railroad sources at the sub-county, “polygon” shape-level. “For wildfires and prescribed burning, the data are compiled as day-specific, coordinate-specific (similar to point) events in the “event” portion of the inventory, and these emission estimates are further stratified by smoldering and flaming components (Section 1.2 of EPA’s Technical Support Document for the 2017 NEI).”

<sup>9</sup> See Section 1.2 of EPA’s Technical Support Document for the 2017 NEI.

<sup>10</sup> See EPA’s 2017 National Emissions Inventory: January 2021 Updated Release, [Technical Support Document](#).



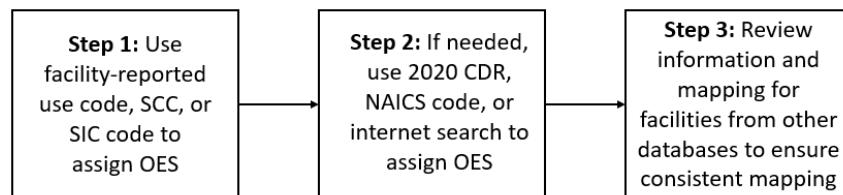
1839 Incident Reports (DOT Form F 5800.1 [01/2004]) that are required to be reported within 30 days of the  
1840 discovery of an incident (49 CFR 171).

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1842 EPA reviewed NRC data and DOT data for the 2015 to 2020 calendar years for incident reports  
1843 pertaining to distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane (NRC, 2009) (DOT Hazmat Incident Report Data). EPA  
1844 did not identify reported releases for 1,1-dichloroethane during distribution of the chemical.

### 1845 **3.1.1.3 Map Facility Release Data to OES**

1846 EPA developed the OES to group processes or applications with similar sources of release that occur at  
1847 industrial and commercial workplaces within the scope of the risk evaluation. There are data available in  
1848 each of these data sources that can be utilized to map the facility to an OES. The full details of the  
1849 methodology for mapping facilities from EPA reporting programs is described in the *Draft Risk*  
1850 *Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and*  
1851 *Occupational Exposure Assessment* (U.S. EPA, 2024e). In brief, mapping consists of using facility  
1852 reported industry sectors (typically reported as either North American Industry Classification System  
1853 [NAICS] or Standard Industrial Classification [SIC] codes), and chemical activity, processing, and use  
1854 information to assign the most likely OES to each facility. A brief overview of the mapping process is  
1855 shown in Figure 3-2. Mapping results, as well as the associated release data, are provided in *Draft Risk*  
1856 *Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and*  
1857 *Occupational Exposure Assessment* (U.S. EPA, 2024e).

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1860 **Figure 3-2. Overview of EPA’s Approach to Map Facility Release Data to OES**

#### 1861 **3.1.1.3.1 Mapping TRI Release Data to an OES**

1862 TRI provides facility-specific information such as name, address, and other facility identification  
1863 information. However, TRI does not include descriptive information on the activity of the chemical at  
1864 the facility. There is information in the TRI that can be utilized to map the facility to a particular OES.

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1866 For example, the Olin Blue Cube Facility in Freeport, Texas, reported releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to  
1867 TRI. The facility reported a TRI use code that indicates 1,1-dichloroethane is processed as a reactant at  
1868 the facility. Using the provided use code, EPA mapped the facility to the Processing as a reactive  
1869 intermediate OES.

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1871 In some cases, there are multiple TRI uses reported by a given facility. To determine the OES for these  
1872 facilities, EPA used the 2020 CDR, NAICS codes, and internet searches to determine the type of  
1873 products and operations at the facility. *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental*  
1874 *Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* (U.S. EPA, 2024e)  
1875 for further discussion on mapping TRI data to an OES.

#### 1876 **3.1.1.3.2 Mapping DMR Release Data**

1877 DMR provides facility-specific information such as name, address, and other facility identification  
1878 information. However, DMR does not include descriptive information on the activity of the chemical at



1879 the facility, and unlike the TRI mapping, DMR facilities do not include any use/sub-use codes. There is  
1880 information in the DMR that can be utilized to map the facility to a particular OES.

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1882 For example, Amcol Health and Beauty Solutions, Inc. reported water discharges of 1,1-dichloroethane  
1883 to DMR. For a particular facility in DMR, the report will include a SIC code. The SIC code provided for  
1884 this facility is 8731 – Commercial Physical and Biological Research. EPA mapped the facility to the  
1885 Commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES based on the reported SIC code. In some cases, EPA  
1886 assigned the OES by reviewing 2020 CDR for 1,1-dichloroethane ([U.S. EPA, 2020a](#)) or conducting an  
1887 internet search of the types of products and operations at the facility.

### 1888 **3.1.1.3.3 Mapping NEI Release Data**

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1889 NEI provides facility-specific information, such as name, address, site description, and other facility  
1890 identification information. Additionally, there is information in NEI that can be used to assign a facility  
1891 to a particular OES. For example, the Northwest Tennessee Disposal Corporation reported air emissions  
1892 of 1,1-dichloroethane to NEI. According to NEI reporting, the facility is included in the waste disposal  
1893 sector. The Source Classification Codes (SCC) also indicate waste disposal operations at the facility.  
1894 Based on the sector and SCC, EPA mapped the facility to Waste handling, treatment, and disposal. In  
1895 some cases, EPA assigned an OES using NAICS codes or conducting an internet search of the types of  
1896 products and operations at the facility.

### 1897 **3.1.1.3.4 Mapping Systematic Review Data**

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1898 EPA did not identify release data pertaining to 1,1-dichloroethane from systematic review data.

### 1899 **3.1.1.4 Fill in Gaps with Modeling to Estimate Releases for OES with No Data**

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1900 Generally, EPA performs modeling to estimate releases when

- 1901 • releases are expected for an OES but TRI, DMR, and/or NEI data or release data from  
1902 Systematic Review are not available; or
- 1903 • the Agency determines that the facility release data collected do not capture the entirety of  
1904 environmental releases for an OES.

1905 Standard models that have been previously developed by EPA are used to estimate releases. The models  
1906 include loss fraction models as well as models for estimating chemical vapor generation rates. If EPA  
1907 determines that an existing model does not capture the entirety of releases for a given scenario, a new  
1908 model may be developed.

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1910 EPA modeled releases for two OESs: Processing – repackaging as well as the Commercial use as a  
1911 laboratory chemical. The Agency modeled releases for both scenarios because the facility release data  
1912 collected does not capture the entirety of environmental releases. For the Repackaging OES, although  
1913 EPA identified three relevant facilities in DMR, the release estimates reported by those facilities were  
1914 below the LOD and there were no releases reported to air and land media.

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1916 For the Laboratory chemicals OES, EPA identified four relevant facilities in DMR and NEI. One of the  
1917 facilities reported a release estimate that was below the LOD in DMR. Additionally, there were no  
1918 releases reported to land media for this OES. Because EPA determined that the data from these four  
1919 facilities was not sufficient to capture the entirety of releases for this OES, the Agency modeled releases.

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1921 Additionally, EPA identified the following GS that are applicable to the OES: The July 2022 *Chemical*  
1922 *Repackaging – Generic Scenario for Estimating Occupational Exposures and Environmental Releases*  
1923 ([U.S. EPA, 2023c](#)) and *Use of Laboratory Chemicals – Generic Scenario for Estimating Occupational*

1924 *Exposures and Environmental Releases* ([U.S. EPA, 2023c](#)). Both GSs list standard models that are  
1925 applicable to the release scenarios. For both scenarios, EPA used the following approach to obtain high-  
1926 end and central tendency release estimates:

- 1927 1. Identify release sources and media of release for the OES.
- 1928 2. Identify model input parameters from relevant literature sources, Generic Scenarios (GSs), or  
1929 Emission Scenario Document (ESDs). Model input parameters include the estimated number of  
1930 sites, container size, mass fractions, and 1,1-dichloroethane's physical properties. If a range of  
1931 input values is available for an input parameter, determine the associated distribution of input  
1932 values.
- 1933 3. Identify model equations based on standard models from relevant GS or ESDs.
- 1934 4. Conduct a Monte Carlo simulation to calculate the total 1,1-dichloroethane release (by  
1935 environmental media) across all release sources during each iteration of the simulation.
- 1936 5. Select the 50th percentile and 95th percentile values to estimate the central tendency and high-  
1937 end releases, respectively.

1938 EPA performed a Monte Carlo simulation to variability in the model input parameters. The simulation  
1939 used the Latin hypercube sampling method in @Risk Industrial Edition, Version 7.0.0, which generates  
1940 a sample of possible values. The Agency performed the model at 100,000 iterations to capture a broad  
1941 range of possible input values. The model generates statistics, and any desired percentile may be  
1942 selected. EPA selected the 50th percentile and 95th percentile to estimate releases.

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1944 Detailed descriptions of the model approaches used for each OES, model equations, input parameter  
1945 values and associated distributions are provided both in Section 3.3 and the *Draft Risk Evaluation for*  
1946 *1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational*  
1947 *Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)). Additionally, input parameters and modeling results are  
1948 provided in *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Laboratory*  
1949 *Chemical Occupational Exposure and Environmental Release Modeling Results* ([U.S. EPA, 2024h](#)) and  
1950 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Repackaging*  
1951 *Occupational Exposure and Environmental Release Modeling Results* ([U.S. EPA, 2024j](#)).

### 1952 **3.1.1.5 Estimate the Number of Release Days per Year for Facilities in the OES**

1953 EPA's general approach is to estimate both an annual (kg/site-year) and a daily (kg/site-day) release rate  
1954 for a facility. Data on the number of release days for a facility are not available from data sources such  
1955 as DMR and TRI. As a surrogate, EPA uses generic estimates of the number of operating days  
1956 (days/year) for facilities in each OES as presented in Table 3-3.

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1958 Table 3-3 lists generic estimates of the number of operating days/year for a facility in the OES for the  
1959 1,1-dichloroethane release assessment. A daily release rate for a facility with TRI data, for example, can  
1960 be estimated by using the annual facility release from TRI and dividing it by the number of operating  
1961 days/yr. The annual release and average daily release of 1,1-dichloroethane can be utilized in evaluating  
1962 potential environmental concentrations, as discussed in Section 3.3. See *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
1963 *Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure*  
1964 *Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)) for further discussion on the methodologies used to estimate the number  
1965 of operating days. Additionally, see Section 3.3 for assumptions of release days applied to exposure  
1966 modeling.

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**Table 3-3. Generic Estimates of Number of Operating Days per Year for Each OES**

OES	Operating Days (days/year)	Basis
Manufacturing	350	For the manufacture of the large-PV solvents, EPA assumes 350 days/year for release frequency. This assumes the plant runs 7 days/week and 50 weeks/year (with 2 weeks down for turnaround) and assumes that the plant is always producing the chemical.
Processing as a reactive intermediate	350	1,1-Dichloroethane is largely used to manufacture other commodity chemicals, such as 1,1,1-trichloroethane, which will likely occur year-round. Therefore, EPA assumes 350 days/year for release frequency.
Processing – repackaging	260	The July 2022 Chemical Repackaging GS ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2023c</a> ) estimates a default of 260 operating days/year per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Employment Statistics (BLS OES) data (US BLS, 2020).
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	260	The Draft GS on Use of Laboratory Chemicals ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2023c</a> ) estimates a default of 260 operating days/year per the BLS OES data (US BLS, 2020).
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	250	It is unlikely that non-POTW waste handling, treatment, and disposal facilities use 1,1-dichloroethane every day; therefore, EPA assumes 250 days/year (5 days/week, 50 weeks/year).
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	365	POTWs are expected to operate continuously over 365 days/year; therefore, 365 days/year should be used.
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	365	Remediate sites are expected to operate continuously over 365 days/year; therefore, 365 days/year should be used.

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## **3.2 Environmental Releases**

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Estimates of releases for 1,1-dichloroethane in this section are from industrial and commercial sources.

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### **3.2.1 Industrial and Commercial Releases**

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This section provides results of EPA's 1,1-dichloroethane environmental release analysis. Although data on the percentage is not available, EPA assumes that a high percentage of the production volume for 1,1-dichloroethane is reactive intermediate use where 1,1-dichloroethane would be reacted to make another chemical and therefore the 1,1-dichloroethane would be consumed and not available at that point for environmental release.

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EPA developed environmental release information by estimating and summarizing the following:

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- number of facilities with 1,1-dichloroethane environmental releases,
- facility releases according to geographic location,
- releases according to media of release, and
- releases per OES facility.

**3.2.1.1 Number of Facilities with 1,1-Dichloroethane Emissions**

EPA compiled the number of facilities reporting 1,1-dichloroethane releases from TRI, NEI, and DMR. Each programmatic database provides facility-specific release information. DMR data provides annual effluent measured or monitored concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane into receiving water bodies as well as other NPDES permit information. TRI provides both facility-specific annual water release as well as air emissions and land disposal quantities and NEI provides facility’s unit-specific annual ambient air release estimates. For the Processing – repackaging OES and Commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES, the number of sites were estimated as part of the release modeling. The number of facilities is presented by OES and shown in Table 3-4.

**Table 3-4. Number of Sites with 1,1-Dichloroethane Environmental Releases**

OES	Number of Sites from Programmatic Databases				Number of Sites Estimated During Release Modeling
	DMR <sup>a</sup>	TRI	NEI	Unique Sites <sup>b</sup>	
Manufacturing	1	9	10	10	–
Processing as a reactive intermediate	58	6	32	90	–
Processing – repackaging	3	–	–	3	2
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	2	–	2	4	43–138
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	22	8	650	672	–
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	125	–	–	125	–
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	42	–	–	42	–
Natural gas fired reciprocating engines	–	–	1,380	1,380	–
Facilities not mapped to an OES	68	–	35	103	–

<sup>a</sup> Includes sites in DMR that reported releases of 1,1-dichloroethane below the limit of detection.  
<sup>b</sup> Due to the nature of DMR/TRI/NEI reporting, some facilities appear in multiple programmatic databases.

EPA expects that the major contributor to the large number of landfills sites in NEI reporting 1,1-dichloroethane in the air emissions must be sources other than 1,1-dichloroethane COUs of Manufacture, Processing, and Commercial Use. The 2015 ATSDR Tox Profile ([ATSDR, 2015](#)) states that emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfills come from the anaerobic decomposition of the organic material in the landfill; decomposition of 1,1,1-trichloroethane forms 1,1-dichloroethane as a major product. 1,1-Dichloroethane has a presence in landfills, either by direct disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane or decomposition of 1,1,1-trichloroethane. However, it is unclear how much 1,1,1-trichloroethane is disposed to landfills and how much 1,1-dichloroethane is generated.

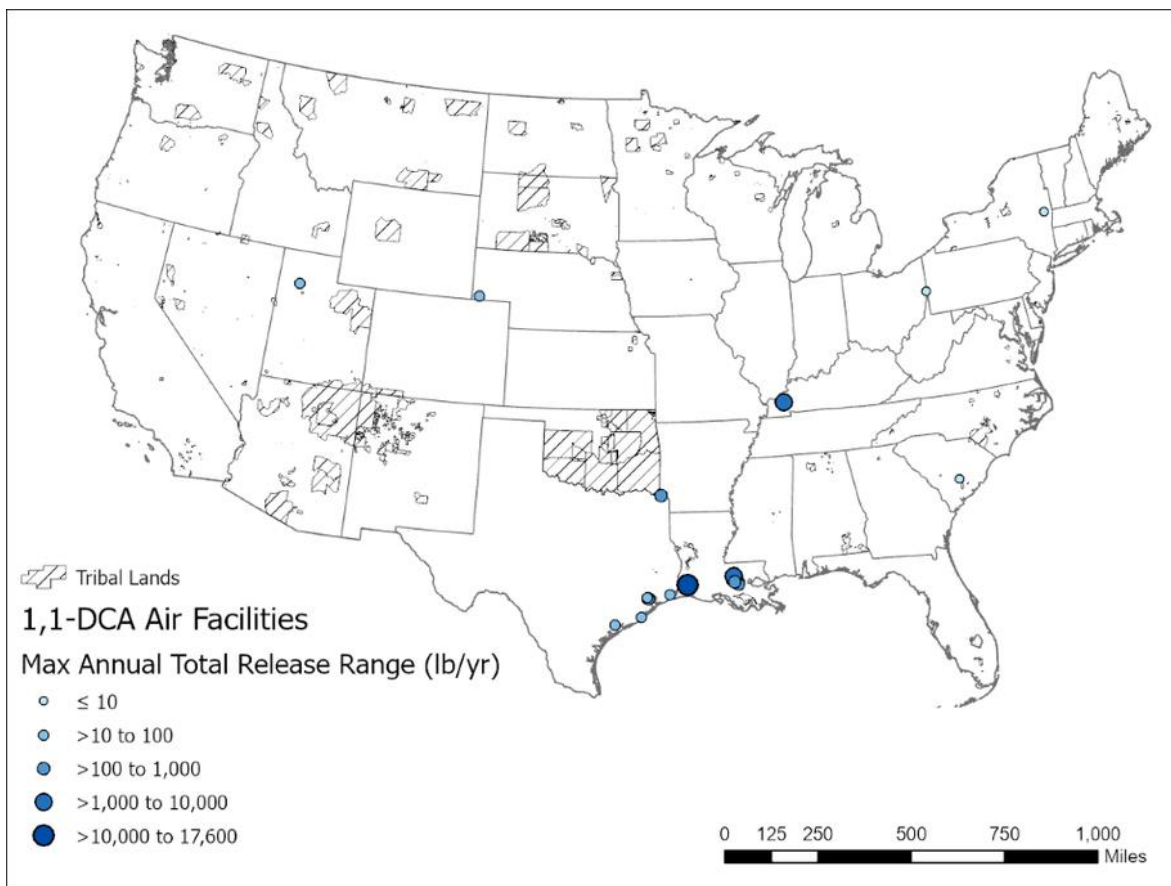
Sites were mapped to “Natural gas fired reciprocating engines” in NEI due to sites that reported 1,1-dichloroethane emissions during natural gas combustion. However, upon further review, these 1,1-dichloroethane emissions were likely due to the use of an AP-42 natural gas-fired reciprocating engine emissions factor, which was not based on quantitative measurements of 1,1-dichloroethane, but non-detects. Therefore, EPA does not believe there are actual 1,1-dichloroethane emissions from these NEI

2009 sites. It should be noted that the number of records in NEI may differ from the number of sites, as  
 2010 multiple records may exist for a single site.

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 2012 Facilities were not mapped to an OES in cases where information on the 1,1-dichloroethane use at the  
 2013 site was not available. These sites do not fit in any of the 1,1-dichloroethane OES since they are mainly  
 2014 tire manufacturing, pulp and paper, and alloy production.

2015 **3.2.1.2 Environmental Releases by Geographic Location**

2016 This section provides mapping of the location of facilities reporting air emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane  
 2017 from TRI and NEI respectively. Ambient air releases as reported by TRI from reporting years 2015 to  
 2018 2020 are presented below in Figure 3-3.



2019 **Figure 3-3. 1,1-Dichloroethane Annual Releases to Air as Reported by TRI, 2015–2020**

2020 Note: Some symbols for individual years may overlap and obscure annual releases at each site.  
 2021 Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, N. Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin  
 2022 Islands are not shown as there are no known releases for these territories reported to TRI.

2023 Ambient air releases as reported by NEI from reporting years 2014 and 2017 are presented below in  
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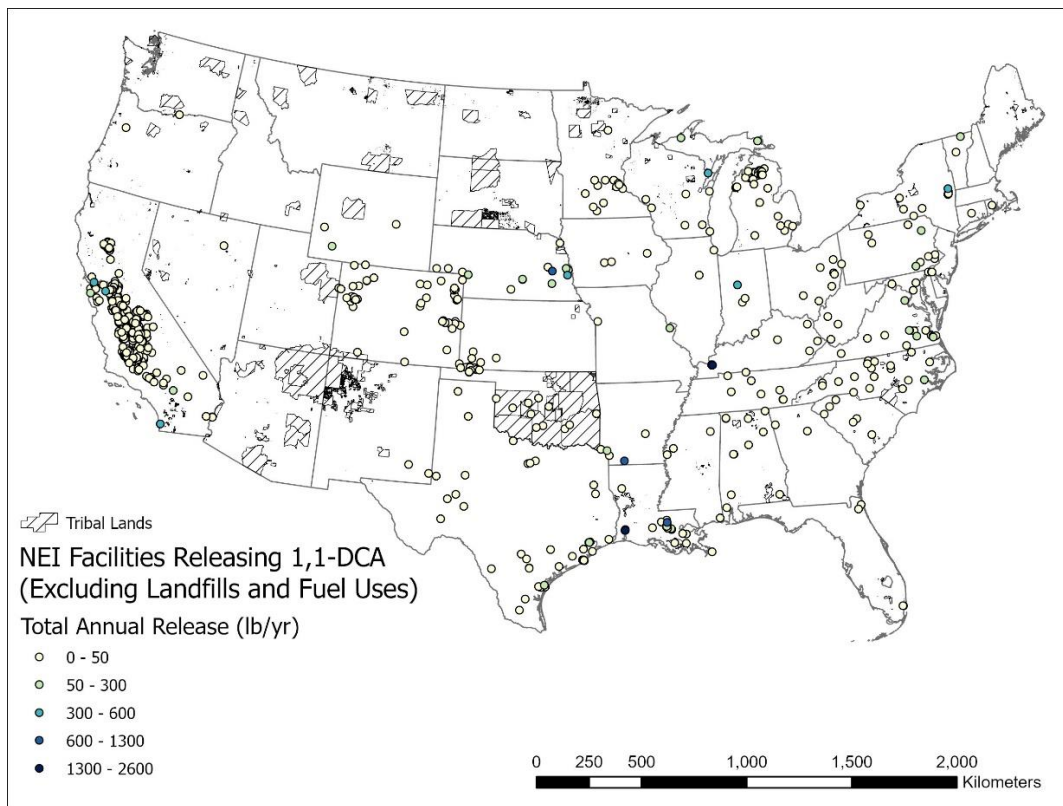


Figure 3-4. 1,1-Dichloroethane Annual Releases to Air as Reported by NEI, 2014 and 2017

### 3.2.1.3 Environmental Releases by Media of Release

EPA compiled the annual environmental releases by air, water, and disposal media as presented in Table 3-5. The data used to compile the release estimates from TRI and DMR are from reporting years 2015 to 2020, and the data from NEI are from reporting years 2014 and 2017. The release estimates are presented by media of release. NEI releases from natural gas fired reciprocating engines and landfills are not included in Table 3-5. However, TRI reported disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane to landfills are included in subsequent land/soil/groundwater estimates.

EPA estimated the releases by media by summing annual releases that were reported directly by facilities from the programmatic databases and then averaging across the corresponding number of years of release. For example, for fugitive air releases, EPA averaged the total yearly releases from 2015 to 2020 TRI and 2014 and 2017 NEI to develop an average annual release estimate. The yearly fugitive releases from 2015 to 2020 TRI are as follows: 2,565 kg/year, 2,238 kg/year, 2,260 kg/year, 2,662 kg/year, 1,990 kg/year, and 4,000 kg/year. The fugitive releases from 2014 and 2017 NEI are 38,576 kg/year, and 37,879 kg/year, respectively. The average annual fugitive release estimate from 2015 to 2020 TRI and 2014 and 2017 NEI data is 11,521 kg/year.



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**Table 3-5. Average Annual Environmental Release Estimates by Media of Release**

Media of Release <sup>a</sup>	Subcategory <sup>b</sup>	Average Annual Release Estimate (kg/yr)	Sources
Air	Fugitive Air (Data)	11,521	TRI/NEI
	Stack Air (Data)	3,505	TRI/NEI
	Fugitive or Stack Air (Modeled Release Estimates)	<777	Environmental Release Modeling
Water	Surface Water	1,052	TRI/DMR
Disposal	Land (Data)	1.0	TRI
	1,1-Dichloroethane sent to a Hazardous Waste Landfill or to Incineration for combustion of the waste stream	<22,682 <sup>c</sup>	Environmental Release Modeling

<sup>a</sup> These categories broadly represent the media of release for 1,1-dichloroethane in industrial and/or commercial settings.

<sup>b</sup> These subcategories reflect more specific releases of 1,1-dichloroethane.

<sup>c</sup> 97% of the hazardous waste landfill or incineration releases are from the Commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES. 1,1-Dichloroethane is included on the list of hazardous wastes pursuant to RCRA section 3001 (40 CFR 261.33) as a listed waste on the list; therefore, EPA assumed all disposal for the scenario would be to hazardous waste landfill or incineration.

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**3.2.1.4 Environmental Releases by OES**

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EPA compiled the annual and daily release estimates by OES as presented in Table 3-6. The release estimates are also separated by release media (*e.g.*, surface water, fugitive air, stack air, etc.). Annual release estimates were reported directly by facilities in TRI, DMR, and NEI. The facility release data were then mapped to an OES as discussed in Section 3.1.1.3. Annual fugitive air and stack air release data was provided by TRI and NEI, surface water discharge release data was provided by TRI and DMR, and land release data was provided by TRI.

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For example, one site was mapped to the Manufacturing OES that reported land releases to TRI. The site reported land releases for reporting years 2015 to 2017 and 2019 to 2020, with the following release values: 2.3, 1.5 kg/year, 1.4 kg/year, 0.4 kg/year, and 0.2 kg/year. EPA then selected the 50th and 95th percentile land release estimates for this site which are presented in Table 3-6 (1.4 kg/site-year and 2.1 kg/site-year, respectively). EPA then divided the annual release estimate by the estimated number of release days as discussed in Section 3.1.1.5, which is 350 days/year for the Manufacturing OES. The 50th and 95th percentile daily land releases for the Manufacturing OES are  $3.9 \times 10^{-3}$  kg/day and  $6.0 \times 10^{-3}$  kg/day, respectively.

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**Table 3-6. Summary of EPA’s Annual and Daily Release Estimates for Each OES**

OES	Estimated Annual Release (kg/site-year)		Type of Discharge, <sup>b</sup> Air Emission, <sup>c</sup> or Transfer for Disposal <sup>c</sup>	Estimated Daily Release (kg/site-day) <sup>e</sup>		Number of Facilities <sup>f</sup>	Source(s)
	Central Tendency	High-End <sup>a</sup>		Central Tendency	High-End		
Manufacturing	1.6	1,299	Surface water	4.7E-03	3.7	3	TRI/DMR
	8.4	2,184	Fugitive air	2.4E-02	6.2	8	TRI
	34	74	Fugitive air	9.5E-02	0.20	4	NEI
	45	499	Stack air	0.13	1.4	9	TRI
		33	Stack air		9.1E-02	1	NEI
	1.4	2.1	Land	3.9E-03	6.0E-03	1	TRI
Processing as a reactive intermediate	3.8E-03	7.5E-02	Surface water	1.1E-05	2.1E-04	60	TRI/DMR
	2.3	155	Fugitive air	1.0E-02	0.44	5	TRI
	4.1	327	Fugitive air	1.2E-02	0.93	16	NEI
	14	610	Stack air	4.0E-02	1.7	4	TRI
	3.8	526	Stack air	1.1E-02	1.5	23	NEI
		0.45	Land		1.3E-02	1	TRI
Processing – repackaging	1.7E-02	0.40	Surface Water	5.0E-05	1.1E-03	3	DMR
	11	19	Fugitive or stack air	0.24	0.46	2 generic sites	Environmental release modeling
	275	320	Hazardous landfill or incineration	6.0	9.4		
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	1.1E-03	9.4E-03	Surface water	4.3E-06	3.7E-05	2	DMR
	3.4	6.2	Fugitive air	9.5E-03	1.7E-02	2	NEI
	2.0E-03	2.0E-03	Stack air	7.9E-06	7.9E-06	2	NEI
	17	32	Fugitive or stack air	7.2E-02	0.14	43-138 generic sites	Environmental release modeling
	504	882	Hazardous landfill or incineration	2.2	3.7		

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OES	Estimated Annual Release (kg/site-year)		Type of Discharge, <sup>b</sup> Air Emission, <sup>c</sup> or Transfer for Disposal <sup>c</sup>	Estimated Daily Release (kg/site-day) <sup>e</sup>		Number of Facilities <sup>f</sup>	Source(s)
	Central Tendency	High-End <sup>a</sup>		Central Tendency	High-End		
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	9.3E-04	6.0E-03	Surface water	3.7E-06	2.4E-05	22	TRI/DMR
	0.63	7.3	Fugitive air	2.5E-03	2.9E-02	7	TRI
	34	202	Fugitive air	0.14	0.81	575	NEI
	1.8E-02	0.82	Stack air	7.3E-05	3.3E-03	8	TRI
	2.5	134	Stack air	1.0E-02	0.54	153	NEI
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	5.1E-03	8.9E-02	Surface water	1.4E-05	2.4E-04	126	DMR
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	2.9E-04	8.5E-03	Surface water	8.0E-07	2.3E-05	42	DMR
Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>e</sup>						
<p><sup>a</sup> “High-end” are defined as 95th percentile releases</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Direct discharge to surface water; indirect discharge to non-POTW; indirect discharge to POTW</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Emissions via fugitive air; stack air; or treatment via incineration</p> <p><sup>d</sup> Transfer to surface impoundment, land application, or landfills</p> <p><sup>e</sup> Where available, EPA used peer-reviewed literature (<i>e.g.</i>, GSs or ESDs to provide a basis to estimate the number of release days of 1,1-dichloroethane within a COU).</p> <p><sup>f</sup> EPA reviewed NRC data and DOT data for the 2015–2020 calendar years for incident reports pertaining to distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane (<a href="#">NRC, 2009</a>) (DOT Hazmat Incident Report Data). EPA did not identify reported releases for 1,1-dichloroethane during distribution of the chemical.</p>							

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### 3.2.2 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for the Estimates of Environmental Releases from Industrial and Commercial Sources

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EPA develops a conclusion on the weight of scientific evidence supporting the environmental release estimates based on the strengths, limitations, and uncertainties associated with the environmental release estimates. The conclusion is summarized using confidence descriptors: robust, moderate, slight, or indeterminate. EPA considers factors that increase or decrease the strength of the evidence supporting the release estimate—including quality of the data/information, applicability of the release data to the COU (including considerations of temporal relevance, locational relevance) and the representativeness of the estimate for the whole industry.

EPA uses descriptors of robust, moderate, slight, or indeterminate, according to EPA's *Draft Application of Systematic Review in TSCA Risk Evaluations* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)). For example, a conclusion of moderate weight of scientific evidence is appropriate where there is measured release data from a limited number of sources such that there is a limited number of data points that may not cover most or all of the sites within the COU. A conclusion of slight weight of scientific evidence is appropriate where there is limited information that does not sufficiently cover all sites within the COU, and the assumptions and uncertainties are not fully known or documented. See *Application of Systematic Review in TSCA Risk Evaluations* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) for additional information on weight of scientific evidence conclusions.

TRI and DMR databases had data quality ratings of medium, and NEI had a high data quality rating. However, the Variability and Uncertainty data quality metric was determined to be low for all three databases. Modeled data had data quality ratings of medium. For releases that used GS/ESDs, the weight of scientific conclusion was moderate when used in tandem with Monte Carlo modeling (Processing – repackaging, commercial use as a laboratory chemicals). Table 3-7 summarizes EPA's overall weight of scientific evidence conclusions for its release estimates for each of the assessed OES.

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**Table 3-7. Summary of Weight of Scientific Evidence Ratings for Environmental Release Estimates by OES**

OES	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion
Manufacturing	Moderate to Robust	<p>Water releases are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI and DMR. The primary strength of TRI data is that TRI compiles the best readily available release data for all reporting facilities. The primary limitation is that the water release assessment is based on three reporting sites, and EPA did not have additional sources to estimate water releases from this OES. Based on other reporting databases (CDR, NEI, etc.), there are seven additional manufacturing sites that are not accounted for in this assessment.</p> <p>Air releases are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI, and 2014 and 2017 NEI. A strength of NEI data is that NEI captures additional sources that are not included in TRI due to reporting thresholds. Factors that decrease the overall confidence for this OES include the uncertainty in the accuracy of reported releases, and the limitations in representativeness to all sites because TRI and NEI may not capture all relevant sites. Additionally, EPA made assumptions on the number of operating days to estimate daily releases.</p> <p>Land releases are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI. The primary limitation is that the land releases assessment is based on one reporting site, and EPA did not have additional sources to estimate land releases from this OES. Based on other reporting databases (CDR, DMR, NEI, etc.), nine additional manufacturing sites are not accounted for in this assessment.</p> <p>Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Moderate to Robust	<p>Water releases are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI and DMR, which both have a medium overall data quality determination from the systematic review process. The primary strength of TRI data is that TRI compiles the best readily available release data for all reporting facilities. The water release assessment is based on 60 reporting sites. Based on other reporting databases (CDR, NEI, etc.), 30 additional sites are not accounted for in this assessment.</p> <p>Air releases are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI, and 2014 and 2017 NEI. A strength of NEI data is that NEI captures additional sources that are not included in TRI due to reporting thresholds. Factors that decrease the overall confidence for this OES include the uncertainty in the accuracy of reported releases, and the limitations in representativeness to all sites because TRI and NEI may not capture all relevant sites.</p> <p>Land releases are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI. The primary limitation is that the land release assessment is based on one reporting site, and EPA did not have additional sources to estimate land releases from this OES. Based on other reporting databases (CDR, DMR, NEI, etc.), 89 additional sites are not accounted for in this assessment.</p>

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OES	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion
		Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.
Processing – repackaging	Moderate to Robust	<p>All facility release data were below the limit of detection, therefore, EPA assessed releases to the using the assumptions and values from the <i>July 2022 Chemical Repackaging GS</i> (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2023c</a>), which the systematic review process rated medium for data quality. EPA used EPA/OPPT models combined with Monte Carlo modeling to estimate releases to the environment, with media of release assessed using assumptions from the ESD and EPA/OPPT models. EPA believes a strength of the Monte Carlo modeling approach is that variation in model input values and a range of potential releases values is more likely than a discrete value to capture actual releases at sites. EPA lacks 1,1-dichloroethane facility production volume data and number of importing/repackaging sites; therefore, throughput estimates are based on CDR reporting thresholds with an overall release using a hypothetical scenario of two facilities.</p> <p>Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Moderate	<p>EPA identified four facilities reporting water and air releases of 1,1-dichloroethane, However, EPA determined this data is not sufficient to capture the entirety of environmental releases for this scenario. Therefore, releases to the environment are assessed using the <i>Draft GS on the Use of Laboratory Chemicals</i>, which has a high data quality rating from the systematic review process (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2023c</a>). EPA used EPA/OPPT models combined with Monte Carlo modeling to estimate releases to the environment, with media of release assessed using assumptions from the ESD and EPA/OPPT models. EPA assumed that the media of release for disposal of laboratory waste is to hazardous waste landfill or incineration. EPA believes a strength of the Monte Carlo modeling approach is that variation in model input values and a range of potential releases values is more likely than a discrete value to capture actual releases at sites. EPA believes the primary limitation to be the uncertainty in the representativeness of values toward the true distribution of potential releases. In addition, EPA lacks 1,1-dichloroethane laboratory chemical throughput data and number of laboratories; therefore, number of laboratories and throughput estimates are based on stock solution throughputs from the <i>Draft GS on the Use of Laboratory Chemicals</i> and on CDR reporting thresholds.</p> <p>Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Moderate to Robust	Water releases for non-POTW sites are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI and DMR. The primary strength of TRI data is that TRI compiles the best readily available release data for all reporting facilities. For non-POTW sites, the primary limitation is that the water release assessment is based on 22



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OES	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion
		<p>reporting sites, and EPA did not have additional sources to estimate water releases from this OES. Based on other reporting databases such as NEI, there are additional sites that are not accounted for in this assessment.</p> <p>Air releases for non-POTW sites are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 TRI, and 2014 and 2017 NEI. A strength of NEI data is that NEI captures additional sources that are not included in TRI due to reporting thresholds. Factors that decrease the confidence for this OES include the uncertainty in the accuracy of reported releases, and the limitations in representativeness to all sites because TRI and NEI may not capture all relevant sites. The air release assessment is based on 650 reporting sites. Based on other reporting databases (CDR and DMR), there are 22 additional non-POTW sites that are not accounted for in this assessment. Additionally, EPA made assumptions on the number of operating days to estimate daily releases. EPA found that major sources of air emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfills come from sources other than 1,1-dichloroethane COUs of Manufacture, processing, and commercial use; specifically, the decomposition of 1,1,1-trichloroethane. However, it is unclear how much 1,1,1-trichloroethane is disposed to landfills and how much 1,1-dichloroethane is generated.</p> <p>Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Moderate to Robust	<p>Water releases for POTW sites are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 DMR. A strength of using DMR data and the Pollutant Loading Tool is that the tool calculates an annual pollutant load by integrating monitoring period release reports provided to the EPA and extrapolating over the course of the year. However, this approach assumes average quantities, concentrations, and hydrologic flows for a given period are representative of other times of the year. The release assessment is based on 126 reporting sites. Based on other reporting databases (CDR, TRI, etc.), all sites are accounted for in this assessment.</p> <p>Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	Moderate to Robust	<p>Water releases for remediation sites are assessed using reported releases from 2015–2020 DMR. A strength of using DMR data and the Pollutant Loading Tool is that the tool calculates an annual pollutant load by integrating monitoring period release reports provided to the EPA and extrapolating over the course of the year. However, this approach assumes average quantities, concentrations, and hydrologic flows for a given period are representative of other times of the year. The release assessment is based on 42 reporting sites. Based on other reporting databases (CDR, TRI, etc.), all sites are accounted for in this assessment.</p> <p>Based on this information, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of releases in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>

### 3.3 Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane in the Environment

#### 1,1-Dichloroethane – Concentrations in the Environment (Section 3.3): Key Points

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information on concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in the environment, including air, water, and land (soil, biosolids, and groundwater). The key points on environmental concentrations are summarized in the bullets below:

- For the air pathway, measured data from a variety of locations within and outside of the United States as well as data obtained from the EPA’s ambient air monitoring databases provided 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations near facilities and locations represent general population exposure.
  - EPA also modeled ambient air concentrations and air deposition from facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane to air. The Agency expects infiltration of ambient air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane may be an important source of 1,1-dichloroethane to the indoor environment.
- For the water pathway, measured data from a variety of locations (surface waters and groundwaters) within and outside of the United States provided 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations to understand general occurrence. However, these locations are not typically in receiving water bodies associated with the facility releases investigated or were not measured at relevant timeframes. Thus, it remains difficult to use monitoring data to assess general population exposure and compare with EPA modeled results.
  - EPA modeled aqueous concentrations in surface waters and groundwater from facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane directly to a receiving surface water body or from the disposal to landfill in the case of groundwater.
  - The Agency expects that facility releases to surface waters and disposal to landfills results in concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane that present an exposure to the general population, however, these aqueous concentrations are expected to be low even for the conservative scenarios that were modeled.

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The environmental exposure characterization focuses on releases of 1,1-dichloroethane from facilities that use, manufacture, or process 1,1-dichloroethane under industrial and/or commercial COUs subject to TSCA regulations as described in Section 3.2.1. To characterize environmental exposure, EPA assessed point estimate exposures derived from both measured and modeled concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient air, surface water, and groundwater resulting from landfills in the United States. Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater are presented from monitoring data and predicted concentrations in soil are noted as a possible source of environmental exposures.

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A literature search was also conducted to identify peer-reviewed or gray sources of 1,1-dichloroethane measured and reported modeled data. The tornado plots and associated tables in Appendix D.3 and in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2024t) are a summary of the measured and reported modeled data for the various environmental media. The plots provide the range of media concentrations in monitoring various studies. The plots show U.S. and non-U.S. data, fraction (e.g., vapor, gas, particle) and the studies are ordered from top to bottom from newer to older data. The plots are colored to indicate general population, remote, near facility, and unknown

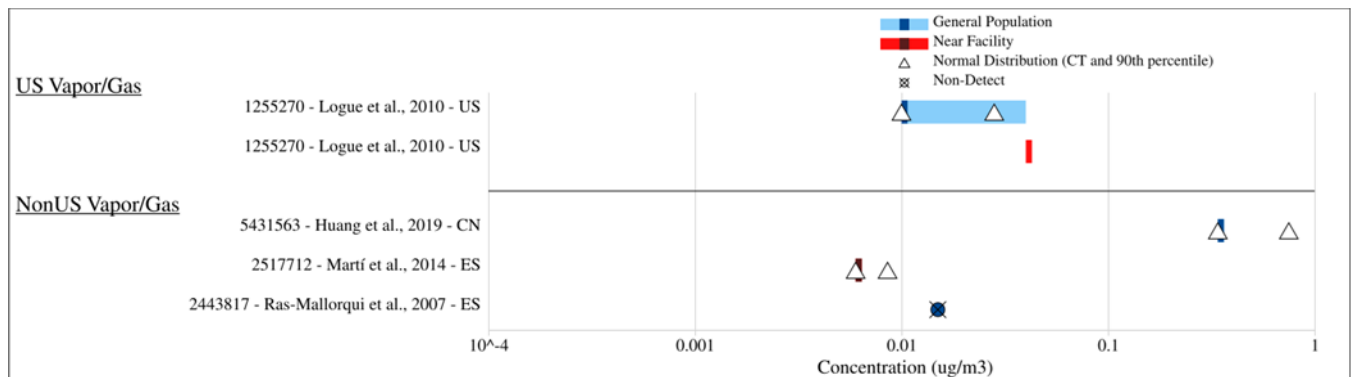
2113 population information. An example of a tornado plot and additional details on the location type such as  
2114 near facility, general population, are provided in Appendix D.3.1.

### 2115 **3.3.1 Ambient Air Pathway**

2116 EPA searched peer-reviewed literature, gray literature, and databases to obtain concentrations of 1,1-  
2117 dichloroethane in ambient air. Section 3.3.1.1 shows the aggregated results of reported measured  
2118 concentrations for ambient air found in the peer-reviewed and gray literature from the systematic review  
2119 and from the EPA Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC). Section 3.3.1.2  
2120 reports EPA modeled ambient air concentrations and air deposition 1,1-dichloroethane from facility  
2121 releases.

#### 2122 **3.3.1.1 Measured Concentrations in Ambient Air**

2123 Ambient air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were measured in one study in the United States  
2124 (Figure 3-5). [Logue et al. \(2010\)](#) reported concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient air from non-  
2125 detect to  $4.0 \times 10^{-2} \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  at four locations across Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (two residential areas near  
2126 chemical and industrial facilities, one downtown residential area with high traffic, and one residential  
2127 area with distant industrial facilities), from 2006 to 2008.  
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2129 **Figure 3-5. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) in the Vapor/Gas Fraction of Ambient**  
2130 **Air from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 2005–2017**

2133 Additional ambient air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were obtained from the EPA's [AMTIC](#). The  
2134 AMTIC archive houses data from 2,800 ambient air monitoring sites across the United States from 1990  
2135 to 2020, with 90 percent of the data from the years 2000 to 2020, resulting from the air toxics program.  
2136 The air toxics program includes the National Air Toxics Trends Sites (NATTS) Network, Community-  
2137 Scale Air Toxics Ambient Monitoring (CSATAM) and Urban Air Toxics Monitoring Program  
2138 (UATMP) that monitor for hazardous air pollutants (HAPs), including 1,1-dichloroethane. This data is  
2139 reported from federal, state, local, and tribal monitoring networks. AMTIC HAPs monitoring data is  
2140 summarized in Table 3-8 for the years 2015 to 2020. These years were selected to be consistent with the  
2141 TRI and NEI data used in the modeled ambient air concentrations (Section 3.3.1.2). As shown in Table  
2142 3-8, measured concentrations from the AMTIC archive ranged from non-detect to  $26 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . Since most  
2143 of the TRI reporting facilities are either in Texas (seven of 23) or in Louisiana (nine of 23), EPA focused  
2144 on AMTIC data in these states. Approximately 25 percent of the monitoring data was reported by the  
2145 State of Texas where nearly 99 percent of the samples were considered non-detects. The State of  
2146 Louisiana reported approximately eight percent of the monitoring data and about 95 percent of the data  
2147 reported were considered non-detects.  
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For more information on 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient air monitoring data, see the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC), 1,1-Dichloroethane Monitoring Data 2015 to 2020* ([U.S. EPA, 2024b](#)).

**Table 3-8. Summary of Selected Statistics of 1,1-Dichloroethane Ambient Air Concentrations ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) from EPA Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center**

Chemical	Statistics <sup>a</sup>	Year					
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1,1-dichloroethane	Number of Samples	12,332	11,954	11,849	11,495	10,234	9,581
	Percent ND	96.6	93.8	97.4	98.3	98.7	98.0
	Minimum <sup>b</sup>	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
	Mean	8.0E-02	8.5E-02	8.6E-02	0.11	0.12	0.13
	Max	7.6	2.0	26	1.2	8.9	6.1

<sup>a</sup> Approximately 97 percent of the samples were non-detects. For samples with a reported minimum detection limit (MDL), EPA considered any sample with a concentration below the MDL to be a non-detect. Additionally, for samples with no reported MDL, EPA considered any sample with a concentration less than or equal to zero to be a non-detect. For calculation of summary statistics, EPA did not include data points where no concentration was reported. EPA also did not include data points in the summary statistics where no MDL was reported, and the concentration was less than or equal to zero. For data points where the concentration was less than the reported MDL, a concentration of half the MDL was used for calculating the mean.

<sup>b</sup> According to [AMTIC's technical guide](#), NDs are to be reported in AQS as zeroes. Therefore, EPA is unable to distinguish between ND and zero measured values.

ND – Non-detect.

### 3.3.1.2 EPA Modeled Concentrations in Ambient Air and Air Deposition (IIOAC/AERMOD)

EPA developed and applied tiered methodologies and analyses to estimate ambient air concentrations and air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane from facility releases. These methodologies and analyses focus on inhalation exposures to a sub-set of the general population residing nearby facilities reporting 1,1-dichloroethane releases to TRI and NEI. For purposes of these analyses, EPA focused on a subset of the general population residing within 10,000 m of a releasing facility. EPA considered multiple years of data and multiple data sets (TRI and NEI) for this analysis. The methodology and analyses were first presented in the *Draft TSCA Screening Level Approach for Assessing Ambient Air and Water Exposures to Fenceline Communities* referred to here as the “2022 Fenceline Report.”<sup>11</sup> The specific methodologies used in this assessment to evaluate general population exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane in air are briefly described in Figure 3-6 and below. Additional details on the methodologies and the full set of inputs are provided in Appendix D.3 and in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: AERMOD Input Specifications* ([U.S. EPA, 2024a](#)).

<sup>11</sup> See [2022 Fenceline Report](#).

### Ambient Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology IIOAC

Methodology is facility and scenario specific. Analysis evaluates ambient and indoor air concentrations and associated exposures/risks resulting from facility-specific releases at three pre-defined distances (100, 100 to 1,000, and 1,000 meters) from a releasing facility. Utilizes multiple years of release data reported to TRI.

### Ambient Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology AERMOD TRI

Methodology is facility and scenario specific. Analysis evaluates ambient air concentrations, associated exposures/risks, populations exposed, and deposition concentrations to land and water, resulting from facility-specific releases at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 meters) and two area distances (30 to 60 meters, and 100 to 1,000 meters) from each releasing facility. Utilizes multiple years of release data reported to TRI.

### Ambient Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology AERMOD NEI

Methodology is process level, site and scenario specific. Analysis evaluates ambient air concentrations, associated exposures/risks, populations exposed, and deposition concentrations to land and water, resulting from facility-specific releases at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 meters) and two area distances (30 to 60 meters, and 100 to 1,000 meters) from each process within a releasing facility. Utilizes multiple years of release data reported to NEI. Includes source specific parameter values used in modeling.

## Figure 3-6. Brief Description of Methodologies and Analyses Used to Estimate Air Concentrations and Exposures

1,1-dichloroethane ambient air concentrations were modeled using facility releases reported in TRI and NEI or alternative release estimates where facility specific data were not available. EPA performed a full analysis using the American Meteorological Society/Environmental Protection Agency Regulatory Model (AERMOD)<sup>12</sup> and EOA's Integrated Indoor/Outdoor Air Calculator (IIOAC).<sup>13</sup> EPA used the air release estimates obtained using the methodology described in Section 3.1 as direct inputs for the models to estimate exposure concentrations at various distances from a releasing facility. EPA expanded upon the methods described in the 2022 Fenceline Report by evaluating air deposition and potential aggregate concentrations from multiple TRI and NEI reporting facilities.

Specifically, to estimate ambient air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane from facility releases EPA used the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology IIOAC. This analysis relies upon TRI data and basic model inputs (IIOAC) and evaluates ambient and indoor air concentrations and associated exposures/risks at three pre-defined distances from a releasing facility to inform whether additional, more specific, higher-tier analysis may be warranted. For 1,1-dichloroethane, the results of the Ambient

<sup>12</sup> See <https://www.epa.gov/scram/air-quality-dispersion-modeling-preferred-and-recommended-models#aermod> for more information.

<sup>13</sup> See [IIOAC website](#) for more information.



2189 Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC identified risk estimates above typical Agency benchmarks for  
2190 cancer at all distances modeled and for multiple releases (high-end and central tendency). Due to results  
2191 of the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC EPA conducted a higher-tier analysis (Ambient  
2192 Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology AERMOD TRI) of all facilities reporting releases of 1,1-  
2193 dichloroethane to TRI and NEI.

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2195 The Ambient Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology AERMOD TRI relies upon TRI data as the  
2196 previous tier analysis but uses a higher tier model (AERMOD) and evaluates ambient air concentrations  
2197 and associated exposures/risks at eight finite distances and two area distances from each releasing  
2198 facility. This tier also evaluates total (wet and dry) deposition concentrations to land and water at each  
2199 distance/area distance modeled. For 1,1-dichloroethane, the results of the Ambient Air: Multi-Year  
2200 Analysis Methodology AERMOD TRI identified risk estimates above typical Agency benchmarks for  
2201 cancer for multiple releases (high-end and central tendency).

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2203 The final tier EPA used in this assessment is the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Analysis Methodology  
2204 AERMOD NEI. Compared to the previous two tiers of analyses that are facility and scenario specific,  
2205 this analysis is process level, site and scenario specific. It includes source specific parameter values used  
2206 in modeling like stack parameters (stack height, stack temperature, plume velocity, etc.), and releases of  
2207 facilities that may not report to TRI.

#### 2208 **3.3.1.2.1 Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC**

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2209 The Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC utilizes EPA's IIOAC model to estimate high-end  
2210 (95th percentile) and central tendency (mean) 1,1-dichloroethane exposure concentrations in ambient air  
2211 and indoor air at three distances from an emitting facility: 100, 100 to 1,000, and 1,000 m. EPA  
2212 considered 6 years of TRI release data (2015 through 2020) for this analysis. The TRI data were used as  
2213 direct inputs to the IIOAC. EPA modeled releases reported to TRI considering source attribution  
2214 (fugitive and stack releases) for each facility and each year of reported releases. Facilities were  
2215 categorized into OESs and later cross-walked to COUs. Indoor air concentrations were calculated by  
2216 multiplying the outdoor air concentration by the indoor-outdoor ratio of 0.65 and 1 for the mean and  
2217 high-end exposure concentrations, respectively.

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2219 The Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC includes both estimates of exposures as well as  
2220 estimates of risks to inform the need, or potential need, for further analysis. For 1,1-dichloroethane, the  
2221 results of the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC identified risk estimates above typical  
2222 Agency benchmarks for cancer at all distances modeled and for multiple releases (high-end and central  
2223 tendency). Due to results of the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology IIOAC and the inability to  
2224 model gaseous deposition, EPA conducted a higher-tier analysis (AERMOD) of all facilities reporting  
2225 releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to TRI and NEI.

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2227 The full set of inputs and results of IIOAC are provided in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
2228 *Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on IIOAC TRI Exposure*  
2229 *and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024p](#)).

#### 2230 **3.3.1.2.2 Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD TRI**

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2231 The Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD TRI utilizes AERMOD to estimate 1,1-  
2232 dichloroethane concentrations in ambient air and air deposition concentrations to land and water, at eight  
2233 finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m) and two area distances (30 to 60 m  
2234 and 100 to 1,000 m) from an emitting facility (Appendix E.1.2.3). EPA modeled two different types of  
2235 release estimates for 1,1-dichloroethane: (1) facility-specific chemical releases with source attribution



2236 when TRI data was available, and (2) alternative release estimates representing a generic facility when  
2237 TRI data was not available for an OES. When TRI data was available, EPA considered 6 years of release  
2238 data (2015 through 2020), and modeled releases reported to TRI considering source attribution (fugitive  
2239 and stack releases) for each facility and each year of reported releases as well as an arithmetic average  
2240 release for each facility across all reported releases across all years. Not all facilities reported releases  
2241 for all six years. Facilities were categorized into OESs and later cross-walked to COUs. Daily and period  
2242 average outputs were obtained via modeling, and post-processing scripts were used to extract a variety  
2243 of statistics from the modeled concentration distribution, including the 95th (high-end), 50th (central  
2244 tendency), and 10th (low-end) percentile 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations at each distance modeled.  
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2246 A summary of the air concentration ranges estimated using the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology  
2247 AERMOD TRI is provided in Table 3-9. The summary includes three OESs and select statistics  
2248 (maximum, mean, median, and minimum) calculated from the modeled concentration distributions  
2249 within each OES at each distance modeled. The associated range of estimated concentrations is based on  
2250 the maximum 95th percentile annual average exposure concentrations for each distance. For the  
2251 maximum 95th percentile, range of modeled concentrations varied by as much as four orders of  
2252 magnitude between minimum and maximum concentrations across all modeled distances for the  
2253 Manufacturing OES, three orders of magnitude for the Processing as a reactive intermediate OES, and  
2254 12 orders of magnitude for the General waste handling, treatment, and disposal OES. This occurs  
2255 because within each OES there are multiple facilities with varying releases. These varying releases, in  
2256 turn, affect the range of estimated exposure concentrations at a given distance. AERMOD modeled  
2257 concentrations for the 95th percentile ranged from 0 to 232  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  across all modeled distances, with the  
2258 maximum modeled concentration being approximately one order of magnitude higher than the  
2259 maximum monitored concentration of 26  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  from AMTIC (Table 3-8) and approximately four orders  
2260 of magnitude higher than the maximum concentration of  $4.0 \times 10^{-2}$   $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  measured in ([Logue et al.,  
2261 2010](#)).  
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2263 A summary of the air deposition rate ranges estimated using the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology  
2264 AERMOD TRI is provided in Table 3-10 and Table 3-11. The summary includes three OESs and select  
2265 statistics (maximum, mean, median, and minimum) calculated from the TRI modeled deposition rates  
2266 distributions within each OES at each distance modeled. The associated range of estimated deposition  
2267 rates is based on the maximum 95th percentile daily (Table 3-10) and annual (Table 3-11) deposition  
2268 rates for each distance.  
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2270 Table 3-12 provides a summary of the air concentrations estimated using the Ambient Air: Multi-Year  
2271 Methodology AERMOD TRI for the Commercial use as a laboratory chemical and Processing –  
2272 repackaging OESs where there was no site-specific data available for modeling. The associated range of  
2273 estimated concentrations is based on the maximum 95th percentile annual average exposure  
2274 concentrations. The ambient air modeled concentrations values are presented for high-end modeled  
2275 releases, high-end meteorology (Lake Charles, Louisiana), and both rural and urban settings. The high-  
2276 end meteorological station used represents meteorological datasets that tended to provide high-end  
2277 concentration estimates relative to the other stations within IIOAC (see Appendix E.1.2.4). The modeled  
2278 results indicate a maximum ambient air concentration of 0.9  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  at 10 m from the facility for the  
2279 Processing – repackaging OES, 22,680 kg/year production volume, and 95th percentile release estimate  
2280 scenario for both rural and urban land category scenarios. For the Commercial use as a laboratory  
2281 chemical OES, results indicate a maximum ambient air concentration of 1.5  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  at 10 m from the  
2282 facility, 22,680 kg/year production volume, and 95th percentile release estimate scenario for both rural  
2283 and urban land category scenarios.  
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2285 The full inputs and results are presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane —*  
2286 *Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD TRI Exposure and Risk*  
2287 *Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024n](#)) and in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental*  
2288 *Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD Generic Releases Exposure and Risk Analysis*  
2289 ([U.S. EPA, 2024l](#)).  
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**Table 3-9. Summary of Select Statistics for the 95th Percentile Annual Average Concentrations for 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI**

OES	# Facilities Evaluated in OES	Statistics	95th Percentile Annual Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) Estimated within 10 to 10,000 m of Releasing Facilities									
			10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Manufacturing	9	Max	2.3E02	9.0E01	6.9E01	3.7E01	1.8E01	2.5	4.1E-01	9.3E-02	3.0E-02	1.0E-02
		Mean	2.0E01	8.7	6.1	3.6	1.7	2.4E-01	4.3E-02	1.0E-02	3.5E-03	1.2E-03
		Median	6.1E-01	2.9E-01	1.8E-01	1.3E-01	6.2E-02	1.2E-02	3.3E-03	1.3E-03	5.7E-04	2.1E-04
		Min	4.0E-02	1.7E-02	1.1E-02	6.5E-03	3.0E-03	3.6E-04	6.4E-05	1.4E-05	4.6E-06	1.5E-06
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	Max	1.5E01	6.4	4.3	2.5	1.2	1.6E-01	2.7E-02	1.3E-02	6.8E-03	2.9E-03
		Mean	3.2	1.4	9.7E-01	5.8E-01	3.0E-01	4.9E-02	1.3E-02	5.1E-03	2.3E-03	9.2E-04
		Median	2.2E-02	1.0E-02	3.8E-02	5.4E-02	1.1E-01	5.5E-02	1.7E-02	4.5E-03	1.5E-03	4.9E-04
		Min	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8	Max	1.9E01	9.3	6.1	3.9	1.9	1.4E-01	4.8E-02	1.1E-02	3.4E-03	1.1E-03
		Mean	8.4E-01	4.0E-01	2.6E-01	1.7E-01	8.2E-02	6.3E-03	2.0E-03	4.4E-04	1.5E-04	4.8E-05
		Median	4.1E-02	1.6E-02	1.1E-02	5.7E-03	2.4E-03	3.0E-04	4.9E-05	1.3E-05	4.5E-06	1.5E-06
		Min	7.6E-11	6.5E-08	3.6E-07	5.4E-07	9.4E-07	3.1E-07	1.1E-07	4.4E-08	2.4E-08	1.1E-08

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**Table 3-10. Summary of Select Statistics for the 95th Percentile Daily Average Air Deposition Rates for 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI**

OES	# Facilities Evaluated in OES	Statistic	95th Percentile Daily Average Air Deposition Rate (g/m <sup>2</sup> /day) Estimated within 10 to 10,000 m of Releasing Facilities									
			10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Manufacturing	9	Max	4.0E-02	3.9E-02	2.2E-02	1.3E-02	5.4E-03	1.8E-04	5.8E-05	1.0E-05	2.9E-06	8.9E-07
		Mean	3.3E-03	3.1E-03	1.7E-03	1.1E-03	4.1E-04	1.5E-05	4.6E-06	7.9E-07	2.4E-07	7.7E-08
		Median	2.8E-05	2.9E-05	1.7E-05	1.3E-05	1.3E-05	1.7E-06	6.1E-07	7.7E-08	2.1E-08	8.0E-09
		Min	1.5E-08	1.3E-08	6.9E-09	4.3E-09	1.7E-09	5.3E-11	1.8E-11	3.4E-12	1.1E-12	3.6E-13
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	Max	8.9E-04	7.9E-04	4.6E-04	2.8E-04	1.2E-04	2.3E-05	9.3E-06	1.6E-06	4.2E-07	1.2E-07
		Mean	2.0E-04	2.0E-04	1.2E-04	8.0E-05	5.4E-05	5.9E-06	2.1E-06	3.8E-07	1.1E-07	3.5E-08
		Median	9.4E-06	1.3E-05	1.4E-05	3.0E-05	7.5E-05	2.7E-06	8.7E-07	1.4E-07	4.1E-08	1.4E-08
		Min	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8	Max	2.1E-05	2.7E-05	1.6E-05	1.1E-05	4.2E-06	1.3E-07	4.8E-08	7.8E-09	2.4E-09	8.8E-10
		Mean	2.9E-06	3.1E-06	1.9E-06	1.2E-06	4.8E-07	1.7E-08	6.2E-09	1.1E-09	3.3E-10	1.1E-10
		Median	8.0E-08	4.7E-08	2.3E-08	1.8E-08	2.2E-08	5.2E-10	1.6E-10	3.2E-11	1.0E-11	3.6E-12
		Min	2.9E-14	4.7E-12	5.6E-11	1.3E-10	2.2E-10	1.6E-11	4.0E-12	6.5E-13	2.3E-13	8.3E-14

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**Table 3-11. Summary of Select Statistics for the 95th Percentile Annual Average Air Deposition Rates for 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI**

OES	# Facilities Evaluated in OES	Statistic	95th Percentile Annual Average Air Deposition Rates (g/m <sup>2</sup> /year) Estimated within 10 to 10,000 m of Releasing Facilities									
			10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Manufacturing	9	Max	2.2E01	2.2E01	1.5E01	7.9	3.1	2.2E-01	3.8E-02	7.4E-03	2.3E-03	7.4E-04
		Mean	8.5E-01	8.6E-01	6.0E-01	3.1E-01	1.2E-01	9.4E-03	1.7E-03	3.3E-04	1.0E-04	3.3E-05
		Median	7.0E-03	6.9E-03	4.9E-03	3.0E-03	2.5E-03	5.3E-04	1.5E-04	3.8E-05	1.3E-05	4.3E-06
		Min	1.5E-06	1.3E-06	9.0E-07	4.5E-07	1.8E-07	2.0E-08	3.2E-09	7.4E-10	2.7E-10	1.1E-10
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	Max	4.0E-01	4.5E-01	3.3E-01	2.0E-01	2.2E-01	4.3E-02	1.7E-02	3.5E-03	1.1E-03	3.3E-04
		Mean	4.4E-02	5.5E-02	4.2E-02	2.9E-02	2.6E-02	4.3E-03	1.4E-03	3.0E-04	9.0E-05	2.8E-05
		Median	2.3E-03	3.3E-03	9.4E-03	1.4E-02	1.8E-02	1.4E-03	3.0E-04	5.7E-05	1.9E-05	5.9E-06
		Min	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8	Max	5.1E-03	7.8E-03	5.6E-03	3.2E-03	1.3E-03	1.1E-04	1.7E-05	3.3E-06	9.9E-07	3.2E-07
		Mean	6.1E-04	7.9E-04	5.5E-04	3.2E-04	1.4E-04	1.0E-05	2.0E-06	4.0E-07	1.2E-07	4.2E-08
		Median	1.5E-05	1.5E-05	1.0E-05	6.7E-06	4.9E-06	4.6E-07	9.3E-08	2.4E-08	8.0E-09	2.6E-09
		Min	5.9E-12	3.2E-09	3.4E-08	7.2E-08	1.2E-07	1.5E-08	3.6E-09	6.7E-10	2.4E-10	1.0E-10

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**Table 3-12. Summary of Maximum 95th Percentile Annual Average Concentrations for 1,1-Dichloroethane for Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical, and Processing – Repackaging for Laboratory Chemicals OESs for the 95th Percentile Production Volume**

OES	Meteorology <sup>a</sup>	Source	Land	95th Percentile Annual Average Concentration (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) Estimated within 10 to 10,000 m of Releasing Facilities									
				10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Processing – repackaging	High	Stack and Fugitive	Urban	9.3E-01	2.6E-01	2.1E-01	1.5E-01	1.4E-01	3.8E-02	1.3E-02	3.8E-03	1.3E-03	4.7E-04
	High	Stack and Fugitive	Rural	9.3E-01	2.6E-01	2.0E-01	1.2E-01	1.0E-01	3.4E-02	1.5E-02	4.5E-03	1.9E-03	9.8E-04
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	High	Stack and Fugitive	Urban	1.5	4.4E-01	3.9E-01	3.1E-01	3.5E-01	1.0E-01	3.4E-02	1.0E-02	3.7E-03	1.3E-03
	High	Stack and Fugitive	Rural	1.5	4.3E-01	3.5E-01	2.5E-01	2.4E-01	9.0E-02	4.0E-02	1.3E-02	5.1E-03	2.5E-03

<sup>a</sup> High refers to meteorological conditions from Lake Charles, Louisiana. Since the scenarios are not at real locations, they were modeled using a meteorological station that represents meteorological datasets that tended to provide high-end concentration estimates relative to the other stations within IIOAC.

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### 3.3.1.2.3 Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD NEI

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2307 The Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD NEI utilizes AERMOD to estimate 1,1-  
2308 dichloroethane concentrations in ambient air and air deposition rates to land and water, at eight finite  
2309 distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m) and two area distance from an emitting  
2310 facility. EPA considered the most recent 2 years of NEI release data (2014 and 2017) for this analysis.  
2311 The NEI data was used as direct inputs to the AERMOD. NEI releases were categorized into OESs and  
2312 later cross-walked to COUs. Daily and period average outputs were obtained via modeling, and post-  
2313 processing scripts were used to extract a variety of statistics from the modeled concentration  
2314 distribution, including the 95th (high-end), 50th (central tendency), and 10th (low-end) percentile 1,1-  
2315 dichloroethane concentrations at each distance modeled. A summary of the concentration ranges  
2316 estimated using the Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD NEI is provided in Table 3-13.  
2317 The summary includes four OESs and select statistics (maximum, mean, median, and minimum)  
2318 calculated from the NEI modeled concentration distributions within each OES at each distance modeled.  
2319 The associated range of estimated concentrations is based on the maximum 95th percentile annual  
2320 average exposure concentrations for each distance. EPA grouped all the NEI releases, currently not  
2321 mapped to an OES, in the “Facilities not mapped to an OES” OES (Section 3.2).

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2323 Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD NEI modeled concentrations ranged from 0 to 32  
2324  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (Table 3-13) with the maximum modeled concentration being similar to the maximum monitored  
2325 concentration of  $26 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  from AMTIC (Table 3-8), which is approximately an order of magnitude  
2326 lower than the AERMOD TRI maximum modeled concentration of  $232 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (Section 3.3.1.2.2). Like  
2327 the AERMOD TRI, there are many instances where within an OES the range of maximum modeled  
2328 concentrations extends across as many as five orders of magnitude across all modeled distances. This  
2329 occurs because within each OES there are multiple facilities with varying releases. These varying  
2330 releases, in turn, affect the range of estimated exposure concentrations at a given distance.

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2332 The full inputs and results are presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
2333 *Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD NEI Exposure and Risk*  
2334 *Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024m](#)).

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**Table 3-13. Summary of Select Statistics for the 95th Percentile Estimated Annual Average Concentrations for 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to NEI**

OES	# Releases Evaluated in OES	Statistic	Annual Average Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) Estimated within 10 to 10,000 m of Releasing Facilities									
			10	30	30 to 60	60	100	100 to 1,000	1,000	2,500	5,000	10,000
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	2	Max	3.7E-02	1.2E-02	7.2E-03	4.2E-03	1.9E-03	1.9E-04	3.8E-05	8.2E-06	2.6E-06	8.4E-07
		Mean	1.2E-02	3.8E-03	2.4E-03	1.4E-03	6.2E-04	6.4E-05	1.3E-05	2.7E-06	8.7E-07	2.8E-07
		Median	1.7E-06	8.1E-07	5.6E-07	3.4E-07	1.7E-07	1.8E-08	4.1E-09	8.9E-10	2.9E-10	9.2E-11
		Min	4.2E-07	2.0E-07	1.4E-07	8.4E-08	4.1E-08	4.4E-09	1.0E-09	2.2E-10	7.1E-11	2.3E-11
Manufacturing	9	Max	2.1	6.1	6.1	6.0	5.7	1.0	1.2E-01	2.6E-02	8.3E-03	2.6E-03
		Mean	7.0E-01	3.6E-01	3.0E-01	2.2E-01	1.6E-01	3.3E-02	4.7E-03	1.0E-03	3.3E-04	1.1E-04
		Median	3.8E-03	3.1E-03	4.2E-03	4.0E-03	2.7E-03	7.1E-04	1.7E-04	4.5E-05	1.7E-05	5.5E-06
		Min	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Processing as a reactive intermediate	50	Max	3.2E01	1.2E01	8.2	4.9	2.2	2.7E-01	4.8E-02	1.7E-02	6.7E-03	2.4E-03
		Mean	9.9E-01	4.7E-01	3.1E-01	1.9E-01	8.9E-02	1.1E-02	3.0E-03	8.1E-04	3.1E-04	1.2E-04
		Median	1.3E-06	2.5E-05	1.7E-04	2.0E-04	4.4E-04	2.3E-04	7.2E-05	2.5E-05	1.1E-05	5.5E-06
		Min	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	102	Max	1.3E01	8.2	6.5	4.1	2.1	2.1E-01	5.2E-02	1.1E-02	3.4E-03	1.0E-03
		Mean	8.3E-01	3.5E-01	2.5E-01	1.5E-01	7.6E-02	9.8E-03	2.0E-03	4.5E-04	1.5E-04	4.8E-05
		Median	3.1E-04	6.3E-04	6.9E-04	5.0E-04	3.3E-04	5.4E-05	1.8E-05	6.5E-06	2.5E-06	9.8E-07
		Min	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Facilities not mapped to an OES	57	Max	9.2	3.7	2.8	1.5	7.3E-01	1.2E-01	1.8E-02	3.9E-03	1.3E-03	4.0E-04
		Mean	1.3E-01	5.7E-02	4.1E-02	2.3E-02	1.1E-02	1.7E-03	2.9E-04	6.6E-05	2.2E-05	7.6E-06
		Median	2.8E-09	2.9E-06	1.7E-05	2.4E-05	3.2E-05	1.4E-05	7.3E-06	2.8E-06	1.2E-06	4.4E-07
		Min	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Details found in: *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD NEI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024m](#))  
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### 3.3.1.2.4 Population Analysis

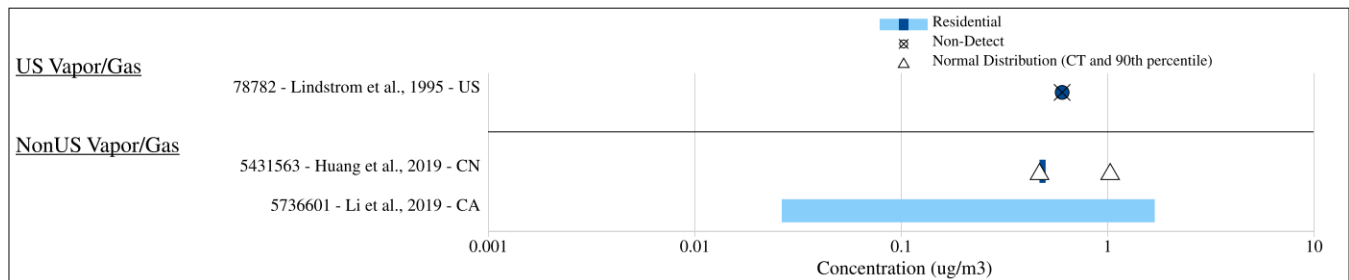
The Ambient Air: Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD TRI and NEI includes a detailed population analysis described in Section 5.3.3.2.5 and Appendix E.2. This includes an evaluation of the general population in terms of characterization of those members of the general population that are considered PESS (see Section 5.3.2), that are living within 1,000m of TRI releasing facilities – locations with highest 1,1-dichloroethane ambient air concentrations (see Table 3-12). The analysis also includes an examination of the environments and community infrastructure surrounding the TRI release sites, such as residential neighborhoods, parks, schools, childcare centers, places of worship, and hospitals.

## 3.3.2 Indoor Air Pathway

Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in the indoor environment may be limited to a few sources, the most likely from outdoor air intrusion to indoor air through heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems and open windows. There are no consumer products or articles currently identified containing and off-gassing 1,1-dichloroethane and thus not anticipated to contribute to indoor 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations. Also, given the very low estimated groundwater concentrations (see Section 3.3.4.3), vapor intrusion is not expected to be a source of 1,1-dichloroethane exposures.

### 3.3.2.1 Measured Concentrations in Indoor Air

Indoor air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were measured in one study in the United States (Figure 3-7). [Lindstrom et al. \(1995\)](#) reported non-detect concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in indoor air in 34 homes (conventional single-family homes and townhomes) in the Rocky Mountains, United States between 1992 (pre-occupancy) and 1993 (during occupancy).



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**Figure 3-7. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/m<sup>3</sup>) in the Vapor/Gas Fraction in Indoor Air, from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1992–2017**

### 3.3.2.2 Modeled Concentrations in Indoor Air

IIOAC calculates a mean and high-end indoor air concentration based on the outdoor/ambient air concentration and the mean and high-end indoor-outdoor ratios. In IIOAC, the indoor-outdoor ratio of 0.65 is used to calculate indoor air concentrations corresponding to the mean outdoor air concentration for each potentially exposed population. The indoor-outdoor ratio of 1 is used to calculate the indoor air concentration corresponding to the 95th percentile of outdoor air concentration of each potentially exposed population.

IIOAC modeled high-end indoor air concentrations ranged from  $9.9 \times 10^{-8}$  to  $18 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (Table 3-14). The range of concentrations can vary by as much as six orders of magnitude between minimum and maximum concentrations. This occurs because within each OES there are multiple facilities with varying releases. These varying releases, in turn, affect the range of estimated exposure concentrations at a given distance.

2376 The full inputs and results of IIOAC are presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
 2377 *Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on IIOAC TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis*  
 2378 [\(U.S. EPA, 2024p\)](#).  
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2380 **Table 3-14. Summary of Select Statistics for the 95th Percentile Estimated Annual Average Indoor**  
 2381 **Air Concentrations for 1,1- Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI**

OES	# Facilities Evaluated in OES	Statistic	Annual Average Indoor Air Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) Estimated within 100 to 1,000 m of Releasing Facilities		
			100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m
Manufacturing	9	Max	1.8E01	2.0	8.3E-01
		Mean	1.5	1.8E-01	7.2E-02
		Median	4.1E-02	7.1E-03	3.3E-03
		Min	3.2E-03	3.7E-04	1.5E-04
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	Max	9.5E-01	1.1E-01	4.5E-02
		Mean	2.1E-01	2.9E-02	1.3E-02
		Median	7.9E-02	2.5E-02	1.3E-02
		Min	0	0	0
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8	Max	6.4E-01	7.5E-02	3.0E-02
		Mean	2.7E-02	3.1E-03	1.3E-03
		Median	3.2E-03	3.8E-04	1.5E-04
		Min	5.9E-07	1.9E-07	9.9E-08

### 2382 3.3.3 Surface Water Pathway

2383 Surface water contamination from 1,1-dichloroethane occurs primarily from the direct discharge of  
 2384 wastewater from industrial operations and wastewater treatment plants. To understand the possible  
 2385 exposure scenarios from these ongoing practices, EPA assessed exposures to the general population  
 2386 from ambient surface waters and drinking water. EPA also evaluated exposures to ecological species  
 2387 dwelling in the water column and benthic zone of ambient surface waters. These exposures are due to  
 2388 the release of 1,1-dichloroethane from direct facility discharges to receiving surface waterbodies.  
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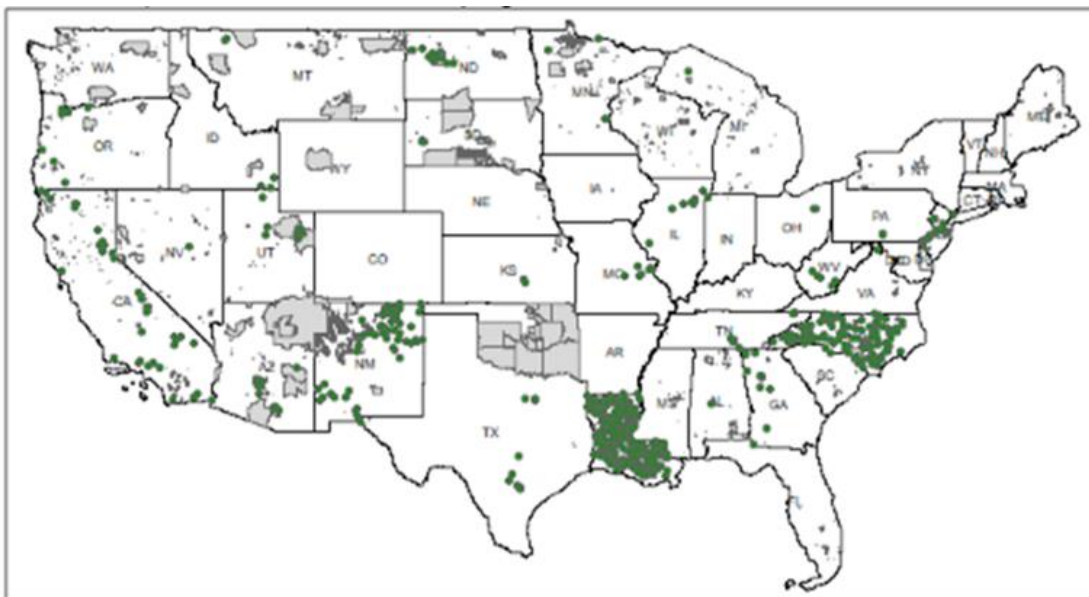
2390 The evaluation of these exposures considered the review of available monitoring data collected from  
 2391 ambient surface waters and finished drinking water, as well as model results generated by the EPA.  
 2392 Although EPA identified a robust set of surface and drinking water monitoring data (Section 3.3.3.1),  
 2393 indicating the presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in both sources of exposure, the timing and location that  
 2394 samples were collected as a part of these datasets typically do not coincide with locations and  
 2395 timeframes most relevant to modeled estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations using available  
 2396 release information. Therefore, EPA relied primarily on a series of modeling approaches to estimate  
 2397 concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface waters near known release locations (Section 3.3.3.2.1)  
 2398 and at known downstream drinking water intake locations that serve public water systems (PWS). To the  
 2399 degree possible, the relationship between monitoring and modeled data is further evaluated in Section  
 2400 3.3.5.

### 3.3.3.1 Measured Concentrations in Surface Water

Measured aqueous concentration data for 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient surface water (*i.e.*, collected from rivers, streams, lakes, and ponds, rather than within industrial operations or drinking water systems) from across the country, were collected from public databases and peer-reviewed publications. Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in finished (*i.e.*, treated) drinking water as a part of routine monitoring conducted by PWSs were likewise collected from public databases and peer-reviewed publications. The methods for retrieving this ambient surface water and PWS monitoring data are described in detail in Appendix F.

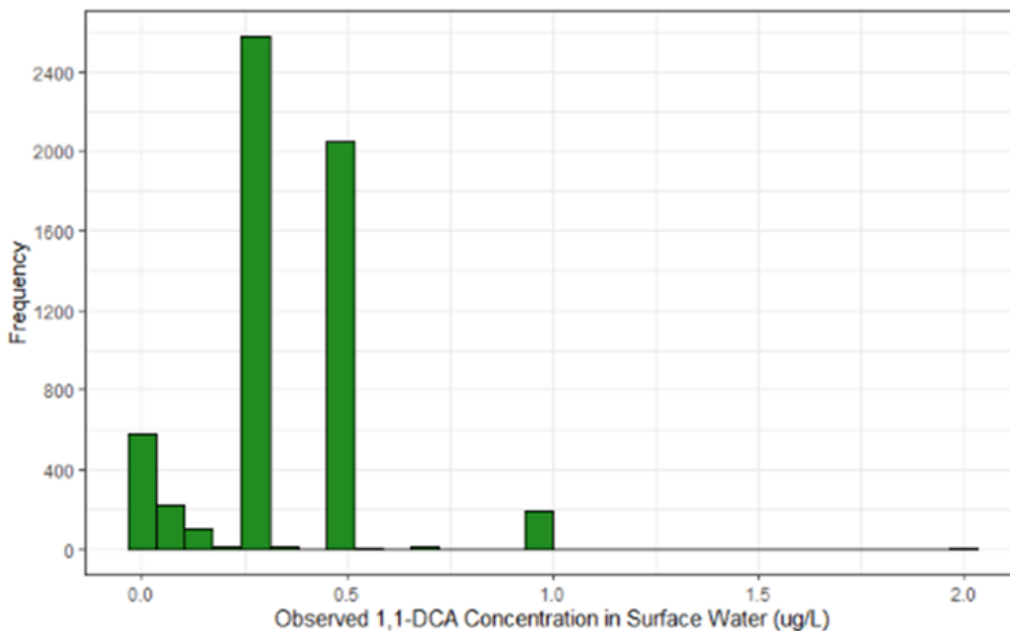
Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane from surface waters were retrieved from the Water Quality Portal (WQP) ([NWQMC, 2022](#)) to characterize the distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane levels found in ambient surface water from across the nation, and to provide context for the modeled surface water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane presented in Section 3.3.3.2.2. Measured data were retrieved irrespective of the reason for sample collection in order to assess trends in the observed concentrations more broadly. WQP data were downloaded in May 2023 for samples collected between 2015 to 2020, resulting in 6,274 data points (Figure 3-8 and Figure 3-9). Full details of the retrieval and data processing steps of ambient surface water monitoring data from the WQP are presented in Appendix F.

WQP concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane measured in ambient surface waters ranged from the detection limit to 2 µg/L, with a median concentration of 0.25 µg/L and a 95th percentile concentration of 0.5 µg/L. Figure 3-8 shows the national spatial distribution of these results, with a strong bias of samples collected from New Mexico, Louisiana, North Carolina, and New Jersey. In the absence of a national standardized study of 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient surface water (that would be analogous to EPA's third Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule [UCMR3] for drinking water), and without greater national coverage and metadata, it is difficult to characterize the national occurrence of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface waters. Over-representation of certain states or regions may reflect targeted sampling campaigns of specific locations expected to have potentially high concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane. Conclusions about areas without monitoring data cannot be drawn without further exploration through modeling. However, for those areas containing sufficient data coverage, it is apparent that 1,1-dichloroethane is found in relatively low quantities in ambient surface waters.



**Figure 3-8. Locations of 1,1-Dichloroethane Measured in Ambient Surface Waters Obtained from the WQP, 2015–2020**

American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian (AIANNH) tribal boundaries are shaded gray. Note: Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, N. Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands are not shown because they do not contain surface water monitoring data within the WQP.

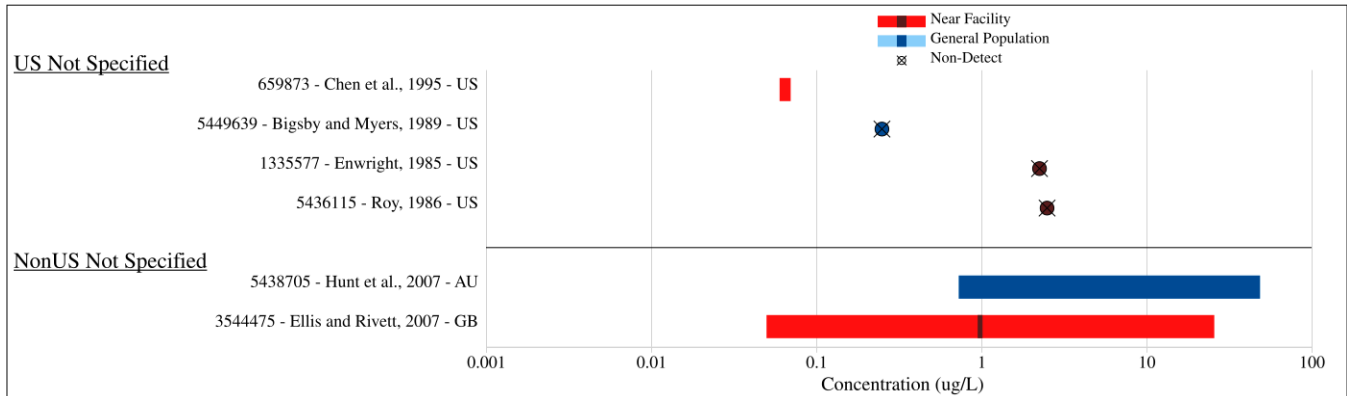


**Figure 3-9. National Distribution of 1,1-Dichloroethane Concentrations Measured in Ambient Surface Waters from Surface Waters Obtained from the WQP, 2015–2020**

A limited amount of 1,1-dichloroethane concentration data was identified through EPA’s systematic review of published literature. A summary of the individual studies is shown in Figure 3-10. Results from peer-reviewed studies showed that concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane ranged from not detected to 48.7 µg/L from 155 surface water samples, from near facility release sites or not associated with



2449 release sites of 1,1-dichloroethane, collected between 1984 and 2005 in three countries: Australia,  
2450 United Kingdom, and the United States. Reported detection frequency ranged from 0 to 0.5 µg/L. While  
2451 these results collected from EPA’s systematic review process are few, they do indicate that relatively  
2452 high concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane have been observed in ambient surface waters in years past.  
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2455 **Figure 3-10. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µ/L) in Surface Water from U.S.-Based and**  
2456 **International Studies, 1984–2005**

2457 **3.3.3.2 Modeled Concentrations in Surface Water**

2458 To assess general population and aquatic ecological species exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane via  
2459 industrial releases to surface waters, aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were modeled in the  
2460 receiving water bodies of individual facility releases. These estimates reflect the highest potential  
2461 aqueous concentrations resulting from reported 1,1-dichloroethane facility discharges.

2462 **3.3.3.2.1 Surface Water Modeling Methodology**

2463 A full description of the modeling approach to estimate concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface  
2464 waters from direct facility-specific releases can be found in Appendix F.

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2466 As described in Section 3.2.1, annual releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters from regulated  
2467 facility discharges were retrieved from the TRI and DMR public data records. To the extent possible,  
2468 modeled hydrologic flow data (*i.e.*, stream flow) associated with the facility’s receiving water body was  
2469 retrieved from the NHDPlus V2.1 dataset ([U.S. EPA and U.S.G.S., 2016](#)). The receiving water body was  
2470 identified from NPDES permit information of the releasing facility for the 2015 to 2020 time reporting  
2471 period. Detailed methods for the retrieval and processing steps with the flow data are presented in  
2472 Appendix F. Surface water (water column) concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were calculated for  
2473 general population and human health exposures as well as exposure to aquatic ecological species.  
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2475 **Individual Facility Modeling**

2476 Individual facility modeling was conducted to estimate concentrations in receiving waterbodies resulting  
2477 from the highest facility-specific annual release reported between 2015 through 2020. An exception was  
2478 made for the release data of the manufacturing COU facility where the next highest release data which  
2479 occurred in 2016 was used in lieu of the highest release data corresponding with a hurricane event in  
2480 2020 ([U.S. EPA, 2024d](#)). In some cases, a calculated facility effluent hydrologic flow was prioritized  
2481 over a modeled NHD receiving water body stream flow value (see Appendix F for more details). This  
2482 modeling approach employed the equations used to model releases from facilities in the E-FAST 2014  
2483 model ([U.S. EPA, 2014a](#)), which is described in Appendix F. Each facility and annual release amount  
2484 were applied to a 1-day maximum release scenario, which assumes that the annual release amount

2485 occurs in a single operation day as well as a scenario in which releases are equal to the facility's OES  
2486 operating days (see Table 3-3). The former scenario provides more conservative estimates of resulting  
2487 surface water concentrations and are intended to evaluate the full range of possible facility release  
2488 patterns based on the best available information. The latter scenario provides a refined analysis and  
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2490 exposure estimates.

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2492 Two flow metrics based on NHD hydrologic stream flow or the facility effluent hydrologic flow value  
2493 were used to estimate concentrations associate with general population exposure and human health  
2494 outcomes: a 30Q5 (the lowest 30-day average flow within a 5-year period) and the harmonic mean flow.  
2495 The resulting modeled water column concentrations for each facility release site were used to calculate  
2496 exposures related to human dermal contact, oral ingestion, and fish consumption.

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2498 The 7Q10 flow metric (the lowest measured 7-day average flow within a 10-year period) was used to  
2499 estimate concentrations and exposures to aquatic ecological species. These 7Q10 flow values were also  
2500 based on NHD stream flow or a calculated facility effluent flow. Aqueous concentrations of 1,1-  
2501 dichloroethane for acute and chronic aquatic ecological exposures were calculated as described in  
2502 Appendix F. To estimate concentrations for acute or water column ecological exposure, the highest  
2503 annual facility load was divided by one and then paired with the respective receiving water body flow  
2504 value, which assumes the annual release occurred in a single operation day. To estimate concentrations  
2505 for chronic ecological exposure, the highest annual facility load was divided by 21, which thereby  
2506 assumes the annual release occurred in equal daily amounts over the course of 21 consecutive facility  
2507 operation days.

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2509 The acute (highest 1-day daily) and chronic (highest 21-day daily) concentrations were then compared  
2510 with identified concentrations of concern (CoCs) for acute water column ecological exposure (7,898  
2511  $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) and chronic water column ecological exposure (93  $\mu\text{g/L}$ ). Details that describe how the CoCs  
2512 were chosen can be found in Section 4.2.5.1. Facility releases that result in modeled acute and chronic  
2513 aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane that exceed these water column CoCs formed a new list of  
2514 facility releases to re-model estimates of water column concentration using the Point Source Calculator  
2515 (PSC). A description of the PSC and modeling steps taken herein can be found in Section 3.3.3.2.3. The  
2516 PSC allows for a refined estimation of chemical concentrations in the water column of receiving water  
2517 bodies that takes into consideration several key physicochemical and fate properties of the chemical  
2518 following its release into surface water (*e.g.*, biological and physical degradation). The PSC is a  
2519 preferred model for estimating concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for ecological species exposures,  
2520 but the model in its present version is impractical to apply for multiple sites without making certain  
2521 assumptions surrounding the model's input parameters. Details on the assumptions made can be found  
2522 in Section 3.3.3.2.3. After applying PSC, refined estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in the  
2523 water column were again compared with their respective acute and chronic water column CoCs. Those  
2524 facility releases with modeled aqueous concentrations that exceed their respective CoC formed a final  
2525 list of facility releases. This list was carried through to estimate acute and chronic water column 1,1-  
2526 dichloroethane concentrations for the ecological exposure assessment using the PSC. In addition, the  
2527 modeled number of days that the concentration exceeds the respective acute or chronic CoC was  
2528 calculated by PSC and considered in the ecological exposure evaluation.

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2530 Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface waters resulting from air deposition were estimated for a  
2531 small, slow moving, stream scenario using the PSC. The intention was to estimate aquatic water column  
2532 concentrations resulting from air deposition that represent a conservative scenario, appropriate for a tier-  
2533 1 style evaluation. The highest 95th percentile daily average air deposition rate and associated

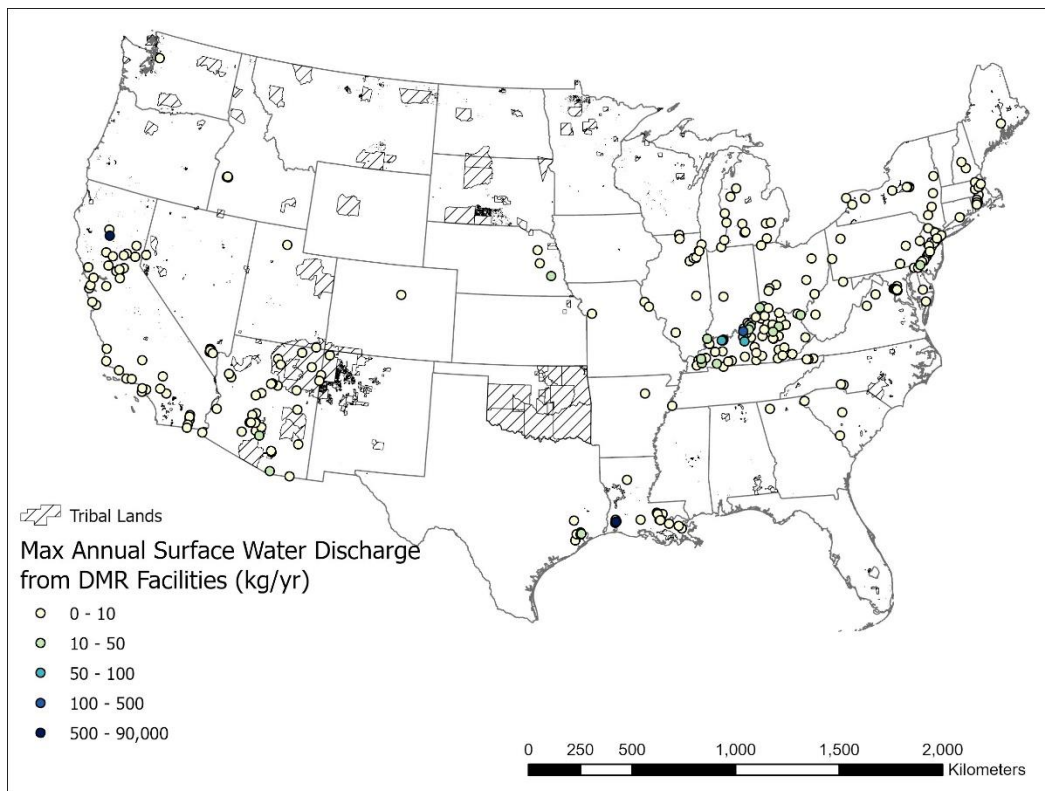
2534 AERMOD modeled distance for each OES was first identified using the results from Table 3-10. These  
2535 air deposition rates were then applied to the following scenario in PSC: constant 365 consecutive days-  
2536 on of release (and deposition) that overlaps entirely with a stream having a 200 m<sup>2</sup> surface area and 200  
2537 m<sup>3</sup> volume (40 m length × 5 m width × 1 m depth), and a constant streamflow of 10 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The same  
2538 1,1-dichloroethane physicochemical properties, biogeochemical parameters, and weather file described  
2539 in the wastewater discharge analysis was used for the PSC runs. PSC results for the 1- and 21-day  
2540 average surface water column concentrations were compared with their respective acute (1-day) and  
2541 chronic (21-day) water column CoCs for exposure to aquatic ecological species. The distances between  
2542 the facility air release sites (*i.e.*, the TRI coordinates) and the nearest neighboring NHD hydrological  
2543 flowlines were estimated using GIS software to inform whether the highest 95th percentile daily average  
2544 air deposition rate and associated modeled distance for each OES were reasonably representative to  
2545 choose. If the PSC-estimated concentrations exceeded their respective acute or chronic CoC, but the  
2546 distance between the facility release site and nearest neighboring NHD flowline was deemed too far  
2547 away relative to the AERMOD modeled distance or areal range, a new daily average air deposition rate  
2548 was chosen based on the distance between the release site and nearest NHD flowline. PSC was then run  
2549 again using the new deposition rate. Results of the air deposition rates and surface water column  
2550 concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane are shown Table 3-16.

#### 2551 **3.3.3.2.2 Surface Water Modeling Results**

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2552 The locations where surface water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were modeled are shown in  
2553 Figure 3-11. The annual release amounts used to generate the highest 1-day concentration estimates are  
2554 shown in Figure 3-12. The corresponding modeled concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for each  
2555 individual direct facility release to their respective receiving surface water body or within a calculated  
2556 facility effluent flow is summarized in Figure 3-13. These results reflect estimates of the highest  
2557 potential 1,1-dichloroethane concentration at the site of facility release into surface water, where the  
2558 entire annual release derived from the Pollutant Loading Tool is assumed to occur in a single operation  
2559 day. Thus, these estimates reflect a conservative scenario and provide an upper limit of the potential  
2560 aqueous concentrations that may have occurred between 2015 and 2020. It is important to note that these  
2561 results do not consider aggregate contribution of 1,1-dichloroethane from other sources, including  
2562 instances where multiple facility releases combine within the same stream/river network.

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2564 The lowest modeled 30Q5-based 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations were near detection limit. The 25th,  
2565 50th, 75th, and 95th percentiles of the modeled concentrations were 3.6, 49.6, 194, and 913 µg/L,  
2566 respectively. A similar distribution of data was found for modeled harmonic mean based 1,1-  
2567 dichloroethane concentrations. The highly variable estimates are due to variability in the annual facility  
2568 release amounts and the receiving water body or calculated facility effluent hydrologic flow values.  
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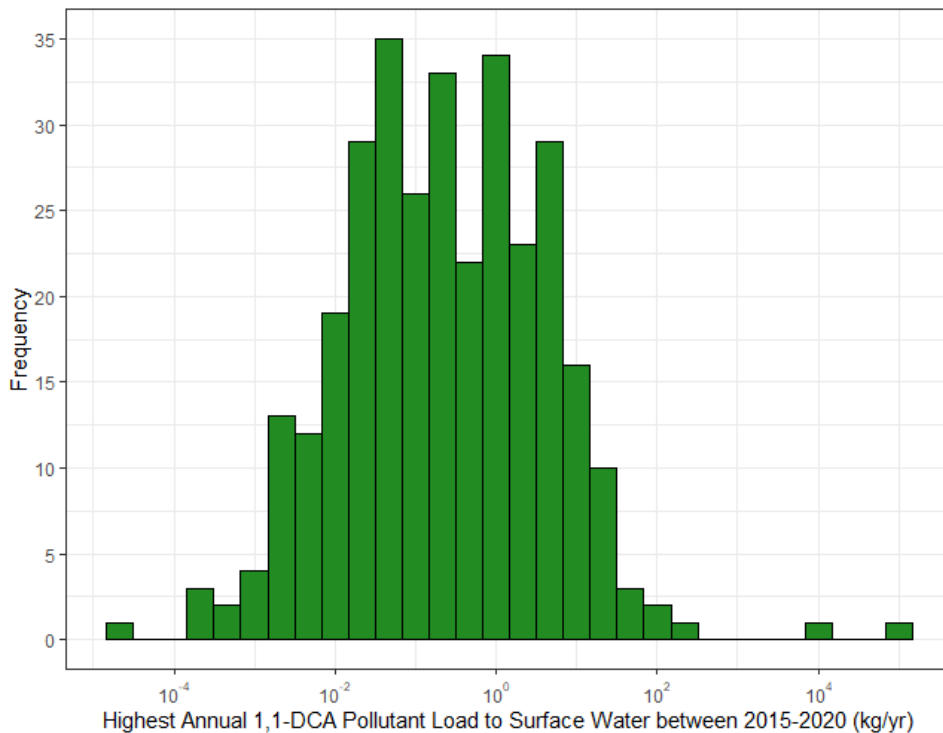


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2571 **Figure 3-11. Locations of Modeled Estimates of 1,1-Dichloroethane Concentration from Facility**  
2572 **Releases to Ambient Surface Waters, 2015–2020**

2573 AIANNH tribal boundaries are shaded in gray.

2574 Note: Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, N. Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands are  
2575 not shown because they do not contain surface water monitoring data within the WQP.  
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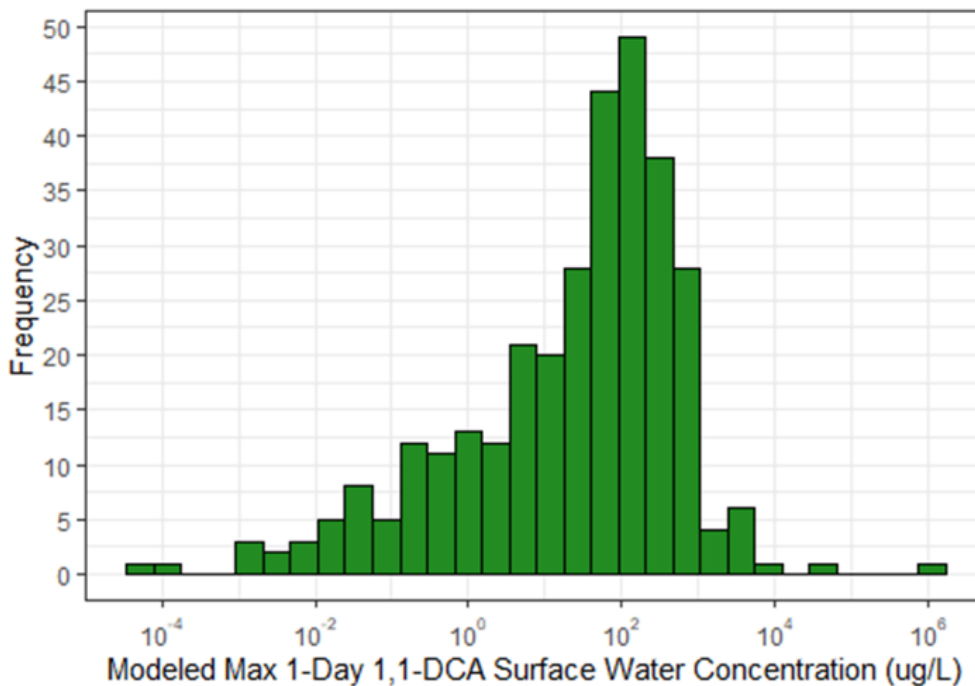
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**Figure 3-12. Distribution of Highest Facility Annual Releases of 1,1-Dichloroethane to their Receiving Water Body between 2015–2020**

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**Figure 3-13. Distribution of Surface Water Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane Modeled from the Highest Annual Facility Releases between 2015–2020 for a One Operating Day Per Year Scenario**

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Estimates of 30Q5 hydrologic flow used to generate these concentrations.

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### 3.3.3.2.3 Model Estimates from Point Source Calculator (PSC)

#### *Industrial Releases to Surface Waters*

Of the 319 unique sites releasing 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water, 3 and 11 sites had initially modeled concentrations that exceeded the acute water column CoC (7,898 µg/L) and chronic water column CoC (93 µg/L), respectively. However, of these sites, the CA0083721 site was excluded from further analysis because of a data reporting error. After estimating their water column concentrations again using the PSC, seven site concentration estimates exceeded the chronic water column CoC (Table 3-15). It is important to note that some low hydrologic flow values were applied to these facility releases, which increases the concentration estimates.

**Table 3-15. Results from the Point Source Calculator, Showing Facility Release Information, 7Q10 Flow Values, and Modeled Chronic Surface Water (Water Column) Concentrations that Exceed the Water Column Acute Coc (7,898 µg/L) and Chronic CoC (93 µg/L) for Ecological Species Exposure**

Facility NPDES ID	21-Day Highest Release (kg/day)	7Q10 Flow (MLD)	Surface Water Concentration (µg/L)
LA0000761	5.788	4.051	1,430
KY0022039	3.881	27.334	143
NE0043371	2.368	10.996	218
TX0119792	1.056	4.656	236
CA0064599	0.243	0.416 <sup>a</sup>	580
OH0143880	0.025	0.073	312
NV0021067	0.019	0.129	139

<sup>a</sup> For CA0064599 permit reported plant flow was used to estimate surface water concentrations instead of estimated receiving water body 7Q10.

#### *Air Deposition to Surface Waters*

The PSC-simulated 1-day average concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in the water column resulting from air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane from TRI-reported fugitive emissions to the small, slow-moving stream scenario did not exceed the acute water column CoC of 7,898; however, an initial 21-day average concentration did exceed the chronic water column CoC of 93 µg/L for the Manufacturing OES designation. Under this conservative stream scenario, the air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters from facilities with a Manufacturing OES may result in exposure levels that pose a concern to water-column dwelling ecological species. It is important to note, however, that the air deposition rate for this specific Manufacturing facility applies to a distance of 10 m from the facility release site. EPA found that the nearest NHD flowline to this facility release site was ~340 m away, indicating the scenario modeled is unrealistic and should be further evaluated. The Agency repeated the PSC run using the highest p95 daily average air deposition rate at 100 m (~0.003 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day), which resulted in a 21-day average water column concentration of 64 µg/L that no longer exceeded its respective chronic CoC. Thus, it is more likely that the air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters results in exposure levels that do not pose a concern for ecological species dwelling in the water column.



**Table 3-16. Results from the Point Source Calculator, Showing the Highest 95th Percentile Daily Average Air Deposition Rate for OES Manufacturing and Modeled Surface Water (Water Column) Concentrations for a 1-Day Acute and 21-Day Chronic Scenario for Ecological Species Exposure 10 m from Releasing Facility of TRI-Reported Fugitive Emissions**

OES	Highest p95 Daily Average Air Deposition (g/m-2/day)	Water Column Concentration (µg/L)
		21-Day Average
Manufacturing	0.0402	791
Processing as a reagent	0.0402	791
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	0.000114	2.24

### 3.3.3.3 Measured Concentrations in Benthic Pore Water and Sediment

No relevant data on measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient aquatic benthic pore waters or sediments were found in the WQP for the 2015 to 2020 timeframe. Likewise, no relevant ambient monitoring data on these sample types were collected through EPA's systematic review process.

### 3.3.3.4 Modeled Concentrations in Benthic Pore Water and Sediment

To assess exposures of 1,1-dichloroethane via industrial releases to ecological species dwelling in the aquatic benthic environment, benthic pore water and bulk sediment concentrations at the facility release sites were modeled using the PSC.

#### 3.3.3.4.1 Benthic Pore Water and Sediment Modeling Methodology

A full description of the modeling approach to estimate concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in benthic pore waters and bulk sediment from facility-specific releases can be found in Appendix F and is briefly summarized below.

Estimated concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface waters that reflect acute (assumed 21-day highest release) and chronic (assumed consecutive releases over the annual operating days, depending on the COU 250 to 365 days) exposures to ecological species were compared with their identified acute and chronic CoCs for aquatic ecological species dwelling in the benthic zone (detailed in Section 4.2.5.1). The PSC was applied to those facilities with modeled water column 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations that exceeded the acute and chronic benthic pore water CoCs.

The 7Q10 flow metric was used to estimate concentrations and exposures for aquatic ecological species. These 7Q10 flow values were also based on NHD stream flow or the facility effluent flow. Aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for acute and chronic aquatic ecological exposures were calculated as described in Appendix F. To estimate concentrations for acute ecological exposure, the highest annual facility load was paired with the respective receiving water body or prioritized facility hydrologic effluent 7Q10 flow value, which assumes the entire highest annual release occurred over 21 days. To estimate concentrations for chronic ecological exposure, the highest annual facility load was divided by the number of annual operating days and paired with the respective receiving water body or prioritized facility effluent 7Q10 flow value, which assumes the annual release occurred in equal daily amounts over the course of 250/365 consecutive days.

Similarly, water column acute (highest 21-day) and chronic (highest over number of facility operating days-day daily) concentrations were then compared with identified CoCs for acute benthic pore water (15-day) ecological species exposure (7,898 µg/L) and chronic benthic pore water (operating-day)

2658 ecological species exposure (6,800 µg/L). Details that describe how the CoCs were chosen can be found  
2659 in Section 4.2.5.1. Facility releases that result in modeled acute and chronic aqueous concentrations of  
2660 1,1-dichloroethane that exceed these benthic CoCs formed a new list of facility releases to model  
2661 benthic pore water and bulk sediment concentrations using PSC. After applying PSC, estimates of 1,1-  
2662 dichloroethane concentration in benthic pore water were compared with the acute and chronic benthic  
2663 pore water CoCs. Those facility releases with modeled concentrations that exceed their respective CoC  
2664 formed a final list of facility releases and their estimates of acute and chronic benthic pore water 1,1-  
2665 dichloroethane concentrations for the ecological exposure assessment. In addition, the modeled number  
2666 of days that the concentration exceeds the respective acute or chronic benthic pore water CoC was  
2667 calculated by PSC and considered in the ecological exposure evaluation. The list of sites modeled in  
2668 PSC to estimate benthic pore water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were also modeled to estimate  
2669 benthic sediment concentrations. Benthic sediment concentrations were estimated from consecutive  
2670 releases for a 35-day operating period. These values were compared with a benthic sediment (35-day)  
2671 CoC of 2,900 µg/kg.

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2673 Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in aquatic benthic pore waters and bulk sediments resulting from  
2674 air deposition were similarly estimated for a small, slow-moving, stream scenario using the PSC.  
2675 Likewise, the intention was to estimate benthic pore water and sediment concentrations resulting from  
2676 air deposition that represent a conservative scenario, appropriate for a tier-1 style evaluation, and so the  
2677 same approach discussed under the surface water section applies here. The highest 95th percentile daily  
2678 average air deposition rate and associated AERMOD modeled distance for each OES was first identified  
2679 using the results from Table 3-17. These air deposition rates were then applied to the following scenario  
2680 in PSC: constant 365 consecutive days-on of release (and deposition) that overlaps entirely with a  
2681 stream having a 200 m<sup>2</sup> surface area and 200 m<sup>3</sup> volume (40 m length × 5 m width × 1 m depth), and a  
2682 constant streamflow of 10 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The same 1,1-dichloroethane physicochemical properties,  
2683 biogeochemical parameters, and weather file described in the wastewater discharge analysis was used  
2684 for the PSC runs.

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2686 PSC results for the 15- and facility operating-day average benthic pore water concentrations and the 35-  
2687 day sediment concentrations were compared with their respective CoCs for exposure to aquatic  
2688 ecological species. The distances between the facility air release sites (*i.e.*, the TRI coordinates) and the  
2689 nearest neighboring NHD flowlines were estimated using GIS software to help inform whether the  
2690 highest 95th percentile daily average air deposition rate and associated modeled distance for each OES  
2691 were reasonably representative to choose. If the PSC-estimated concentrations exceeded their respective  
2692 acute or chronic CoC, but the distance between the facility release site and nearest neighboring NHD  
2693 flowline was deemed too far away relative to the AERMOD modeled distance or areal range, a new  
2694 daily average air deposition rate was chosen based on the distance between the release site and nearest  
2695 NHD flowline. PSC was then run again with the new deposition rate. Results of the air deposition rates  
2696 and benthic pore water and bulk sediment concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane are shown below in  
2697 Table 3-17.

#### 2698 **3.3.3.4.2 Benthic Pore Water and Sediment Modeling Results**

##### 2699 ***Industrial Releases to Benthic Pore Waters and Sediment***

2700 Of the 319 unique sites releasing 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water, 3 sites had initially modeled  
2701 (water column) concentrations that exceeded the acute benthic pore water aquatic CoC (7,898 µg/L), but  
2702 no sites had modeled concentrations that exceeded the chronic benthic pore water aquatic CoC (6,800  
2703 µg/L). Similarly, site CA0083721 was excluded from further analysis. After estimating their benthic  
2704 porewater concentrations again using the PSC, no PSC-estimated concentrations exceeded the acute  
2705 benthic porewater CoC. For the sites that had initially modeled (water column) concentrations that

2706 exceeded the chronic benthic pore water CoC, the PSC-modeled estimates of their chronic benthic  
 2707 sediment concentrations did not exceed the benthic chronic sediment CoC (2,900 µg/L). Thus, it does  
 2708 not appear that facility releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters pose a concern for aquatic  
 2709 ecological species dwelling in the benthic porewaters and sediment of receiving water bodies.

#### 2711 *Air Deposition to Benthic Pore Waters and Sediment*

2712 EPA did not find that any PSC-simulated estimates of benthic pore water or sediment concentrations  
 2713 exceeded their respective aquatic acute and chronic benthic pore water CoCs (7,898 µg/L and 6,800  
 2714 µg/L, respectively) or chronic benthic sediment CoC (2,900 µg/kg) (Table 3-17). Thus, like the results  
 2715 for the surface water column, it does not appear that air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface  
 2716 waters results in exposure levels that may pose a concern for ecological species dwelling in the benthic  
 2717 pore waters and sediment.

2719 **Table 3-17. Results from the Point Source Calculator, Showing the Highest 95th Percentile Daily**  
 2720 **Average Air Deposition Rate per OES, and Modeled Benthic Pore Water and Sediment**  
 2721 **Concentrations for a 1-Day Acute and 21-Day Chronic Scenario for Ecological Species Exposure**

OES	Highest p95 Daily Average Air Deposition (g/m-2/day)	Benthic Pore Water Concentration (µg/L)	Benthic Sediment Concentration (µg/kg)
		21-Day Average	35-Day Average
Manufacturing	0.000736	12.8	19.9
Processing as a reagent	0.0402	700	1,090
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	0.000114	1.99	3.08

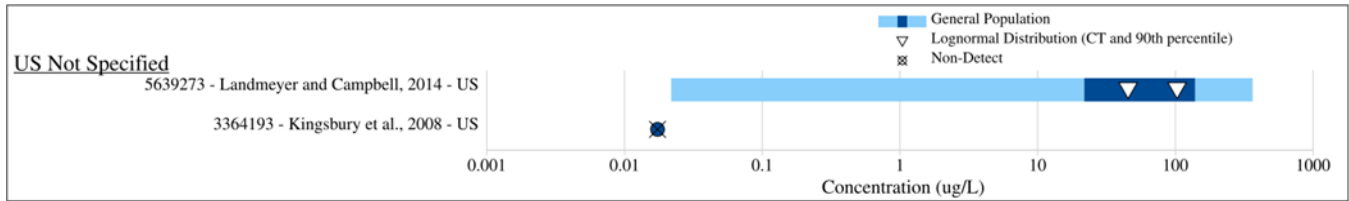
#### 2722 **3.3.3.5 Measured Concentrations in Drinking Water**

2723 Public Water Systems are regulated under the SDWA to enforce common standards for drinking water  
 2724 across the country. Although individual primacy agencies, such as state governments, may require  
 2725 monitoring or impose limits for contaminants beyond those regulated under SDWA, currently there are  
 2726 no national requirements to routinely monitor or limit 1,1-dichloroethane in finished water from PWSs.  
 2727 To assess concentrations in surface water known to be distributed as drinking water, monitoring data  
 2728 collected by PWSs were evaluated. Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane found in finished (*i.e.*, treated)  
 2729 drinking water were collected from the EPA's published UCMR3 dataset, which includes samples  
 2730 collected between 2013 to 2015. To the extent that it could be determined from the database records,  
 2731 only those PWSs that draw from surface water as their primary source were included for this  
 2732 assessment. Similarly, only treated water that was sent to the distribution system were included.  
 2733 Descriptions of these data retrieval and processing methods are presented in Appendix F.

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 2735 The UCMR3 dataset was used to gather concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane found in finished drinking  
 2736 water from PWSs that draw primarily from surface water sources ([U.S. EPA, 2017c](#)). This portion of the  
 2737 UCMR3 dataset includes 1,785 samples from 407 PWSs across 16 states. The maximum concentration  
 2738 of 1,1-dichloroethane measured in finished drinking water was 0.28 µg/L. These results indicate that  
 2739 1,1-dichloroethane in finished drinking water from PWSs was measured in relatively low amounts  
 2740 across the nation between 2013 and 2015.

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 2742 Two studies that reported concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water for general population  
 2743 locations were found through EPA's systematic review process (see Figure 3-14). Overall,  
 2744 concentrations ranged from not detected to 367 µg/L from 170 samples collected between 2002 and  
 2745 2012 in the United States.

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**Figure 3-14. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{L}$ ) in Drinking Water from a U.S.-Based Study, 2002–2012**

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### 3.3.3.6 Modeled Concentrations in Drinking Water

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To assess general population exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane via industrial releases to surface waters, aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in potential drinking water sources were modeled at PWS intake locations downstream of known 1,1-dichloroethane release sites. Estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in drinking water account for upstream-to-downstream dilution and were adjusted for applicable treatment processes that remove of 1,1-dichloroethane in source water.

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#### 3.3.3.6.1 Drinking Water Modeling Methodology

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To provide more robust estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in drinking water, known facility releases were mapped to drinking water sources using PWS data stored in EPA's Safe Drinking Water Information System Federal Data Warehouse ([U.S. EPA, 2022e](#)). This dataset is updated quarterly, and the 2nd quarter 2022 version was used for this analysis. Following the mapping, the collocation of and proximity of facility release sites to PWS drinking water intake locations were evaluated. These drinking water data are considered sensitive by EPA's Office of Water and are protected from public release. Geospatial analysis using the NHDPlus V2.1 flowline network was used to determine PWS intake locations within 250 km downstream of facility 1,1-dichloroethane release sites. Provided a PWS may have multiple intake locations, concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were estimated at the most upstream intake for a given PWS, thus reflecting a more conservative estimate. Results of surface water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane modeled from the highest annual facility releases between 2015 and 2020 for a 1-operating day per year scenario were adjusted by a dilution factor that was calculated from the change in hydrologic flow between the facility release site and receiving water body associated with the identified PWS intake location. The resulting drinking water source concentration was then adjusted for the removal of 1,1-dichloroethane during the respective PWS treatment processes, if applicable. It is important to note that multiple facility releases can be upstream of the same PWS intake. Estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in finished drinking water were evaluated independently for each facility-intake linkage. Details of the methodology used for this analysis is provided in Appendix F.

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#### 3.3.3.6.2 Drinking Water Modeling Results

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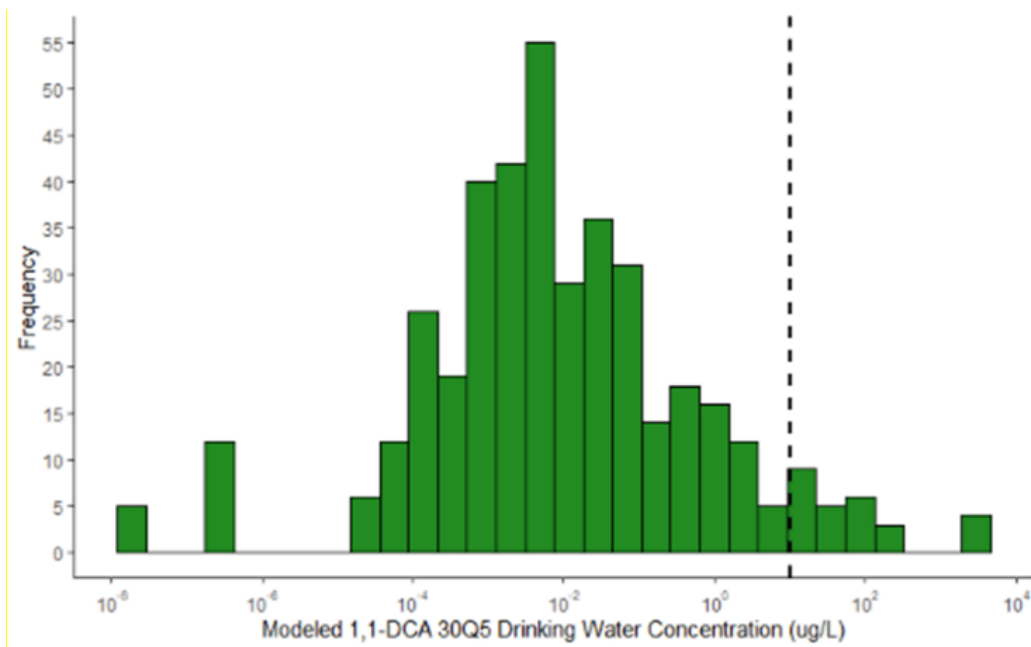
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Drinking water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were modeled from the highest annual facility releases between 2015 to 2020 utilizing a first tier, 1-operating day per year scenario as well as a less conservative facility operating day release scenario. For the more conservative 1-day release scenario the drinking water concentrations ranged from below detection limit to 3,365  $\mu\text{g/L}$ . The 75th and 95th percentile of 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in drinking water were 0.08 and 12.89  $\mu\text{g/L}$ . These results demonstrate that most of the modeled concentrations in drinking water are below 13  $\mu\text{g/L}$  for a conservative, acute, 1-day highest concentration exposure scenario. The distribution of these results is shown in Figure 3-15. Those facility releases and resulting drinking water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane that comprise the highest top 5 percent of estimates (*i.e.*, are in the 95 to 100 percentile range) are reported in Table 3-18.

2787 Table 3-18 shows for each facility release site, the modeled drinking water concentration at the most  
 2788 upstream intake location of each PWS within 250 km of the release site. Calculated 30Q5 hydrologic  
 2789 flow values were used to estimate the drinking water concentrations shown in Table 3-18, accounting for  
 2790 dilution with changes in the flow values between the facility release site and PWS intake location. Those  
 2791 differences in flow, as well as the distance between the facility release site and PWS intake location  
 2792 modeled, are included. In addition, the population served for each PWS is shown in Table 3-18. This  
 2793 table excludes facility CA0083721 because of an error in the 1,1-dichloroethane wastewater discharge  
 2794 data.

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 2796 Modeled drinking water concentrations within the high-end top five percent of modeled values ranged  
 2797 from near detection limit to 382 µg/L. Some of the resulting concentrations can be explained in part by  
 2798 low 30Q5 hydrologic flow values that were applied to their estimation. It is important to note that in the  
 2799 event the downstream flow value was lower than the upstream flow value, the upstream flow value was  
 2800 used in the calculation step and so no adjustment to the amount of dilution was applied.  
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 2803 **Figure 3-15. Distribution of Drinking Water Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane Modeled from**  
 2804 **the Highest Annual Facility Releases between 2015–2022 for a One Operating Day per Year**  
 2805 **Scenario**

2806 Estimates of 30Q5 hydrologic flow were used to generate these concentration estimates. The dashed black line  
 2807 indicates concentrations at 10 µg/L.  
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2809 **Table 3-18. Modeled 30Q5 Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane in Drinking Water at PWSs**  
 2810 **within 250 km Downstream of a Facility Release Site, Changes in Hydrologic Flow between the**  
 2811 **Release Site and PWS Intake Location, as Well as the Population Served by the PWS**

Facility NPDES ID	PWSID	Facility 30Q5 Flow (MLD)	Intake 30Q5 Flow (MLD)	30Q5 Drinking Water Concentration (µg/L)	Population Served
KY0022039	KY0470175	45	214	382	76,326
MI0004057	MI0006101	1.1	0.0	183	9,133
MI0004057	IN5245012	1.1	0.0	183	29,500
CA0048143	CA4210010	20	0.1	183	95,628
CA0048127	CA4210010	12	0.1	183	95,628
CA0022764	CA2110001	43	0.3	91.3	1,445
CA0048194	CA4410010	30	0.1	91.3	87,957
CA0048194	CA2710004	30	0.0	91.3	N/A
CA0048194	CA4000684	30	0.1	91.3	N/A
AZ0020559	AZ0407093	122	0.2	64.8	234,766
AZ0020559	AZ0407096	122	0.2	64.8	135,975
KY0066532	KY1110054	52	297	55.3	6,165
CA0084271	CA0710003	2.9	0.4	49.5	198,000
MI0044130	MI0006101	7.5	0.0	30.4	9,133
MI0044130	IN5245012	7.5	0.0	30.4	29,500
MI0044130	IN5245020	7.5	0.0	30.4	78,384

### 2812 **3.3.4 Land Pathway (Soils, Groundwater, and Biosolids)**

#### 2813 **3.3.4.1 Air Deposition to Soil**

2814 EPA used AERMOD to estimate air deposition from facility releases and calculate the resulting soil  
 2815 concentrations near the 1,1-dichloroethane emitting facility. AERMOD modeling methodology is  
 2816 detailed in Appendix D.3. The highest 95th percentile maximum daily air deposition rates for each OES  
 2817 generally occurred at 10 m from the facility (Table 3-19). For this reason, 1,1-dichloroethane soil  
 2818 concentrations which could result from maximum daily air deposition were estimated for each OES at a  
 2819 distance of 10 m from facility for determining dietary exposure of terrestrial ecological receptors.  
 2820 Appendix E.1.2.9 presents details and equations and details in estimating 1,1-dichloroethane in soil from  
 2821 air deposition.

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 2823 Table 3-19 presents the resulting calculated 95th percentile maximum 1,1-dichloroethane soil  
 2824 concentrations 10 m from facility corresponding to the applicable exposure scenarios. Across exposure  
 2825 scenarios, the exposure scenario Manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane resulted in the highest estimated 1,1-  
 2826 dichloroethane soil concentrations which could result from air deposition. These 1,1-dichloroethane soil  
 2827 concentrations which could result from air deposition were then used to estimate soil pore water  
 2828 concentrations 10 m from facility (Table 3-19) according to the methodology described in Section  
 2829 3.3.4.6.2.



2830 **Table 3-19. Soil Catchment and Soil Catchment Pore Water Concentrations Estimated from 95th**  
 2831 **Percentile Maximum Daily Air Deposition Rates 10 m from Facility for 1,1-Dichloroethane**  
 2832 **Releases Reported to TRI**

OES	Number of Facilities	Maximum Daily Air Deposition (g/m <sup>2</sup> /day) <sup>a</sup>	Soil Concentrations (µg/kg)	Soil Pore Water Concentrations (µg/L)
Manufacturing	9	4.02E-02	2.36E02	1.46E02
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	8.90E-04	5.24	3.23
Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal (non-POTW)	8	2.10E-05	1.24E-01	7.63E-02

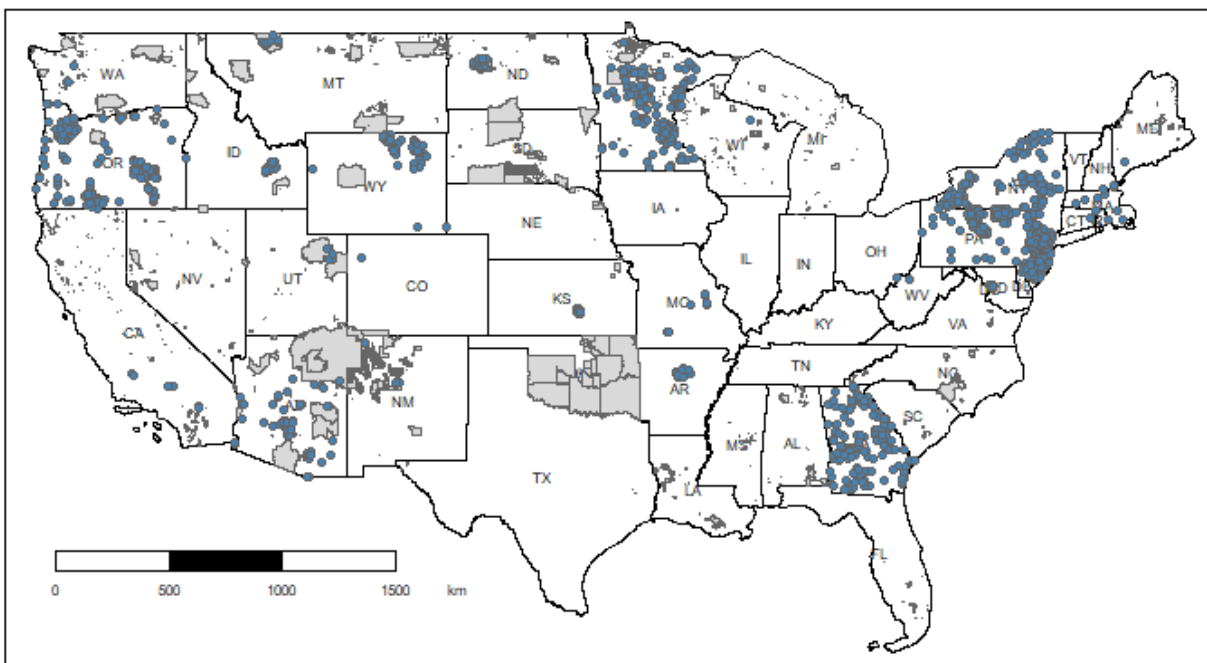
<sup>a</sup> Estimated via AERMOD within 10 m of releasing facilities.

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 2834 To help determine the significance of the air deposition to the groundwater exposure pathway, annual air  
 2835 deposition loading rates of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil were input to the Pesticide in Water Calculator  
 2836 (PWC) ([U.S. EPA, 2020h](#)) model to estimate groundwater concentrations. PWC simulates chemical  
 2837 substance applications to land surfaces and the chemical substance's subsequent transport to and fate in  
 2838 water bodies, including surface water bodies as well as simple ground water aquifers. Scenarios with six  
 2839 sandy soils containing a relatively low fraction of organic carbon and shallow groundwater were  
 2840 modeled. The loading of 1,1-dichloroethane to the soil surface was estimated by taking the 95th  
 2841 percentile air deposition rate at 1000 m from the emission source for the largest OES emission  
 2842 (Processing as a reactive intermediate) and estimating the mass deposited on soil per hectare. From this  
 2843 loading the model estimated post breakthrough average groundwater concentrations ranging from  
 2844 approximately 2.7 to 8.0 µg/L, suggesting that the air deposition to groundwater pathway is not an  
 2845 important source of general population exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. No additional analysis of the air  
 2846 deposition to groundwater pathway was conducted.

### 2847 **3.3.4.2 Measured Concentrations in Groundwater**

#### 2848 **3.3.4.2.1 Ambient Groundwater Monitoring**

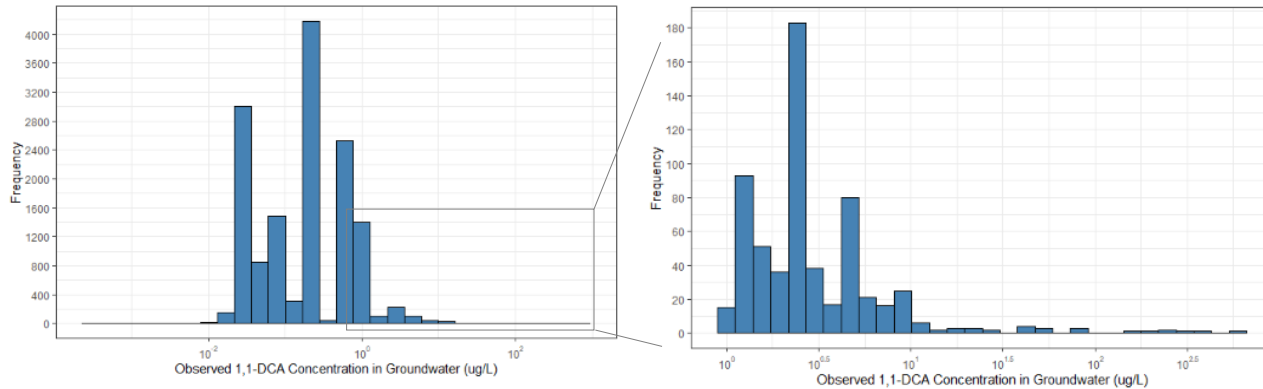
2849 Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane measured from groundwater monitoring wells are collated by the  
 2850 National Water Quality Monitoring Council and stored in the WQP ([NWQMC, 2022](#)). Groundwater 1,1-  
 2851 dichloroethane concentration results were acquired between 2015 to 2020 from the WQP. Figure 3-16  
 2852 shows the spatial distribution of measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater across  
 2853 the contiguous United States. Groundwater was measured at a much higher frequency in Oregon,  
 2854 Georgia, Minnesota, New York, and New Jersey in comparison to the rest of the states. The distribution  
 2855 of the groundwater sample concentrations is shown in Figure 3-17. The process for identifying this data  
 2856 is provided in Appendix G. This analysis is intended to characterize the observed ranges of 1,1-  
 2857 dichloroethane concentrations in groundwater irrespective of the reasons for sample collection and to  
 2858 provide context for the modeled groundwater concentrations presented in Section 3.3.4.3.



**Figure 3-16. Locations of 1,1-Dichloroethane Measured in Groundwater Monitoring Wells Acquired from the WQP, 2015–2020**

AIANNH tribal boundaries are shaded in gray.

Note: Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, N. Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands are not shown because they do not contain groundwater monitoring data within the WQP.

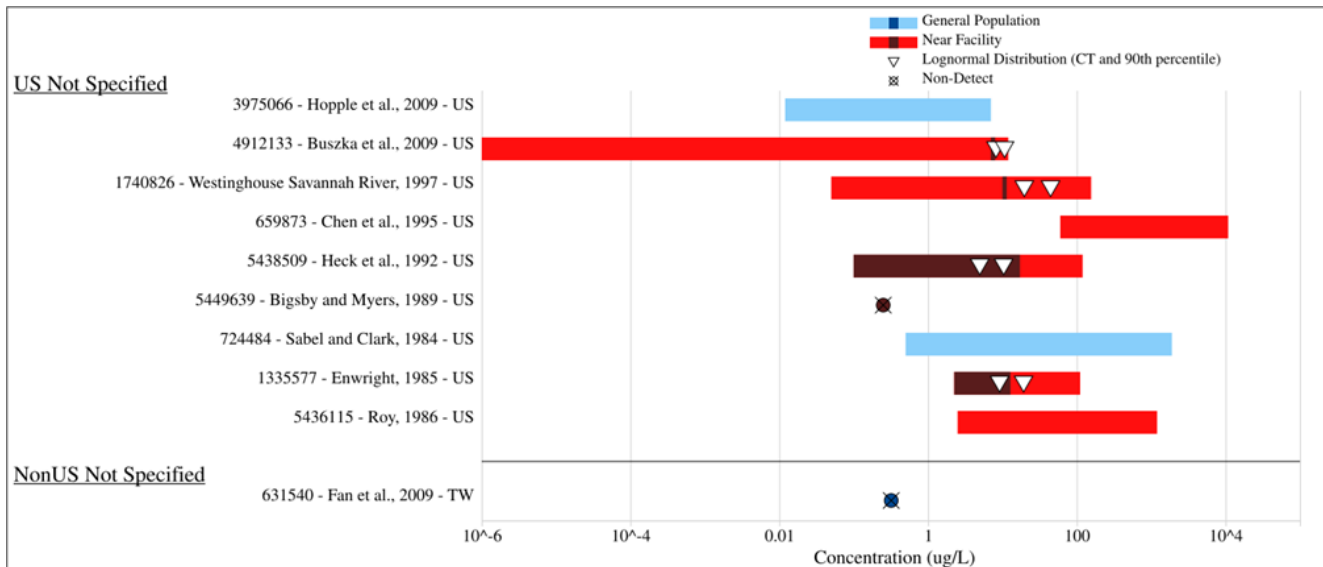


**Figure 3-17. Distribution of 1,1-Dichloroethane Concentrations from Groundwater Monitoring Wells (N = 14,483) Acquired from the Water Quality Portal, 2015–2020**

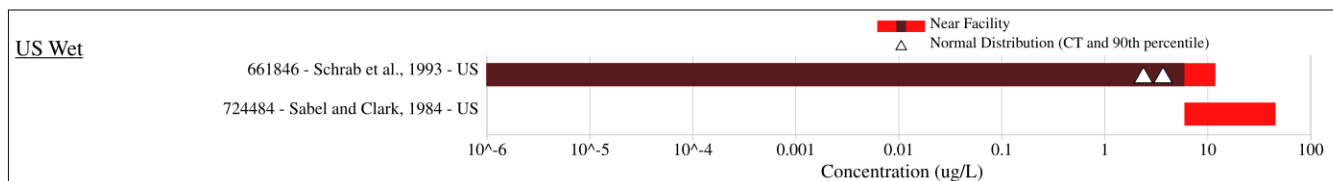
Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater ranged from 0 to 650 µg/L for samples collected between 2015 and 2020. The 50th and 95th percentile of groundwater concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane was 0.25 and 1 µg/L. There were 602 groundwater samples with concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane that exceeded 1 µg/L (Figure 3-17, right inset). For this subset of results greater than 1 µg/L, the 50th and 95th percentile was 2.5 and 12 µg/L, respectively. There were 33 (~0.3 percent of the total) groundwater monitoring wells that exceeded 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations of 10 µg/L for samples collected between 2015 to 2020.

A small amount of groundwater and soil-water leachate 1,1-dichloroethane concentration data was collected through EPA’s systematic review of published literature. A summary of the individual studies

2880 is shown in Figure 3-18 for groundwater data and Figure 3-19 for leachate data. A review of published  
 2881 literature resulted in nine studies reporting measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
 2882 groundwater. Concentrations ranged from not detected to 1,900,000 ng/L in 400 samples collected  
 2883 between 1984 and 2005 in the United States.  
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 2886 **Figure 3-18. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µ/L) in Groundwater from U.S.-Based and**  
 2887 **International Studies, 1984–2005**  
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 2890 **Figure 3-19. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) in the Soil-Water Leachate from U.S.-**  
 2891 **Based Studies for Locations near Facility Releases, 1984–1993**

### 3.3.4.2.2 Measured Concentrations in Groundwater Sourced Drinking Water

2892  
 2893 The UCMR3 dataset was used to gather concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane found in finished drinking  
 2894 water from PWSs that draw primarily from groundwater sources. This portion of the UCMR3 dataset  
 2895 includes 2,539 samples from 404 PWSs across 16 states. The maximum concentration of 1,1-  
 2896 dichloroethane measured in groundwater sourced finished drinking water was 1.6 µg/L. Similar for  
 2897 surface water derived sources, these results indicate that 1,1-dichloroethane in finished drinking water  
 2898 derived from groundwater was measured in relatively low amounts across the nation between 2013 to  
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### 3.3.4.3 Modeled Concentrations in Groundwater

2900  
 2901 EPA found reported releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land (TRI 2015–2020 average 1 kg/year) and used  
 2902 Generic Scenarios or Emission Scenario Documents to model releases of less than 22,682 kg/year to  
 2903 Hazardous Waste Landfills under the TSCA COUs. The groundwater concentrations resulting from the  
 2904 range of expected releases, making the conservative assumption that the releases go to non-hazardous  
 2905 waste landfills, are predicted to be less than  $9.17 \times 10^{-4}$  mg/L (Table 3-20).  
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2908**Table 3-20. Estimated Groundwater Concentrations (mg/L) of 1,1-Dichloroethane Found in Wells within 1 Mile of a Disposal Facility Determined by the DRAS Model**

Leachate Concentration (mg/L)	Loading Rate				
	0.1 kg/year	1.0 kg/year	10 kg/year	100 kg/year	1,000 kg/year
1.0 E-05	1.11E-14	1.06E-13	1.01E-12	9.62E-12	9.17E-11
1.0 E-04	1.11E-13	1.06E-12	1.01E-11	9.62E-11	9.17E-10
1.0 E-03	1.11E-12	1.06E-11	1.01E-10	9.62E-10	9.17E-09
1.0 E-02	1.11E-11	1.06E-10	1.01E-09	9.62E-09	9.17E-08
1.0 E-01	1.11E-10	1.06E-09	1.01E-08	9.62E-08	9.17E-07
1.0	1.11E-09	1.06E-08	1.01E-07	9.62E-07	9.17E-06
10	1.11E-08	1.06E-07	1.01E-06	9.62E-06	9.17E-05
100	1.11E-07	1.06E-06	1.01E-05	9.62E-05	9.17E-04

Concentrations organized by potential loading rates (kg) and potential leachate concentrations (mg /L).

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**3.3.4.3.1 Disposal to Landfills and Method to Model Groundwater Concentrations**

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Landfills may have various levels of engineering controls to prevent groundwater contamination. These can include industrial liners, leachate capturing systems, and routine integration of waste. However, groundwater contamination from disposal of consumer, commercial, and industrial waste streams continues to be a prominent issue for many landfills throughout the United States ([Li et al., 2015a](#); [Li et al., 2013](#); [Mohr and DiGuseppi, 2010](#)). This contamination may be attributed to perforations in the liners, failure of the leachate capturing system, or improper management of the landfills. 1,1-Dichloroethane can migrate away from landfills in leachate to groundwater. If communities rely on this groundwater as their primary drinking water source, there is a potential for exposure via ingestion if that water is contaminated with 1,1-dichloroethane and does not undergo treatment. Depending on the distance between the landfill and a drinking water well, as well as the potential rate of release of landfill leachate into groundwater, the concentration of this exposure can vary substantially.

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Landfills are regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). RCRA landfills can be classified as Subtitle C (hazardous waste landfills) or Subtitle D (municipal solid nonhazardous waste landfills). Subtitle C establishes a federal program to manage hazardous wastes from “cradle to grave.” The objective of the Subtitle C program is to ensure that hazardous waste is handled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. When waste generators produce greater than 100 kg per month of non-acutely hazardous waste, those hazardous wastes, including 1,1-dichloroethane, meeting the U076 waste code description in 40 CFR 261.33, must be treated to meet the land disposal restriction levels in 40 CFR part 268 and be disposed in RCRA subtitle C landfills. These disposals are captured partially through the TRI and are reported for both onsite and offsite facilities. Recent violations of permits are reported in the footnotes of each table.

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Review of state databases does not suggest any readily available evidence of groundwater contamination near or coinciding with these operations that could affect a drinking water supply. Similar review of the data available via the WQP suggests that there are no known contaminations from RCRA Subtitle C Landfills as reported to the TRI program. The absence of groundwater contamination near RCRA Subtitle C Landfills may be attributed to many of the ongoing engineering controls built into these facilities as well as active monitoring of groundwater wells around facilities. As a result, EPA did not assess Subtitle C landfills beyond understanding their permit violations.

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2941 Regulations established under Subtitle D ban open dumping of waste and set minimum federal criteria  
2942 for the operation of municipal waste and industrial waste landfills, including design criteria, location  
2943 restrictions, financial assurance, corrective action (clean up), and closure requirements. States play a  
2944 lead role in implementing these regulations and may set more stringent requirements. National  
2945 requirements for Subtitle D landfills are most specific for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) landfills.  
2946 MSW landfills built after 1990 must be constructed with composite liner systems and leachate collection  
2947 systems in place. Composite landfill liners consist of a minimum of 2 feet of compacted soil covered by  
2948 a flexible membrane liner, which work in concert to create a low hydraulic conductivity barrier and  
2949 prevent leachate from being released from the landfill and infiltrating to groundwater. A leachate  
2950 collection system typically consists of a layer of higher conductivity material above the composite liner  
2951 that funnels leachate to centralized collection points where it is removed from the landfill for treatment  
2952 and disposal. Despite these controls, releases may still occur due to imperfections introduced during  
2953 construction or that form over time ([Li et al., 2015a](#); [Li et al., 2013](#); [Mohr and DiGuseppi, 2010](#)); thus,  
2954 groundwater monitoring is required to identify and address any releases before there can be harm to  
2955 human health and the environment. RCRA Subtitle D requirements for non-MSW landfills are less  
2956 stringent. In particular, nonhazardous industrial landfills and C&D debris landfills do not have specified  
2957 national requirements for construction and operation and certain landfills are entirely exempt from  
2958 RCRA criteria. Under the Land Disposal Program Flexibility Act of 1996 (Pub.L. 104–119), some  
2959 villages in Alaska that dispose of less than 20 tons of municipal solid waste daily (based on an annual  
2960 average) may dispose of waste in unlined or clay-lined landfills or waste piles for open burning or  
2961 incineration.

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2963 There are no known potential sources of 1,1-dichloroethane to Subtitle D landfills. Waste generators that  
2964 produce less than 100 kg per month of non-acutely hazardous waste, including 1,1-dichloroethane  
2965 meeting the U076 waste code, may dispose of this waste in these landfills. Nonhazardous industrial  
2966 wastes also have the potential to contain 1,1-dichloroethane at variable concentrations, but due to its  
2967 limited use as a laboratory chemical, concentrations in waste are expected to be low. EPA did not  
2968 identify any consumer or commercial products that contain 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, release of 1,1-  
2969 dichloroethane to Subtitle D nonhazardous waste landfills as part of municipal solid waste is expected to  
2970 be negligible. In addition, landfilled 1,1-dichloroethane will only reach groundwater from landfills that  
2971 do not have an adequate liner and leachate control systems. Based on the previous information, EPA  
2972 concludes the potential for exposure to general populations to 1,1-dichloroethane via ingestion of  
2973 leachate contaminated groundwater is negligible. To support this conclusion, an assessment was  
2974 conducted to evaluate the potential for groundwater contamination by 1,1-dichloroethane in leachate in  
2975 the absence of landfill controls.

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2977 This assessment was completed using the Hazardous Waste Delisting Risk Assessment Software  
2978 (DRAS) ([U.S. EPA, 2020h](#)). DRAS was specifically designed to address the Criteria for Listing  
2979 Hazardous Waste identified in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) Section 261.11(a)(3), a  
2980 requirement for evaluating proposed hazardous waste delistings. In this assessment, DRAS is being  
2981 utilized to determine potential groundwater concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane after they have been  
2982 disposed of into a non-hazardous waste landfill. The results of this assessment are provided in Table  
2983 3-20. Because measured loading rates of 1,1-dichloroethane to individual landfills are unknown,  
2984 multiple DRAS runs were conducted which included the estimated ranges of waste loading per site (see  
2985 Section 3.3.1.2.3 for loading estimates. The assessment relied on the default values for 1,1-  
2986 dichloroethane as the chemical of concern. Lastly, leachate concentrations were estimated for a range of  
2987 possibilities until no risk could be identified at the lower end of those concentrations. Because DRAS  
2988 calculates a weight-adjusted dilution attenuation factor (DAF) rather than a groundwater concentration,



2989 a back calculation was used to convert the DAF to a potential concentration that receptors located within  
2990 one mile of a landfill might be exposed if the release was not controlled.

#### 2991 **3.3.4.3.2 Summary of Disposal to Landfills and Groundwater Concentrations**

2992 EPA determined through modeling that groundwater concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane increased with  
2993 increasing landfill load rate and increasing leachate concentration. With each progressive iteration of  
2994 loading rate or leachate concentration, potential groundwater concentrations increase by an order of  
2995 magnitude. When both loading rate and leachate increase by one order of magnitude, potential  
2996 groundwater concentration increase by two orders of magnitude. These increases can largely be  
2997 attributed to the increasing weight adjusted dilution attenuation factor and are what would be expected  
2998 for a chemical substance with 1,1-dichloroethane's physical-chemical properties (water solubility,  
2999 Henry's law constant) and fate characteristics (biodegradability, half-life in groundwater). 1,1-  
3000 Dichloroethane migrates in groundwater at approximately the rate of hydraulic flow and can persist with  
3001 a half-life of greater than 150 days in anaerobic environments ([Adamson et al., 2014](#); [Mohr and  
3002 DiGuseppi, 2010](#)). Thus, these concentrations are likely to represent the range of exposure  
3003 concentrations for individuals living within a 1-mile radius of a poorly managed landfill who rely on  
3004 groundwater as their primary source of drinking water.

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3006 EPA also determined that the modeled concentrations are within the range of concentrations of 1,1-  
3007 dichloroethane found in groundwater monitoring studies. Monitoring data from the WQP dataset  
3008 reported 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in groundwater ranging from near detection limit to 650  
3009 µg/L. Though the corresponding sites in these monitoring surveys may not be specifically tied to the  
3010 disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane to landfills, they provide context for what concentrations may be  
3011 expected when contamination occurs. These concentrations support the conclusion that the low  
3012 concentrations modeled by EPA are common in groundwater aquifers nationwide.

#### 3013 **3.3.4.4 Measured Concentrations in Biosolids and Sludge**

3014 Biosolids are a primarily organic solid product produced by wastewater treatment processes that can be  
3015 beneficially recycled via land application. The EPA published The Standards for the Use or Disposal of  
3016 Sewage Sludge (40 CFR, Part 503) in 1993 to protect public health and the environment from any  
3017 reasonably anticipated adverse effects of certain pollutants that might be present in sewage sludge  
3018 biosolids. Municipal wastewater treatment systems mainly treat biosolids to ensure pathogen and vector  
3019 attraction (*e.g.*, rats) reduction and limits in metals concentrations; however, other chemicals are  
3020 monitored as well.

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3022 Data regarding 1,1-dichloroethane measured concentrations in biosolids has not been identified in public  
3023 databases or published literature particularly for those facilities that treat wastes and report discharges of  
3024 1,1-dichloroethane. EPA did refer to the 1988 Sewage Sludge Survey and found zero percent detection  
3025 frequency for 1,1-dichloroethane (see Appendix D.2.4.4). In addition, EPA identified a [2004](#) published  
3026 report by the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks (King County DNRP),  
3027 Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) characterizing two municipal wastewater treatment facilities  
3028 that monitored biosolids for 135 chemicals including 1,1-dichloroethane ([King County DNRP, 2004](#)). In  
3029 reviewing the 2004 report, EPA concluded that 1,1-dichloroethane is not detected in these biosolids and  
3030 in subsequent annual reports, King County DNRP does not list 1,1-dichloroethane levels in biosolids,  
3031 which is noted in the report as a chemical that is not detected in biosolids. However, data on the 125  
3032 public-owned treatment works (POTWs) (see in Table 3-4), reporting releases of 1,1-dichloroethane and  
3033 which generate biosolids that are either disposed or used for land application is not available.



### 3.3.4.5 Modeled Concentrations in Groundwater Resulting from Land Application of Biosolids

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3034 Though there is no literature data of 1,1-dichloroethane in biosolids, EPA estimated 1,1-dichloroethane  
3035 in biosolids since 125 POTWs treat and release 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water and generate  
3036 biosolids in the process.  
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3039 The Biosolids Tool (BST) ([U.S. EPA, 2023a](#)) was used to assess the importance of the biosolids land  
3040 application to groundwater pathway. The BST is a multimedia, multipathway, multireceptor  
3041 deterministic, problem formulation, and screening-level model that can estimate high-end human and  
3042 ecological hazards based on potential exposures associated with land application of biosolids or  
3043 placement of biosolids in a surface disposal unit. The BST was peer reviewed by the EPA Science  
3044 Advisory Board in 2023 ([EPA-SAB-24-001](#)). A default annual biosolids land application rate of 1  
3045 kg/m<sup>2</sup>/year and a 1,1-dichloroethane biosolids concentration of 20 mg/kg, estimated using the  
3046 SimpleTreat 4.0 wastewater treatment plant model, were used as input to the BST. The model predicted  
3047 groundwater concentrations of 3.2 µg/L suggesting the biosolids land application containing 1,1-  
3048 dichloroethane with migration to groundwater is not an important source of general population exposure.  
3049 However, soil and pore water exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane from biosolids land application could  
3050 occur to ecological species and is presented in the subsequent sections below.  
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### 3.3.4.6 Modeled Concentrations in Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge

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3052 Chemical substances in wastewater undergoing biological wastewater treatment may be removed from  
3053 the wastewater by processes including biodegradation, sorption to wastewater solids, and volatilization.  
3054 As discussed in Appendix D.2.5.2, 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to be removed in wastewater  
3055 treatment primarily by volatilization with little removal by biodegradation or sorption to solids.  
3056 Chemicals removed by sorption to sewage sludge may enter the environment when sewage sludge is  
3057 land applied following treatment to meet standards. The treated solids are known as biosolids.  
3058 The removal of a nonbiodegradable neutral organic chemical present in WWTP influent via sorption to  
3059 sludge is evaluated by considering its partitioning to sludge organic carbon.  
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3061 Based on its K<sub>OC</sub> value of 31, 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to significantly partition to sewage  
3062 sludge. Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to wastewater treatment are expected to be low and disperse  
3063 across many sites, therefore, land application of biosolids containing 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected  
3064 to be a significant exposure pathway. To support this conclusion, range-finding estimates were made to  
3065 evaluate the concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in biosolids, in soil receiving biosolids, and soil pore  
3066 water concentrations resulting from biosolids application. Releases from wastewater treatment plants  
3067 with DMRs for 1,1-dichloroethane were reviewed to identify those plants discharging the highest  
3068 amount of 1,1-dichloroethane annually. The two highest releasing facilities were not chosen due to  
3069 errors or uncertainties in their release estimates. The site with the third largest estimated releases of 1,1-  
3070 dichloroethane to water was chosen and it was assumed that all biosolids generated at that facility were  
3071 land applied over a year at a single site. The releases from the facility were used to back-calculate input  
3072 to the SimpleTreat 4.0 wastewater treatment plant model to estimate the concentration of 1,1-  
3073 dichloroethane in biosolids. It was also assumed that the modeled site used activated sludge wastewater  
3074 treatment and that SimpleTreat 4.0 defaults were a reasonable representation of the activated sludge  
3075 treatment at the site. Using this loading data, the model predicted 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in  
3076 combined sludge of 20 mg/kg. Details on the procedure are provided in Appendix D.2.4.4.  
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#### 3.3.4.6.1 Modeled Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane in Soil Receiving Biosolids

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3078 No information on the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil receiving biosolids was found.  
3079 To assess soil concentrations resulting from biosolid applications, EPA relied upon modeling work  
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3081 conducted in Canada ([EC/HC, 2011](#)), which used Equation 60 of the *European Commission Technical*  
 3082 *Guidance Document (TGD)* ([ECB, 2003](#)). The concentration in sludge was set to 20 mg/kg dry weight  
 3083 based on the combined sludge concentration estimated by SimpleTreat 4.0. Using these assumptions, the  
 3084 estimated 1,1-dichloroethane soil concentrations after the first year of biosolids application were 29.4  
 3085 ug/kg in tilled agricultural soil and 58.8 µg/kg in pastureland. See Section 3.3.4.5 for discussion of the  
 3086 estimation of biosolids concentrations.

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 3088 The method assumes complete mixing of the chemical in the volume of soil it is applied to as well as no  
 3089 losses from transformation, degradation, volatilization, erosion, or leaching to lower soil layers.  
 3090 Additionally, it is assumed there is no input of 1,1-dichloroethane from atmospheric deposition and there  
 3091 are no background 1,1-dichloroethane accumulations in the soil.

### 3.3.4.6.2 Modeled Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane in Soil Pore Water Receiving Biosolids

3094 To estimate soil pore water concentrations for 1,1-dichloroethane in soil receiving biosolids for  
 3095 ecological species' exposures, EPA used a modified version of the equilibrium partitioning (EqP)  
 3096 equation developed for weakly adsorbing chemicals such as 1,1-dichloroethane and other VOCs. The  
 3097 modified equation accounts for the contribution of dissolved chemical to the total chemical  
 3098 concentration in soil or sediment (Fuchsman, 2002). The equation assumes that the adsorption of  
 3099 chemical to the mineral components of sediment particles is negligible.

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 3101 Using Equation\_Apx D-1 and estimating  $C_{\text{dissolved}}$  from the  $K_{\text{OC}}$  for 1,1-dichloroethane assuming a soil  
 3102 organic carbon fraction ( $f_{\text{OC}}$ ) of 0.02, and a soil solids fraction of 0.5, the estimated pore water  
 3103 concentrations are 18.2 µg/L in tilled agricultural soil and 36.6 µg/L in pastureland.

3105 **Table 3-21. Soil and Soil Pore Water Concentrations Estimated from Annual Application of**  
 3106 **Biosolids**

Exposure Scenario	Combined Sludge Concentration (µg/kg)	Soil Type	Soil Concentration (µg/kg)	Soil Pore Water Concentration (mg/L)
Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal (POTW)	20,000	Tilled agricultural	29.2	18.2
		Pastureland	58.8	36.6
<sup>a</sup> Modeled using SimpleTreat 4.0 wastewater treatment plant model.				

### 3.3.5 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for Environmental Concentrations

#### 3.3.5.1 Strengths, Limitations, and Sources of Uncertainty in Assessment Results for Monitored and Modeled Concentrations

3110 According to the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)), the selection of data and information are informed by the hierarchy of preferences, which  
 3111 considers the use of both measured (monitoring) and estimated (modeled) data. Monitoring data from  
 3112 both published literature and sampling databases provides strong evidence for the presence of 1,1-  
 3113 dichloroethane in ambient air, surface water, and groundwater. EPA modeling of TSCA releases also  
 3114 predicts presence in ambient air and surface water. Fate and physical-chemical properties provide  
 3115 additional context; that is, high water solubility of 1,1-dichloroethane and low potential for hydrolysis  
 3116 are factors that strengthen the evidence of 1,1-dichloroethane presence in water and the volatility of 1,1-  
 3117 dichloroethane and low potential for photolysis provides evidence of its presence in air.  
 3118

3119 ***Ambient and Indoor Air Monitored and Modeled Concentrations***

3120 EPA modeled air concentrations from TRI and NEI facility releases. The TRI and NEI data are reported  
3121 by facilities and state/county government entities and provide EPA with data on the level of 1,1-  
3122 dichloroethane being emitted into ambient air. EPA monitoring of HAPs via the AirToxic monitoring  
3123 program provides high quality data for the monitoring location. EPA has high confidence in the air  
3124 concentrations estimated from TRI and NEI release data using AERMOD. The Agency has high  
3125 confidence in the deposition concentrations estimated to land and water from TRI and NEI release data  
3126 using AERMOD. EPA has medium confidence in the air concentrations estimated from TRI release data  
3127 using IIOAC.

3128  
3129 IIOAC estimates air concentrations at three pre-defined distances (100, 100 to 1,000, and 1,000 m). The  
3130 inherent distance limitations of IIOAC do not allow estimation of exposures closer to a facility (<100 m  
3131 from the facility) where higher exposures from fugitive releases would be expected. IIOAC uses  
3132 meteorological data from 14 pre-defined meteorological stations representing large regions across the  
3133 United States. This generalizes the meteorological data used to estimate exposure concentrations where  
3134 competing conditions can influence the exposure concentrations modeled upwind and downwind of a  
3135 releasing facility. To reduce the uncertainties associated with using regional meteorological data, EPA  
3136 conducted a sensitivity analysis of all 14 pre-defined meteorological stations to identify which two  
3137 within IIOAC tended to result in a high-end and central tendency estimate of exposure concentrations.  
3138 This maintained a more conservative exposure concentration estimate, which is then used in calculations  
3139 to estimate risks. This approach adds confidence to the findings by ensuring potential risks would be  
3140 captured under a high-end exposure scenario, while also providing insight into potential risks under a  
3141 less conservative exposure scenario (central tendency).

3142  
3143 Indoor air concentrations within IIOAC are calculated by multiplying the modeled ambient air  
3144 concentrations by an indoor-outdoor ratio. In IIOAC, indoor-outdoor ratios of 0.65 and 1 are used for  
3145 the mean and high-end ratios, respectively. The indoor-outdoor ratio is influenced by many factors  
3146 including the characteristics of the building such as building footprint and architecture, interior sources  
3147 or sinks, physical form of the chemical substance (particulate or gas), HVAC system air flow rates, and  
3148 activity patterns such as how often are windows and doors opened, how the HVAC system is operated.  
3149 However, in many screening models, the indoor-outdoor ratio is set to a value of one, which represents  
3150 the upper bound of this ratio if there are no indoor sources, as it is the case for 1,1-dichloroethane.

3151  
3152 Indoor air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were measured in one study in the United States  
3153 ([Lindstrom et al., 1995](#)) and concentrations were reported as not detected.

3154  
3155 AERMOD is an EPA regulatory model and has been thoroughly peer reviewed; therefore, the general  
3156 confidence in results from the model is high but relies on the integrity and quality of the inputs used and  
3157 interpretation of the results. For the full analysis, EPA used releases reported to the TRI and NEI as  
3158 direct inputs to AERMOD. For 1,1-dichloroethane there were no reporting releases to TRI via a TRI  
3159 Form A (which is allowed for use by those facilities releasing less than 500 lbs of the chemical  
3160 reported). Furthermore, EPA conducted a multi-year analysis using 6 years of TRI and 2 years of NEI  
3161 data.

3162  
3163 AERMOD uses the latitude/longitude information reported by each facility to TRI as the location for the  
3164 point of release. While this may generally be a close approximation of the release point for a small  
3165 facility (e.g., a single building), it may not represent the release point within a much larger facility.  
3166 Therefore, there is some uncertainty associated with the modeled distances from each release point and  
3167 the associated exposure concentrations to which fence-line communities may be exposed. The TRI

3168 reported data used for AERMOD do not include source-specific stack parameters that can affect plume  
3169 characteristics and associated dispersion of the plume. Therefore, EPA used pre-defined stack  
3170 parameters within IIOAC to represent stack parameters of all facilities modeled using each of these  
3171 methodologies. Those stack parameters include a stack height 10 m above ground with a 2-meter inside  
3172 diameter, an exit gas temperature of 300° Kelvin, and an exit gas velocity of 5 m/s (see Table 6 of the  
3173 IIOAC User Guide). These parameters were selected since they represent a slow-moving, low-to-the-  
3174 ground plume with limited dispersion that results in a more conservative estimate of exposure  
3175 concentrations at the distances evaluated. As such, these parameters may result in some overestimation  
3176 of emissions for certain facilities modeled. Additionally, the assumption of a 10×10 m area source for  
3177 fugitive releases may impact the exposure estimates very near a releasing facility (*i.e.*, 10 m from a  
3178 fugitive release). This assumption places the 10-meter exposure point just off the release point that may  
3179 result in either an over or underestimation of exposure depending on other factors like meteorological  
3180 data, release heights, and plume characteristics. Contrary to the TRI reported data, the NEI reported data  
3181 used for AERMOD include source-specific stack parameters. Therefore, specific parameter values were  
3182 used in modeling, when available. When parameters were not available, and/or values were reported  
3183 outside of normal bounds, reported values were replaced using procedures outlined in Appendix D.3.

3184  
3185 AERMOD modeled concentrations of releases from TRI reporting facilities ranged from 0 to 232  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
3186 (Table 3-9) with the maximum modeled concentration being one order of magnitude higher than the  
3187 maximum monitored concentration of 26  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  from AMTIC (Table 3-8) and approximately four orders  
3188 of magnitude higher than the maximum concentration of  $4.0 \times 10^{-2}$   $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  measured in literature ([Logue  
3189 et al., 2010](#)). Because the ranges of the ambient air modeled concentrations from AERMOD, reported  
3190 measured concentrations for ambient air found in the peer-reviewed and gray literature from the  
3191 systematic review ([Logue et al., 2010](#)), and monitored concentrations from AMTIC displayed overlap,  
3192 EPA has high confidence in the modeled results.

3193  
3194 As an example, Figure 3-20 shows the location of a 1,1-dichloroethane releasing facility as reported in  
3195 TRI and six AMTIC ambient air monitoring sites located within 10 km of the facility. AERMOD TRI  
3196 modeled concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane and the corresponding years of monitoring data are listed  
3197 in Table 3-22. As shown in Table 3-22, modeled concentrations are within an order of magnitude with  
3198 the monitored 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations.



Figure 3-20. Location of TRI Facility (TRI ID 42029WSTLK2468I, Yellow Dot) and AMTIC Monitoring Sites within 10 km of the TRI Facility (Green Dots)

Table 3-22. Comparison of 1,1-Dichloroethane AERMOD Modeled Concentrations for a TRI Facility with 1,1-Dichloroethane Ambient Air Monitoring Data from Six AMTIC Monitoring Sites within 10 km of the Facility from 2015 to 2020

Facility TRI ID	Year	Lowest P95 Modeled Concentration (ppb)	Max 1 Day Monitoring Concentration (ppb)	Distance from TRI Facility to Monitoring Site (m)	Modeled – Monitoring Concentration Difference
42029WSTLK2468I	2015	0.212	0.097	2,268	0.115
42029WSTLK2468I	2015	0.212	0.063	719	0.149
42029WSTLK2468I	2015	0.212	0.013	2,049	0.199
42029WSTLK2468I	2016	0.221	0.109	2,268	0.112
42029WSTLK2468I	2016	0.221	0.274	719	-0.053
42029WSTLK2468I	2016	0.221	0.228	2,049	-0.007
42029WSTLK2468I	2017	0.228	0.091	2,268	0.137
42029WSTLK2468I	2017	0.228	0.183	719	0.045
42029WSTLK2468I	2018	0.291	0.268	2,268	0.023
42029WSTLK2468I	2018	0.291	0.206	719	0.085
42029WSTLK2468I	2019	0.132	0.028	2,268	0.104
42029WSTLK2468I	2019	0.132	0.123	719	0.009
42029WSTLK2468I	2020	0.157	0.013	2,813	0.144
42029WSTLK2468I	2020	0.157	0.054	1,919	0.103
42029WSTLK2468I	2020	0.157	0.361	513	-0.204

AERMOD was used to model daily ( $\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{day}$ ) and annual ( $\text{g}/\text{m}^2/\text{year}$ ) deposition rates from air to land and water from each TRI and NEI releasing facility. Based on physical and chemical properties of 1,1-dichloroethane (Section 2.1), EPA considered only gaseous deposition. The Agency used chemical-specific parameters as input values for AERMOD deposition modeling. Thus, EPA has high confidence in the deposition rates estimated from TRI and NEI release data using AERMOD.



3214 ***Surface and Drinking Water Monitored and Modeled Concentrations***

3215 Unlike the example given above correlating ambient air modeling/monitoring, the available measured  
3216 surface water concentration data are poorly co-located with 1,1-dichloroethane facility release sites.  
3217 EPA relied primarily on modeling to estimate aqueous concentrations resulting from releases to surface  
3218 waters as reported in the EPA Pollutant Loading Tool. The tool compiles and makes public discharges  
3219 as reported in DMRs required in NPDES permits and provides data on the amount of 1,1-dichloroethane  
3220 in discharged effluent and the receiving waterbody. The evaluation of general population drinking water  
3221 exposure scenarios are impacted by uncertainties and assumptions surrounding inputs and the  
3222 approaches used for modeling surface water concentrations and estimation of the drinking water doses.  
3223 In Section 3.2.2, EPA assesses the overall confidence of estimated releases for various OESs. For those  
3224 OESs releasing to surface water, confidence is rated as moderate to robust depending on the individual  
3225 OES.

3226  
3227 The modeling used, and the associated default and user-selected inputs can affect the overall strength in  
3228 evaluating exposures to the general population. The facility-specific releases methodology described in  
3229 Section 3.2.1, and the results in 3.3.3.2.2 rely on a modeling framework that does not consider  
3230 downstream fate. Drinking water estimates do account for downstream transport and treatment removal  
3231 processes, while concentration estimates to evaluate exposure to ecological species account for key  
3232 source/sink fate processes at the facility release site. To reduce uncertainties, EPA incorporated an  
3233 updated hydrologic flow network and flow data into this assessment that allowed a more site-specific  
3234 consideration of release location and associated receiving water body flows. However, these releases are  
3235 evaluated on a per facility basis that do not account for additional sources of 1,1-dichloroethane that  
3236 may be present in the evaluated waterways. Finally, drinking water exposures are not likely to occur  
3237 from the receiving water body at the point of facility-specific releases. Specifically, the direct receiving  
3238 water bodies may or may not be used as drinking water sources. To address this limitation, EPA  
3239 evaluated the proximity of known 1,1-dichloroethane releases to known drinking water sources as well  
3240 as known drinking water intakes as described in Section 3.3.3.6.

3241  
3242 The measured data encompassed both ambient surface water monitoring as well as drinking water  
3243 system monitoring data. For ambient surface water, data is limited geographically and temporally, with  
3244 many states having no reported data, and even those areas reporting measured values having limited  
3245 samples over time. Monitored concentrations near modeled releases were rare, often making direct  
3246 comparisons of modeled results unavailable. In most cases, monitoring data represented waterbodies  
3247 without identified releases of 1,1-dichloroethane nearby. To an extent, monitoring data in finished  
3248 drinking water data provided a comparison for the low-range of modeled concentrations at individual  
3249 PWS, although it is important to recognize that even this comparison is weak given the poor temporal  
3250 alignment between modeled and measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water.

3251  
3252 At the higher end, the modeled surface water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane from facility releases  
3253 are several orders of magnitude greater than those observed in the 1,1-dichloroethane monitoring data  
3254 (Figure 3-8). All measured concentrations in surface waters acquired from the WQP fall below 2 µg/L,  
3255 with 95 percent of the concentrations below 0.5 µg/L. In comparison, the median of 1,1-dichloroethane  
3256 concentrations in surface waters (based on 30Q5 hydrologic values) was approximately 50 µg/L.  
3257 Validation of facility-specific 1,1-dichloroethane surface water concentration estimates is not available  
3258 as EPA did not identify monitoring data associated spatially and temporally to facility-specific releases.

3259  
3260 There are a few reasons that can help explain why higher aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane  
3261 were modeled in comparison to those that have been observed from measured samples. The locations  
3262 where measurements were taken could have been collected further downstream or on-stream segments



3263 not impaired by facility releases of 1,1-dichloroethane. In addition, many of the facilities release into  
3264 very small streams or industrial canals, which can elevate modeled concentration at the point of release  
3265 when release amounts are high. As this water travels downstream, it is expected to eventually join with  
3266 larger waterbodies, where some decrease in concentration due to dilution would be expected to occur.

3267  
3268 Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in finished drinking water from the UCMR3 and state  
3269 database were compared to 30Q5-based model estimates for individual PWSs where co-located data  
3270 were available. It is important to note, however, both the timing and location of release and sample  
3271 collection must align to make a true comparison of the modeled versus measured results. Thus, the  
3272 comparison described herein provides a broader sense of agreement. For the low range of modeled  
3273 drinking water estimates (<1 to 5 µg/L), there was a strong agreement with measured data from UCMR3  
3274 data, provided these results were all less than 1 µg/L.

3275  
3276 To further refine the possible distribution and concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane between water  
3277 column, benthic pore water and sediment, EPA used the PSC to estimate 1,1-dichloroethane  
3278 concentrations in the corresponding media resulting from TSCA releases. PSC is a thoroughly reviewed  
3279 modeling tool developed and maintained by the EPA, and so the confidence in the tool's ability to  
3280 estimate accurate concentrations is robust. In addition, estimates of water column concentrations and  
3281 surface water concentrations are closely aligned, demonstrating that PSC is an appropriate tool for 1,1-  
3282 dichloroethane concentration estimates in aqueous environments. Benthic pore water and sediment  
3283 concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were estimated using physical chemical properties such as log K<sub>oc</sub>,  
3284 a measure of chemical adsorption to organic materials such as sediment or soils. EPA has robust  
3285 confidence in estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in benthic pore water and sediments.

#### 3286 3287 ***Land Pathway (Soils, Groundwater, and Biosolids)***

3288 As 1,1-dichloroethane is a chlorinated solvent with decades of use in U.S. chemical manufacturing, there  
3289 is evidence that previous releases or disposal resulted in concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
3290 groundwater. However, current reported releases to landfills are not anticipated to result in any  
3291 measurable 1,1-dichloroethane groundwater concentrations. Uncertainties and limitations are inherent in  
3292 the modeling of groundwater concentrations from disposing chemical substances into poorly managed  
3293 RCRA Subtitle D landfills as well as those that are not regulated as closely. These uncertainties include,  
3294 but are not limited to, (1) determining the total and leachable concentrations of waste constituents, (2)  
3295 estimating the release of pollutants from the waste management units to the environment, and (3)  
3296 estimating and transport of pollutants in a range of variable environments by process that often are not  
3297 completely understood or are too complex to quantify accurately. To address some of these uncertainties  
3298 and add strength to the assessment, EPA considered multiple loading rates and multiple leachate  
3299 concentrations. These considerations add value to estimate exposure that falls at an unknown percentile  
3300 of the full distribution of exposures. The DRAS model is based on a survey of drinking water wells  
3301 located downgradient from a waste management unit ([U.S. EPA, 1988](#)). Due to the age of the survey, it  
3302 is unclear how the survey represents current conditions and proximity of drinking water wells to  
3303 disposal units. Similarly, it is not clear if the surveyed waste management units are representative of  
3304 current waste management practices.

3305  
3306 Based on NEI data, 1,1-dichloroethane is reported to be emitted from several landfills, which also report  
3307 methane as an indicator of anaerobic activity and degradation. Those landfills reporting measured  
3308 anaerobic activity presumably emit 1,1-dichloroethane as an anaerobic degradant of 1,1,1-  
3309 trichloroethane – containing materials disposed in landfills. EPA therefore has moderate confidence in  
3310 estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater from TSCA releases.

3312 EPA did estimate additional possible media for 1,1-dichloroethane exposures, specifically, via air  
 3313 deposition from air releases and releases from POTWs via land application of biosolids. These media  
 3314 concentrations are further used for ecological species exposure estimates (Section 4.1.4) and for limited  
 3315 general population exposures (Appendix G). Given the lack of soil and biosolids monitoring data, and  
 3316 the reliance on estimates based on reported releases and assumptions of POTW biosolids use in land  
 3317 application, EPA has a moderate confidence conclusion in the presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
 3318 biosolids/soils.  
 3319

3320 Table 3-23 presents a summary of the weight of scientific evidence conclusions for each of the media  
 3321 concentrations considered in environmental and human exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane. Evidence for  
 3322 1,1-dichloroethane presence in each media is most dependent on the releases reported in TRI and NEI  
 3323 for ambient air, TRI and DMR for surface water, and TRI for releases to land. The confidence in these  
 3324 releases is reported in Table 3-7 and presented in Table 3-23.  
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3326 **Table 3-23. Confidence and Weight of Scientific Evidence per OES for 1,1-Dichlorethane**  
 3327 **Concentration in Media**

OES	Media	Confidence for Releases	Measured/Monitoring Confidence Level	Modeling/Estimation Confidence Level	Measured/Modeling Comparison	Overall Confidence
Manufacturing	Ambient air	Moderate to robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Indoor air	Moderate to robust	+	++	+	Moderate
	Surface water	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Land	Moderate to Robust	+	++	N/A	Moderate
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Ambient air	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Indoor air	Moderate to robust	+	++	+	Moderate
	Surface water	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Land	Moderate to Robust	+	++	N/A	Moderate
Processing – repackaging	Ambient air	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Surface water	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Land	Moderate to Robust	+	++	N/A	Moderate
Commercial use as a lab chemical	Ambient air	Moderate	–	++	N/A	Moderate
	Surface water	Moderate	–	++	N/A	Moderate
	Land	Moderate	–	++	N/A	Moderate
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Ambient air	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Indoor air	Moderate to robust	+	++	+	Moderate

OES	Media	Confidence for Releases	Measured/Monitoring Confidence Level	Modeling/Estimation Confidence Level	Measured/Modeling Comparison	Overall Confidence
	Surface water	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Land	Moderate to Robust	+	++	N/A	Moderate
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Surface water	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Land	Moderate to Robust	+	++	N/A	Moderate
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	Surface water	Moderate to Robust	++	+++	++	Robust
	Land	Moderate to Robust	+	++	N/A	Moderate
<p>+++ Robust confidence suggests the supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the media concentration estimate.</p> <p>++ Moderate confidence suggests the supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably adequate to characterize the media concentration estimates.</p> <p>+ Slight confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be considered.</p>						

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## 3329 4 ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT

3330 EPA assessed environmental risks of 1,1-dichloroethane exposure to aquatic and terrestrial species.  
3331 Section 4.1 describes the environmental exposures through surface water, sediment, soil, air, and diet via  
3332 trophic transfer. Environmental hazards for aquatic and terrestrial species are described in Section  
3333 4.1.5.2, while environmental risk is described in Section 4.3.

### 3334 4.1 Environmental Exposures

#### 3335 4.1.1 Approach and Methodology

3336 The major environmental compartments for 1,1-dichloroethane exposures to ecological receptors are  
3337 surface water and air (see Section 2.2.2). EPA assessed 1,1-dichloroethane exposures via surface water,  
3338 sediment, soil, and air, which were used to determine risks to aquatic and terrestrial species (see Section  
3339 4.3). Ambient air is assessed for its contribution via deposition to soil.

#### Environmental Exposures (Section 4.1): Key Points

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information for environmental exposures of 1,1-dichloroethane to aquatic and terrestrial species. The key points of the environmental exposure assessment are summarized below:

- EPA expects the main environmental exposure pathways for 1,1-dichloroethane to be surface water and air. The ambient air exposure pathway was assessed for its contribution via deposition to soil.
- 1,1-Dichloroethane exposure to aquatic species through surface water and sediment were modeled to estimate concentrations near industrial and commercial uses.
  - Modeled data based on number of operating days per year estimate surface water concentrations range from 0.7 to 85 µg/L, benthic pore water concentrations range from 0.55 to 78 µg/L, and sediment concentrations range from 0.85 to 124 µg/kg from facility releases to surface waters.
  - EPA also estimated fish tissue and crayfish tissue concentrations by COU using the modeled water releases from industrial uses.
- 1,1-Dichloroethane exposure to terrestrial species through soil, surface water, and sediment was also assessed using modeled data.
  - Exposure through diet was assessed through a trophic transfer analysis, which estimated the transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane from soil through the terrestrial food web and from surface water and sediment through the aquatic food web using representative species.
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane exposure to terrestrial organisms occurs primarily through diet via the surface water pathway for semi-aquatic terrestrial mammals, with release of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water as a source and via the soil pathway for terrestrial mammals. Deposition from air to soil and land-applied biosolids are also sources of 1,1-dichloroethane.
  - For terrestrial mammals and birds, relative contribution to total exposure associated with inhalation is generally secondary in comparison to exposures by diet and indirect ingestion. Therefore, direct inhalation exposure of 1,1-dichloroethane to terrestrial receptors via air was not assessed quantitatively.

3340 EPA used two models, PSC and AERMOD, to assess the environmental concentrations resulting from  
3341 the industrial and commercial release estimates (Section 3.2). Additional information on these models is  
3342 available in Section 3.3. EPA modeled 1,1-dichloroethane surface water, benthic pore water, and  
3343 sediment concentrations using PSC as described in Section 3.3. EPA modeled 1,1-dichloroethane  
3344 concentrations in soil via air deposition near facility (10 m from the source) as described in Section  
3345 3.3.4.1. The distance of 10 m from source was selected as the most conservative scenario, as the highest  
3346 concentrations occurred at this distance. Modeled surface water, sediment, and benthic pore water  
3347 concentrations were used to assess 1,1-dichloroethane exposures to aquatic species.

3349 EPA used calculated soil concentrations to assess risk to terrestrial species via trophic transfer (see  
3350 Section 4.1.4). Specifically, EPA based trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane and potential risk to  
3351 terrestrial animals on modeled air deposition to soil from AERMOD as well as estimated biosolids land  
3352 application. Potential risk to aquatic dependent wildlife used surface water and benthic pore water  
3353 concentrations modeled via PSC for each COU in combination with 1,1-dichloroethane fish and crayfish  
3354 concentrations, respectively, using the estimated BCFs shown in Table 2-2. Exposure factors for  
3355 terrestrial organisms used within the trophic transfer analyses are presented in Section 4.1.4. Application  
3356 of exposure factors and hazard values for organisms at different trophic levels is detailed within Section  
3357 4.3 and used equations described in the *U.S. EPA Guidance for Developing Ecological Soil Screening*  
3358 *Levels* ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#)).

#### 3359 **4.1.2 Exposures to Aquatic Species**

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##### 3360 **4.1.2.1 Measured Concentrations in Aquatic Species**

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3361 There are very limited data available on 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in fish or other aquatic biota.  
3362 Only one study was identified where 1,1-dichloroethane was detected, in oysters in Lake Pontchartrain  
3363 (33 ng/g) ([Ferrario et al., 1985](#)). Other similar chlorinated solvents, including 1,1,1-trichloroethane, 1,2-  
3364 dichloroethane, and trichloroethylene reported concentrations in bivalves between 0.6 and 310 ng/g.  
3365 ([Gotoh et al., 1992](#); [Ferrario et al., 1985](#)). No reasonably available data on 1,1-dichloroethane  
3366 concentrations in fish tissue were identified; however, data in fish muscle and liver tissue for other  
3367 chlorinated solvents range from 0.51 to 4.89 ng/g for 1,1,1-trichloroethane and 0.36 to 29.3 ng/g  
3368 trichloroethylene ([Roose and Brinkman, 1998](#)). Therefore, 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in fish and  
3369 crayfish were calculated as described below to estimate exposure.

##### 3370 **4.1.2.2 Calculated Concentrations in Aquatic Species**

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3371 EPA used PSC to estimate maximum daily average 1,1-dichloroethane surface water, benthic pore water  
3372 and sediment concentrations as described in Section 3.3.3.2 and Section 3.3.3.4. The days of exceedance  
3373 modeled in PSC are not necessarily consecutive and could occur throughout a year at different times.  
3374 Days of exceedance is calculated as the probability of exceedance multiplied by the total modeled days  
3375 of release as described in Appendix I.1.

3377 EPA calculated 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in fish and crayfish for each industrial and  
3378 commercial release scenario (Table\_Apx I-5 and Table\_Apx I-6). The highest calculated concentrations  
3379 of 1,1-dichloroethane in fish and crayfish were 590 ng/g and 550 ng/g, respectively, for the  
3380 manufacturing OES with the lowest calculated concentrations as 4.5 ng/g and 3.8 ng/g for fish and  
3381 crayfish, respectively for the OES commercial use as a laboratory chemical. These calculated  
3382 concentrations are similar to the 1,1-dichloroethane concentration reported in oysters ([Ferrario et al.,](#)  
3383 [1985](#)) and the highest reported concentrations of other chlorinated solvents in fish tissues ([Roose and](#)  
3384 [Brinkman, 1998](#)). Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in fish were calculated by multiplying the  
3385 maximum PSC modeled surface water concentrations based on the number of operating days per year

3386 for each industrial and commercial release scenario (Table 3-3) by the EPI Suite™-generated BCF of 7  
3387 (Table 2-2). Similarly, concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in crayfish were calculated by multiplying  
3388 the maximum PSC modeled benthic pore water concentrations based on the number of operating days  
3389 per year for each industrial and commercial release scenario (Table 3-3) by the estimated BCF. These  
3390 whole fish and crayfish 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations were utilized within the screening level  
3391 assessment for trophic transfer described in Section 4.1.4.

### 3392 **4.1.3 Exposures to Terrestrial Species**

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#### 3393 **4.1.3.1 Measured Concentrations in the Terrestrial Environment**

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3394 No reasonably available data on 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in terrestrial biota were identified.  
3395 One study of urban rats in Oslo, Norway tested for but did not detect any related chlorinated solvents  
3396 such as 1,2-dichloroethane in the livers of rats (detection limit of 20 ng/g dry weight) ([COWI AS, 2018](#)).

#### 3397 **4.1.3.2 Modeled Concentrations in the Terrestrial Environment**

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3398 In general, for terrestrial mammals and birds, relative contribution to total exposure associated with  
3399 inhalation is secondary in comparison to exposures by diet and indirect ingestion. EPA has  
3400 quantitatively evaluated the relative contribution of inhalation exposures for terrestrial mammals and  
3401 birds in previous peer-reviewed *Guidance for Developing Ecological Soil Screening Levels (Eco-SSLs)*  
3402 ([U.S. EPA, 2003a, b](#)). For 1,1-dichloroethane, other factors that guided EPA's decision to qualitatively  
3403 assess 1,1-dichloroethane inhalation exposure to terrestrial receptors at a population level were: limited  
3404 facility releases and the lack of 1,1-dichloroethane inhalation hazard data in terrestrial mammals for  
3405 ecologically relevant endpoints. Air deposition to soil modeling is described in Section 3.3.4.1. EPA  
3406 determined the primary exposure pathway for terrestrial organisms is through soil via dietary uptake and  
3407 incidental ingestion. As described in Section 3.3.4.1, IIOAC and subsequently AERMOD were used to  
3408 assess the estimated release of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil via air deposition 10 m from the facility (Table  
3409 3-17) from fugitive emissions reported to TRI. Air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil based on  
3410 fugitive and/or stack emissions reported to NEI or modeled in generic scenarios was assessed  
3411 qualitatively for exposure to terrestrial receptors since the modeled annual maximum 95th percentile  
3412 (NEI) or high-end (generic scenario) air concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane at 10 m from these sources  
3413 were less than or approximately equal to that of the modeled 1,1-dichloroethane annual maximum 95th  
3414 percentile air concentrations resulting from TRI-reported fugitive emissions at 10 m from releasing  
3415 facilities (Table 3-8, Table 3-12, Table 3-13). Annual application of biosolids were also considered as a  
3416 potential source of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil as described in Section 3.3.4.6.1 (Table 3-18). Resulting  
3417 soil pore water concentrations from daily air deposition or annual biosolids land application were  
3418 calculated as described in Section 3.3.4.6.2.

3419  
3420 Terrestrial plants were assessed for exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane soil pore water concentrations as  
3421 described in Section 4.3.3, and 1,1-dichloroethane soil and soil pore water concentrations were used for  
3422 estimating dietary exposure through trophic transfer as described in Section 4.3.4. For trophic transfer,  
3423 EPA assumed 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in dietary species *Trifolium* sp. as equal to the 1,1-  
3424 dichloroethane maximum soil pore water concentrations for daily air deposition to soil (Table\_Apx I-7)  
3425 or biosolids land application of 1,1-dichloroethane (Table\_Apx I-10) and in earthworms as equal to the  
3426 aggregate of maximum soil and soil pore water concentrations from daily air deposition of 1,1-  
3427 dichloroethane (Table\_Apx I-7) or biosolids land application of 1,1-dichloroethane (Table\_Apx I-10).  
3428 The highest concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane resulting from air deposition to soil in *Trifolium* sp.  
3429 and earthworms were 0.15 mg/kg and 0.38 mg/kg, respectively, for the manufacturing OES. The highest  
3430 concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane resulting from biosolids application to pastureland in *Trifolium* sp.



3431 and earthworms were  $3.7 \times 10^{-2}$  mg/kg and  $9.5 \times 10^{-2}$  mg/kg, respectively, for the waste handling,  
3432 treatment and disposal (POTW) OES, which was the only OES with this environmental release pathway.

#### 3433 **4.1.4 Trophic Transfer Exposure**

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##### 3434 **4.1.4.1 Trophic Transfer (Wildlife)**

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3435 Trophic Transfer is the process by which chemical contaminants can be taken up by organisms through  
3436 dietary and media exposures and be transferred from one trophic level to another. EPA has assessed the  
3437 available studies collected in accordance with the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA*  
3438 *Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) and *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
3439 *Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)) relating to the biomonitoring of 1,1-  
3440 dichloroethane.

3441  
3442 1,1-Dichloroethane is released to the environment by multiple exposure pathways (see Figure 2-1). The  
3443 primary exposure pathway for terrestrial mammals and birds is through diet. On land, deposition of 1,1-  
3444 dichloroethane from air to soil and application of biosolids are the primary exposure pathways for  
3445 dietary exposure to terrestrial mammals, whereas the primary exposure pathway for water is releases  
3446 from facilities. Benthic pore water 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations determined by VVMW-PSC  
3447 modeling based on the COU/OES-specific number of operating days per year (Table 3-3) are  
3448 approximately equal to surface water concentrations across all COUs (see Section 3.3.3.4.2), indicating  
3449 that the exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane through the aquatic dietary exposure pathway for higher trophic  
3450 levels will occur from consumption of organisms in the water column or in the sediment.

3451  
3452 Representative mammal species are chosen to connect the 1,1-dichloroethane transport exposure  
3453 pathway via terrestrial trophic transfer. Uptake of contaminated soil pore water is connected by the  
3454 representative plant *Trifolium* sp. to the representative herbivorous mammal meadow vole (*Microtus*  
3455 *pennsylvanicus*). The meadow vole was selected to represent herbivores as the majority of its diet  
3456 consists of plant matter, it is a native North American species, and it is a similar size to the small  
3457 mammals used to derive the TRV. *Trifolium* sp. was selected as the representative plant because plants  
3458 of this genus comprise a significant portion of the meadow vole diet ([Lindroth and Batzli, 1984](#)). Uptake  
3459 of aggregated contaminated soil and soil pore water is connected by the representative soil invertebrate  
3460 earthworm (*Eisenia fetida*) to the representative insectivorous mammal, short-tailed shrew (*Blarina*  
3461 *brevicauda*). The short-tailed shrew was selected to represent insectivores as it is highly insectivorous, it  
3462 is a native North American species, and it is a similar size to the small mammals used to derive the  
3463 TRV. The earthworm was selected as the representative soil invertebrate because earthworms and other  
3464 annelids comprise a significant portion of the short-tailed shrew diet ([U.S. EPA, 1993b](#)).

3465  
3466 Meadow voles primarily feed on plant shoots with a preference for dicot shoots in the summer and fall.  
3467 When green vegetation is not available, meadow voles will feed on other foods such as seeds and roots  
3468 and are therefore representative herbivorous terrestrial mammals for use in trophic transfer. Depending  
3469 on the location and season, dicot shoots may comprise 12 to 66 percent of the meadow vole's diet ([U.S.](#)  
3470 [EPA, 1993b](#)). Short-tailed shrews primarily feed on invertebrates with earthworms comprising  
3471 approximately 31 percent (stomach volume) to 42 percent (frequency of occurrence) of their diet and are  
3472 therefore representative insectivorous terrestrial mammals for use in trophic transfer. The calculations  
3473 for assessing 1,1-dichloroethane exposure from soil uptake by plants and earthworms and the transfer of  
3474 1,1-dichloroethane through diet to higher trophic levels are presented in Section 4.3.1.1 as well as and  
3475 biota concentrations shown in Table\_Apx I-7 and Table\_Apx I-10. Because surface water sources for  
3476 wildlife water ingestion are typically ephemeral, the trophic transfer analysis for terrestrial organisms

3477 assumed 1,1-dichloroethane exposure concentration for wildlife water intake are equal to soil  
3478 concentrations for each corresponding exposure scenario.

3479  
3480 The representative semi-aquatic terrestrial species is the American mink (*Mustela vison*), which has a  
3481 highly variable diet depending on their habitat. In a riparian habitat, American mink derive 74 to 92  
3482 percent of their diet from aquatic organisms, which includes fish, crustaceans, birds, mammals, and  
3483 vegetation ([Alexander, 1977](#)). Similar to soil concentrations used for terrestrial organisms, the highest  
3484 modeled surface water and benthic pore water 1,1-dichloroethane concentration across exposure  
3485 scenarios were used as surrogates for the 1,1-dichloroethane concentration found in the American  
3486 mink's diet in the form of both water intake and a diet of either fish (bioconcentration from surface  
3487 water) or crayfish (bioconcentration from benthic pore water). For trophic transfer, fish and crayfish  
3488 concentrations shown in Table\_Apx I-5 and Table\_Apx I-6, respectively, are used in conjunction with  
3489 trophic transfer calculations provided below in Section 4.3.1.1.

#### 3490 **4.1.4.2 Trophic Transfer (Dietary Exposure)**

3491 EPA conducted screening level approaches for aquatic and terrestrial risk estimation based on exposure  
3492 via trophic transfer using conservative assumptions for factors such as area use factor as well as 1,1-  
3493 dichloroethane absorption from diet, soil, sediment, and water. This chlorinated solvent has releases to  
3494 aquatic and terrestrial environments as shown in Figure 2-1 and Table 3-6. Due to lack of reasonably  
3495 available measured data, a BCF of 7 for 1,1-dichloroethane was estimated using EPI Suite<sup>TM</sup> ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
3496 [2012c](#)). Section 4.1.2.2 reports estimated concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane within representative fish  
3497 and crayfish tissue based the estimated BCF. A screening level analysis was conducted for trophic  
3498 transfer, which employs a combination of conservative assumptions (*i.e.*, conditions for several exposure  
3499 factors included within Equation 4-1 below) and utilization of the maximum values obtained from  
3500 modeled and/or monitoring data from relevant environmental compartments.

3501  
3502 Following the basic equations as reported in Chapter 4 of the *U.S. EPA Guidance for Developing*  
3503 *Ecological Soil Screening Levels* ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#)), wildlife receptors may be exposed to contaminants  
3504 in soil by two main pathways: incidental ingestion of soil while feeding, and ingestion of food items that  
3505 have become contaminated due to uptake from soil. The general equation used to estimate dietary  
3506 exposure via these two pathways is provided below (Equation 4-1) and was adapted to also include  
3507 consumption of water contaminated with 1,1-dichloroethane, and for semi-aquatic mammals, incidental  
3508 ingestion of sediment instead of soil (see also Table 4-1).

3509  
3510 Exposure factors for food intake rate (*FIR*) and water intake rate (*WIR*) were sourced from the EPA's  
3511 *Wildlife Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 1993b](#)), and the exposure factor for sediment intake  
3512 rate (*SIR*) was sourced from the EPA's *Second Five Year Review Report Hudson River PCBs Superfund*  
3513 *Site Appendix 11 Human Health and Ecological Risks* ([U.S. EPA, 2017a](#)). The proportion of total food  
3514 intake that is soil ( $P_s$ ) is represented at the 90th percentile for representative taxa (short-tailed shrew and  
3515 meadow vole) and was sourced from calculations and modeling in EPA's *Guidance for Developing*  
3516 *Ecological Soil Screening Levels* ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#)). The proportion of total food intake that is sediment  
3517 ( $P_s$ ) for representative taxa (American mink) was calculated by dividing the sediment ingestion rate  
3518 (*SIR*) by food consumption which was derived by multiplying the *FIR* by the body weight of the mink  
3519 (sourced from *Wildlife Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 1993b](#))). The *SIR* for American mink  
3520 was sourced from calculations in EPA's *Second Five Year Review Report Hudson River PCBs*  
3521 *Superfund Site Appendix 11 Human Health and Ecological Risks* ([U.S. EPA, 2017a](#)).

Equation 4-1.

$$DE_j = (S_j * P_s * FIR * AF_{sj}) + [W_j * (AF_{wj} * WIR)] + [\sum_{i=1}^N (B_{ij} * P_i * FIR * AF_{ij})] * AUF$$

Where:

- $DE_j$  = Dietary exposure for contaminant (j) (mg/kg-body weight [bw]/day)
- $S_j$  = Concentration of contaminant (j) in soil or sediment (mg/kg dry weight)
- $P_s$  = Proportion of total food intake that is soil or sediment (kg soil/kg food; SIR/[(FIR)(bw)])
- $SIR$  = Sediment intake rate (kg of sediment [dry weight] per day)
- $FIR$  = Food intake rate (kg of food [dry weight] per kg body weight per day)
- $AF_{sj}$  = Absorbed fraction of contaminant (j) from soil or sediment (s) (for screening purposes set equal to 1)
- $W_j$  = Concentration of contaminant (j) in water (mg/L); assumed to equal soil pore water concentrations for the purposes of terrestrial trophic transfer
- $AF_{wj}$  = Absorbed fraction of contaminant (j) from water (w) (for screening purposes set equal to 1)
- $WIR$  = Water intake rate (kg of water per kg body weight per day)
- $N$  = Number of different biota type (i) in diet
- $B_{ij}$  = Concentration of contaminant (j) in biota type (i) (mg/kg dry weight)
- $P_i$  = Proportion of biota type (i) in diet
- $AF_{ij}$  = Absorbed fraction of contaminant (j) from biota type (i) (for screening purposes set equal to 1)
- $AUF$  = Area use factor (for screening purposes set equal to 1)

Table 4-1. Terms and Values Used to Assess Potential Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane for Terrestrial and Semi-Aquatic Receptors

Term	Earthworm ( <i>Eisenia fetida</i> )	Short-Tailed Shrew ( <i>Blarina brevicauda</i> )	<i>Trifolium</i> sp.	Meadow Vole ( <i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i> )	American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )
$P_s$	1	0.03 <sup>a</sup>	1	0.032 <sup>a</sup>	5.35E-04 <sup>b</sup>
$FIR$	1	0.555 <sup>c</sup>	1	0.325 <sup>c</sup>	0.22 <sup>c</sup>
$AF_{sj}$	1	1	1	1	1
$P_i$	1	1	1	1	1
$WIR$	1	0.223 <sup>c</sup>	1	0.21 <sup>c</sup>	0.105 <sup>c</sup>
$AF_{wj}$	1	1	1	1	1
$AF_{ij}$	1	1	1	1	1
$SIR$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.20E-04 <sup>d</sup>
$bw$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.0195 kg <sup>e</sup>
$N$	1	1	1	1	1
$AUF$	1	1	1	1	1
Highest values based on air deposition					
$S_j^f$	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.146 mg/kg <sup>h</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	N/A
$W_j$	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.146 mg/kg <sup>h</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	N/A

Term	Earthworm ( <i>Eisenia fetida</i> )	Short-Tailed Shrew ( <i>Blarina brevicauda</i> )	<i>Trifolium</i> sp.	Meadow Vole ( <i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i> )	American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )
$B_{ij}$	0.382 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane (soil and soil pore water)	0.382 mg/kg 1,1-dichloroethane (worm)	0.146 mg/kg <sup>h</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane (soil pore water)	0.146 mg/kg 1,1-dichloroethane (plant)	N/A
Highest values based on biosolid land application					
$S_j^f$	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.037 mg/kg <sup>h</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	N/A
$W_j$	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.037 mg/kg <sup>h</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane	N/A
$B_{ij}$	0.095 mg/kg <sup>g</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane (soil and soil pore water)	0.095 mg/kg 1,1-dichloroethane (worm)	0.037 mg/kg <sup>h</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane (soil pore water)	0.037 mg/kg 1,1-dichloroethane (plant)	N/A
Highest values based on release to surface water					
$S_j^f$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.12 mg/kg <sup>i</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane
$W_j$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.085 mg/L <sup>j</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane
$B_{ij}$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.59 mg/kg <sup>k</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane (fish)
					0.55 mg/kg <sup>l</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane (crayfish)

<sup>a</sup> Soil ingestion as proportion of diet represented at the 90th percentile sourced from EPA's *Guidance for Developing Ecological Soil Screening Levels* ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#))

<sup>b</sup> Sediment ingestion as proportion of diet, calculated by dividing the SIR by kg food, where kg food = FIR multiplied by body weight (*bw*) of the mink

<sup>c</sup> Exposure factors (*FIR* and *WIR*) sourced from EPA's *Wildlife Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 1993b](#))

<sup>d</sup> Exposure factor (*SIR*) sourced from EPA's *Second Five Year Review Report Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site Appendix 11 Human Health and Ecological Risks* ([U.S. EPA, 2017a](#))

<sup>e</sup> Mink body weight used to calculate  $P_s$  sourced from EPA's *Wildlife Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 1993b](#))

<sup>f</sup> 1,1-Dichloroethane concentration in aggregated soil and soil pore water for earthworm, short-tailed shrew, and meadow vole; 1,1-Dichloroethane concentration in soil pore water for *Trifolium* sp.; 1,1-Dichloroethane concentration in sediment for mink

<sup>g</sup> Highest modeled aggregated soil and soil pore water concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane calculated based on AERMOD modeling (daily deposition) for fugitive air 1,1-dichloroethane releases reported to TRI for the COU/OES Manufacturing of 1,1-dichloroethane. Concentration of contaminant in water assumed to be equal to this concentration

<sup>h</sup> Highest modeled soil pore water concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane calculated based on AERMOD modeling (daily deposition) for fugitive air 1,1-dichloroethane releases reported to TRI for the COU/OES Manufacturing of 1,1-dichloroethane. Concentration of contaminant in water assumed to be equal to this concentration

<sup>i</sup> Highest sediment concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane obtained using PSC modeling

<sup>j</sup> Highest surface water concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane obtained using PSC modeling

<sup>k</sup> Highest fish concentration (mg/kg) calculated from highest surface water concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane (PSC) and estimated BCF of 7 ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#))

<sup>l</sup> Highest crayfish concentration (mg/kg) calculated from highest benthic pore water concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane (PSC) and estimated BCF of 7 ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#))

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As illustrated in Figure 4-1, representative mammal species were chosen to connect (1) the 1,1-dichloroethane transport exposure pathway via trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane uptake from contaminated soil and soil pore water to earthworm followed by consumption by an insectivorous mammal (short-tailed shrew); and (2) 1,1-dichloroethane uptake from contaminated soil pore water to

3555 plant (*Trifolium* sp.) followed by consumption by an herbivorous mammal (meadow vole). For semi-  
3556 aquatic terrestrial species, a representative mammal (American mink) was chosen to connect the 1,1-  
3557 dichloroethane transport exposure pathway via trophic transfer from fish or crayfish uptake of 1,1-  
3558 dichloroethane from contaminated surface water and benthic pore water.

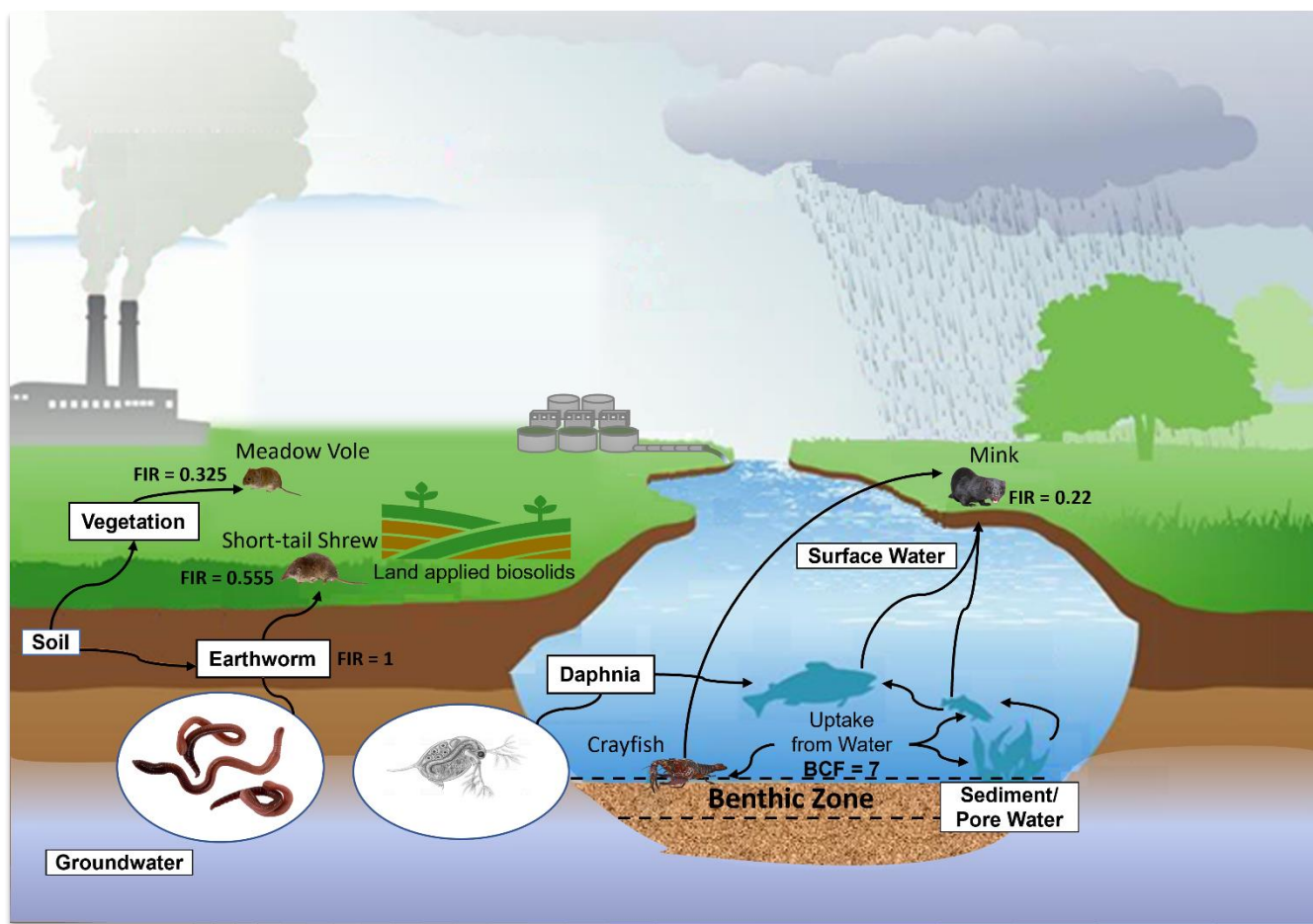
3559  
3560 At the screening level, one conservative assumption is that the invertebrate diet for the short-tailed  
3561 shrew comprises 100 percent earthworms from contaminated soil. Similarly, the dietary assumption for  
3562 the meadow vole is 100 percent *Trifolium* sp. from contaminated soil. For mink, in one scenario 100  
3563 percent of the American mink's diet is predicted to come from fish, and in the second scenario 100  
3564 percent of the American mink's diet is predicted to come from crayfish. Additionally, the screening  
3565 level analysis uses the highest modeled 1,1-dichloroethane soil, soil pore water, surface water, or benthic  
3566 pore water contaminate levels based on daily air deposition or annual biosolids land application (soil and  
3567 soil pore water) as well as the COU/OES-specific number of operating days per year for surface water  
3568 releases (surface water, benthic pore water, and sediment) to determine whether a more detailed  
3569 assessment is required. Because surface water sources for terrestrial wildlife water ingestion are  
3570 typically ephemeral, the trophic transfer analysis for the short-tailed shrew and meadow vole assumed  
3571 1,1-dichloroethane exposure concentration for wildlife water intake are equal to aggregated soil and soil  
3572 pore water concentrations for each corresponding exposure scenario.

3573  
3574 The highest soil and soil porewater concentrations calculated based on AERMOD daily air deposition  
3575 for the COU/OES described in Table\_Apx I-7 or annual biosolids land application for the COU/OES  
3576 described in Table\_Apx I-10 were used to represent 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in media for  
3577 terrestrial trophic transfer. Similarly, the highest PSC-modeled surface water and sediment  
3578 concentrations over the operating days per year for the COU/OES described in Table\_Apx I-5 and  
3579 Table\_Apx I-6 were used to represent 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in media for trophic transfer to  
3580 a semi-aquatic mammal (mink). Additional assumptions for this analysis have been considered to  
3581 represent conservative screening values ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#)). Within this model, incidental oral soil or  
3582 sediment exposure is added to the dietary exposure (including water consumption) resulting in total oral  
3583 exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. In addition, EPA assumes that 100 percent of the contaminant is  
3584 absorbed from both the soil ( $AF_{sj}$ ), water ( $AF_{wj}$ ) and biota representing prey ( $AF_{ij}$ ). The proportional  
3585 representation of time an animal spends occupying an exposed environment is known as the area use  
3586 factor ( $AUF$ ) and has been set at 1 for all biota within this equation (Table 4-1). Values for calculated  
3587 dietary exposure by COU are shown in Table\_Apx I-11 and Table\_Apx I-12 for trophic transfer to  
3588 shrew and vole from air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil; Table\_Apx I-13 and Table\_Apx I-14  
3589 for trophic transfer to shrew and vole from biosolids land application of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil; and  
3590 Table\_Apx I-7 and Table\_Apx I-8 for trophic transfer to mink consuming fish and crayfish. In each  
3591 trophic transfer scenario for concentrations resulting from air deposition to soil, the manufacturing OES  
3592 results in the highest biota concentrations and dietary exposure (Appendix I.2). The waste handling,  
3593 treatment, and disposal (POTW) OES was the only OES with releases to soil via biosolid land  
3594 application. In each trophic transfer scenario for this pathway, the pastureland pathway resulted in the  
3595 highest biota concentrations and dietary exposure (Appendix I.2). In each trophic transfer scenario for  
3596 concentrations resulting from releases to surface water, the manufacturing OES results in the highest  
3597 biota concentrations and dietary exposure (Appendix I.2). The highest dietary exposure across all  
3598 scenarios results from the manufacturing OES surface water releases and consumption of fish by mink  
3599 and is 0.14 mg/kg/day (Table\_Apx I-7). Earthworm and *Trifolium* sp. concentrations (mg/kg) were  
3600 conservatively assumed equal to aggregated soil and soil pore water concentrations (earthworm) or soil  
3601 pore water concentrations only (*Trifolium* sp.). Fish and crayfish concentrations (mg/kg) were calculated  
3602 using surface water and benthic pore water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane, respectively, from PSC  
3603 and an estimated BCF of seven ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)). A comparison of fish consumption in mink is also



3604 provided using actual measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in Lake Pontchartrain oysters  
3605 ([Ferrario et al., 1985](#)) and the maximum measured surface water concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane as  
3606 reported in Section 3.3.3.1. The estimated exposure for mink consuming fish based on these reported  
3607 values is  $7.5 \times 10^{-3}$  mg/kg/day as compared to the highest and lowest COU/OES-based dietary exposure  
3608 estimates of 0.14 mg/kg/day and  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$  mg/kg/day for the manufacturing COU/OES and use as a  
3609 laboratory chemical COU/OES, respectively.

3610  
3611 The trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane from media to biota is illustrated in Figure 4-1 with the  
3612 movement of 1,1-dichloroethane through the food web indicated by black arrows. Within the aquatic  
3613 environment, the benthic zone is bounded by dashed black lines from the bottom of the water column to  
3614 sediment surface and subsurface layers. The depth that the benthic environment extends into subsurface  
3615 sediment is site-specific. Figure 4-1 illustrates the 1,1-dichloroethane BCF for aquatic organisms and  
3616 food intake rates (FIRs) for the representative terrestrial organisms.  
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3618  
3619 **Figure 4-1. Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane in Aquatic and Terrestrial Ecosystems**  
3620 FIR = Food Ingestion Rate.

#### 3621 **4.1.5 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for Environmental Exposures**

##### 3622 **4.1.5.1 Strengths, Limitations, Assumptions, and Key Sources of Uncertainty for the** 3623 **Environmental Exposure Assessment**

3624 EPA used a combination of chemical-specific parameters and generic default parameters when  
3625 estimating surface water, sediment, soil, and fish-tissue concentrations.



3626  
3627 Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in environmental media are expected to vary by exposure scenario.  
3628 Release from industrial facilities, either by water or air, contribute to concentrations of 1,1-  
3629 dichloroethane in the environment. Proximity to facilities and other sources is likely to lead to elevated  
3630 concentrations via air deposition compared to locations that are more remote. The ability to locate  
3631 releases by location reduces uncertainty in assumptions when selecting model input parameters that are  
3632 typically informed by location (e.g., meteorological data, land cover parameters for air modeling, flow  
3633 data for water modeling).

3634  
3635 Measured surface water monitoring data for 1,1-dichloroethane is available but does not generally align  
3636 well either geographically or temporally with modeled releases. In most cases, comparison between  
3637 measured and modeled surface water concentrations was not possible. Environmental exposures of  
3638 aquatic invertebrates, vertebrates, and plants to 1,1-dichloroethane were assessed using modeled surface  
3639 water, benthic pore water, and sediment concentrations resulting from 1,1-dichloroethane releases to  
3640 surface water (Section 3.3.3.2) using site-specific information such as flow data for the receiving  
3641 waterbody at a release location. The confidence in the estimated surface water, benthic pore water, and  
3642 sediment concentrations resulting from surface water releases is characterized as “robust”. For  
3643 additional details see Section 3.3.5.1.

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3645 Neither 1,1-dichloroethane soil monitoring data reflecting releases to air and deposition to soil or  
3646 reflecting releases to soil via land application of biosolids were found for comparison to modeled  
3647 concentration estimates. Environmental exposures of soil invertebrates, terrestrial plants, and mammals  
3648 to 1,1-dichloroethane were assessed using modeled air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane releases to soil  
3649 (Section 3.3.4.1) and estimation of resulting bulk soil and soil porewater concentrations using  
3650 conservative assumptions regarding persistence and mobility. Exposure of these receptors via land  
3651 application of biosolids was assessed using modeled biosolids concentrations and both screening level  
3652 calculations and modeling, and similar conservative assumptions (see Section 3.3.4.6.1 for details).  
3653 Although the screening level models and methods used to estimate soil concentrations from air  
3654 deposition and land application of biosolids are scientifically sound and largely peer reviewed, some key  
3655 inputs such as the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in land applied biosolids and biosolids land  
3656 application practices are highly variable or unknown. Thus, the confidence in the estimated soil  
3657 concentrations resulting from land application of biosolids is characterized as “moderate.”

#### 3658 **4.1.5.2 Trophic Transfer Confidence**

3659 EPA uses several considerations when weighing the scientific evidence to determine confidence in the  
3660 dietary exposure estimates. These considerations include the quality of the database, consistency,  
3661 strength and precision, and relevance (Table\_Apx K-2). This approach is in agreement with the *Draft*  
3662 *Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
3663 [2021b](#)) and *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
3664 [2024t](#)). Table 4-2 summarizes how these considerations were determined for each dietary exposure  
3665 threshold. For trophic transfer EPA considers the evidence for insectivorous terrestrial mammals  
3666 moderate, the evidence for herbivorous terrestrial mammals moderate, the evidence for fish-consuming  
3667 semi-aquatic mammals moderate, and the evidence for crayfish-consuming semi-aquatic mammals  
3668 slight (Table 4-2).

#### 3670 ***Quality of the Database; Consistency; and Strength (Effect Magnitude) and Precision***

3671 Few empirical biomonitoring data in ecological receptors were reasonably available for 1,1-  
3672 dichloroethane or related chlorinated solvents. These data include one study containing 1,1-  
3673 dichloroethane measurements in oysters ([Ferrario et al., 1985](#)), one study containing fish tissue

3674 concentrations in other similar chlorinated solvents (1,1,1-trichloroethane and trichloroethylene) ([Roose](#)  
3675 [and Brinkman, 1998](#)) and a third study with non-detect of 1,2-dichloroethane in urban rats ([COWI AS,](#)  
3676 [2018](#)). Thus, the quality of the database was rated slight. For COU/OES-based dietary exposure  
3677 estimates, biota concentrations in representative species and their diet were calculated based on the  
3678 methodology described in Section 4.3.1.1. The calculated aquatic biota concentrations were of similar  
3679 range to the reported concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane and related chlorinated solvents in aquatic  
3680 biota, which resulted in a moderate confidence for consistency of the aquatic-based dietary exposure  
3681 estimates for the trophic transfer analyses shown in Table 4-2 whereas this consideration was  
3682 determined 'NA' for terrestrial-based dietary exposure estimates. No empirical BCF or BAF data were  
3683 reasonably available, therefore concentrations in aquatic biota were calculated based on a predicted BCF  
3684 derived from bioconcentration of a training set of chemicals from water to fish. Since the training set  
3685 utilized to generate the 1,1-dichloroethane BCF value in EPI Suite™ contains other low-molecular  
3686 weight chlorinated solvents ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)), this results in a moderate confidence for strength and  
3687 precision for the trophic transfer based on fish consumption. Applying this predicted BCF value based  
3688 on fish to calculate whole crayfish concentrations adds uncertainty to dietary exposures estimates from  
3689 consumption of sediment-dwelling invertebrates by mink resulting in a slight confidence in the strength  
3690 and precision of the dietary exposure estimates based on crayfish consumption. For terrestrial mammal  
3691 trophic transfer, due to lack of empirical BAF values, it was conservatively assumed that whole  
3692 earthworm and whole plant concentrations were equal to soil and/or soil pore water concentrations,  
3693 respectively. However, the use of species-specific exposure factors (*i.e.*, feed intake rate, water intake  
3694 rate, the proportion of soil or sediment within the diet) from reliable resources assisted in obtaining  
3695 dietary exposure estimates within the RQ equation ([U.S. EPA, 2017a, 1993b](#)), thereby increasing the  
3696 confidence for strength and precision, resulting in an moderate confidence for strength and precision of  
3697 the dietary exposure estimates in terrestrial trophic transfer.

#### 3699 ***Relevance (Biological, Physical and Chemical, and Environmental)***

3700 The short-tailed shrew, meadow vole, and American mink were selected as representative mammals for  
3701 the soil invertivore-, soil herbivore-, and aquatic-based trophic transfer analyses, respectively ([U.S.](#)  
3702 [EPA, 1993b](#)), based on their import in previous trophic transfer analyses conducted by the U.S. EPA  
3703 ([U.S. EPA, 2003a, b](#)). Appropriate dietary species (earthworm, plant, fish, crayfish) were selected based  
3704 on dietary information for shrew, vole, and mink provided in the *Wildlife Exposure Factors Handbook*  
3705 ([U.S. EPA, 1993b](#)). The selection of the relevant apex and their representative dietary species in the  
3706 trophic transfer analyses increases confidence in the biological relevance of the dietary exposure  
3707 estimates. Modeled concentrations for water and soil used to determine biota concentrations for trophic  
3708 transfer were based on 1,1-dichloroethane data and not those of an analog, therefore increasing  
3709 confidence in physical and chemical relevance of the dietary exposures in the trophic transfer analyses  
3710 (for information on analog selection see Section 4.2.1 and Appendix J.1). The current trophic transfer  
3711 analysis investigated dietary exposure resulting from 1,1-dichloroethane in biota and environmentally  
3712 relevant media such as soil, sediment, and water. The screening-level analysis for trophic transfer used  
3713 equation terms (*e.g.*, area use factor and the proportion of 1,1-dichloroethane absorbed from diet, and  
3714 soil or sediment) all set to the most conservative values, emphasizing a cautious approach to risk to 1,1-  
3715 dichloroethane via trophic transfer.

3716 Assumptions within the trophic transfer equation (Equation 4-3) for this analysis have been considered  
3717 to represent conservative screening values ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#)) and those assumptions were applied  
3718 similarly for each trophic level and representative species. Applications across representative species  
3719 included assuming 100 percent 1,1-dichloroethane bioavailability from both the soil ( $AF_{sj}$ ) and biota  
3720 representing prey ( $AF_{ij}$ ). No additional dietary species other than the selected dietary species were  
3721 included as part of the dietary exposure for the respective terrestrial mammal ( $P_i = 1$ ). The area use  
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3723 factor (AUF), defined as the home range size relative to the contaminated area (*i.e.*, site ÷ home range =  
3724 AUF), within this screening level analysis was designated as 1 for all organisms, which assumes a  
3725 potentially longer residence within an exposed area or a large exposure area. These conservative  
3726 approaches, which likely overrepresent 1,1-dichloroethane's ability to transfer among the trophic levels,  
3727 decrease environmental relevance of the dietary exposures within the trophic transfer analyses, resulting  
3728 in an overall moderate confidence for relevance of the dietary exposure estimates.

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3730 ***Trophic Transfer Confidence***

3731 Due to moderate confidence in both the strength and precision and relevance for the dietary exposure  
3732 estimates to insectivorous and herbivorous terrestrial mammals, the trophic transfer confidence is  
3733 moderate in both cases. Due to moderate confidence in strength and precision and relevance in dietary  
3734 exposure estimates to mink based on fish consumption, the trophic transfer confidence is moderate. Due  
3735 to slight confidence in quality of the database and strength and precision considerations for dietary  
3736 exposure estimates to mink based on crayfish consumption, the trophic transfer confidence is assigned  
3737 slight.

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**Table 4-2. 1,1-Dichloroethane Evidence Table Summarizing Overall Confidence Derived for Trophic Transfer (Dietary)**

Types of Evidence	Quality of the Database	Consistency	Strength and Precision	Relevance <sup>a</sup>	Trophic Transfer Confidence
Chronic Avian Assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Indeterminate
Chronic Mammalian Assessment (insectivorous)	+	N/A	++	++	Moderate
Chronic Mammalian Assessment (herbivorous)	+	N/A	++	++	Moderate
Chronic Mammalian Assessment (fish consumption)	+	++	++	++	Moderate
Chronic Mammalian Assessment (crayfish consumption)	+	++	+	++	Slight

<sup>a</sup> Relevance includes biological, physical/chemical, and environmental relevance.

+++ Robust confidence suggests thorough understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the dietary exposure estimate.

++ Moderate confidence suggests some understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably adequate to characterize dietary exposure estimates.

+ Slight confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be considered.

N/A Indeterminate confidence corresponds to entries in evidence tables where information is not available within a specific evidence consideration.

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## 4.2 Environmental Hazards

### 1,1-Dichloroethane – Environmental Hazards (Section 4.2): Key Points

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information for environmental hazard endpoints associated with 1,1-dichloroethane exposure. The key points of the environmental hazard assessment are summarized below:

- Aquatic species hazard:
  - Few empirical data were reasonably available on aquatic species for 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, EPA used analog data and predictions to supplement the data for hazard characterization.
  - To estimate aquatic and benthic hazards (mortality) from acute exposures, EPA supplemented empirical data on 1,1-dichloroethane with an identified analog, 1,2-dichloropropane, with hazard predictions from an EPA predictive tool, Web-based Interspecies Correlation Estimation (Web-ICE). These data were used with the empirical aquatic invertebrate and fish data to create a Species Sensitivity Distribution and calculate a concentration of concern (COC) for acute exposures of aquatic species (7,898 ppb) using the lower 95th percentile of an HC05, a hazardous concentration threshold for 5 percent of species.
  - EPA also calculated a COC for chronic exposures (reproduction in *Daphnia magna*) to aquatic species (93 ppb) using empirical 1,1-dichloroethane data.
  - EPA calculated two COCs for chronic exposures in benthic pore water and sediment to benthic-dwelling species (reproduction of *Ophryotrocha labronica* and growth and development of *Chironomus riparius*, 6,800 ppb in benthic pore water and 2,900 µg/kg in sediment, respectively) using empirical sediment-dwelling invertebrate data on a close analog, 1,1,2-trichloroethane.
  - EPA also calculated an algal COC for exposures (growth of *Skeletonema costatum*) to aquatic plants (1,000 ppb) using empirical 1,2-dichloropropane data on algae.
- Terrestrial species hazard:
  - Terrestrial hazard data for 1,1-dichloroethane were available for plants and mammals.
  - Based on empirical toxicity data for Canadian poplar, the chronic hazard threshold for terrestrial plants is 802 mg/kg soil.
  - Empirical toxicity data for mice and rats were used to estimate a chronic toxicity reference value (TRV) for terrestrial mammals of 1,189 mg/kg-bw/day.

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### 4.2.1 Approach and Methodology

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During scoping, EPA reviewed potential environmental hazards associated with 1,1-dichloroethane and identified the eight sources of environmental hazard data shown in Figure 2-9 of *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)).

EPA completed the review of environmental hazard data/information sources during risk evaluation using the data quality review evaluation metrics and the rating criteria described in the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) and

3752 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2024t). Studies  
3753 were assigned an overall quality of high, medium, low, or uninformative.

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3755 EPA assigned overall quality determinations of high or medium to five acceptable aquatic toxicity  
3756 studies and four acceptable terrestrial toxicity studies. There were few aquatic toxicity data for 1,1-  
3757 dichloroethane, so EPA also used environmental hazard information for the analog 1,2-dichloropropane.  
3758 1,2-Dichloropropane was selected as an analog for 1,1-dichloroethane aquatic hazard read-across due to  
3759 similar structure, physical, chemical, and environmental fate and transport, and toxicity. Because no  
3760 benthic hazard data were identified for 1,1-dichloroethane or analog 1,2-dichloropropane, benthic hazard  
3761 data from a second analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane (1,1,2-trichloroethane) were used to read-across to 1,1-  
3762 dichloroethane. Although 1,1,2-trichloroethane was not considered as robust an analog as 1,2-  
3763 dichloropropane for read-across of certain aquatic hazard (e.g., algal hazard), 1,1,2-trichloroethane was  
3764 considered a sufficient analog for a targeted read-across of benthic hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane. See  
3765 Appendix I.2 for the analog selection rationale. EPA identified eight sources of environmental hazard  
3766 analog data, including six sources shown in Figure 2-9 of *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,2-  
3767 Dichloropropane CASRN 78-87-5* (U.S. EPA, 2020f) to assess hazard to aquatic species, and two  
3768 sources shown either in Figure 2-9 of *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1,2-Trichloroethane  
3769 CASRN 79-00-5* (U.S. EPA, 2020d) or generated from a 1,1,2-trichloroethane section 4(a)(2) test order  
3770 (Smithers, 2023) to assess hazards to benthic species. Studies on the analogs were also reviewed and  
3771 assigned an overall quality of high, medium, low, or uninformative. In lieu of terrestrial wildlife studies,  
3772 controlled laboratory studies that used mice and rats as human health model organisms were used to  
3773 calculate a TRV which is expressed as doses in units of mg/kg-bw/day. These studies were used to  
3774 calculate a TRV for mammals, which is expressed as doses in units of mg/kg-bw/day. Although the  
3775 TRV for 1,1-dichloroethane is derived from laboratory mice and rat studies, because body weight is  
3776 normalized, the TRV can be used with ecologically relevant wildlife species to evaluate chronic dietary  
3777 exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. Chronic hazard thresholds for representative wildlife species are  
3778 evaluated in the trophic transfer assessments using the TRV (Section 4.2.5.2).

#### 3779 **4.2.2 Aquatic Species Hazard**

##### 3780 ***Toxicity to Aquatic Organisms***

3781 EPA assigned overall quality determinations of high to five acceptable aquatic toxicity studies for 1,1-  
3782 dichloroethane, high or medium to six acceptable aquatic studies for analog 1,2-dichloropropane, and  
3783 high or medium to two acceptable aquatic study for analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane. Analog selection for  
3784 environmental hazard is discussed in Appendix J.1. EPA identified twelve aquatic toxicity studies,  
3785 displayed in Table 4-3, as the most relevant for quantitative assessment. The remaining study was  
3786 represented by a short-term exposure (1 hour) of a single low-dose of 1,1-dichloroethane, resulting in a  
3787 no-effect for ventilation frequency, ventilation amplitude, or swimming behavior in rainbow trout  
3788 (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) (Kaiser K et al., 1995), and was therefore considered less relevant for  
3789 establishing a hazard threshold. The Web-ICE application was used to predict LC50 toxicity values for  
3790 33 additional aquatic organisms (15 fish, an amphibian, and 18 aquatic invertebrate species) from the  
3791 1,1-dichloroethane *Daphnia magna* 48-hour effective concentration 50 (EC50) and 1,2-dichloropropane  
3792 fathead minnow and opossum shrimp 96-hour LC50 data (Raimondo, 2010). The test species (n = 3) and  
3793 predicted species (n = 33) toxicity data were then used to calculate the distribution of species sensitivity.  
3794 Due to the lack of sufficient reasonably available information on benthic species toxicity and the  
3795 uncertainties involved in using read-across and assessment factors in lieu of data regarding benthic  
3796 toxicity thresholds, EPA required data to be developed through TSCA section 4(a)(2) test orders in  
3797 January 2021 on 1,1-dichloroethane toxicity to *Chironomus riparius*. However, due to delays associated  
3798 with performance of the test order, including a June 2023 modification to the test protocol and receipt of



3799 the test order data in June 2024, EPA will consider the results of the completed test data in the final risk  
3800 evaluation.

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### 3802 ***Aquatic Vertebrates***

3803 EPA assigned overall quality determinations of high to a single study with 1,1-dichloroethane fish  
3804 hazard data and high or medium to three studies with analog 1,2-dichloropropane fish hazard data as  
3805 relevant for quantitative assessment. The 1,1-dichloroethane study and two of the 1,2-dichloropropane  
3806 studies contained fish hazard resulting from acute exposures whereas the remaining 1,2-dichloropropane  
3807 study contained fish hazard data for acute and chronic exposures to 1,2-dichloropropane (Table 4-3).

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3809 For acute toxicity studies in fish, Japanese medaka (*Oryzias latipes*) no greater than 6 months old  
3810 exposed to measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for 96 hours under semi-static conditions  
3811 (renewal every 24 hours) had abnormal swimming behavior with a derived EC50 value of 70.7 mg/L  
3812 ([Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009b](#)). Authors noted abnormal swimming behavior if  
3813 any of the following were observed: inactivity, hyperactivity, surface swimming, loss of balance,  
3814 directionless swimming, or convulsions ([Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009b](#)). Details  
3815 on EC50 derivation are described in Appendix K.2.1.3. Twenty-eight to thirty-four-day old fathead  
3816 minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) exposed to measured concentrations of analog 1,2-dichloropropane for  
3817 96 hours in flow-through conditions exhibited loss of equilibrium, swimming near the surface, loss of  
3818 schooling behavior, hypoactivity, and mortality with a reported LC50 for mortality of 127 mg/L ([Geiger  
3819 et al., 1985](#)). Similarly, 30- to 35-day old fathead minnow exposed to measured concentrations of 1,2-  
3820 dichloropropane for 96 hours under flow-through conditions had a reported mortality LC50 of 140 mg/L  
3821 ([Walbridge et al., 1983](#)) (Table 4-3).

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3823 For chronic toxicity in fish, no data were reasonably available for 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, the data  
3824 are represented by exposure to 1,2-dichloropropane. In the fish early life stage test, fathead minnow  
3825 exposed to measured concentrations of 1,2-dichloropropane under flow-through conditions for 32 to 33  
3826 days resulted in a no-observed-effect-concentration (NOEC) and lowest-observed-effect-concentration  
3827 (LOEC) for survival of 11 and 25 mg/L, respectively, and a NOEC and LOEC for decreased weight of 6  
3828 and 11 mg/L, respectively ([Benoit et al., 1982](#)). EPA calculated the 32- to 33-day survival NOEC and  
3829 LOEC geometric mean of 16.58 mg/L as the chronic value (ChV) for survival and the growth NOEC  
3830 and LOEC geometric mean of 8.12 mg/L (Table 4-3).

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### 3832 ***Amphibians***

3833 No amphibian studies were reasonably available to assess potential hazards from 1,1-dichloroethane  
3834 exposure. However, modeled data from Web-ICE predicted a bullfrog (*Lithobates catesbeianus*) 96-  
3835 hour LC50 of 131.59 µg/L from the empirical data of 1,1-dichloroethane and analog 1,2-  
3836 dichloropropane (Table\_Apx K-1). Therefore, amphibian acute toxicity is accounted for within the Web-  
3837 ICE and SSD results (Figure\_Apx K-4).

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### 3839 ***Aquatic Invertebrates***

3840 EPA assigned overall quality determinations of high to two studies with 1,1-dichloroethane aquatic  
3841 invertebrate hazard data and high or medium to three studies with 1,2-dichloropropane or 1,1,2-  
3842 trichloroethane aquatic invertebrate hazard data as relevant for quantitative assessment. Three of these  
3843 studies contained hazard data for acute and/or chronic exposures of water column-dwelling invertebrates  
3844 to 1,1-dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloropropane.

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3846 For acute toxicity studies for water column-dwelling invertebrates, *Daphnia magna* exposed to  
3847 measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for 48-hours in semi-static conditions (renewal every 24

hours) in covered beakers had an immobilization EC50 value of 34.3 mg/L ([Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009a](#)). In a saltwater-dwelling invertebrate study, opossum shrimp (*Americamysis bahia* or *Mysidopsis bahia*) less than 24 hours old had a LC50 of 24.79 mg/L when exposed to measured concentrations of analog 1,2-dichloropropane for 96-hours under flow-through conditions ([Dow Chemical, 1988](#)). In the same study, the 96-hour LC50 for 3-to 4-day old *A. bahia* was greater than 26.65 mg 1,2-dichloropropane/L (also based on measured concentrations), suggesting neonates are more sensitive to 1,2-dichloropropane than more developed shrimp. The mortality NOEC for neonate opossum shrimp was 4.92 mg 1,2-dichloropropane/L, therefore EPA assigned the mortality LOEC as the next highest concentration tested in the study which was 6.89 mg 1,2-dichloropropane/L (Table 4-3).

For chronic toxicity studies for water-column dwelling invertebrates, *D. magna* exposed to measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for 21 days in semi-static conditions (renewal daily) in covered beakers had a chronic 21-day NOEC of 0.525 mg/L and LOEC of 1.64 mg/L for reproductive inhibition (based on number of young produced), resulting in a reproductive ChV of 0.93 mg/L ([Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009d](#)). A median EC50 of 6.67 mg/L was also reported for reproductive inhibition ([Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009d](#)).

#### ***Benthic Invertebrates***

No acute toxicity studies were reasonably available to assess potential hazards from 1,1-dichloroethane exposure to sediment-dwelling organisms. However, modeled data from Web-ICE predicted 96-hour LC50 values for thirteen benthic invertebrates from the empirical data of 1,1-dichloroethane and analog 1,2-dichloropropane (Table\_Apx K-1, Figure\_Apx K-4). Therefore, acute toxicity to sediment-dwelling invertebrates is accounted for within the Web-ICE and SSD results.

No reasonably available data on chronic hazard of sediment-dwelling invertebrates were available for 1,1-dichloroethane or its primary analog 1,2-dichloropropane. Therefore, chronic hazard data from two high or medium-rated studies for sediment-dwelling invertebrates on a secondary analog, 1,1,2-trichloroethane were considered. EPA deemed 1,1,2-trichloroethane suitable for targeted read-across of chronic benthic hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane as described in Appendix J.1. The marine polychaete worm species *Ophryotrocha labronica* exposed to increasing nominal concentrations of 1,1,2-trichloroethane in water for 15 days under semi-static renewal conditions had reduced hatching with a modeled EC10 of 68 mg/L ([Rosenberg et al., 1975](#)). Derivation of the EC10 is described in Appendix K.2.1.3. Larvae of the freshwater midge *Chironomus riparius* exposed over two generations to measured concentrations of 1,1,2-trichloroethane in sediment had significantly decreased emergence in second-generation (F1) larvae exposed to the highest tested concentration of 1,1,2-trichloroethane (measured 44 mg 1,1,2-trichloroethane/kg sediment dry weight, nominal 1,000 mg/kg), resulting in a chronic 28-day NOEC of 19 mg/kg and LOEC of 44 mg/kg, which EPA then calculated a ChV of 29 mg/kg for growth and development (Table 4-3). The decrease in F1 larval emergence at the LOEC was approximately half of control value ( $42 \pm 24$  percent emergence in the 44 mg 1,1,2-trichloroethane/kg treatment group compared to  $77 \pm 8$  percent emergence in the control group; values presented as average  $\pm$  standard deviation) ([Smithers, 2023](#)). The NOEC and LOEC for the same endpoint within this study were also expressed in measured pore water concentrations at 66 and 130 mg/L, which the EPA then calculated a growth and development ChV of 93 mg/L in benthic pore water (Table 4-3).

None of the other measured endpoints for F1 midges or parent midges (F0) in the definitive study resulted in a definitive LOEC; however, it should be noted that percent emergence was significantly decreased in F0 larvae ( $44 \pm 16$  percent compared to  $81 \pm 8$  percent emergence in the controls) exposed to the second highest tested 1,1,2-trichloroethane concentration (measured 10 mg/kg) but not the highest

3897 tested 1,1,2-trichloroethane concentration (30 mg/kg), therefore a LOEC was not established for percent  
3898 emergence in the F0 larval midges. In the preliminary 2-generation sediment screening portion of this  
3899 same study, decreased emergence was also noted in F1 larval midges exposed to the highest tested  
3900 concentration of 1,1,2-trichloroethane ( $14 \pm 6$  percent emergence of F1 larval midges exposed to  
3901 nominal 1,000 mg 1,1,2-trichloroethane/kg sediment dry weight compared to  $90 \pm 11$  percent emergence  
3902 in the control larval midges (Smithers, 2023). Although this endpoint received an uninformative rating  
3903 due to not reporting measured concentrations of 1,1,2-trichloroethane in the sediment and nominal  
3904 concentrations not expected to be representative of actual concentrations, the results support decreased  
3905 emergence in F1 larvae in the medium-rated definitive study.

### 3906 *Aquatic Plants*

3907 EPA assigned overall quality determinations of high to one study with 1,1-dichloroethane aquatic plant  
3908 hazard data and high or medium to three studies with analog 1,2-dichloropropane aquatic plant hazard  
3909 data as relevant for quantitative assessment.

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3911 For studies that reported growth inhibition in the form of EC50 values, green algae species  
3912 (*Clamydomonas reinhardtii*) exposed to measured concentrations of 1,2-dichloropropane for 96-hours  
3913 under flow-through conditions had an EC50 of 83 mg/L for growth rate (Schäfer et al., 1994). This study  
3914 also reported *C. reinhardtii* EC50 values for 7 to 10-days of exposure ranging from 50 to 62 mg/L and  
3915 NOECs ranging from 29 to 31.5 mg/L, demonstrating increasing toxicity with increasing exposure  
3916 durations. EPA used the 96-hour EC50 value from (Schäfer et al., 1994) and the 96-hour EC50 hazard  
3917 value of 15.1 mg/L for marine diatom (*Skeletonema costatum*) growth rate exposed to measured  
3918 concentrations of 1,2-dichloropropane in closed vessels (Dow Chemical, 2010) to calculate a geometric  
3919 mean of 35.4 mg/L, representing multiple algal species.

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3921 For studies reporting growth inhibition NOECs and LOECs, the 1,2-dichloropropane data presented in  
3922 Dow Chemical (2010) are a reanalysis of *S. costatum* 120-hour NOEC and LOEC biomass data  
3923 originally presented in Dow Chemical (1988). In Dow Chemical (2010), the authors report data for  
3924 additional hazard values (EC10 and EC50 in addition to NOEC and LOEC), growth endpoints (growth  
3925 rate and abundance in addition to biomass), and durations (72 hours and 96 hours in addition to 120-  
3926 hours). The authors also used the geometric means of the daily measured chemical concentrations to  
3927 establish the hazard values in the reanalysis presented in Dow Chemical (2010). From the 72-, 96-, and  
3928 120-hour EC10 values of 8.47 mg/L, 8.49 mg/L, and 6.19 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane, respectively, EPA  
3929 calculated the geometric mean of 72- to 120-hour biomass (area under the growth curve) EC10 as 7.64  
3930 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane in *S. costatum*. From the 72-, 96-, and 120-hour NOECs of 8.50 mg/L, 7.12  
3931 mg/L, and 6.87 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane, respectively, and 72-, 96-, and 120-hour LOECs of 16.5  
3932 mg/L, 13.2 mg/L, and 10.9 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane, respectively, EPA also calculated geometric  
3933 means for 72- to 120-hour biomass NOEC and LOEC from Dow Chemical (2010) as 7.46 mg/L 1,2-  
3934 dichloropropane and 13.3 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane, respectively, in *S. costatum*. EPA calculated the  
3935 geometric mean of this NOEC and LOEC, generating a ChV of 10.0 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane for  
3936 growth in *S. costatum*. In comparison, the 96-hour NOEC for green algae species *C. reinhardtii* was  
3937 38.0 mg/L (Schäfer et al., 1994). Green algae species (*Raphidocelis subcapitata*, previously  
3938 *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*) exposed to measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane for 72  
3939 hours in closed vessels reported no observed effects for growth at the highest tested concentration, 94.3  
3940 mg/L 1,1-dichloroethane (Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009c). Similarly, green algae  
3941 species (*Raphidocelis subcapitata*, previously *Selenastrum capricornutum*) exposed to measured  
3942 concentrations of 1,2-dichloropropane for 120-hours in closed vessels (Dow Chemical, 1988) reported  
3943 no observed effects for growth at the highest tested concentration (23.33-675.93 mg/L 1,2-  
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3945 dichloropropane), for which EPA calculated the geometric mean as 162 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane  
3946 (Table 4-3).

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**Table 4-3. Aquatic Organisms Environmental Hazard Studies for 1,1-Dichloroethane, Supplemented with 1,2-Dichloropropane and/or 1,1,2-Trichloroethane Data as Analogs**

Study Type	Test Organism	Species	Endpoint	Hazard Values <sup>a</sup> (mg/L)	Geometric Mean <sup>b</sup> (mg/L)	Effect Endpoint	Citation (Study Quality)
Acute	Fish	Japanese medaka ( <i>Oryzias latipes</i> )	96-hour freshwater EC50	70.7		Behavior (abnormal swimming)	( <a href="#">Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009b</a> ) (High)
		Fathead minnow ( <i>Pimephales promelas</i> )	96-hour freshwater LC50	127 <sup>c</sup> ; 140 <sup>c</sup>	<b>133.34</b>	Mortality	( <a href="#">Walbridge et al., 1983</a> ) (Medium); ( <a href="#">Geiger et al., 1985</a> ) (High)
	Aquatic invertebrates	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	48-hour freshwater EC50	<b>34.3</b>		Immobilization	( <a href="#">Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009a</a> ) (High)
		Mysid shrimp ( <i>Americamysis bahia</i> )	96-hour saltwater LC50	<b>24.79<sup>c</sup></b> , >26.65 <sup>c</sup>		Mortality	( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1988</a> ) (High)
		Mysid shrimp ( <i>Americamysis bahia</i> )	96-hour saltwater NOEC/LOEC	4.92/6.89 <sup>c</sup>			( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1988</a> ) (High)
Chronic	Fish	Fathead minnow ( <i>Pimephales promelas</i> )	32- to 33-day freshwater NOEC/LOEC	11/25 <sup>c</sup>	16.58 (ChV)	Mortality (survival)	( <a href="#">Benoit et al., 1982</a> ) (High)
		Fathead minnow ( <i>Pimephales promelas</i> )	32- to 33-day freshwater NOEC/LOEC	6/11 <sup>c</sup>	8.12 (ChV)	Growth/development (weight)	( <a href="#">Benoit et al., 1982</a> ) (High)
	Aquatic invertebrates	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	21-day freshwater EC50	6.67		Reproduction (young produced)	( <a href="#">Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009d</a> ) (High)
		<i>Daphnia magna</i>	21-day freshwater NOEC/LOEC	0.525/1.64	<b>0.93</b> (ChV)	Reproduction (young produced)	( <a href="#">Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009d</a> ) (High)
	Benthic invertebrates	<i>Ophryotrocha labronica</i>	15-day saltwater EC10	<b>68<sup>d</sup></b>		Reproduction (hatchability)	( <a href="#">Rosenberg et al., 1975</a> ) (High)
		<i>Chironomus riparius</i>	2-generation freshwater NOEC/LOEC	66/130 <sup>d</sup> 19/44 <sup>d,e</sup>	93 (ChV) <b>29</b> (ChV) <sup>e</sup>	Growth/development (decreased emergence)	( <a href="#">Smithers, 2023</a> ) (Medium)

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Study Type	Test Organism	Species	Endpoint	Hazard Values <sup>a</sup> (mg/L)	Geometric Mean <sup>b</sup> (mg/L)	Effect Endpoint	Citation (Study Quality)
Algae	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i> , <i>Clamydomonas reinhardtii</i>		EC50	15.4–83 <sup>c</sup>	35.4	Growth/ development	( <a href="#">Schäfer et al., 1994</a> ) (Medium), ( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2010</a> ) (Medium)
	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>		NOEC	6.19–8.49 <sup>c</sup>	7.64		( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2010</a> ) (Medium)
	<i>Clamydomonas reinhardtii</i>		NOEC	38.0 <sup>c</sup>			( <a href="#">Schäfer et al., 1994</a> ) (Medium)
	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>		NOEC/LOEC	6.87–8.50/ 10.9–16.5 <sup>c</sup>	<b>10.0</b> (ChV)		( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2010</a> ) (Medium), ( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1988</a> ) (High)
	<i>Raphidocelis subcapitata</i>		NOEC	≥94.3			( <a href="#">Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009c</a> ) (High)
	<i>Raphidocelis subcapitata</i>		NOEC	≥29.33–675.93 <sup>c</sup>	162		( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1988</a> ) (High)

<sup>a</sup> Hazard values presented as ranges represent the range of all the definitive values in the citations and are presented with the number of significant figures reported by the authors.

<sup>b</sup> Geometric mean of definitive values only.

<sup>c</sup> Hazard values represented by analog 1,2-dichloropropane data.

<sup>d</sup> Hazard values represented by analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane data.

<sup>e</sup> Hazard values in mg/kg sediment.

Values in bold were used to derive Concentrations of Concern (COC) as described in Section 4.2.4 of this document. All values are listed individually with study quality in ([U.S. EPA, 2024aa](#)) and ([U.S. EPA, 2024u](#)).

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### 4.2.3 Terrestrial Species Hazard

EPA assigned overall quality determinations of high or medium to three acceptable terrestrial toxicity studies. These studies contained relevant 1,1-dichloroethane terrestrial toxicity data for one Norway rat (*Rattus norvegicus*) strain (Sprague-Dawley), one mouse (*Mus musculus*) strain (B6C3F1), and the Canadian poplar (*Populus x canadensis*). EPA identified these three terrestrial toxicity studies, displayed in Table 4-4, as the most relevant for quantitative assessment.

#### *Terrestrial Vertebrates*

Three relevant chronic toxicity studies for terrestrial vertebrates that reported no-observed-adverse-effect-level (NOAEL) and/or lowest-observed-adverse-effect-level (LOAEL) information for 1,1-dichloroethane were assigned an overall quality level of high or medium with behavior (*e.g.*, water intake and central nervous system [CNS] depression), growth, and/or mortality endpoints for rodents (species  $n = 2$ ). No acceptable hazard studies were identified for avian species exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane. For terrestrial mammals and birds, relative contribution to total exposure associated with inhalation is generally minor in comparison to exposures by diet and indirect ingestion. EPA has quantitatively evaluated the relative contribution of inhalation exposures for terrestrial mammals and birds in previous peer-reviewed *Guidance of Ecological Soil Screening Levels (Eco-SSL)* ([U.S. EPA, 2003a, b](#)), therefore, EPA selected toxicity studies with oral exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane and not inhalation exposure to represent ecological hazard to terrestrial vertebrates.

#### *Mammals*

Observed effects occurred at relatively high doses (*e.g.*, LOAELs equal to or greater than 1,000 mg/kg-bw/day) in rats and mice.

*Behavior:* EPA identified behavior data for terrestrial mammalian vertebrates from two studies ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#); [Klaunig et al., 1986](#)). [Klaunig et al. \(1986\)](#) demonstrated no adverse effects on water intake in B6C3F1 mice from ad libitum drinking water consumption for 52 weeks at the highest 1,1-dichloroethane dose tested (2,500 mg/L). This corresponded to a NOAEL reported by the authors as 3.8 mg/g-bw/week which the EPA further converted to a NOAEL of 543 mg/kg-bw/day (Table 4-4). In [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), authors observed moderate central nervous system depression (*e.g.*, progressive motor impairment and sedation) in Sprague-Dawley rats gavaged for 13 weeks with 2 g/kg-bw/day 1,1-dichloroethane, which the EPA then adjusted as shown in ([U.S. EPA, 2024s](#)) for dosing number of days per week and maximum body weight (200 g) to calculate a NOAEL and LOAEL of 714 mg/kg-bw/day and 1429 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively (Table 4-4).

*Reproduction:* No ecologically relevant adverse reproductive effects from 1,1-dichloroethane treatment were identified in rats and mice.

*Growth:* EPA identified growth data for terrestrial mammalian vertebrates from three studies ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#); [Klaunig et al., 1986](#); [NCI, 1978](#)). Adverse growth effects were observed in rats but not mice. In a 10-day study where Sprague Dawley rats were gavaged daily with 1,1-dichloroethane, significantly decreased body weight was observed at the lowest dose administered, which was reported as a LOAEL of 1 g/kg-bw/day ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)) which the EPA then converted to a LOAEL of 1000 mg/kg-bw/day (Table 4-4). In the same study, Sprague-Dawley rats were gavaged 5 times weekly for 13 weeks with 1,1-dichloroethane, and a NOAEL and LOAEL were established in the 13-week study for decreased body weight compared to the control group at 1.0 g/kg-bw/day and 2.0 g/kg-bw/day, respectively, which the EPA adjusted as shown in ([U.S. EPA, 2024s](#)) for dosing number of days per week to calculate a NOAEL and LOAEL of 714 mg/kg-bw/day and 1,429

3999 mg/kg-bw, respectively. A 52-week B6C3F1 mouse study demonstrated no adverse effects on growth  
4000 (body weight change) from ad libitum drinking water consumption at the highest 1,1-dichloroethane  
4001 dose tested in the study (2,500 mg/L) (Klaunig et al., 1986). This corresponded to a NOAEL reported by  
4002 the authors as 3.8 mg/g-bw/week which the EPA further converted to a NOAEL of 543 mg/kg-bw/day  
4003 (Table 4-4).

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4005 A 78-week study tested for effects on several endpoints, including growth, in B6C3F1 mice gavaged  
4006 1,1-dichloroethane in corn oil 5 times weekly (NCI, 1978). No effect was observed for growth (mean  
4007 body weight) in the 1,1-dichloroethane-treated B6C3F1 mice when compared to the control, therefore a  
4008 time-weighted average NOAEL for growth was established as 2,885 mg/kg-bw/day for males and 3,331  
4009 mg/kg-bw/day for females as reported by NTP (NCI, 1978), which the EPA then adjusted for dosing  
4010 number of days per week to 2061 mg/kg-bw/day and 2,379 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively (Table 4-4).  
4011 Within the same report (NCI, 1978), no effect on body weight was observed in male and female  
4012 B6C3F1 mice gavaged five times weekly for 6 weeks with 1,1-dichloroethane in corn oil up to doses of  
4013 10,000 mg/kg/day. Therefore, a NOAEL of 10,000 mg/kg-bw/day was established by the authors, which  
4014 the EPA then adjusted as shown in (U.S. EPA, 2024s) for dosing number of days per week to 7,143  
4015 mg/kg-bw/day (Table 4-4).

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4017 *Survival:* EPA identified mortality data for terrestrial mammalian vertebrates from three studies  
4018 (Muralidhara et al., 2001; Klaunig et al., 1986; NCI, 1978). Two of the three studies demonstrated  
4019 adverse effects on survival in rat and mice, although these two studies (which utilized gavage  
4020 administration) tested higher concentrations than the third study, which did not demonstrate an adverse  
4021 effect via drinking water administration. In Muralidhara et al. (2001), a NOAEL and LOAEL for  
4022 survival was established in male Sprague-Dawley rats gavaged five times weekly for 13 weeks with 1,1-  
4023 dichloroethane. The highest tested dose group (4.0 g/kg) experienced significant mortality and were  
4024 terminated at 11 weeks into the study with a NOAEL and LOAEL of 2 g/kg-bw/day and 4 g/kg-bw/day,  
4025 respectively, which the EPA then adjusted as shown in (U.S. EPA, 2024s) for dosing number of days per  
4026 week and converted into a NOAEL of 1,429 mg/kg-bw/day and a LOAEL of 2,857 mg/kg-bw/day  
4027 (Table 4-4). A 78-week NOAEL and LOAEL for survival were established in B6C3F1 female mice  
4028 gavaged 1,1-dichloroethane in corn oil 5 times weekly (NCI, 1978), with the NOAEL and LOAEL  
4029 reported as time-weighted averages of 1,665 mg/kg-bw/day and 3,331 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively,  
4030 which the EPA then adjusted for dosing number of days per week to a NOAEL of 1,189 mg/kg-bw/day  
4031 and a LOAEL of 2,379 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively. Survival for female mice in the control, vehicle  
4032 control, low dose and high dose groups within this study was 80%, 80%, 80%, and 50%, respectively. A  
4033 52-week B6C3F1 mouse study (Klaunig et al., 1986) demonstrated no adverse effect on survival from  
4034 ad libitum drinking water consumption at the highest 1,1-dichloroethane dose tested in the study  
4035 (reported by the authors as 3.8 mg/g-bw/week, which the EPA further converted to a NOAEL of 543  
4036 mg/kg-bw/day (Table 4-4).

#### 4037 4038 **Avian**

4039 No avian studies were available to assess potential hazards from 1,1-dichloroethane exposure.

#### 4040 4041 **Soil Invertebrates**

4042 No soil invertebrate studies were reasonably available to assess potential hazards from 1,1-  
4043 dichloroethane exposure. Available soil invertebrate hazard data for analog 1,2-dichloropropane was  
4044 determined Uninformative (Neuhauser et al., 1986). Available soil invertebrate hazard data for analog  
4045 1,1,2-trichloroethane was assigned an overall quality determination of high (Neuhauser et al., 1985). A  
4046 48-hour contact exposure of earthworms to 1,1,2-trichloroethane applied to filter paper reported a  
4047 mortality LC50 of 42 microgram/cm<sup>2</sup> (Neuhauser et al., 1985). However, because the filter paper contact

test is not considered a relevant exposure pathway for soil invertebrates due to the absorbed amount of chemical to earthworm via dermal contact being uncertain, EPA did not establish a hazard threshold from the 1,1,2-trichloroethane earthworm hazard data. A 14-day LC50 toxicity prediction of 181 mg/L 1,1-dichloroethane for earthworm can be generated from the neutral organics category using U.S. EPA's Ecological Structure Activity Relationships (ECOSAR) Prediction Model (v2.2) (U.S. EPA, 2022d). The neutral organics category in ECOSAR includes data from several species of earthworm, including data from *Eisenia fetida* (U.S. EPA, 2022d).

### Terrestrial Plants

For terrestrial plant species, one medium-quality study was identified by EPA as relevant for quantitative assessment (Table 4-4). (Dietz and Schnoor, 2001) reported zero-growth and 50 percent transpiration reduction concentrations in Canadian poplar seedlings for a 2-week exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane in growth medium (EC0 and EC50 values of 1,059 mg/L and 802 mg/L, respectively).

**Table 4-4. Terrestrial Organisms Environmental Hazard Studies Used for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Duration	Test Organism (Species)	Endpoint	Hazard Values (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>a</sup>	Effect	Citation (Data Evaluation Rating)
Terrestrial vertebrates					
52 weeks (chronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL	543	Behavior (water intake)	(Klaunig et al., 1986) (High)
13 weeks (subchronic)	Sprague-Dawley Rat ( <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> )	NOAEL/LOAEL	714/1,429	Behavior (CNS depression)	(Muralidhara et al., 2001) (Medium)
10 days (short-term)	Sprague-Dawley Rat ( <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> )	LOAEL	1,000	Growth (body weight)	(Muralidhara et al., 2001) (High)
13 weeks (subchronic)	Sprague-Dawley Rat ( <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> )	NOAEL/LOAEL	714/1,429	Growth (body weight)	(Muralidhara et al., 2001) (High)
52 weeks (chronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL	543	Growth (body weight)	(Klaunig et al., 1986) (High)
78 weeks (chronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL	2,061	Growth (body weight, male)	(NCI, 1978) (High)
78 weeks (chronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL	2,379	Growth (body weight, female)	(NCI, 1978) (High)
6 weeks (subchronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL	7,143	Growth (body weight)	(NCI, 1978) (High)
13 weeks (subchronic)	Sprague-Dawley Rat ( <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> )	NOAEL/LOAEL	1,429/2,857	Survival	(Muralidhara et al., 2001) (High)
78 weeks (chronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL/LOAEL	1,189/2,379	Survival	(NCI, 1978) (High)
52 weeks (chronic)	B6C3F1 Mouse ( <i>Mus musculus</i> )	NOAEL	543	Survival	(Klaunig et al., 1986) (High)
Terrestrial plants					
14 days (short-term)	Canadian poplar ( <i>Populus x canadensis</i> )	EC50	<b>802 mg/L</b>	Transpiration	(Dietz and Schnoor, 2001) (Medium)
Values in bold were used to derive hazard thresholds for terrestrial species as described in Section 4.2.4 of this document. All values are listed individually with study quality in (U.S. EPA, 2024ac) and (U.S. EPA, 2024u).					

#### 4.2.4 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for Environmental Hazards

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##### 4.2.4.1 Strengths, Limitations, Assumptions, and Key Sources of Uncertainty for the Environmental Hazard Assessment

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EPA uses several considerations when weighing the scientific evidence to determine confidence in the environmental hazard data. These considerations include the quality of the database, consistency, strength and precision, biological gradient/dose response, and relevance (Table\_Apx K-2). This approach is in agreement with the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) and *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)). Table 4-5 summarizes how these considerations were determined for each environmental hazard threshold. Overall, EPA/OPPT considers the evidence for acute aquatic hazard as robust, the evidence for acute benthic hazard as moderate, the evidence for chronic aquatic hazard as robust, the evidence for chronic benthic hazard as moderate, the evidence for algal hazard as moderate, the evidence for terrestrial mammalian hazard as moderate, and the evidence for terrestrial plant hazard as slight. Due to lack of reasonably available hazard data, the confidence for avian hazard and soil invertebrate hazard are described as indeterminate. A more detailed explanation of the weight of scientific evidence, uncertainties, and overall confidence for the 1,1-dichloroethane environmental hazard evidence is presented in Appendixes K.2.3.1 and K.2.3.2.

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**Table 4-5. 1,1-Dichloroethane Evidence Table Summarizing the Overall Confidence Derived from Hazard Thresholds**

Types of Evidence	Quality of the Database	Consistency	Strength and Precision	Biological Gradient/Dose-Response	Relevance <sup>a</sup>	Hazard Confidence
Aquatic						
Acute aquatic assessment	+++	+++	+++	+++	++	Robust
Acute benthic assessment	++	++	++	++	++	Moderate
Chronic aquatic assessment	++	++	+++	+++	+++	Robust
Chronic benthic assessment	++	++	+++	+++	+	Moderate
Algal assessment	++	++	+++	++	++	Moderate
Terrestrial						
Chronic mammalian assessment	++	++	++	+++	++	Moderate
Avian assessment	NA <sup>b</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	Indeterminate <sup>c</sup>
Soil invertebrate assessment	NA <sup>b</sup>	NA	NA	NA	NA	Indeterminate <sup>c</sup>
Terrestrial plant assessment	+	+	++	++	+	Slight
<sup>a</sup> Relevance includes biological, physical/chemical (including use of analogs), and environmental relevance. +++ Robust confidence suggests thorough understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the hazard estimate. ++ Moderate confidence suggests some understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably adequate to characterize hazard estimates. + Slight confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be considered. <sup>b</sup> NA indicates that a slight, moderate, or robust confidence cannot be assigned due to the lack of reasonably available data. <sup>c</sup> Indeterminate is noted when a hazard confidence cannot be assigned to an assessment.						

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#### 4.2.5 Environmental Hazard Thresholds

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EPA calculates hazard thresholds to identify potential concerns to aquatic and terrestrial species. For aquatic species, the hazard threshold is called a concentration of concern (COC), and for terrestrial species, the hazard threshold is called a hazard value or toxicity reference value (TRV). These terms (COC, TRV, and hazard value) describe how the values are derived and can encompass multiple taxa or ecologically relevant groups of taxa as the environmental risk characterization serves populations of organisms within a wide diversity of environments. See Section 4.2.5 and Appendix K.2.3.1 for more details on how EPA weighed the scientific evidence. After weighing the scientific evidence, EPA selects the appropriate toxicity value from the integrated data to use for hazard thresholds.

For aquatic species, EPA estimates hazard by calculating a COC for a hazard threshold. COCs can be calculated using a deterministic method by dividing a hazard value by an AF according to EPA methods as defined in Equation 4-2 ([U.S. EPA, 2016c](#), [2013b](#), [2012b](#)).

**Equation 4-2.**

$$COC = toxicity\ value \div AF$$

COCs can also be calculated using probabilistic methods. For example, a Species Sensitivity Distribution (SSD) can be used to calculate a hazardous concentration for 5 percent of species (HC05). The HC05 estimates the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane that is expected to be protective for 95 percent of species. This HC05 can then be used to derive a COC, and the lower bound of the 95 percent confidence interval (CI) of the HC05 can be used to account for uncertainty instead of applying an AF. EPA has more confidence in the probabilistic approach when enough data are available because an HC05 is representative of a larger portion of species in the environment. The use of the lower 95 percent CI instead of a fixed AF of 5 also increases confidence as it is a more data-driven way of accounting for uncertainty ([EPA-HQ-OPPT-2023-0265](#)).

For terrestrial species, EPA estimates hazard by calculating a toxicity reference value (TRV), in the case of terrestrial mammals and birds, or by assigning the hazard value as the hazard threshold in the case of terrestrial plants and soil invertebrates. EPA prefers to derive the TRV by calculating the geometric mean of the NOAELs across sensitive endpoints (growth and reproduction) rather than using a single endpoint. The TRV method is preferred because the geometric mean of NOAELs across studies, species, and endpoints provides greater representation of environmental hazard to terrestrial mammals and/or birds. However, when the criteria for using the geometric mean of the NOAELs as the TRV are not met (according to methodology described in Appendix K.2.2), the TRVs for terrestrial mammals and birds are derived using a single endpoint.

##### 4.2.5.1 Aquatic Species COCs

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EPA derived two acute COCs, two chronic COCs, and an aquatic plant COC using a combination of probabilistic and deterministic approaches with 1,1-dichloroethane hazard data supplemented with read-across from 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane. Algae was assessed separately and not incorporated into acute or chronic COCs, because durations normally considered acute for other species (e.g., up to 96 hours) can encompass several generations of algae. See Appendix K for additional information on methods used to derive COCs. Table 4-6 summarizes the aquatic hazard thresholds.

##### *Acute Aquatic Threshold*

Due to few reasonably available acute toxicity data for aquatic organisms exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane, for the acute aquatic COC, EPA used the 48-hour 1,1-dichloroethane EC50 immobilization data from



4129 *Daphnia magna* and the 96-hour 1,2-dichloropropane LC50 toxicity data from mysid shrimp and fathead  
4130 minnow (Table 4-3) as surrogate species to predict LC50 toxicity values for 33 additional aquatic  
4131 organisms (15 fish, an amphibian, and 18 aquatic invertebrate species) using the Web-ICE application as  
4132 described in Appendix K.2.1.1 ([Raimondo, 2010](#)). The test species (n=3) and predicted species (n = 33)  
4133 toxicity data were then used to calculate the distribution of species sensitivity to 1,1-dichloroethane and  
4134 1,2-dichloropropane exposure (as read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane) through the SSD toolbox as shown  
4135 in Appendix K.2.1.2 ([Etterson, 2020a](#)). The calculated HC05 was 10,784 µg/L (95 percent CI = 7,898 to  
4136 15,440 µg/L) (Figure\_Apx K-4). The lower 95 percent CI of the HC05, 7,898 µg/L, was then used as the  
4137 acute aquatic COC.

#### 4138 **Acute Benthic Threshold**

4139 Due to the lack of reasonably available acute toxicity data for benthic organisms exposed to 1,1-  
4140 dichloroethane or acute empirical data on an appropriate analog, modeled data from the Web-ICE  
4141 application ([Raimondo, 2010](#)) were considered for assessing acute hazard to sediment-dwelling  
4142 organisms. Predicted 96-hour LC50 values were generated for thirteen benthic invertebrates based on  
4143 empirical data for 1,1-dichloroethane and the analog 1,2-dichloropropane (Table\_Apx K-1). Because the  
4144 benthic invertebrate predicted hazard values were represented relatively equally in the low, middle, and  
4145 high portions of the species sensitivity distribution (SSD, Figure\_Apx K-4), EPA used the lower 95  
4146 percent CI of the calculated HC05 resulting from the above SSD analysis to represent the acute COC for  
4147 sediment-dwelling organisms. This resulted in an acute benthic COC of 7,898 µg/L or ppb to be  
4148 compared to benthic pore water exposures.

#### 4149 **Chronic Aquatic Threshold**

4150 The chronic aquatic COC was derived from the 1,1-dichloroethane ChV of the 21-day LOEC/NOEC of  
4151 0.93 mg/L for the aquatic invertebrate *Daphnia magna* with the application of an AF of 10. The ChV for  
4152 *Daphnia magna* was the most sensitive chronic endpoint represented in Table 4-3 for aquatic vertebrates  
4153 and invertebrates representing effects of reproductive inhibition of adult *Daphnia magna* ([Mitsubishi  
4154 Chemical Medicine Corporation, 2009d](#)).

#### 4155 **Chronic Benthic Thresholds**

4156 Due to the lack of reasonably available chronic toxicity data for benthic organisms exposed to 1,1-  
4157 dichloroethane and the chronic benthic COCs were derived from the 1,1,2-trichloroethane 15-day EC10  
4158 of 68 mg/L for *Ophryotrocha labronica* with the application of an AF of 10 and from the 1,1,2-  
4159 trichloroethane ChV of the 2-generation LOEC/NOEC of 29 mg/kg for *Chironomus riparius* with the  
4160 application of an AF of 10. The EC10 for *O. labronica* was the most sensitive hazard value for benthic  
4161 species exposed to 1,1,2-trichloroethane and represents reproductive effects on hatching ([Rosenberg et  
4162 al., 1975](#)), and the ChV for *C. riparius* was the single sediment hazard value for benthic species  
4163 representing growth and development effects for second generation larvae ([Smithers, 2023](#)).

#### 4164 **Aquatic Plant Threshold**

4165 Due to the lack of reasonably available toxicity data with definitive hazard for aquatic plants exposed to  
4166 1,1-dichloroethane, the algal COC was derived from the 1,2-dichloropropane ChV of the 72-120 hour  
4167 NOEC/LOEC of 10.0 mg/L for *Skeletonema costatum* with the application of an AF of 10. The ChV for  
4168 *S. costatum* was carefully recalculated in Dow Chemical ([2010](#)) from data in a robust study ([Dow  
4169 Chemical, 1988](#)) and represents growth and development effects over multiple generations.

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**Table 4-6. Environmental Hazard Thresholds for Aquatic Environmental Toxicity**

Environmental Aquatic Toxicity	Analog	Hazard Value (ppb)	Assessment Factor (AF)	COC (ppb)	Assessment Medium
Acute aquatic exposure: Lower 95% CI of HC05 from SSD	1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane	7,898	NA <sup>a</sup>	7,898	Water column
Acute benthic exposure: Lower 95% CI of HC05 from SSD	1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane	7,898	NA <sup>a</sup>	7,898	Benthic pore water
Chronic aquatic exposure: based on aquatic invertebrate ChV	1,1-dichloroethane	930	10	93	Water column
Chronic benthic exposure: based on benthic invertebrate EC10	1,1,2-trichloroethane	68,000	10	6,800	Benthic pore water
Chronic benthic exposure: based on benthic invertebrate ChV	1,1,2-trichloroethane	29,000 <sup>b</sup>	10	2,900 <sup>b</sup>	Sediment
Aquatic plant exposure: based on algae ChV	1,2-dichloropropane	10,000	10	1,000	Water column

<sup>a</sup> EPA used the lower 95% CI of the HC05 to account for uncertainties rather than an AF.  
<sup>b</sup> Values in mg/kg, otherwise, hazard values in mg/L.

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#### 4.2.5.2 Terrestrial Species Hazard Values

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For terrestrial species exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane EPA identified hazard values (thresholds) for terrestrial vertebrates and plants. Table 4-7 summarizes the environmental hazard thresholds for terrestrial species.

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##### ***Terrestrial Vertebrate Threshold***

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EPA estimated hazard for terrestrial vertebrates by calculating a toxicity reference value (TRV), for mammals (Figure 4-2). For terrestrial mammals, the TRV is expressed as doses in units of mg/kg-bw/day. Although the TRV for 1,1-dichloroethane is derived from laboratory mice and rat studies, body weight is normalized, therefore the TRV can be used with ecologically relevant wildlife species to evaluate chronic dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. Representative wildlife species chronic hazard threshold will be evaluated in the trophic transfer assessments using the TRV. The following criteria were used to select the data to calculate the TRV with NOAEL and/or LOAEL data ([U.S. EPA, 2007](#)). For more details see Appendix K.2.2.

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Step 1: The minimum data set required to derive either a mammalian or avian TRV consists of three results (NOAEL or LOAEL values) for reproduction, growth, or mortality for at least two mammalian or avian species.

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- Because this condition was met, proceed to step 2.

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Step 2: Calculation of a geometric mean requires at least three NOAEL results from the reproduction and growth effect groups.

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- Because this condition was met, then proceed to step 4.

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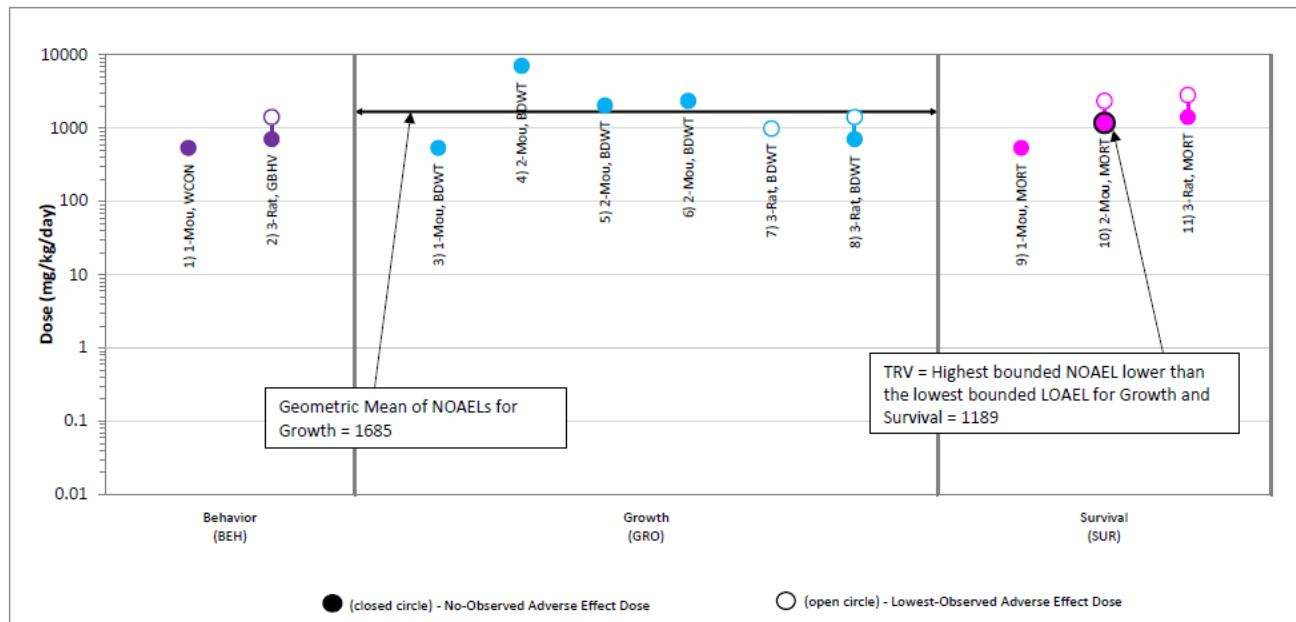
Step 4: When the geometric mean of the NOAEL for reproduction and growth is higher than the lowest bounded LOAEL for reproduction, growth, or mortality,

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- Then the TRV is equal to the highest bounded NOAEL below the lowest bounded LOAEL.

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4203 For 1,1-dichloroethane, the geometric mean of NOAELs for growth endpoints is 1,685 mg/kg-bw/day  
 4204 which is higher than the lowest bounded LOAEL for reproduction, growth, or mortality (1,429 mg/kg-  
 4205 bw/day, growth). Therefore, according to the decision flowchart in Appendix K.2.2, the TRV was set as  
 4206 the highest bounded NOAEL below the lowest bounded LOAEL for reproduction, growth, or mortality,  
 4207 resulting in a TRV of 1,189 mg/kg-bw/day (mortality in female mice) (Figure 4-2). The TRV is  
 4208 representative of various exposure durations (e.g., chronic [ $>90$  days], subchronic [ $>30$  to 90 days],  
 4209 short-term [ $>3$  to 30 days]) with the exception of an acute exposure duration. This is reflective of the  
 4210 COUs where dietary exposure by trophic transfer is assessed from releases to surface water and daily  
 4211 maximum deposition and/or annual land application of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil.  
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Result number → 1) 10 - Rat, MORT  
 Reference number → Test Species Effect Measure  
Test Species Key: Mou - Mouse, Rat - Rat  
Effect Measure Key: BDWT - body weight changes, GBHV - behavioral changes, MORT - mortality, WCON - water consumption  
 ○ - Lowest-Observed Adverse Effect Dose  
 ● - No-Observed Adverse Effect Dose  
 — Paired values from same study when joined by line

**Wildlife TRV Derivation Process**

- 1) There are at least three results available for two test species within the growth, reproduction, and survival effect groups. There are enough data to derive a TRV.
- 2) There are at least three NOAEL results available in the growth effect group for calculation of a geometric mean. (There are no data in the reproduction effect group.)
- 3) The geometric mean of the NOAEL values for growth effects equals 1685 mg 1,1-dichloroethane/kg BW/day, which is greater than the lowest bounded LOAEL of 1429 mg 1,1-dichloroethane/kg BW/day for growth or survival.
- 4) The Mammalian wildlife TRV for 1,1-dichloroethane is equal to 1189 mg 1,1-dichloroethane/kg BW/day, which is the highest bounded NOAEL below the lowest bounded LOAEL for growth or survival.

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 4214 **Figure 4-2. Mammalian TRV Derivation for 1,1-Dichloroethane**  
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**Terrestrial Plant Threshold**

4216 The terrestrial plant hazard threshold was derived from the 1,1-dichloroethane 2-week EC50 of 802  
 4217 mg/L for *Populus x canadensis* (Canadian poplar). The EC50 for *Populus x canadensis* was the most  
 4218 sensitive hazard value in the single terrestrial plant reference representing transpiration effects for  
 4219 seedlings (Dietz and Schnoor, 2001).  
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**Table 4-7. Environmental Hazard Thresholds for Terrestrial Environmental Toxicity**

<b>Environmental Terrestrial Toxicity</b>	<b>Analog</b>	<b>Hazard Value or TRV</b>	<b>Assessment Medium</b>
Mammal: TRV	NA	1,189 mg/kg-bw/day	Dietary (Trophic Transfer)
Avian	NA	No data	No data
Soil invertebrate	NA	No data	No data
Terrestrial plant ( <i>Populus x canadensis</i> ): based on EC50	NA	802 mg/L	Soil porewater

NA = Not applicable, data derived from 1,1-dichloroethane.

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### 4.3 Environmental Risk Characterization

#### 1,1-Dichloroethane – Environmental Risk Characterization (Section 4.3): Key Points

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information to support environmental risk characterization. The key points of the environmental risk characterization are summarized below:

- For aquatic species in the water column, chronic risk quotients (RQs) based on a hazard-based 21-day release to surface waters are above 1 and have corresponding days of exceedance equal to or greater than 21 days for five out of seven COUs evaluated quantitatively for risk to aquatic species from surface water releases. For algal species, an RQ based on a 21-day release to surface water is above 1 and has corresponding days of exceedance equal to or greater than 4 days for the manufacturing COU.
  - No acute RQs exceeded 1 for aquatic species in the water column or sediment compartment for seven COUs evaluated quantitatively for risk to aquatic species from surface water releases. Chronic RQs based on total number of operating days are below 1 for aquatic species in the water column or sediment compartment for all seven COUs.
  - Because EPA lacked information on estimated days of release to surface waters, exposure durations are based on a hazard-based release duration or the total number of operating days.
  - Analog data were used to assess hazard in the water column (specifically, algal hazard and partial use in acute hazard) and in the sediment compartment, and 1,1-dichloroethane data were used to determine the exposure. The methodology demonstrating robustness of the analog selection is described in Appendix J.1.
  - Because of 1,1-dichloroethane's high water solubility and releases to surface water, biota in the water column are particularly susceptible to 1,1-dichloroethane exposure. This could have potential community-level impacts from chronic 1,1-dichloroethane exposures in the water column.
  - EPA has robust confidence in the RQ inputs for the acute and chronic aquatic assessments and moderate confidence in the RQ inputs for the algal and benthic assessments.
- RQs were below 1 for five COUs evaluated quantitatively and expected to be below 1 for eight COUs evaluated qualitatively for risk to terrestrial species from air deposition and biosolids land application.
  - EPA has slight confidence in the RQ inputs for the terrestrial plant assessments.
  - EPA has moderate confidence in the RQ inputs for the screening level trophic transfer assessment.
  - RQs calculated for five COUs were below 1 for dietary exposure of 1,1-dichloroethane to representative insectivorous (shrew) and herbivorous (vole) mammals via trophic transfer using calculated soil and soil pore water concentrations resulting from air deposition or biosolid land application.
  - RQs for five COUs were below 1 for semi-aquatic terrestrial receptors (mink) via trophic transfer from fish and crayfish using the highest modeled 1,1-dichloroethane surface water concentrations and corresponding benthic pore water concentrations.

EPA considered fate, exposure, and environmental hazard to characterize the environmental risk of 1,1-dichloroethane. For environmental receptors, EPA quantitatively estimated risks to aquatic species via water and sediment (including benthic pore water and sediment), and to terrestrial species via exposure to soil and soil pore water by air deposition and biosolids land application, and diet through trophic transfer. Risk estimates to aquatic-dependent terrestrial species were conducted to include exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane via diet, water, and incidental ingestion of sediment. As described in Section 2.2.2,

when released to the environment, 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to partition primarily to air (85%) with lesser amounts to water (15%), sediment (<1%) and soil (<1%). Based on its physical chemical properties, 1,1-dichloroethane is not likely to accumulate in sediment, soil, wastewater biosolids or biota and is not described as persistent and bioaccumulative. Direct exposure of 1,1-dichloroethane to terrestrial receptors via air was not assessed quantitatively, because dietary exposure was determined to be the driver of exposure to wildlife. In general, for terrestrial mammals and birds, relative contribution to total exposure associated with inhalation is secondary in comparison to exposures by diet and indirect ingestion. EPA has quantitatively evaluated the relative contribution of inhalation exposures for terrestrial mammals and birds in previous peer-reviewed *Guidance of Ecological Soil Screening Levels (Eco-SSL)* ([U.S. EPA, 2003a, b](#)).

Section 4.1.5.2 details reasonably available environmental hazard data and indicated that 1,1-dichloroethane presents hazard to aquatic and terrestrial organisms. For acute exposures, 1,1-dichloroethane, supplemented with analog 1,2-dichloropropane data, is a hazard to aquatic animals in the water-column and sediment at 7,898 ppb based on the lower 95 percent CI of the HC05 resulting from an SSD utilizing EPA's Web-ICE ([Raimondo, 2010](#)) and SSD toolbox applications ([Etterson, 2020a](#)). For chronic exposures, 1,1-dichloroethane is a hazard to aquatic organisms in the water column with a ChV of 930 ppb for aquatic invertebrates. For exposures to algal species, 1,1-dichloroethane, based on analog 1,2-dichloropropane, is a hazard to algae in the water column with a ChV of 10,000 ppb. For chronic exposures to sediment-dwelling organisms, 1,1-dichloroethane, based on analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane, is a hazard with ChVs of 68,000 and 29,000 ppb in benthic pore water and sediment, respectively for sediment-dwelling invertebrates. For terrestrial exposures, 1,1-dichloroethane is a hazard to mammals at 1,189 mg/kg-bw/day and a hazard to terrestrial plants with a hazard value of 802,000 ppb. As detailed in Section 4.2.5, EPA considers the evidence for aquatic hazard thresholds robust, algal thresholds as moderate, benthic/sediment thresholds as moderate, terrestrial mammalian threshold moderate, and the evidence for terrestrial plants threshold slight.

For the draft 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation, facility emissions data were obtained from databases such as TRI, DMR and the NEI. The emissions data from these sources are the facility-specific releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to air, water and land on an annual basis (lbs/site-yr or kg/site-yr). The total number of operating days/year for these facilities can be estimated with good confidence. For example, manufacturing processes are typically continuous process that run year-round with maybe some brief shut-down periods. The total number of operating days/year for these types of processes can be reliably estimated as 350. However, the number of days/year that the site manufactures, process or uses releases the chemical is uncertain. The number of release days/year may be less than the total number of operating days for the facility. To address this uncertainty, EPA has modeled two distinct "what-if" scenarios for releases to surface water to cover a range of possible release days at the facility. One scenario assumes the number of release days is equivalent to the hazard duration from which the chronic COCs were derived (Table 4-3). A second scenario assumes that the release is averaged out over the total number of operating days (Table 3-3), so an equal average daily release occurs on each of the operating days. Exposure concentrations from both scenarios were compared to the acute, algal, and chronic COCs.

### 4.3.1 Risk Characterization Approach

EPA characterized the environmental risk of 1,1-dichloroethane using risk quotients (RQs) ([U.S. EPA, 1998](#); [Barnhouse et al., 1982](#)). The RQ is defined in Equation 4-3 as

#### Equation 4-3.

$$RQ = \text{Predicted Environmental Concentration}/\text{Hazard Threshold}$$



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4282 Environmental concentrations for each compartment (*i.e.*, wastewater, surface water, sediment, soil)  
4283 were based on modeled (*i.e.*, surface water, benthic pore water, and sediment estimated from VVMW-  
4284 PSC) and/or calculated (*i.e.*, soil and soil pore water concentrations estimated from AERMOD-modeled  
4285 air deposition rates) concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane from Sections 3.3 and 4.1. EPA calculates  
4286 hazard thresholds to identify potential concerns to aquatic and terrestrial species. These terms describe  
4287 how the values are derived and can encompass multiple taxa or ecologically relevant groups of taxa as  
4288 the environmental risk characterization serves populations of organisms within a wide diversity of  
4289 environments. For hazard thresholds, EPA used the COCs calculated for aquatic organisms, and the  
4290 hazard values or TRVs calculated for terrestrial organisms as detailed within Section 4.2.5.

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4292 RQs equal to 1 indicate that environmental exposures are the same as the hazard threshold. If the RQ is  
4293 above 1, the exposure is greater than the hazard threshold. If the RQ is below 1, the exposure is less than  
4294 the hazard threshold. RQs derived from modeled data for 1,1-dichloroethane are described in Section  
4295 4.3.1.1 for aquatic organisms and Sections 4.3.3 and 4.3.4 for terrestrial organisms. Although exposure  
4296 concentrations in the water column, benthic porewater, and sediment were determined according to two  
4297 different release scenarios (*e.g.*, the first is a hazard based-release duration and the second is based on  
4298 total number of operating days), days of exceedance information was used to determine whether the  
4299 exposure concentrations resulting from these release scenarios exceeded the COCs for a relevant length  
4300 of time. For aquatic species in the water column, acute RQ days of exceedance were determined as equal  
4301 to or greater than one day, whereas for chronic RQs days of exceedance are equal to or greater than 21  
4302 days. RQs for algal species are presented separately and neither described as acute or chronic due to the  
4303 relatively rapid replication time of most algal species. Algal RQs days of exceedance are equal to or  
4304 greater than four days. For sediment-dwelling species exposed to benthic pore water, acute RQs days of  
4305 exceedance are equal to or greater than one day, and days of exceedance for chronic RQs are equal to or  
4306 greater than 15 days. For sediment-dwelling species exposed to sediment, chronic RQs days of  
4307 exceedance are equal to or greater than 35 days. Acute RQs for exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane in  
4308 sediment (mg/kg) were not calculated due to lack of hazard data. Exposure to the benthic compartment  
4309 is represented by acute RQs calculated for exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane in benthic pore water (mg/L).

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4311 EPA used modeled (*e.g.*, PSC, AERMOD, SimpleTreat) data to characterize environmental  
4312 concentrations for 1,1-dichloroethane and to calculate the RQ. Table 3-1 describes the COUs and OESs  
4313 which result in environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane.

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4315 ***Aquatic Risk Characterization Approach; Surface Water, Benthic Pore Water, and Sediment***  
4316 Risk estimates for seven COUs were developed for releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water.  
4317 Within the aquatic environment, a modeling approach was employed to predict surface water, benthic  
4318 pore water, and sediment 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations. PSC considers model inputs of physical  
4319 and chemical properties of 1,1-dichloroethane (*i.e.*,  $K_{OW}$ ,  $K_{OC}$ , water column half-life, photolysis half-  
4320 life, hydrolysis half-life, and benthic half-life) allowing EPA to model predicted benthic pore water and  
4321 sediment concentrations. The PSC modeled 7Q10 surface water concentrations from facility-specific  
4322 release pollutant loads. If the 7Q10 surface water concentrations corresponding to the respective  
4323 exposure durations represented by the various COCs were greater than the acute, chronic, or algal COCs  
4324 in the water column, the PSC model was then used to confirm the modeled surface water concentration  
4325 days of exceedance as determined by the respective COCs. For example, for 1,1-dichloroethane, five  
4326 COUs modeled in PSC produced aquatic chronic RQ values greater than or equal to 1 based on the  
4327 number of release days based on chronic hazard studies, prompting the days of exceedance analysis in  
4328 PSC. Similarly, if modeled benthic pore water and sediment concentrations corresponding to the  
4329 respective exposure durations exceeded the benthic COCs, the PSC model was used to confirm the

4330 modeled benthic pore water and sediment concentration days of exceedance as determined by those  
4331 COCs. In cases of highly effluent-dominated release sites where facility discharge flow is considerably  
4332 greater than the 7Q10 flow of the receiving water body, the facility discharge flow was substituted in  
4333 place of the receiving water body flow as an input in PSC. This scenario can occur when *e.g.*, a facility  
4334 produces high effluent discharge into a concrete basin with intermittent stream flow. This modification  
4335 was applied only to the COU/OES Disposal/Disposal/Disposal/Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal  
4336 (Remediation), where the highest-releasing facility discharge flow was approximately three times the  
4337 7Q10 flow of the receiving stream. The plant flow is 0.416 MLD and was taken from the discharge  
4338 permit.

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4340 Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water were assessed quantitatively whereas air deposition of  
4341 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water from releasing facilities of TRI-reported fugitive emissions was  
4342 assessed qualitatively. As described in Section 3.3.3.2.3, EPA does not expect 1,1-dichloroethane  
4343 surface water concentrations modeled from air deposition to streams 100 m from releasing facilities of  
4344 fugitive and/or stack air emissions to exceed the hazard thresholds for aquatic organisms. The analysis in  
4345 Section 3.3.3.2.3 was based on the air deposition rates from the manufacturing COU/OES which had the  
4346 highest maximum and mean deposition rates by over an order of magnitude in comparison to the  
4347 maximum and mean air deposition rates of the other COU/OESs at 100 m based on TRI fugitive  
4348 emissions. Because the nearest body of water from the manufacturing facility with the highest daily air  
4349 deposition rate was approximately 340 m from facility, EPA does not expect risk estimates greater than  
4350 or equal to 1 for aquatic receptors exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane in surface water resulting from air  
4351 deposition.

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4353 EPA considers the biological relevance of species that COCs or hazard values are based on when  
4354 integrating these values with the location of the surface water, pore water, and sediment concentration  
4355 data to produce RQs. Life-history and habitat of aquatic organisms influence the likelihood of exposure  
4356 above the hazard threshold in an aquatic environment. EPA has identified COC values associated with  
4357 aquatic hazard values and include acute aquatic COC, chronic aquatic COC, acute benthic COC, two  
4358 chronic benthic COCs, and algal COC. The acute aquatic COC and acute benthic COC are the lower 95  
4359 percent CI of the HC05 of an SSD, a modeled probability distribution of toxicity values from multiple  
4360 taxa (including but not limited to *Daphnia magna*, mysid shrimp, and fathead minnow) inhabiting the  
4361 water column and benthic pore water. The chronic COC is represented by a reproductive endpoint from  
4362 a 21-day exposure of *Daphnia magna* to 1,1-dichloroethane within the water column. The chronic  
4363 benthic COC compared to benthic pore water is represented by a reproductive endpoint from a 15-day  
4364 exposure of *Ophryotrocha labronica* to analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane within benthic pore water. A  
4365 second chronic benthic COC compared to sediment is represented by an emergence endpoint from a 2-  
4366 generation exposure of *Chironomus riparius* to analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane within sediment. The algal  
4367 COC is represented by growth and development endpoints from 72 to 120-hour exposures to analog 1,2-  
4368 dichloropropane within the water column.

4369  
4370 Environmental RQ values by exposure scenario with 1,1-dichloroethane surface water concentrations  
4371 ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) were modeled by PSC and are presented in Table 4-8. The max daily average concentrations  
4372 produced by PSC represent the maximum concentration ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) over a 21-day (Scenario 1) or total  
4373 number of operating days (Scenario 2) average period corresponding with the acute or chronic aquatic  
4374 COC used for the RQ estimate. Max daily average surface water concentrations were also produced by  
4375 PSC over a 21-day (Scenario 1) or total number of operating days (Scenario 2, Table 3-3) average period  
4376 corresponding with the algal COC used for the RQ estimate as presented in Table 4-9. Environmental  
4377 RQ values by exposure scenario with 1,1-dichloroethane benthic pore water concentrations (ppb) were  
4378 modeled by PSC and are presented in Table 4-10. The benthic pore water concentrations produced by

4379 PSC represent the maximum concentration (ppb) over a 15-day (Scenario 1) or total number of  
4380 operating days (Scenario 2, Table 3-3) average period corresponding with the acute or chronic benthic  
4381 COC used for the RQ estimate. Environmental RQ values by exposure scenario with 1,1-dichloroethane  
4382 sediment concentrations (mg/kg) were modeled by PSC and are presented in Table 4-11. The sediment  
4383 concentrations produced by PSC represent the maximum concentration (mg/kg) over a 35-day (Scenario  
4384 1) or total number of operating days (Scenario 2, Table 3-3) average period corresponding with the  
4385 chronic benthic COC. Use of surface water and benthic pore water concentrations in trophic transfer is  
4386 described in Section 4.3.1.1.

#### 4387 ***Terrestrial Risk Characterization Approach; Air Deposition and Biosolids***

4388 As described in Section 3.3, IIOAC and subsequently AERMOD were used to estimate the release of  
4389 1,1-dichloroethane to soil via air deposition from specific exposure scenarios. Estimated concentrations  
4390 of 1,1-dichloroethane that could be in soil via air deposition near-facility sources (10 m from the source)  
4391 have been calculated for 1,1-dichloroethane releases reported to TRI in fugitive emissions,  
4392 encompassing five COUs. EPA selected a distance of 10 m for evaluating 1,1-dichloroethane exposure  
4393 to terrestrial organisms that could result from air deposition since this was the distance that resulted in  
4394 the highest average daily deposition rate of 1,1-dichloroethane (Table 3-10). Soil and soil pore water  
4395 concentrations were obtained using maximum 95th percentile daily air deposition rates of 1,1-  
4396 dichloroethane (Table 4-3). EPA calculated RQs for exposure of terrestrial plants to 1,1-dichloroethane  
4397 by directly comparing the 1,1-dichloroethane soil pore water concentrations to the terrestrial plant  
4398 hazard value for 1,1-dichloroethane (Table 4-12). Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane in fugitive and/or stack  
4399 emissions modeled by Monte Carlo simulation (two COUs) or reported to NEI (eight COUs) which  
4400 could result in exposure to terrestrial receptors were assessed qualitatively for air deposition to soil due  
4401 to the modeled maximum 95<sup>th</sup> percentile (NEI) or high-end (Monte-Carlo) air concentrations at 10 m  
4402 from these sources being comparable or lower than modeled maximum 95th percentile air  
4403 concentrations from fugitive emissions reported to TRI (Table 3-9, Table 3-13, Table 3-13). EPA also  
4404 estimated soil and soil pore water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane from annual application of  
4405 biosolids to tilled agricultural soil and pastureland (Table 4-4) as described in Sections 3.3.4.6.1 and  
4406 3.3.4.6.2 to calculate RQs for terrestrial plants (Table 4-13). Briefly, SimpleTreat was used to predict  
4407 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in biosolids, and an EU/REACH screening method and modified  
4408 Equilibrium Partitioning methodology to estimate soil and soil pore water concentrations, respectively,  
4409 from biosolid application. Use of 1,1-dichloroethane soil and soil pore water concentrations in trophic  
4410 transfer is described in Section 4.3.1.1.

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4412  
4413 In general, for terrestrial mammals and birds, relative contribution to total exposure associated with  
4414 inhalation is secondary in comparison to exposures by diet and indirect ingestion. For 1,1-  
4415 dichloroethane, other factors that guided EPA's decision to qualitatively assess 1,1-dichloroethane  
4416 inhalation exposure to terrestrial receptors were: limited facility releases and the lack of 1,1-  
4417 dichloroethane inhalation hazard data in terrestrial mammals for ecologically relevant endpoints.  
4418 Therefore, direct exposure of 1,1-dichloroethane to terrestrial receptors via air was not assessed  
4419 quantitatively.

#### 4420 **4.3.1.1 Risk Characterization Approach for Trophic Transfer**

4421 Trophic transfer is the process by which chemical contaminants can be taken up by organisms through  
4422 dietary and media exposures and transfer from one trophic level to another. Chemicals can be transferred  
4423 from contaminated media and diet to biological tissue and accumulate throughout an organisms' lifespan  
4424 (bioaccumulation) if they are not readily excreted or metabolized. Through dietary consumption of prey,  
4425 a chemical can subsequently be transferred from one trophic level to another. If biomagnification occurs,  
4426 higher trophic level predators will contain greater body burdens of a contaminant compared to lower

4427 trophic level organisms. Although 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to be bioaccumulative, it is  
 4428 continuously released to the environment. When continuous releases occur, dietary exposure to wildlife  
 4429 is possible.

4430  
 4431 EPA conducted screening level approaches for aquatic and terrestrial risk estimation based on exposure  
 4432 via trophic transfer using conservative assumptions for factors such as: area use factor, 1,1-  
 4433 dichloroethane absorption from diet, soil, sediment, and water. A screening level analysis was conducted  
 4434 for trophic transfer and formulation of RQ values for aquatic and terrestrial pathways to representative  
 4435 mammalian species. If RQ values were greater than or equal to 1, further refined analysis is warranted.  
 4436 If an RQ value is less than 1, no further assessment is necessary. The screening level approach employs  
 4437 a combination of conservative assumptions (*i.e.*, conditions for several exposure factors included within  
 4438 Equation 4-4 below) and utilization of the maximum values obtained from modeled and/or monitoring  
 4439 data from relevant environmental compartments.

4440  
 4441 **Equation 4-4.**

$$4442 \quad [RQ]_j = [DE]_j / [HT]_j$$

4443  
 4444 Where:

4445	$RQ_j$	=	Risk quotient for contaminant (j) (unitless)
4446	$DE_j$	=	Dietary exposure for contaminant (j) (mg/kg-BW/day)
4447	$HT_j$	=	Hazard threshold (mg/kg-BW/day)

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 4449 Dietary exposure estimates are presented in Section 4.1.4.2. Terrestrial hazard data are available for  
 4450 mammals using hazard values detailed in Section 4.2.4. As described in Section 4.1.4.1, representative  
 4451 mammal species were chosen to connect the 1,1-dichloroethane transport exposure pathway via trophic  
 4452 transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane uptake from contaminated soil and soil pore water to earthworm followed  
 4453 by consumption by an insectivorous mammal (short-tailed shrew), 1,1-dichloroethane uptake from  
 4454 contaminated soil pore water to plant (*Trifolium* sp.) followed by consumption by an herbivorous  
 4455 mammal (meadow vole). For semi-aquatic terrestrial species, a representative mammal (American mink)  
 4456 was chosen to connect the 1,1-dichloroethane transport exposure pathway via trophic transfer from fish  
 4457 or crayfish uptake of 1,1-dichloroethane from contaminated surface water and benthic pore water  
 4458 modeled from 1,1-dichloroethane surface water releases. As mentioned above, trophic transfer of 1,1-  
 4459 dichloroethane to semi-aquatic terrestrial species from air deposition to surface water is not anticipated  
 4460 due to low maximum daily air deposition rates of 1,1-dichloroethane to streams at distances  $\geq 100$  m  
 4461 from releasing facilities of fugitive emissions (Section 3.3.3.2.3). Therefore, EPA does not expect that  
 4462 risk estimates for trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane to a semi-aquatic terrestrial mammal from air  
 4463 deposition to surface water would be equal to or greater than 1.

4464 **4.3.2 Risk Characterization for Aquatic Receptors**

4465 Because of 1,1-dichloroethane's high water solubility (Table 2-1), low log  $K_{OC}$  (Table 2-2), and known  
 4466 releases to surface water (Table 3-6), biota in the water column are more likely to be exposed to 1,1-  
 4467 dichloroethane than biota in the sediment. For example, surface water RQs for chronic exposures were  
 4468 greater than 1 for five COUs evaluated for 1,1-dichloroethane surface water releases based on a hazard  
 4469 guideline-based 21-day release scenario with days of exceedance equal to or greater than the  
 4470 corresponding hazard duration (21 days) and approaching 1 (greater than 0.9) for the manufacturing  
 4471 COU when the release is based on the total number of operating days (Table 3-3, Table 4-8), whereas  
 4472 none of the seven COUs evaluated quantitatively for surface water release resulted in RQs greater than  
 4473 or equal to 1 for chronic exposure to benthic pore water or sediment (Table 4-10, Table 4-11). No RQs  
 4474 were greater than 1 for acute exposures to biota in the water column or sediment for the seven COUs



4475 evaluated for surface water releases (Table 4-8, Table 4-10). Exposures to algal species in the water  
4476 column resulted an RQ greater than 1 for only the manufacturing COU when based on a hazard  
4477 guideline-based 21-day release scenario with days of exceedance equal to or greater than the  
4478 corresponding hazard duration (4 days) and RQs less than 1 for all COUs evaluated for surface water  
4479 releases based on total number of operating days (Table 4-9). The observation of surface water RQs  
4480 greater than 1 for a hazard guideline-based release scenario (e.g., hypothetical hazard-based release  
4481 duration shorter than the number of operating days) indicate potential community-level impacts (e.g.,  
4482 decline in aquatic invertebrate and algal populations leading to impacts on fish populations which  
4483 depend on these species as food sources) for biota in the water-column from surface water releases of  
4484 1,1-dichloroethane, particularly for the COUs manufacturing of 1,1-dichloroethane and remediation of  
4485 waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane.

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4487 Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to surface water were identified for seven COUs (Life cycle stage/  
4488 Category/ Sub-category with their respective OES) with three COUs (processing/as a  
4489 reactant/intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture; processing/as a  
4490 reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; and  
4491 processing/recycling/recycling) represented by 1 OES (processing as a reactive intermediate) and 1  
4492 COU (disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane) represented by three OESs (general waste handling, POTW, and  
4493 remediation) as described below. As described in Section 3.3.3.2.1, the highest facility-specific release  
4494 data reported between 2015-2020 was utilized for individual facility modeling with the exception for the  
4495 release data of the manufacturing COU facility where the next highest release data which occurred in  
4496 2016 was used in lieu of the highest release data corresponding with a hurricane event in 2020 ([U.S.  
4497 EPA, 2024d](#)).

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4499 ***Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic Manufacturing/Manufacturing***

4500 *Surface water:* Surface water acute aquatic RQ values for manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane were less  
4501 than 1. The chronic aquatic RQ value based on a hazard guideline-based release duration (21 days) for  
4502 manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane was greater than 1 at 15.38 with 21 days of exceedance for the  
4503 chronic aquatic COC which is equal to or greater than the 21-day duration of the chronic aquatic hazard  
4504 data (Table 4-8). The surface water chronic aquatic RQ value based on total number of operating days  
4505 (350 days) for manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane was less than 1 at 0.91 (Table 4-8). The surface water  
4506 algal RQ value based on a hazard guideline-based release duration (21 days) for manufacturing 1,1-  
4507 dichloroethane was greater than 1 for the algal COC at 1.4, with 13 days of exceedance for the algal  
4508 COC, which is greater than or equal to the 4-day duration of the algal hazard data, whereas the surface  
4509 water algal RQ value based on the total number of operating days (350 days) for manufacturing 1,1-  
4510 dichloroethane was less than 1 at 0.08 (Table 4-9).

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4512 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute and chronic RQ values for manufacturing 1,1-  
4513 dichloroethane were less than 1 for the acute benthic and chronic benthic COCs (Table 4-10).

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4515 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQs based on a hazard guideline-based release duration (35 days) or  
4516 the total number of operating days (350 days) for manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 for  
4517 the chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4519 ***Processing/As a Reactant/ Intermediate in All Other Basic Organic Chemical***  
4520 ***Manufacture/Processing as a Reactive Intermediate; Processing/as a Reactant/Intermediate in all***  
4521 ***Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing/Processing as a Reactive Intermediate;***  
4522 ***Processing/Recycling/Recycling/Processing as a Reactive Intermediate***

4523 *Surface water:* The surface water acute RQ for processing 1,1-dichloroethane as a reactive intermediate  
4524 represented by three COUs (Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical  
4525 manufacture, Processing/As a reactant/Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation  
4526 manufacturing, and Processing/Recycling/Recycling) was less than 1 for the acute aquatic COC. The  
4527 surface water chronic RQ value based on a hazard guideline-based release duration (21 days) for  
4528 processing 1,1-dichloroethane as a reactant was greater than 1 at 2.54, with 21 days of exceedance for  
4529 the chronic aquatic COC, whereas the surface water chronic RQ value based on the total number of  
4530 operating days (350 days) for processing 1,1-dichloroethane as a reactant was less than 1 at 0.14 (Table  
4531 4-8). The surface water algal RQ values for processing 1,1-dichloroethane as a reactant were less than 1  
4532 for the algal COC (Table 4-9).

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4534 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute and chronic RQ values for processing 1,1-  
4535 dichloroethane as a reactive intermediate were less than 1 for the acute benthic COC and chronic benthic  
4536 COC (Table 4-10).

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4538 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQs for processing 1,1-dichloroethane as a reactive intermediate were  
4539 less than 1 for the chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4541 ***Processing/Processing – Repackaging/Processing – Repackaging/Processing – Repackaging***  
4542 *Surface water:* The surface water acute and chronic RQ values for repackaging 1,1-dichloroethane were  
4543 less than 1 for the acute aquatic COC, chronic aquatic COC, and algal COC (Table 4-8, Table 4-9).

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4545 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute and chronic RQ values for repackaging 1,1-  
4546 dichloroethane were less than 1 for the acute benthic COC and chronic benthic COC (Table 4-10).

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4548 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQs for repackaging 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 for the  
4549 chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4551 ***Commercial Use/Other Uses/Laboratory Chemicals/Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical***  
4552 *Surface Water:* The surface water acute and chronic RQ values for commercial use of 1,1-  
4553 dichloroethane as a laboratory chemical were less than 1 for the acute aquatic COC, chronic aquatic  
4554 COC, and algal COC (Table 4-8, Table 4-9).

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4556 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute and chronic RQ values for commercial use of 1,1-  
4557 dichloroethane as a laboratory chemical were less than 1 for the acute benthic COC and chronic benthic  
4558 COC (Table 4-10).

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4560 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQs for commercial use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a laboratory chemical  
4561 were less than 1 for the chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4563 ***Disposal/Disposal/Disposal/General Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal***  
4564 *Surface Water:* The surface water acute RQ values for general waste handling, treatment, and disposal  
4565 of 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 for the acute aquatic COC. The surface water chronic RQ value  
4566 based on a hazard guideline-based release duration (21 days) for waste handling, treatment, and disposal  
4567 of 1,1-dichloroethane at a non-POTW facility was greater than 1 at 2.34, with 21 days of exceedance for  
4568 the chronic aquatic COC, whereas the surface water chronic RQ value based on the total number of  
4569 operating days (250 days) for general waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane was  
4570 less than 1 at 0.13 (Table 4-8). The surface water algal RQ values for general waste handling, treatment,  
4571 and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 (Table 4-9).



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4573 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute and chronic RQ values for general waste handling,  
4574 treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 for the acute benthic COC and chronic  
4575 benthic COC (Table 4-10).

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4577 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQs for general waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-  
4578 dichloroethane were less than 1 for the chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4580 ***Disposal/Disposal/Disposal/Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal (POTW)***

4581 *Surface Water:* The surface water acute and algal RQ values for waste handling, treatment, and disposal  
4582 of 1,1-dichloroethane at POTW facilities were less than 1 for the acute aquatic COC and the algal COC  
4583 (Table 4-8 and Table 4-9). The surface water chronic RQ value based on a hazard guideline-based  
4584 release duration (21 days) for remediation of waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-  
4585 dichloroethane was greater than 1 at 1.5 with 21 days of exceedance for the chronic aquatic COC, the  
4586 surface water chronic RQ value based on the total number of operating days (365 days) for waste  
4587 handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane at POTW facilities was less than 1 at 0.09 (Table  
4588 4-8).

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4590 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute and chronic RQ values for waste handling, treatment,  
4591 and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane at POTW facilities were less than 1 for the acute benthic COC and  
4592 chronic benthic COC (Table 4-10).

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4594 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQ for waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane at  
4595 POTW facilities was less than 1 for the chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4597 ***Disposal/Disposal/Disposal/Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal (Remediation)***

4598 *Surface Water:* The surface water acute and algal RQ values for remediation of waste handling,  
4599 treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 (Table 4-8 and Table 4-9). The surface  
4600 water chronic RQ value based on a hazard guideline-based release duration (21 days) for remediation of  
4601 waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane was greater than 1 at 6.2 with 35 days of  
4602 exceedance for the chronic aquatic COC, whereas the surface water chronic aquatic RQ value based on  
4603 total number of operating days (365 days) for remediation of waste handling, treatment, and disposal of  
4604 1,1-dichloroethane was less than 1 at 0.33 (Table 4-8).

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4606 *Benthic Pore Water:* The benthic pore water acute RQ and chronic values for remediation of waste  
4607 handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane were less than 1 for the acute benthic and  
4608 chronic benthic COCs (Table 4-10).

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4610 *Sediment:* The sediment chronic RQs for remediation of waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-  
4611 dichloroethane were less than 1 for the chronic benthic COC (Table 4-11).

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4613 ***Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce/ Distribution in***  
4614 ***Commerce***

4615 Distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6)  
4616 therefore RQs were not generated for this COU/OES.

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**Table 4-8. Environmental Risk Quotients (RQs) by COU for Aquatic Organisms with 1,1-Dichloroethane Surface Water Concentration (µg/L) Modeled by PSC**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Max Daily Average (µg/L) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/L) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	1/1	21	5.79	1,430	Acute	7,898	0	0.18
			350 <sup>e</sup>	0.347	84.7	Acute	7,898	0	1.1E-02
			21	5.79	1,430	Chronic	93	21	15
			350 <sup>e</sup>	0.347	84.7	Chronic	93	0	0.91
Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	2/58	21	1.06	236	Acute	7,898	0	3.0E-02
			350 <sup>e</sup>	6.34E-02	12.9	Acute	7,898	0	1.6E-03
21			1.06	236	Chronic	93	21	2.5	
350 <sup>e</sup>			6.34E-02	12.9	Chronic	93	0	0.14	
Processing/Recycling/Recycling									
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	0/3	21	5.51E-03	8.67	Acute	7,898	0	1.1E-03
			260 <sup>e</sup>	4.45E-04	0.702	Acute	7,898	0	8.9E-05
			21	5.51E-03	8.67	Chronic	93	0	9.3E-02
			260 <sup>e</sup>	4.45E-04	0.702	Chronic	93	0	7.6E-03
Commercial Use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	0/2	21	2.27E-03	7.78	Acute	7,898	0	9.9E-04
			260 <sup>e</sup>	1.83E-04	0.638	Acute	7,898	0	8.1E-05
			21	2.27E-03	7.78	Chronic	93	0	8.4E-02
			260 <sup>e</sup>	1.83E-04	0.638	Chronic	93	0	6.9E-03
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	1/22	21	2.37	218	Acute	7,898	0	2.8E-02
			250 <sup>e</sup>	0.199	12.4	Acute	7,898	0	1.6E-03
			21	2.37	218	Chronic	93	21	2.3
			250 <sup>e</sup>	0.199	12.4	Chronic	93	0	0.13
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal		1/125	21	3.88	143	Acute	7,898	0	1.8E-02

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COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Max Daily Average (µg/L) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/L) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)		365 <sup>e</sup>	0.233	8.16	Acute	7,898	0	1.0E-03
			21	3.88	143	Chronic	93	21	1.5
			365 <sup>e</sup>	0.223	8.16	Chronic	93	0	8.8E-02
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (Remediation)	2/42	21	0.243	580	Acute	7,898	0	7.3E-02
			365 <sup>e</sup>	1.40E-02	30.7	Acute	7,898	0	3.9E-03
			21	0.243	580	Chronic	93	35	6.2
			365 <sup>e</sup>	1.40E-02	30.7	Chronic	93	0	0.33
Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce		N/A <sup>f</sup>						

<sup>a</sup> Number of facilities for a given OES with RQ > 1 & DOE ≥ 21 days  
<sup>b</sup> Based on facility release data.  
<sup>c</sup> Max daily average represents the maximum surface water concentration over a 21-day or total number of operating day average period corresponding with the acute aquatic or chronic aquatic COC used for the RQ estimate.  
<sup>d</sup> Based on (acute) the lower 95% CI of the SSD HC<sub>05</sub> based on empirical hazard data from *Daphnia magna* exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane in water and mysid shrimp and fathead minnow (*Pimephales promelas*) exposed to 1,2-dichloropropane in water and Web-ICE predictions or (chronic) 21-day hazard data from *Daphnia magna* exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane in water.  
<sup>e</sup> Highest days of release based on total number of operating days (Table 3-3).  
<sup>f</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).

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**Table 4-9. Environmental Risk Quotients (RQs) by COU for Aquatic Non-vascular Plants with 1,1-Dichloroethane Surface Water Concentration (µg/L) Modeled by PSC**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Max Daily Average (µg/L) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/L) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/ Domestic manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	1/1	21	5.79	1,430	Algal	1,000	13	1.4
			350 <sup>e</sup>	0.347	84.7			0	8.5E-02
Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	0/58	21	1.06	236	Algal	1,000	0	0.24
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing			350 <sup>e</sup>	6.34E-02	12.9			0	1.3E-02
Processing/Recycling/Recycling			21	5.51E-03	8.67			0	8.7E-03
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	0/3	260 <sup>e</sup>	4.45E-04	0.702	Algal	1,000	0	7.0E-04
			21	2.27E-03	7.78			0	7.8E-03
Commercial Use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	0/2	260 <sup>e</sup>	1.83E-04	0.638	Algal	1,000	0	6.4E-04
			21	2.37	218			0	0.22
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	0/22	250 <sup>e</sup>	0.199	12.4	Algal	1,000	0	1.2E-02
			21	3.88	143			0	0.14
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	0/125	365 <sup>e</sup>	0.223	8.16	Algal	1,000	0	8.2E-03
			21	0.243	580			0	0.58
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	0/42	365 <sup>e</sup>	1.40E-02	30.7	Algal	1,000	0	3.1E-02
			N/A <sup>f</sup>						
Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce								

<sup>a</sup> Number of facilities for a given OES with RQ > 1 & DOE ≥ 4 days

<sup>b</sup> Based on facility release data.

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Max Daily Average (µg/L) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/L) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
<sup>c</sup> Max daily average represents the maximum surface water concentration over a 21-day or total number of operating day average period corresponding with the algal COC used for the RQ estimate. <sup>d</sup> Based on 4-day hazard data from diatom <i>Skeletonema costatum</i> exposed to 1,2-dichloropropane in water. <sup>e</sup> Highest days of release based on total number of operating days (see Table 3-3). <sup>f</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (see Table 3-6).									

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**Table 4-10. Environmental Risk Quotients (RQs) by COU for Aquatic Organisms with 1,1-Dichloroethane Benthic Pore Water Concentration (µg/L) Modeled by PSC**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Benthic Pore Water Concentration (µg/L) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/L) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/ Domestic manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	0/1	15	8.10	413	Acute	7,898	0	5.2E-02
			350 <sup>e</sup>	0.347	78	Acute	7,898	0	9.9E-03
			15	8.10	413	Chronic	6,800	0	6.1E-02
			350 <sup>e</sup>	0.347	78	Chronic	6,800	0	1.1E-02
Processing/As a reactant/ intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	0/58	15	1.48	66.5	Acute	7,898	0	8.4E-03
			350 <sup>e</sup>	6.34E-02	12.4	Acute	7,898	0	1.6E-03
			15	1.48	66.5	Chronic	6,800	0	9.8E-03
Processing/Recycling/Recycling			350 <sup>e</sup>	6.34E-02	12.4	Chronic	6,800	0	1.8E-03
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	0/3	15	7.71E-03	2.51	Acute	7,898	0	3.2E-04
			260 <sup>e</sup>	4.45E-04	0.61	Acute	7,898	0	7.7E-05
			15	7.71E-03	2.51	Chronic	6,800	0	3.7E-04
			260 <sup>e</sup>	4.45E-04	0.61	Chronic	6,800	0	9.0E-05
Commercial Use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	0/2	15	3.18E-03	2.28	Acute	7,898	0	2.9E-04
			260 <sup>e</sup>	1.83E-04	0.546	Acute	7,898	0	6.9E-05
			15	3.18E-03	2.28	Chronic	6,800	0	3.4E-04

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COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Benthic Pore Water Concentration (µg/L) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/L) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
			260 <sup>e</sup>	1.83E-04	0.546	Chronic	6,800	0	8.0E-05
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	0/22	15	3.32	62	Acute	7,898	0	7.8E-03
			250 <sup>e</sup>	0.199	11.8	Acute	7,898	0	1.5E-03
			15	3.32	62	Chronic	6,800	0	9.1E-03
			250 <sup>e</sup>	0.199	11.8	Chronic	6,800	0	1.7E-03
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	0/125	15	5.43	40.8	Acute	7,898	0	5.2E-03
			365 <sup>e</sup>	0.223	7.85	Acute	7,898	0	9.9E-04
			15	5.43	40.8	Chronic	6,800	0	6.0E-03
			365 <sup>e</sup>	0.223	7.85	Chronic	6,800	0	1.2E-03
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	0/42	15	0.34	168	Acute	7,898	0	2.1E-02
			365 <sup>e</sup>	1.40E-02	29.3	Acute	7,898	0	3.7E-03
			15	0.34	168	Chronic	6,800	0	2.5E-02
			365 <sup>e</sup>	1.40E-02	29.3	Chronic	6,800	0	4.3E-03
Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce		N/A <sup>f</sup>						

<sup>a</sup> Number of facilities for a given OES with RQ > 1 & DOE ≥ 15 days  
<sup>b</sup> Highest days of release based on total number of operating days (Table 3-3).  
<sup>c</sup> Based on facility release data.  
<sup>d</sup> Max daily average of benthic pore water concentration represents the maximum benthic pore water concentration over a 15-day or total number of operating day average period corresponding with the acute benthic or chronic benthic COC used for the RQ estimate.  
<sup>e</sup> Based on (acute) probabilistic hazard threshold (e.g., lower bound of the 95th confidence interval of the HC05) which included hazard predictions of sediment-dwelling organisms exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane and analog 1,2-dichloropropane or (chronic) 15-day hazard data from sediment-dwelling *Ophryotrocha labronica* exposed to analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane in water.  
<sup>f</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).

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**Table 4-11. Environmental Risk Quotients (RQs) by COU for Aquatic Organisms with 1,1-Dichloroethane Sediment Concentration (µg/kg) Modeled by PSC**

COU (Life Cycle/Stage/Category/Subcategory)	Occupational Exposure Scenario	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Sediment Concentration (µg/kg) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/kg) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/ Domestic manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	0/1	35	3.47	519	Chronic	2,900	0	0.18
			350 <sup>e</sup>	0.347	124			0	4.3E-02
Processing/As a reactant/ intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	0/58	35	0.634	77.4	Chronic	2,900	0	2.7E-02
Processing/As a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing			350 <sup>e</sup>	6.34E-02	19.6			0	6.8E-03
Processing/Recycling/Recycling			35	3.30E-03	3.13			Chronic	2,900
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	260 <sup>e</sup>	4.45E-04	0.962	0	3.3E-04				
Commercial use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	0/2	35	1.36E-03	2.84	Chronic	2,900	0	9.8E-04
			260 <sup>e</sup>	1.83E-04	0.854			0	2.9E-04
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	0/22	35	1.42	76.5	Chronic	2,900	0	2.6E-02
			250 <sup>e</sup>	0.199	18.6			0	6.4E-03
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	0/125	35	2.33	50.5	Chronic	2,900	0	1.7E-02
			365 <sup>e</sup>	0.223	12.4			0	4.3E-03
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	0/42	35	0.146	211	Chronic	2,900	0	7.3E-02
			365 <sup>e</sup>	1.40E-02	46.3			0	1.6E-02
Distribution in commerce/Distribution in	Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>f</sup>							

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COU (Life Cycle/Stage/Category/Subcategory)	Occupational Exposure Scenario	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Days of Release	Pollutant Load (kg/day) <sup>b</sup>	Sediment Concentration (µg/kg) <sup>c</sup>	COC Type	COC (µg/kg) <sup>d</sup>	Days of Exceedance (days per year) <sup>d</sup>	RQ
commerce/Distribution in commerce									
<sup>a</sup> Number of facilities for a given OES with RQ > 1 & DOE ≥ 35 days <sup>b</sup> Based on facility release data. <sup>c</sup> Max daily average of sediment concentration represents the maximum sediment concentration over a 35-day or total number of operating day average period corresponding with the chronic benthic COC used for the RQ estimate. <sup>d</sup> Based on 35-day hazard data from <i>Chironomus riparius</i> exposed to 1,1,2-trichloroethane in sediment. <sup>e</sup> Highest days of release based on total number of operating days (Table 3-3). <sup>f</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).									

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### 4.3.3 Risk Characterization for Terrestrial Organisms

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RQs were less than 1 for the five COUs quantitatively assessed for air deposition to soil from TRI-reported fugitive emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane when using the highest AERMOD predictions for daily air deposition to soil at 10 m from facility. EPA expects risk estimates for air deposition to soil from NEI and environmental release modeled stack and/or fugitive emissions to be comparable or less than those developed based on TRI fugitive emissions, therefore, two additional COU/OESs (repackaging of 1,1-dichloroethane and commercial use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a laboratory chemical) were assessed qualitatively for risk to terrestrial organisms. Table 4-12 presents soil pore water concentrations and RQ values for daily air deposition to soil pore water, indicating RQs below 1 for terrestrial plants. The highest 1,1-dichloroethane soil pore water concentration calculated using AERMOD predictions at 10 m from facility is 146 µg/L based on the COU/OES manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane. EPA expects that the RQs for terrestrial plants exposed to air deposition to soil from NEI-reported fugitive and/or stack emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane (eight COUs) or environmental release-modeled (Monte-Carlo simulated) fugitive and/or stack emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane (two COUs) would be similar or less than the RQ values for air deposition to soil from TRI-reported fugitive emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane (with the highest RQ value for terrestrial plants =  $1.8 \times 10^{-4}$  based on manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane). This is because the modeled 1,1-dichloroethane air concentrations at 10 m from releasing facilities resulting from NEI-reported or Monte-Carlo simulated fugitive and stack emissions (Table 3-13 and Table 4-12, respectively) are less than or comparable to modeled 1,1-dichloroethane air concentrations at 10 m from releasing facilities resulting from TRI-reported fugitive emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane (Table 3-9). Therefore, estimates of risk associated with air deposition to soil from NEI-reported or environmental release-modeled (Monte-Carlo simulated) fugitive and/or stack emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane are assessed qualitatively in Table 4-12.

In the case of commercial use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a laboratory chemical, the modeled air concentration at 10 m from releasing facility included both fugitive and stack emissions in the environmental release-model (Monte-Carlo simulation) and could not be attributed to one emission type. However, this modeled air concentration ( $1.5 \text{ mg/m}^3$ ) is two orders of magnitude less than the maximum air concentration of  $230 \text{ mg/m}^3$  modeled from TRI-reported fugitive emissions from manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane, the COU/OES with the highest modeled air concentration at 10 m from releasing facility (RQ for terrestrial plants =  $1.8 \text{E}-04$  from 1,1-dichloroethane air deposition to soil).

RQs were less than 1 for the disposal COU when using the highest predictions for biosolids land application to tilled agricultural and pastureland soils. Table 4-13 presents soil pore water concentrations and RQ values for waste handling, treatment, and disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane at POTWs, indicating RQs below 1 for terrestrial plants.

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**Table 4-12. Calculated Risk Quotients (RQs) For Terrestrial Plants Based on Modeled Air Deposition of 1,1-Dichloroethane to Soil from Reported or Modeled Fugitive Emissions**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Source	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Soil Pore Water Concentration (µg/L) at 10 m <sup>b</sup>	Hazard Threshold (mg/L) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	TRI	0/9	1.50E02	8.00E05	1.8E-04
		NEI	0/9	Assessed qualitatively due to modeled air concentrations < those based on TRI data		
Processing/As a reactant/ intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	TRI	0/6	3.2	8.00E05	4.0E-06
Processing/As a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing		NEI	0/50	Assessed qualitatively due to modeled air concentrations ≈ those based on TRI data		
Processing/Recycling/Recycling						
Processing/ Processing – repackaging/ Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Modeled <sup>d</sup>	N/A	Assessed qualitatively due to modeled air concentrations ≈ those based on TRI data		
Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	NEI	0/5	Assessed qualitatively due to modeled air concentrations ≈ those based on TRI data		
Commercial use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	NEI	0/2	Assessed qualitatively due to modeled air concentrations ≈ those based on TRI data		
		Modeled <sup>d, e</sup>	N/A			
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	TRI	0/8	7.6E-02	8.02E05	9.5E-08
		NEI	0/102	Assessed qualitatively due to modeled air concentrations ≈ those based on TRI data		

<sup>a</sup> Number of facilities for a given OES with RQ > 1  
<sup>b</sup> Soil pore water concentrations calculated from estimated soil catchment concentrations that could be in soil via maximum daily air deposition (95th percentile) of 1,1-dichloroethane at a distance of 10 m from facility based on releases reported to TRI.  
<sup>c</sup> Based on hazard data from Canadian poplar (*Populus x canadensis*) exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane for 2 weeks in growth medium.  
<sup>d</sup> COU/OESs for which releases were Monte-Carlo simulated (environmental release-modeled)  
<sup>e</sup> Estimates of fugitive air emissions could not be separated from stack emission estimates.

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COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	Occupational Exposure Scenario	Number of Facilities <sup>a</sup>	Soil Type	Soil pore water concentration ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) <sup>b</sup>	Hazard Threshold ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	NA	Tilled agricultural	18.5	8.02E05	2.3E-05
			Pastureland	36.6	8.02E05	4.6E-05

<sup>a</sup> In the absence of measured data, EPA estimated the maximum amount of 1,1-dichloroethane entering wastewater treatment from the maximum releases reported for any facility in its Discharge Monitoring Report

<sup>b</sup> Soil pore water concentration calculated from estimated concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil receiving an annual application of biosolids.

<sup>c</sup> Based on hazard data from Canadian poplar (*Populus x canadensis*) exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane for 2 weeks in growth medium.

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#### 4.3.4 Risk Characterization Based on Trophic Transfer in the Environment

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Trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane and risk to terrestrial species was evaluated using a screening level approach conducted as described in the *EPA's Guidance for Developing Ecological Soil Screening Levels* ([U.S. EPA, 2005a](#)). 1,1-Dichloroethane concentrations within biota and resulting RQ values for 5 relevant COUs represented by 3 OESs for air deposition to soil 10 m from releasing facilities of TRI-reported fugitive emissions are presented in Table\_Apx L-1 for trophic transfer to insectivorous mammals (represented by the short-tailed shrew) and Table\_Apx L-2 for trophic transfer to herbivorous mammals (represented by the meadow vole). Table 4-14 and Table 4-15 presents biota concentrations and RQ values for the COU/OES with the highest soil and soil porewater concentrations from air deposition 10 m from releasing facilities of TRI-reported fugitive emissions in trophic transfer to insectivorous and herbivorous mammals, respectively (manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane). Trophic transfer in soil to insectivorous and herbivorous mammals from 1,1-dichloroethane air deposition 10 m from releasing facilities of NEI-reported or environmental release-modeled (Monte-Carlo simulated) fugitive and/or stack emissions (seven COUs and two COUs, respectively) were assessed qualitatively for reasons described in Section 4.3.3 (briefly, based on maximum air concentrations reported in Table 3-9, Table 3-12, and Table 3-13, air deposition to soil 10 m from releasing facilities of NEI-reported fugitive or stack emissions or environmental release-modeled fugitive and/or stack emissions was anticipated to be comparable or lower than levels quantified for TRI-reported fugitive emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane at the same distance from releasing facilities). Therefore, EPA expects that the RQs for trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane from air deposition to soil from NEI-reported fugitive and/or stack emissions (seven COUs) or environmental release-modeled (Monte-Carlo simulated) fugitive and/or stack emissions (two COUs) would be similar or less than the RQ values for trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane from air deposition to soil from TRI-reported fugitive emissions (with the highest RQ value for trophic transfer based on air deposition to soil =  $2.1\text{E}-04$  for manufacturing 1,1-dichloroethane).

1,1-dichloroethane concentrations within biota and resulting RQ values for 1 COU represented by 1 OES for biosolids land application to agricultural tilled and pastureland soils are presented in Table 4-16 and Table 4-17 for trophic transfer to insectivorous mammals (shrew) and herbivorous mammals (vole), respectively. RQs were below 1 for all soil and soil pore water concentrations and COUs based on the mammalian TRV, calculated using empirical toxicity data with mice and rats.

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4708 represented by seven OESs for releases to surface water and benthic pore water are presented in  
4709 Table\_Apx L-3 for trophic transfer to semi-aquatic mammals (mink) consuming fish and Table\_Apx  
4710 L-4 for trophic transfer to semi-aquatic mammals consuming crayfish. Table 4-18 and Table 4-19  
4711 present biota (fish and crayfish, respectively) concentrations and RQ values for the COU/OES with the  
4712 highest surface water and benthic pore water concentrations via PSC based on total number of operating  
4713 days, which was the COU/OES manufacture/manufacturing of 1,1-dichloroethane. The chronic TRV,  
4714 calculated using empirical toxicity data with mice and rats and representing hazard in a semi-aquatic  
4715 mammal (mink), resulted in RQs less than 1 for all modeled surface water and benthic pore water  
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**Table 4-14. Risk Quotients (RQs) for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Air Deposition in Insectivorous Terrestrial Ecosystems Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	Short-Tailed shrew ( <i>Blarina brevicauda</i> )	
				1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/ Domestic manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	0.38	1,189	0.25	2.1E-04
<p><sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative soil invertebrate, earthworm, assumed equal to aggregated highest calculated soil and soil pore water concentration via air deposition to soil 10 m from releasing facilities of TRI-reported fugitive emissions.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2007</a>).</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (earthworm), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.</p>					

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**Table 4-15. Risk Quotients (RQs) for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Air Deposition in Herbivorous Terrestrial Ecosystems Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Plant Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	Meadow Vole ( <i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i> )	
				1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/ Domestic manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	0.15	1,189	8.2E-02	6.9E-05
<p><sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative terrestrial plant <i>Trifolium</i> sp., assumed equal to the highest calculated soil pore water concentration via air deposition to soil 10 m from releasing facilities of TRI-reported fugitive emissions.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2007</a>).</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (<i>Trifolium</i> sp.), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.</p>					

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**Table 4-16. Risk Quotients (RQs) for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Biosolid Land Application in Insectivorous Terrestrial Ecosystems Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Soil Type	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	Short-tailed shrew ( <i>Blarina brevicauda</i> )	
					1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Tilled agricultural	4.8E-02	1,189	3.1E-02	2.6E-05
		Pastureland	9.5E-02	1,189	6.3E-02	5.3E-05

<sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative soil invertebrate, earthworm, assumed equal to aggregated highest calculated soil and soil pore water concentration via biosolids land application.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (earthworm), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.

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**Table 4-17. Risk Quotients (RQs) for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Biosolid Land Application in Herbivorous Terrestrial Ecosystems Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Soil Type	Plant Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	Meadow Vole ( <i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i> )	
					1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Tilled agricultural	1.9E-02	1,189	1.0E-02	8.7E-06
		Pastureland	3.7E-02	1,189	2.1E-02	1.7E-05

<sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative terrestrial plant *Trifolium* sp., assumed equal to the highest calculated soil pore water concentration via biosolids land application.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (*Trifolium* sp.), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.

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**Table 4-18. Risk Quotient (RQ) Based on Potential Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Fish to American Mink (*Mustela vison*) as a Model Aquatic Predator Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	SWC <sup>a</sup> (µg/L)	Fish Concentration (mg/kg)	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )	
					1,1- Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic Manufacturing	Manufacturing	85	0.59	1,189	0.14	1.2E-04

<sup>a</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane concentration represents the highest modeled surface water concentration via PSC modeling.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (fish), incidental ingestion of sediment, and ingestion of water.

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**Table 4-19. Risk Quotient (RQ) Based on Potential Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Crayfish to American Mink (*Mustela vison*) as a Model Aquatic Predator Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Benthic Pore Water <sup>a</sup> (µg/L)	Crayfish Concentration (mg/kg)	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )	
					1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic Manufacturing	Manufacturing	78	0.55	1,189	0.13	1.1E-04

<sup>a</sup> 1,1-dichloroethane concentration represents the highest modeled benthic pore water concentration via PSC modeling.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (crayfish), incidental ingestion of sediment, and ingestion of water.

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### 4.3.5 Overall Confidence and Remaining Uncertainties Confidence in Environmental Risk Characterization

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#### 4.3.5.1 Risk Characterization Confidence

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The overall confidence in the risk characterization combines the confidence from the environmental exposure, hazard threshold, and trophic transfer sections. This approach aligns with the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b) and *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2024t). In the environmental risk characterization, confidence was evaluated from environmental exposures and environmental hazards. Hazard confidence was represented by evidence type as reported previously in Section 4.2.5 and again in Table 4-20. Trophic transfer confidence was represented by evidence type as reported in the Section 4.1.5.2 in Table 4-2. Exposure confidence has been synthesized from Section 3 and is further detailed within Section 4.1.5. Synthesis of confidence for exposure, hazard, and trophic transfer (when applicable) resulted in the following confidence ranks for risk characterization RQ inputs: robust for acute and chronic aquatic evidence, moderate for algal evidence, moderate for acute and chronic benthic evidence, moderate for mammalian evidence, slight for terrestrial plant evidence based on air deposition, slight for terrestrial plant evidence based on biosolid land application, indeterminate for soil invertebrate evidence, and indeterminate for avian evidence (Table 4-20).

#### ***RQ Inputs for Aquatic, Algal, Benthic, and Semi-Aquatic Mammalian Assessments***

Uncertainties and confidence in modeled exposure estimates from PSC have been described in Section 4.1.4.2. A robust confidence has been assigned to the exposure component of the RQ input for the aquatic, algal, and benthic assessments as well as the mammalian assessments based on consumption of fish or crayfish by a semi-aquatic terrestrial mammal (Table 4-20). Combining the robust exposure confidence for the PSC-modeled surface water, benthic pore water, and sediment 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations with the hazard confidences for aquatic, algal, and benthic assessments (robust, moderate, and moderate, respectively) resulted in overall confidences of robust, moderate, and moderate in the RQ inputs for the aquatic (acute and chronic), algal, and benthic (acute and chronic) assessments, respectively (Table 4-20).

Combining the moderate exposure confidence for the PSC-modeled surface water and benthic pore water 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations with the moderate hazard confidence for the mammalian assessments and moderate trophic transfer confidence based on the consumption of fish (surface water) or crayfish (benthic pore water) resulted in overall confidences of moderate in the RQ inputs for the mammalian assessments represented by a semi-aquatic terrestrial mammal (Table 4-20).

#### ***RQ Inputs for Terrestrial Mammalian and Terrestrial Plant Assessments***

Uncertainties and confidence in air deposition from AERMOD have been described in Section 4.1.4.2. Calculations of soil and soil pore water concentrations from 1,1-dichloroethane daily air deposition rates may add further uncertainty from the robust confidence in the AERMOD air deposition, therefore resulting in a moderate confidence in the 1,1-dichloroethane soil and soil porewater concentrations from air deposition. The uncertainties in the soil and soil pore water concentrations resulting from land application of biosolids containing 1,1-dichloroethane have been described in Section 4.1.4.2, resulting in moderate confidence for 1,1-dichloroethane soil and soil pore water concentrations from biosolid land application.

Combining the moderate exposure confidence for the calculated soil and soil pore water concentrations based on AERMOD modeling of 1,1-dichloroethane air deposition from TRI-reported fugitive emissions

with the respective hazard confidences for terrestrial mammalian and terrestrial plant assessments (moderate and slight, respectively) and trophic transfer confidence of moderate for the terrestrial mammalian assessment resulted in overall confidences of moderate and slight in the RQ inputs for the terrestrial mammalian and terrestrial plant assessments, respectively (Table 4-20). Although air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil from NEI-reported or environmental release-modeled fugitive and/or stack emissions (seven and two COUs, respectively) was assessed qualitatively, the same confidences of moderate and slight apply for the terrestrial mammal and terrestrial plant assessments, respectively. Combining the moderate exposure confidence for the calculated 1,1-dichloroethane soil and soil pore water concentrations based on biosolid land application with the respective hazard confidences for terrestrial mammalian and terrestrial plant assessments (moderate and slight, respectively) and trophic transfer confidence of moderate for the terrestrial mammalian assessment resulted in overall confidences of moderate and slight in the RQ inputs for the terrestrial mammalian and terrestrial plant assessments, respectively (Table 4-20).

**Table 4-20. Evidence Table Summarizing Overall Confidence for Environmental Risk Characterization**

Types of Evidence	Exposure	Hazard	Trophic Transfer	Risk Characterization RQ Inputs
Aquatic				
Acute aquatic assessment	+++	+++	N/A	Robust
Acute benthic assessment	+++	++	N/A	Moderate
Chronic aquatic assessment	+++	+++	N/A	Robust
Chronic benthic assessment	+++	++	N/A	Moderate
Algal assessment	+++	++	N/A	Moderate
Terrestrial				
Chronic avian assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	Indeterminate
Chronic mammalian assessment (air deposition to soil)	++	++	++	Moderate
Chronic mammalian assessment (biosolids to soil)	++	++	++	Moderate
Chronic mammalian assessment (surface water)	+++	++	++	Moderate
Chronic mammalian assessment (benthic pore water)	+++	++	+	Moderate
Soil invertebrate assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	Indeterminate
Terrestrial plant assessment, air deposition	++	+	N/A	Slight
Terrestrial plant assessment, biosolid deposition	++	+	N/A	Slight

Types of Evidence	Exposure	Hazard	Trophic Transfer	Risk Characterization RQ Inputs
<p>+++ Robust confidence suggests thorough understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the risk estimate.</p> <p>++ Moderate confidence suggests some understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably adequate to characterize risk estimates.</p> <p>+ Slight confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be considered.</p> <p>Indeterminate confidence corresponds to entries in evidence tables where information is not available within a specific evidence consideration.</p>				

#### 4.3.6 Summary of Environmental Risk Characterization

Exposure concentrations were modeled based on COU-related releases to the aquatic and terrestrial environment. Table 4-21 displays RQ estimates for COU-related surface water releases to surface water, benthic pore water, and sediment (seven COUs):

- Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic Manufacturing
  - OES: Manufacturing
- Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacture
- Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing
- Processing/Recycling/Recycling
  - OES: Processing as a reactive intermediate
- Processing/Processing – Repackaging/Processing – Repackaging
  - OES: Processing – Repackaging
- Commercial Use/Other Use/Laboratory Chemicals
  - OES: Commercial use as a laboratory chemical
- Disposal/Disposal/Disposal
  - OES: General waste handling, treatment, and disposal
  - OES: Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)
  - OES: Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)

Table 4-22 displays RQ estimates and/or qualitative estimates of risk for COU-related releases resulting in air deposition to soil (eight COUs) and biosolid land application to soil (one COU):

- Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic Manufacturing
  - OES: Manufacturing
- Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacture
- Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing
- Processing/Recycling/Recycling
  - OES: Processing as a reactive intermediate
- Processing/Processing – Repackaging/Processing – Repackaging
  - OES: Processing – repackaging
- Commercial Use/Other Use/Laboratory Chemicals
  - OES: Commercial use as a laboratory chemical



- 4833 • Disposal/Disposal/Disposal
- 4834 ○ OES: General waste handling, treatment, and disposal
- 4835 ○ OES: Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)
- 4836 • Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce
- 4837 ○ OES: Distribution in commerce

4838 Table 4-21 displays RQ estimates for seven COUs in modeled 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in  
4839 surface water, benthic pore water, and sediment. Within the water column, acute RQs were below 1 for  
4840 all seven COUs. Although chronic RQs based on a 21-day (hazard-based) release for aquatic receptors  
4841 are above 1 for five COUs, with days of exceedance equal to or greater than the duration of exposure,  
4842 the corresponding chronic RQs based on total number of operating days were below 1. Since EPA lacks  
4843 information on estimated days of 1,1-dichloroethane release to surface waters for each COU/OES, total  
4844 number of operating days was assumed as the maximum release duration and a chronic hazard-based  
4845 duration was assumed as a lower-end release duration. However, it's likely that actual days of release of  
4846 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters (and thereby refined RQ values) for each COU/OES falls  
4847 somewhere in between these two durations. The manufacturing COU/OES had the highest chronic and  
4848 algal RQ values based on the hazard-based duration (RQs = 15 and 1.4, respectively) and total number  
4849 of operating days (RQs = 0.91 and 0.085, respectively). The estimated exposure concentrations in water  
4850 for the manufacturing COU/OES are based on TRI data from a single facility. The confidence in the  
4851 acute and chronic aquatic RQ inputs were rated as "robust" and confidence in the algal RQ inputs rated  
4852 as moderate as described in Section 4.3.5.1. Benthic pore water and sediment RQs were below 1 for all  
4853 seven COUs. The confidence in the benthic RQ inputs were rated as "moderate" as described in Section  
4854 4.3.5.1. Because of 1,1-dichloroethane's high water solubility and relatively low log  $K_{OC}$ , EPA expects  
4855 1,1-dichloroethane to partition more to water than to sediment.

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4857 Table 4-22 displays RQ estimates for five COUs in calculated 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in soil  
4858 and soil pore water from air deposition of fugitive emissions (five COUs) or biosolid land application (1  
4859 COU). Risk was also qualitatively estimated for eight COUs for air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to  
4860 soil and soil pore water. RQs for terrestrial plants from 1,1-dichloroethane exposure in soil pore water  
4861 were below 1 for all five COUs and expected to be below 1 for the remaining three COUs from air  
4862 deposition and below 1 for the one COU from biosolids land application. The confidence in these RQ  
4863 inputs were rated as "slight" as described in Section 4.3.5.1. RQ estimates for the trophic transfer of 1,1-  
4864 dichloroethane to insectivorous (short-tailed shrew) or herbivorous (meadow vole) terrestrial mammals  
4865 were below 1 for five COUs and expected to be below 1 for eight COUs based on NEI release data for  
4866 air deposition to soil and soil pore water and below 1 for the one COU in soil and soil pore water from  
4867 biosolids land application. The confidence in these RQ inputs were rated as "moderate" as described in  
4868 Section 4.3.5.1. Additionally, Table 4-22 displays RQ estimates for seven COUs for trophic transfer of  
4869 1,1-dichloroethane from biota in surface water and sediment to semi-aquatic terrestrial mammals. RQ  
4870 estimates for trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane to semi-aquatic terrestrial mammals based on fish  
4871 consumption or crayfish consumption were below 1 for all seven COUs in surface water and benthic  
4872 pore water, respectively. The confidence in these RQ inputs were rated as "moderate" as described in  
4873 Section 4.3.5.1. Avian and soil invertebrate assessments are not reflected in Table 4-22 due to lack of  
4874 reasonably available hazard evidence.

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**Table 4-21. COUs and Corresponding Environmental Risk for Aquatic Receptors Exposed to 1,1-Dichloroethane in Surface Water, Benthic Pore Water, and Sediment**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Aquatic Receptors <sup>a b</sup>											
		Surface Water						Benthic Pore Water				Sediment	
		Acute (Robust) <sup>e</sup>		Chronic (Robust) <sup>e</sup>		Algal (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>		Acute (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>		Chronic (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>		Chronic (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>	
		RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>
Manufacture/ Domestic Manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	0.011 to 0.18	0	0.91 to 15	0 to 21	0.085 to 1.4	13	9.9E-03 to 5.2E-02	0	1.1E-02 to 6.1E-02	0	0.043 to 0.18	0
Processing/As a Reactant/ Intermediate in All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacture	Processing as a reactant	1.6E-03 to 3.0E-02	0	0.14 to 2.5	0 to 21	0.013 to 0.24	0	1.6E-03 to 8.4E-03	0	1.8E-03 to 9.8E-03	0	6.8E-03 to 2.7E-02	0
Processing/As a Reactant/ Intermediate in all Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing													
Processing/Recycling/ Recycling													
Processing/Processing – Repackaging/Processing – Repackaging	Processing – repackaging	9.3E-02 to 8.9E-05	0	7.6E-03 to 9.3E-02	0	7.0E-04 to 8.7-03	0	7.7E-05 to 3.2E-04	0	9.0E-05 to 3.7E-04	0	3.3E-04 to 1.1E-03	0
Commercial Use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	8.1E-05 to 9.9-04	0	6.9E-03 to 8.4E-02	0	6.4E-04 to 7.8E-03	0	6.9E-05 to 2.9E-04	0	8.0E-05 to 3.4E-04	0	2.9E-04 to 9.8E-04	0
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	1.6E-03 to 2.8E-02	0	0.13 to 2.3	0 to 21	0.012 to 0.022	0	1.5E-03 to 7.8E-03	0	1.7E-03 to 9.1E-03	0	6.4E-03 to 2.6E-02	0
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	1.0E-03 to 1.8E-02	0	0.088 to 1.5	0 to 21	0.0082 to 0.14	0	9.9E-04 to 5.2E-03	0	1.2E-03 to 6.0E-03	0	4.3E-03 to 1.7E-02	0
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	3.9E-03 to 7.3E-02	0	0.33 to 6.2	0 to 35	0.031 to 0.58	0	3.7E-03 to 2.1E-02	0	4.3E-03 to 2.5E-02	0	1.6E-02 to 7.3E-02	0
Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>k</sup>											

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COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Aquatic Receptors <sup>a b</sup>											
		Surface Water						Benthic Pore Water				Sediment	
		Acute (Robust) <sup>e</sup>		Chronic (Robust) <sup>e</sup>		Algal (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>		Acute (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>		Chronic (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>		Chronic (Moderate) <sup>e</sup>	
		RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>	RQ <sup>c</sup>	DoE <sup>d</sup>
<p>Modeled 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations and RQ values for all relevant COUs are available in Table 4-8, Table 4-9, Table 4-10, and Table 4-11.</p> <p><sup>a</sup> Risk assessed to aquatic receptors based on 1,1-dichloroethane releases to surface waters.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> All exposure values and Days of Exceedance (DoE) modeled using PSC.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Acute Risk Quotient (ARQ) derived using an acute Concentration of Concern of 7,898 ppb.</p> <p><sup>d</sup> Days of Exceedance (DoE) modeled using PSC.</p> <p><sup>e</sup> Confidence in Acute Risk Quotient (ARQ), Chronic Risk Quotient (CRQ), or Algal Risk Quotient inputs is detailed in Section 4.3.5</p> <p><sup>f</sup> Chronic Risk Quotient (CRQ) derived using a chronic Concentration of Concern of 93 ppb and presented as a range based on 21-day release or total number of operating days (Table 3-3).</p> <p><sup>g</sup> Algal Risk Quotient derived using an algal Concentration of Concern of 1,000 ppb and presented as a range based on a 4-day release or total number of operating days (Table 3-3).</p> <p><sup>h</sup> Chronic Risk Quotient (CRQ) for sediment derived using benthic chronic Concentration of Concern of 2,900 ppb and presented as a range based on a 15-day release or total number of operating days (Table 3-3).</p> <p><sup>i</sup> Acute Risk Quotient (ARQ) for benthic pore water derived using benthic acute Concentration of Concern of 7,898 ppb.</p> <p><sup>j</sup> Chronic Risk Quotient (CRQ) for benthic pore water derived using benthic chronic Concentration of Concern of 6,800 ppb and presented as a range based on a 35-day release or total number of operating days (Table 3-3).</p> <p><sup>k</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).</p>													

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**Table 4-22. COUs and Corresponding Environmental Risk for Terrestrial Receptors Exposed to 1,1-Dichloroethane in Soil Pore Water (Plants) and Trophic Transfer**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/)	OES	Terrestrial Receptors <sup>a</sup>									
		Soil Pore Water (Plants)		Trophic Transfer (Soil and Soil Pore Water) <sup>b</sup>				Trophic Transfer (Water) <sup>c</sup>		Trophic Transfer (Sediment) <sup>c</sup>	
		Plant RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Shrew RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Vole RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Mink RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Mink RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	3.3E-06	Slight	3.9E-06	Moderate	1.3E-06	Moderate	1.2E-04 <sup>e</sup>	Moderate	1.1E-04 <sup>f</sup>	Moderate
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacture	Processing as a reactant	1.8E-04	Slight	2.1E-04	Moderate	6.9E-05	Moderate	1.8E-05 <sup>e</sup>	Moderate	1.7E-05 <sup>f</sup>	Moderate
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in All Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing											
Processing/Recycling/Recycling											
Processing/Processing – Repackaging/Processing – Repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Risk estimates for air deposition to soil expected to be less than those generated based on TRI-fugitive emissions						9.7E-07	Moderate	8.5E-07	Moderate
Commercial Use/Other Use/Laboratory Chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Risk estimates for air deposition to soil expected to be less than those generated based on TRI-fugitive emissions						8.8E-07	Moderate	7.6E-07	Moderate
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	5.0E-07	Slight	5.8E-07	Moderate	1.9E-07	Moderate	1.7E-05 <sup>e</sup>	Moderate	1.6E-05 <sup>f</sup>	Moderate
	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	2.3E-05 <sup>g</sup>	Slight	2.6E-05 <sup>g</sup>	Moderate	8.7E-06 <sup>g</sup>	Moderate	1.1E-05 <sup>e</sup>	Moderate	1.1E-05 <sup>f</sup>	Moderate
		4.6E-05 <sup>h</sup>	Slight	5.3E-05 <sup>h</sup>	Moderate	1.7E-05 <sup>h</sup>	Moderate				
	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	N/A						1.2E-04 <sup>e</sup>	Moderate	1.2E-04 <sup>f</sup>	Moderate
Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in Commerce	Distribution in commerce	Risk estimates for air deposition to soil expected to be less than those generated based on TRI-fugitive emissions						N/A <sup>i</sup>			

<sup>a</sup> Exposure to terrestrial receptors based on 1,1-dichloroethane releases as fugitive air and stack air deposition to soil, biosolids land application, and trophic transfer. RQs generated for air deposition to soil based on TRI-fugitive emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane.

<sup>b</sup> Estimated concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane (95th percentile) that could be in soil via daily air deposition at a conservative (10 m from the source) exposure scenario.

<sup>c</sup> Fish and crayfish concentrations (mg/kg) were calculated using surface water and benthic pore water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane, respectively, from PSC assuming a BCF of 7 as estimated by EPI Suite™ (U.S. EPA, 2012c).

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COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/	OES	Terrestrial Receptors <sup>a</sup>									
		Soil Pore Water (Plants)		Trophic Transfer (Soil and Soil Pore Water) <sup>b</sup>				Trophic Transfer (Water) <sup>c</sup>		Trophic Transfer (Sediment) <sup>c</sup>	
		Plant RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Shrew RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Vole RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Mink RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>	Mink RQ	Conf. in RQ Inputs <sup>d</sup>
<sup>d</sup> Conf = Confidence; Confidence in Risk Quotient (RQ) inputs are detailed in Section 4.3.5. <sup>e</sup> Mink RQ based on fish concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane. <sup>f</sup> Mink RQ based on crayfish concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane. <sup>g</sup> Tilled agricultural soil type. <sup>h</sup> Pastureland soil type. <sup>i</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).											

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## 5 HUMAN HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT

### 5.1 Human Exposures

EPA evaluated all reasonably available information for occupational and general population human exposures, including consideration of increased exposure or susceptibility across PESS considerations (see Section 5.3.2). Exposures for consumers are not evaluated as no consumer use of 1,1-dichloroethane was identified in Section 1.1.3, Populations Assessed (see text box below).

#### 5.1.1 Occupational Exposures

##### 1,1-Dichloroethane – Occupational Exposures (Section 5.1.1): Key Points

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information for occupational exposures. The following bullets summarize the key points of this section of the draft risk evaluation:

- EPA identified OESs for each condition of use of 1,1-dichloroethane.
- EPA assessed occupational exposures for each OES.
- The objective was to assess exposures to workers and also to occupational non-users (ONUs).
- EPA estimated occupational inhalation exposure (in ppm as an 8-hour TWA) and dermal exposures (in mg/day) to 1,1-dichloroethane and provided both high-end and central tendency exposures for occupational exposure scenarios associated with each OES.
  - Monitoring data for 1,1-dichloroethane was available for the Manufacturing OES. For the remaining OESs, exposures were estimated using the 1,1-dichloroethane manufacturing exposure data, surrogate exposure data for 1,2-dichloroethane and other solvents assessed in previous EPA risk evaluations and modeling.
  - High-end inhalation exposures range from  $2.4 \times 10^{-2}$  ppm to 13 ppm. High-end dermal exposures are 6.7 mg/day for all OESs.
- EPA also evaluated the weight of scientific evidence for the exposure assessment of each OES.

For each OES, EPA distinguishes exposures for workers and ONUs. Similar Exposure Groups (SEGs) for 1,1-dichloroethane are provided for each OES in Table 5-2. If SEGs are not available, EPA's practice is to assess "workers" and Occupational Non-Users (ONUs). Where possible, for each OES, EPA identified job types and categories for workers and ONUs.

1,1-Dichloroethane has a vapor pressure of approximately 230 mmHg at 25 °C. Based on this high volatility, EPA anticipates that workers and ONUs will be exposed to vapor via the inhalation route. Based on the physical state, EPA does not expect particulate or mist inhalation. EPA expects worker exposure to liquids via the dermal route. EPA does not expect dermal exposure for ONUs because they do not directly handle 1,1-dichloroethane.

The United States has several regulatory and non-regulatory exposure limits for 1,1-dichloroethane: the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) permissible exposure limit (PEL) (29 CFR 1910.1000) is 100 ppm or 400 mg/m<sup>3</sup> over an 8-hour work day, time-weighted average (TWA) ([OSHA, 2019](#)). This chemical also has a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) recommended exposure limit (REL) of 100 ppm (400 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) TWA ([NIOSH, 2018](#)). The American

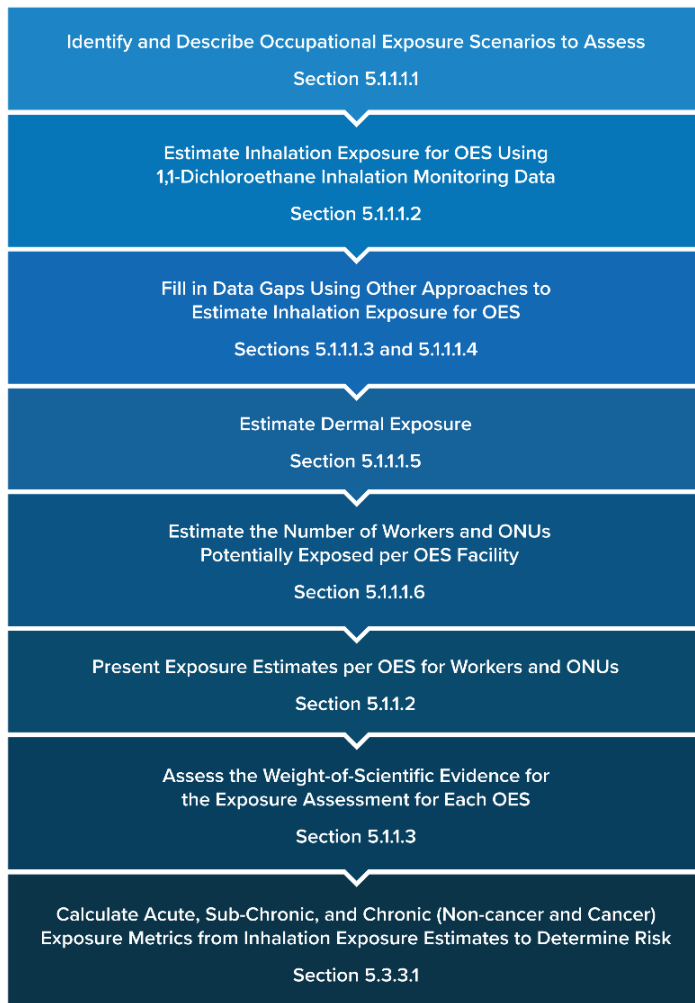


4907 Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) sets the threshold limit value (TLV) at 100  
 4908 ppm TWA.

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 4910 The following subsections briefly describe EPA’s approach to assessing occupational exposures and  
 4911 results for each COU assessed. For additional details on development of approaches and results refer to  
 4912 *Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and*  
 4913 *Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

4914 **5.1.1.1 Approach and Methodology**

4915 EPA’s approach for assessing occupational exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane is illustrated in Figure 5-1:



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**Figure 5-1. Overview of EPA’s Approach to Estimate Occupational Exposures for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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EPA follows the hierarchy established in Table 5-1 in selecting data and approaches for assessing occupational exposures. The basis of this hierarchy is from the *1991 CEB Manual* ([U.S. EPA, 1991](#)).

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**Table 5-1. Data and Approaches for Assessing Occupational Exposures to 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Type of Approach	Description
1. Monitoring data	a) Personal and directly applicable
	b) Area and directly applicable
	c) Personal and potentially applicable or similar
	d) Area and potentially applicable or similar
2. Modeling approaches	a) Surrogate monitoring data
	b) Fundamental modeling approaches
	c) Statistical regression modeling approaches
3. Occupational exposure limits	a) Company-specific occupational exposure limits (OELs) (for site-specific exposure assessments; for example, there is only one manufacturer who provided their internal OEL to EPA but did not provide monitoring data)
	b) OSHA PELs
	c) Voluntary limits: ACGIH TLVs, NIOSH RELs, Occupational Alliance for Risk Science (OARS) workplace environmental exposure level (WEELs; formerly by AIHA)

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For additional information regarding the approaches taken to estimate occupational exposures, refer to Sections 5.1.1.1.1 through 5.1.1.1.5.

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#### **5.1.1.1.1 Identify and Describe Occupational Exposure Scenarios to Assess**

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As discussed in Section 3.1.1.1, EPA has identified seven OESs from the COUs to group scenarios with similar sources of exposure at industrial and commercial workplaces within the scope of the draft risk evaluation. EPA assessed occupational exposures during the Distribution in commerce of 1,1-dichloroethane qualitatively. Under the Waste handling, treatment, and disposal COU, EPA assessed occupational exposures for the OES of General disposal and POTW (Table 5-2).

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**Table 5-2. Similar Exposure Groups (SEGs) for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

OES	Similar Exposure Groups (SEGs) for 1,1-Dichloroethane
Manufacturing	Operators/Process technicians operate production control panels, record process parameters, conduct walk-throughs of production areas, perform equipment checks, and collect process samples. Maintenance technicians install equipment, troubleshoot problems, diagnose issues, repair equipment or machinery in process areas of maintenance shops. Laboratory technicians conduct laboratory tests to assist with quality control, perform chemical experimentation, testing and analyses. ONUs perform office work, control board operations, production area walk-throughs.
Processing as a reactive intermediate	SEGs expected to be similar as for Manufacture. Workers are potentially exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane when unloading transport containers, cleaning transport containers, and cleaning reaction vessels or other equipment. These activities are all potential sources of worker exposure via inhalation of vapor or dermal contact with liquids. ONUs are expected to have lower inhalation exposures, lower vapor-through-skin uptake, and no dermal exposure. EPA assumes that 1,1-dichloroethane recycling is for processing as a reactive intermediate.
Processing – repackaging	EPA assessed the general SEG categories of workers and ONUs. Workers are potentially exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane when transferring 1,1-dichloroethane from bulk containers into smaller containers. Workers may also be exposed via inhalation of vapor or dermal contact with liquids when cleaning transport containers following emptying. ONUs are expected to have lower inhalation exposures, lower vapor-through-skin uptake, and no dermal exposure.
Distribution in commerce	The activities of loading 1,1-dichloroethane product into transport containers and unloading at receiving sites as well as repackaging into smaller containers are considered part of Distribution in Commerce and these are assessed under those OES. Cleanup of accidents/spills that may occur during transport are not within the scope of this Risk Evaluation.
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Laboratory technicians conduct laboratory tests to assist with quality control, perform chemical experimentation, testing and analyses. During these activities workers may be exposed via inhalation of vapor or dermal contact with 1,1-dichloroethane. EPA also assessed the general SEG of ONU. ONUs are expected to have lower inhalation exposures, lower vapor-through-skin uptake, and no dermal exposure.
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	EPA assessed the general SEG categories of workers and ONUs. Workers are potentially exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane during the unloading and cleaning of transport containers. Workers may experience inhalation of vapor or dermal contact with liquids during the unloading process. ONUs are expected to have lower inhalation exposures, lower vapor-through-skin uptake, and no dermal exposure.
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	EPA assessed the general SEG categories of workers and ONUs. Workers are potentially exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane during the unloading and cleaning of transport containers. Workers may experience inhalation of vapor or dermal contact with liquids during the unloading process. ONUs are expected to have lower inhalation exposures, lower vapor-through-skin uptake, and no dermal exposure.
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	EPA did not assess occupational exposures during remediation of 1,1-dichloroethane. 1,1-dichloroethane is a contaminant removed by a remediation process. EPA did not find evidence that 1,1-dichloroethane is used for remediation.

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#### 5.1.1.1.2 Estimate Inhalation Exposure for OES Using 1,1-Dichloroethane Inhalation Monitoring Data

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EPA used the evaluation strategies described in the *Application of Systematic Review in TSCA Risk Evaluations* ([U.S. EPA, 2018a](#)) to collect inhalation exposure monitoring data. EPA's approach is to collect inhalation monitoring data from literature sources and then evaluate the quality of the data. Data having high, medium, or low quality ratings would then be used in the risk evaluation for estimating exposures. In general, higher rankings are given preference over lower ratings; however, lower ranked data may be used over higher ranked data when specific aspects of the data are carefully examined and compared. For example, a lower ranked data set that precisely matches the OES of interest may be used over a higher ranked study that does not as closely match the OES of interest.

EPA reviewed workplace inhalation monitoring data collected by government agencies such as OSHA and NIOSH, and monitoring data found in published literature (*i.e.*, personal exposure monitoring data and area monitoring data). EPA considered 8-hour TWA personal breathing zone (PBZ) monitoring data first. If full-shift PBZ samples were not available, area samples were used for exposure estimates.

Occupational inhalation data for 1,1-dichloroethane during manufacturing were provided via a Test Order submission from the Vinyl Institute (VI), which includes manufacturers and processors of 1,1-dichloroethane ([Stantec ChemRisk, 2023](#)). These data were used to estimate inhalation exposures for the following OESs: Manufacturing, Processing as a reactive intermediate, and Commercial use of laboratory chemicals.

##### ***Manufacturing***

EPA identified 57 worker and 5 ONU full-shift PBZ samples from the test order data to estimate inhalation exposures during the manufacturing process. The worker samples collected were from operators/process technicians, maintenance technicians, and laboratory technicians. In addition, 36 task-length samples were collected for these workers. These samples were shorter in duration, ranging from 15 to 176 minutes. For further discussion of the task length samples, refer to the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

For comparison, EPA also collected surrogate monitoring data, which refers to data from similar chemicals and the same OES, from other volatile liquids assessed in previous EPA Risk Evaluations. EPA identified a total of 166 full-shift worker samples from the following chemicals: 1-bromopropane, carbon tetrachloride, and trichloroethylene. These chemicals were selected based on their similar vapor pressure to 1,1-dichloroethane. A summary of the inhalation exposure estimates for the manufacturing OES using 1,1-dichloroethane test order data is presented in Table 5-3. Surrogate data from published Risk Evaluations is also presented for comparison showing comparable high-end values and higher central tendency values. No vapor correction factor was applied to these estimates as the data is intended solely for comparative purposes.

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**Table 5-3. Summary of Manufacturing Inhalation Exposures to 1,1-Dichloroethane**

OES	Type of Data	Vapor Pressure (mmHg)	Similar Exposure Group (SEG)	# of Data Points	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)	
					High-End	Central Tendency
Manufacturing	1,1-Dichloroethane test order data	227	Operator/process technician	40	1.1	4.7E-03
			Maintenance technician	8	0.41	7.9E-02
			Laboratory technician	9	2.4E-02	1.1E-03
			ONU	5	2.0E-02	3.2E-03
	1-BP surrogate data	111	Worker	3	0.27	9.0E-02
	Carbon tetrachloride surrogate data	115	Worker	113	0.64	0.12
TCE surrogate data	73	Worker	50	2.5	0.12	

1-BP = 1-bromopropane; TCE = trichloroethylene

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For the operator/process technician SEG, EPA investigated the top five samples contributing to the wide range in high-end and central tendency 8-hour TWA estimates. The worker activities that likely contributed to the elevated exposure concentrations are described in Table 5-4.

**Table 5-4. Worker Activities Associated with the Five Highest Sampling Results**

Similar Exposure Group (SEG)	8-hr TWA	Worker Activities Contributing to Elevated 8-hr TWA
Operator/process technician	7.3E-01	The collection of process samples from a slip stream into an open-top container likely contributed to the elevated full-shift concentration.
Operator/process technician	7.4E-01	Routine rounds, equipment checks, and process sample collection, as well as response to a non-routine catalyst leak. The catalyst leak may have contributed to the elevated full-shift concentration.
Operator/process technician	1.0E+00	Sample was collected during regular work activities, with no specific task significantly impacting the full-shift average.
Operator/process technician	1.8E+00	This sample was identified as an outlier in the data set. During this full-shift sample, the operator isolated a valve due to an abnormal plant condition. This activity was classified as emergency response, rather than typical of the routine operator exposure profile.
Operator/process technician	1.9E+00	This sample was identified as an outlier in the data set. During this full-shift sample, the operator isolated a valve due to an abnormal plant condition. This activity was classified as emergency response, rather than typical of the routine operator exposure profile.

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***Processing as a Reactive Intermediate***

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EPA did not identify monitoring data for the processing as a reactive intermediate OES; however, EPA assumed the exposures to be similar to manufacturing due to similar worker activities and the use of primarily closed systems during processing. Therefore, EPA incorporated the manufacturing data into

the processing as a reactive intermediate exposure estimates as “analogous data.” EPA refers to analogous monitoring data as monitoring data for the same chemical but and similar OES. EPA has used this assessment approach in previous risk evaluations, including the *Risk Evaluation for Perchloroethylene (PCE)* ([U.S. EPA, 2020g](#)).

**Table 5-5. Summary of Processing as a Reactive Intermediate Inhalation Exposure Estimates**

OES	Type of Data	Vapor Pressure (mmHg)	Similar Exposure Group (SEG)	# of Data Points	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)	
					High-End	Central Tendency
Processing as a reactive intermediate	1,1-dichloroethane test order data	227	Operator/process technician	40	1.1	4.7E-03
			Maintenance technician	8	0.41	7.9E-02
			Laboratory technician	9	2.4E-02	1.1E-03
			ONU	5	2.0E-02	3.2E-03

**Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical**

During the manufacturing process, EPA identified nine worker full-shift samples for laboratory technicians. EPA utilized this data as analogous for the commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES. Due to potential differences in the activities between laboratory technicians during the manufacturing process and the commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES, there is uncertainty that this assessment covers the full range of possible exposures.

For comparison, the Agency gathered surrogate monitoring data from a similar chemical, methylene chloride, based on its published risk evaluation. A summary of the inhalation exposure estimates using 1,1-dichloroethane test order data is presented in Table 5-6. Surrogate data for methylene chloride is also presented for comparison showing higher central tendency and high-end values. No vapor correction factor was applied to these estimates as the data is intended solely for comparative purposes.

**Table 5-6. Summary of Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical Inhalation Exposure Estimates**

OES	Type of Data	Vapor Pressure (mmHg)	Similar Exposure Group (SEG)	# of Data Points	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)	
					High-End	Central Tendency
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	1,1-dichloroethane test order data	227	Laboratory technician	9	2.4E-02	1.1E-03
	Methylene chloride surrogate data	435	Worker	76	15	0.90



5011 **Table 5-7. Summary of Approaches for the Occupational Exposure Scenarios Using 1,1-**  
 5012 **Dichloroethane Monitoring Data**

OES	1,1-Dichloroethane Monitoring Data Approach
Manufacturing	For the purposes of this risk evaluation, EPA used 1,1-dichloroethane test order data from the Vinyl Institute during the manufacturing of 1,1-dichloroethane as an isolated intermediate. For comparison, EPA also collected surrogate monitoring data from the following chemicals: 1,4-dioxane, 1-bromopropane (1-BP), carbon tetrachloride, methylene chloride, trichloroethylene (TCE), and 1,2-dichloroethane.
Processing as a reactive intermediate	EPA used 1,1-dichloroethane test order data from the Vinyl Institute during the manufacturing of 1,1-dichloroethane as an isolated intermediate due to expected similarities in exposure points. For comparison, EPA also collected surrogate monitoring data from 1,2-dichloroethane.
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	EPA used 1,1-dichloroethane test order data from the Vinyl Institute for laboratory technicians during manufacturing process. EPA expects that laboratory exposures during manufacturing would be similar to exposures during commercial use. As a comparison, EPA collected surrogate data from methylene chloride.

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 5014 For the remaining OESs, occupational inhalation exposure monitoring data for 1,1-dichloroethane were  
 5015 not available from the sources investigated. Therefore, EPA considered other assessment approaches as  
 5016 described in Sections 5.1.1.1.3 and 5.1.1.1.5, respectively.

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 5018 The test order report also included information on PPE use at the site where the monitoring data was  
 5019 from. For details on the PPE used during the various worker activities, refer to *Draft Risk Evaluation for*  
 5020 *1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational*  
 5021 *Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

#### 5022 **5.1.1.1.3 Estimate Inhalation Exposure for OES Using Surrogate Monitoring Data**

5023 As described in Section 5.1.1.2, inhalation exposure monitoring data were not available for 1,1-  
 5024 dichloroethane for several of the OES. Therefore, EPA collected monitoring data from 1,2-  
 5025 dichloroethane and methylene chloride to use as surrogate monitoring data for the same OES. EPA  
 5026 refers to “surrogate monitoring data” as monitoring data for a different chemical but the same (or  
 5027 similar) COU. Surrogate monitoring data is used when there are similarities in chemical properties,  
 5028 nature of workplace environment, and worker activities associated with the use of the chemical.

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 5030 EPA determined exposure estimates using surrogate monitoring data for the following OESs: Waste  
 5031 handling, treatment, and disposal (general), and Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (specifically for  
 5032 POTWs). In both cases, the OESs are directly analogous; therefore, EPA expects the process and  
 5033 associated exposure points to be the same or similar. EPA applied a vapor correction factor when  
 5034 determining the exposure estimates for these OESs.

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 5036 For General waste handling, treatment, and disposal OES, EPA identified 22 full-shift worker samples  
 5037 from methylene chloride. The inhalation exposure estimates for this OES are presented in Table 5-8.  
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**Table 5-8. Summary of General Waste Handling, Treatment, and Disposal Inhalation Exposure Estimates**

OES	Type of Data	Vapor Pressure (mmHg)	Worker Description	# of Data Points	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)	
					High-End	Central Tendency
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Methylene chloride surrogate data	435	Worker	22	10	0.3

For the Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW) OES, EPA identified three full-shift worker samples from 1,2-dichloroethane. The inhalation exposure estimates for this OES are presented in Table 5-9.

**Table 5-9. Summary of Waste Handling, Treatment, and Disposal (POTW) Inhalation Exposure Estimates**

OES	Type of Data	Vapor Pressure (mmHg)	Worker Description	# of Data Points	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)	
					High-End	Central Tendency
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	1,2-dichloroethane surrogate data	79	Worker	3	0.68	0.25

**Table 5-10. Approach for the Occupational Exposure Scenarios Using Surrogate Monitoring Data**

OES	Surrogate Monitoring Data Approach
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	EPA used surrogate monitoring data from methylene chloride.
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	EPA used surrogate monitoring data from 1,2-dichloroethane.

For additional details on the use of surrogate monitoring data, refer to *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

#### 5.1.1.1.4 Approaches for Estimating Inhalation Exposure for Remaining OESs and ONU Exposures

This section outlines the method for estimating inhalation exposures for the remaining OES lacking chemical-specific, analogous, or surrogate monitoring data, as well as the approach for estimating ONU exposures in the absence of data.

EPA did not identify inhalation monitoring data from 1,1-dichloroethane or surrogate data from other chemicals to assess exposures during the Processing – repackaging of 1,1-dichloroethane OES. Therefore, EPA estimated inhalation exposures using a Monte Carlo simulation with 100,000 iterations and the Latin Hypercube sampling method using the models and approaches described in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

For this OES, EPA applied the EPA Mass Balance Inhalation Model to exposure points described in the *July 2022 Chemical Repackaging GS* ([U.S. EPA, 2022a](#))—particularly for the emptying of drums,

5069 filling of containers, and cleaning of drums process. The EPA Mass Balance Inhalation Model estimates  
 5070 the concentration of the chemical in the breathing zone of the worker based on a vapor generation rate  
 5071 (G). An 8-hour TWA is then estimated and averaged over eight hours assuming no exposure occurs  
 5072 outside of those activities.

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 5074 EPA used the vapor generation rate and exposure duration parameters from the *1991 CEB Manual* ([U.S.  
 5075 EPA, 1991](#)) in addition to those used in the EPA Mass Balance Inhalation Model to determine a time-  
 5076 weighted exposure for each exposure point. EPA estimated the time-weighted average inhalation  
 5077 exposure for a full work-shift (EPA assumed an 8-hour work-shift) as an output of the Monte Carlo  
 5078 simulation by summing the time-weighted inhalation exposures for each of the exposure points and  
 5079 assuming 1,1-dichloroethane exposures were zero outside these activities. The inhalation exposure  
 5080 estimates for this OES are presented in Table 5-11.

5081 **Table 5-11. Summary of Processing – Repackaging Inhalation Exposure Estimates**

OES	Type of Data	Worker Description	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)	
			High-End	Central Tendency
Processing – repackaging	1,1-dichloroethane modeled data	Worker	13	3.5

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 5084 **Table 5-12. Approach for the Occupational Exposure Scenarios Using Modeling**

OES	Inhalation Exposure Modeling Approach
Processing – repackaging	EPA used assumptions and values from the July 2022 Chemical Repackaging GS ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2022a</a> ) and applied the EPA Mass Balance Inhalation Model to exposure points listed in that GS.

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 5086 Where EPA was not able to estimate ONU inhalation exposure from monitoring data or models, ONU  
 5087 exposure was assumed to be equivalent to the central tendency experience by workers for the  
 5088 corresponding OES. This was done for the following OESs: Processing – repackaging, commercial use  
 5089 as a laboratory chemical; General waste handling, treatment, and disposal; and Waste handling,  
 5090 treatment, and disposal (POTW).

#### 5091 **5.1.1.1.5 Estimate Dermal Exposure to 1,1-Dichloroethane**

5092 Dermal exposure monitoring data were not available for the OES in the assessment from systematic  
 5093 review of the literature. Therefore, to assess dermal exposure, EPA used the EPA Dermal Exposure to  
 5094 Volatile Liquids Model to calculate the dermal retained dose for each OES. This model determines an  
 5095 acute potential dose rate (APDR) based on an assumed amount of liquid on skin during contact event per  
 5096 day and the theoretical steady-state fractional absorption for 1,1-dichloroethane. The exposure  
 5097 concentration is determined based on EPA's review of currently available products and formulations  
 5098 containing 1,1-dichloroethane. The dose estimates assume one dermal exposure event (applied dose) per  
 5099 work day and approximately 0.3 percent of the applied dose is absorbed through the skin, for 1,1-  
 5100 dichloroethane in neat form and at 50 percent concentration in the 1,2-dichloroethane vehicle.

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 5102 A test order for an *in vitro* dermal absorption study (conducted per OECD 428 guideline) for 1,1-  
 5103 dichloroethane was issued and data received ([Labcorp Early Development, 2024](#)). The guideline study  
 5104 utilized human skin which is typically obtained from cosmetic surgery. The testing was composed of  
 5105 skin from 92 percent female and 8 percent male samples, which does not represent the workforce

5106 demographics or human general population. It is unknown whether the test samples represented  
5107 minorities or people with skin diseases (*i.e.*, PESS). The dermal fractional absorption of 0.3 percent is  
5108 used to estimate dermal exposure as described above and is derived from this test order study data as  
5109 described in the following paragraphs and *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental*  
5110 *Information File: in vitro Dermal Absorption Study Analysis* (U.S. EPA, 2024f) and *Draft Risk*  
5111 *Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: in vitro Dermal Absorption Study*  
5112 *Calculation Sheet* (U.S. EPA, 2024g).

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5114 EPA's calculations addressing missing mass balance and high data variability are based on [OECD](#)  
5115 [GD156 guidance](#) and [EFSA 2017 guidance](#). Recommendations state missing mass should be corrected  
5116 for use in risk assessments, where Corrected %Absorption = Raw % Absorption/(% mass balance/100).  
5117 If the data variability is excessive for an *in vitro* assay, then OECD GD156 recommends addressing this  
5118 deficit by either using the highest absorption value measured or the highest K<sub>p</sub> value measured or to  
5119 calculate the 95 percent Upper Confidence Level (UCL) instead of using the mean values based on  
5120 highly variable data. The dermal absorption data coefficient of variation was 38 to 200 percent with  
5121 mass balance results of 54 to 93 percent, so the raw data was corrected according to OECD GD156  
5122 guidance for missing mass and data variability. In general, EPA exposure assessments regularly report  
5123 the 95th percentile exposures to be human health protective and specifically to include subpopulations  
5124 that are potentially highly exposed or more susceptible to the hazards of 1,1-dichloroethane (PESS). The  
5125 test order submission report data had a sensitive LOD of 0.008 percent. The highest dermal absorption  
5126 value reported in the study was 0.27 percent at 50 percent concentration in 1,2-dichloroethane as the  
5127 vehicle with a mass balance corrected value of 0.59 percent absorption. This replicate also had the  
5128 lowest mass recovery, the guideline study indicates that there is simultaneously dermal absorption and  
5129 evaporation processes occurring.

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5131 To be human health protective, EPA did not assume that the missing mass is not absorbable, nor was it  
5132 assumed that all of the missing mass simply evaporated. Instead, it was assumed that part of the missing  
5133 mass is potentially absorbable. The mass balance corrected mean absorption for neat 1,1-dichloroethane  
5134 was 0.22 percent and the 95 percent upper confidence limit for the neat chemical was 0.29 percent  
5135 dermal absorption, or similar to the dermal absorption reported for the analog 1,2-dichloroethane at 0.21  
5136 percent. The highest 95 percent upper confidence level based on a mean value was 0.35 percent  
5137 absorption for 50 percent 1,1-dichloroethane in the 1,2-dichloroethane vehicle. In context, a “down the  
5138 glove” worker scenario limiting evaporation could have higher dermal absorption values than these *in*  
5139 *vitro* results. Five of the 50 percent 1,1-dichloroethane (in 1,2-dichloroethane vehicle) replicates had raw  
5140 absorption values over 0.05 percent indicating dermal risks. The coefficient of variation for the K<sub>p</sub>  
5141 values were 31 to 82 percent, so the raw data was corrected for data variability according to OECD  
5142 GD156 guidance by calculating the 95 percent upper confidence level. The mean K<sub>p</sub> value and the 95  
5143 percent upper confidence limit for neat 1,1-dichloroethane were 0.00229 and 0.00371 cm/hour,  
5144 respectively.

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5146 EPA also compared the 1,1-dichloroethane dermal absorption estimate of 0.3 percent with that of its  
5147 isomer, 1,2-dichloroethane. 1,2-dichloroethane has an identical molecular weight and a very similar log  
5148 Kow value as 1,1-dichloroethane, key parameters for EPA dermal modeling. The reported *in vitro* mean  
5149 K<sub>p</sub> value for the analog 1,2-dichloroethane in peer-reviewed literature was similar at 0.00109 cm/hour  
5150 for the neat chemical (Schenk, 2018, 4940676). and the estimated fraction absorbed was also similar at  
5151 0.6 percent using default settings for the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) skin  
5152 permeation model, IHSkinPerm.

To assess exposure, EPA used the Dermal Exposure to Volatile Liquids Model (see Equation 5-1) to calculate the dermal retained dose. The equation modifies EPA/OPPT 2-Hand Dermal Exposure to Liquids Model (peer-reviewed) by incorporating a “fraction absorbed ( $f_{abs}$ )” parameter to account for the evaporation of volatile chemicals:

**Equation 5-1. EPA Dermal Exposure to Volatile Liquids Model**

$$D_{exp} = (S \times Qu \times f_{abs} \times Y_{derm} \times FT)/BW$$

Where:

$D_{exp}$	=	Dermal retained dose (mg/kg-day)
$S$	=	Surface area of contact (cm <sup>2</sup> )
$Qu$	=	Quantity remaining on the skin after an exposure event (high-end: 2.1 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> -event, central tendency 1.4 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> -event ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1992</a> ))
$Y_{derm}$	=	Weight fraction of the chemical of interest in the liquid (wt %)
$FT$	=	Frequency of events (default: 1)
$f_{abs}$	=	Fraction of applied mass that is absorbed (%)
$BW$	=	Body weight (kg)

The standard model considers an assumed amount of liquid on skin during one contact event per day ( $Qu$ ), an absorption factor ( $f_{abs}$ ), surface area of the hands ( $S$ ) and the weight fraction of 1,1-dichloroethane ( $Y_{derm}$ ) in the formulation to calculate a dermal dose. The model reduces to an assumed amount of liquid on the skin during one contact event per day adjusted by the weight fraction of 1,1-dichloroethane in the liquid to which the worker is exposed. EPA assumed the worker would be handling neat 1,1-dichloroethane for all OESs; therefore, EPA assessed all exposure scenarios at a 100 percent weight fraction. Table 5-13 summarizes the model parameters and their values for estimating dermal exposures.

**Table 5-13. Summary of Dermal Model Input Values**

Input Parameter	Symbol	Value(s)	Unit
Surface area	$S$	535 (central tendency) 1,070 (high-end)	cm <sup>2</sup>
Dermal load	$Qu$	1.4 (central tendency) 2.1 (high-end)	mg/cm <sup>2</sup> -event
Weight fraction of chemical	$Y_{derm}$	1	unitless
Frequency of events	$FT$	1	events/day
Fractional absorption	$f_{abs}$	0.003 (neat 1,1-dichloroethane)	unitless
Body weight	$BW$	80	kg

For details on workers activities that could potentially result in dermal exposure, refer to Table 5-2. EPA used a high-end exposed skin surface area ( $S$ ) for workers of 1,070 cm<sup>2</sup> based on the mean two-hand surface area for adult males ages 21 or older from Chapter 7 of EPA’s *Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)). For central tendency estimates, EPA assumed the exposure surface area was equivalent to only a single hand (or one side of two hands) and used half the mean values for two-hand surface areas (*i.e.*, 535 cm<sup>2</sup> for workers). The model estimates dermal exposure to the hands and does not account for dermal exposures to other parts of the body.



5191 The values of the dermal load ( $Q_u$ ) were based on experimental studies of non-aqueous liquids to  
 5192 measure the quantity remaining on the skin after contact. In the study, an initial wipe test was performed  
 5193 that consisted of the subjects wiping their hands with a cloth saturated in the liquid. The amount of  
 5194 liquid retained on the hands was measured immediately after the application.

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5196 Data on dermal exposure measurements at facilities that manufacture, process, and use chemicals is  
 5197 limited. Table 5-14 below includes measured data that can be used for comparison with the dermal  
 5198 loading values used in the DEVL model and the 1,1-dichloroethane dermal exposure model estimates  
 5199 provided in Table 5-15. The experimental dermal loading values in the DEVL model are comparable to  
 5200 measured values recorded in the Pesticide Handlers Exposure Database (PHED) (per SAIC, 1996).

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**Table 5-14. Comparison of Dermal Exposure Values**

Dermal Exposure Value	Type of Data	Notes	Reference
1.4 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> -event (central tendency) 2.1 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> -event (high-end)	Experimental data	Used in EPA/OPPT Dermal Contact with Liquids Models	OPPT Dermal Framework Underlying data from (USEPA, 1992)
2.9 mg metalworking fluid/cm <sup>2</sup> -hr (geometric mean)	Measured data	Study of dermal exposures to electroplating and metalworking fluids during metal shaping operations	Roff, 2004 (as reported in OECD ESD on Metalworking Fluids)
0.5–1.8 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>	Measured data	Dermal exposure data for workers involved in pesticide mixing and loading. The data included various combinations of formulation type and mixing/loading methods.	1992 Pesticide Handlers Exposure Database (PEHD), as reported in (SAIC, 1996)
0.0081–505.4 mg/day	Measured data	PMN manufacturer study of unprotected dermal exposures to trichloroetone for maintenance workers	Anonymous, 1996 (as reported in (SAIC, 1996)
0.0071–2.457 mg/day	Measured data	PMN manufacturer study of unprotected dermal exposures to trichloroetone for process operators	Anonymous, 1996 (as reported in (SAIC, 1996)
0.0105–0.0337 mg/day	Measured data	PMN manufacturer study of protected dermal exposures to trichloroetone for maintenance workers	Anonymous, 1996 (as reported in (SAIC, 1996)
0.0098–0.2417 mg/day	Measured data	PMN manufacturer study of protected dermal exposures to trichloroetone for process operators	Anonymous, 1996 (as reported in (SAIC, 1996)

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5204 The dermal potential dose rate estimates are presented in Table 5-15. As previously stated, the estimates  
5205 are the same across all OES.

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5207 **Table 5-15. Dermal Potential Dose Rate Estimates**

Category	Potential Dose Rate (mg/day)	
	High-End	Central Tendency
Worker, no gloves	6.7	2.3

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5209 For additional rationale on the dermal exposure assessment and parameters, refer to *Draft Risk*  
5210 *Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and*  
5211 *Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

#### 5212 **5.1.1.1.6 Estimate the Number of Workers and Occupational Non-users Potentially** 5213 **Exposed**

5214 An assessment objective is to estimate the number of workers and ONUs potentially exposed. Normally,  
5215 a primary difference between workers and ONUs is that workers may handle 1,1-dichloroethane and  
5216 have direct contact with the chemical, while ONUs are working in the general vicinity of workers but do  
5217 not handle 1,1-dichloroethane and do not have direct contact with 1,1-dichloroethane being handled by  
5218 the workers. The size of the area that ONUs may work can vary across each OES and across facilities  
5219 within the same OES and will depend on the facility configuration, building and room sizes, presence of  
5220 vapor barrier, and worker activity pattern. Where possible, for each COU, EPA identified job types and  
5221 categories for workers and ONUs. The Agency evaluated inhalation exposures to workers and ONUs,  
5222 and dermal exposures to workers. EPA did not assess dermal exposures to ONUs as EPA does not  
5223 expect ONUs to have routine dermal exposures in the course of their work. Depending on the condition  
5224 of use, ONUs may have incidental dermal exposures due to surface contamination. However, data (*e.g.*,  
5225 frequency and amount of liquid on the skin after contact) were not identified to assess this exposure.

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#### 5227 **Methodology**

5228 Where available, EPA used CDR data to provide a basis to estimate the number of workers and ONUs.  
5229 Data were available from the 2016 and 2020 CDR for manufacturing sites; however, EPA determined  
5230 this was not sufficient to determine the total number of workers for that OES. EPA supplemented the  
5231 available CDR data using available market data; NAICS and SIC code data from TRI, DMR, and NEI  
5232 sites identified for each condition of use (for number of sites estimated see Section 3.2.1.1); and  
5233 analyzing Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and U.S. Census data using the methodology described in  
5234 the Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment. Where market penetration data and  
5235 site-specific NAICS/SIC codes from TRI/DMR/NEI were not available, EPA estimated the number of  
5236 workers using data from GSs and ESDs. For additional details on development of estimates of number  
5237 of workers refer to *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File:*  
5238 *Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

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5240 EPA also determined the number of days per year that workers are potentially exposed to 1,1-  
5241 dichloroethane. In general, the exposure frequency is the same as the number of operating days per year  
5242 for a given OES (see Section 3.1.1.5). However, if the number of operating days is greater than 250 days  
5243 per year, EPA assumed that a single worker would not work more than 250 days per year such that the  
5244 maximum exposure days per year was still 250.

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5246 **Results**

5247 Table 5-16 provides a summary for the number of workers and ONUs potentially exposed to 1,1-  
 5248 dichloroethane per facility. The estimates are provided for a facility within each OES and are specific to  
 5249 1,1-dichloroethane with the exception of the Processing – repackaging OES.

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5251 **Table 5-16. Total Number of Workers and ONUs Potentially Exposed to 1,1-Dichloroethane for**  
 5252 **Each OES**

OES	Exposure Days per Year	Potential Number of Sites	Potential Number of Workers per Site	Potential Number of ONUs per Site	Notes
Manufacturing	350	10	119	56	Number of workers and ONU estimates based on U.S. Census Bureau data, CDR, DMR, TRI, and NEI ( <a href="#">U.S. Census Bureau, 2015</a> ).
Processing as a Reactive Intermediate	350	90	94	21	Number of workers and ONU estimates based on U.S. Census Bureau data, DMR, TRI, and NEI ( <a href="#">U.S. Census Bureau, 2015</a> ).
Processing – repackaging	128	2	3	1	Based on the July 2022 Chemical Repackaging GS ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2022a</a> ).
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	260	43–138	3	3	Based on the 2022 Draft GS on the Use of Laboratory Chemicals ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2023c</a> ).
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal	250	672	49	15	Number of workers and ONU estimates based on U.S. Census Bureau data, DMR, TRI, and NEI ( <a href="#">U.S. Census Bureau, 2015</a> ).
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	250	125	24	12	Number of workers and ONU estimates based on U.S. Census Bureau data, DMR, TRI, and NEI ( <a href="#">U.S. Census Bureau, 2015</a> ).

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**5.1.1.2 Estimates of Occupational Exposure (ppm) and Dermal Exposure (mg/day)**

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5255 Table 5-17 provides a summary for each of the OES by indicating whether monitoring data were used,  
 5256 how many data points were identified, the quality of the data, and also whether EPA used modeling to  
 5257 estimate inhalation and dermal exposures for workers and ONUs.

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**Table 5-17. Summary of Assessment Methods for Each Occupational Exposure Scenario**

OES	Inhalation Exposure											Dermal Exposure			
	1,1-Dichloroethane Monitoring					Surrogate Monitoring					Modeling		Monitoring		Modeling
	Worker	# Data Points	ONU	# Data Points	Data Quality Ratings	Worker	# Data Points	ONU	# Data Points	Data Quality Ratings	Worker	ONU	Worker	Data Quality Rating	Worker
Manufacturing	ü	57	ü	5	H	ü	172	○	N/A	H	○	○	○	N/A	ü
Processing as a reactive intermediate	ü	57	ü	5	H	ü	46	○	N/A	M	○	○	○	N/A	ü
Processing – repackaging	○	N/A	○	N/A	N/A	○	N/A	○	N/A	N/A	ü	○	○	N/A	ü
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	ü	9	○	N/A	H	ü	76	○	N/A	H	○	○	○	N/A	ü
Distribution in commerce	Not estimated														
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	○	N/A	○	N/A	N/A	ü	3	○	N/A	M	○	○	○	N/A	ü
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	○	N/A	○	N/A	N/A	ü	22	○	N/A	M	○	○	○	N/A	ü

○ = no data available; ü = data available  
Where EPA was not able to estimate ONU inhalation exposure from monitoring data or models, this was assumed equivalent to the central tendency experienced by workers for the corresponding OES; dermal exposure for ONUs was not evaluated because they are not expected to be in direct contact with 1,1-dichloroethane.

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A summary of inhalation and dermal exposure estimates for each OES is presented below in Table 5-18.

**Table 5-18. Summary of Inhalation and Dermal Exposure Estimates for Each OES**

OES	Worker Description	Exposure Days (day/year)	Worker Inhalation Estimates (ppm)		ONU Inhalation Estimates (ppm)		Worker Dermal Exposure Estimates (mg/day)	
			High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency
Manufacturing	Operator/ process technician	250	1.1	4.7E-03	2.0E-02	3.2E-03	6.7	2.3
	Maintenance technician	250	0.41	7.9E-02				
	Laboratory technician	250	2.4E-02	1.1E-03				
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Operator/ process technician	250	1.1	4.7E-03	2.0E-02	3.2E-03	6.7	2.3
	Maintenance technician	250	0.41	7.9E-02				
	Laboratory technician	250	2.4E-02	1.1E-03				
Processing – repackaging	–	250	13	3.5	3.5		6.7	2.3
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Laboratory technician	250	2.4E-02	1.1E-03	1.1E-03		6.7	2.3
Distribution in commerce	Not Estimated							
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	–	250	10	0.30	0.30		6.7	2.3
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	–	250	0.68	0.25	0.25		6.7	2.3
Where EPA was not able to estimate ONU inhalation exposure from monitoring data or models, this was assumed equivalent to the central tendency experienced by workers for the corresponding OES; dermal exposure for ONUs was not evaluated because they are not expected to be in direct contact with 1,1-dichloroethane.								

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Using these 8-hour TWA exposure concentrations, EPA then calculated acute, subchronic, and chronic (non-cancer and cancer) exposures. These exposure metrics are then used to determine risk, as described in Section 5.3.3.1.

**5.1.1.3 Weight of Scientific Evidence for the Estimates of Occupational Exposures from Industrial and Commercial Sources**

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EPA’s conclusion on the weight of scientific evidence is based on the strengths, limitations, and uncertainties associated with the release estimates. The Agency considers factors that increase or decrease the strength of the evidence supporting the exposure estimate—including quality of the data/information, applicability of the exposure data to the COU (including considerations of temporal relevance, locational relevance) and the representativeness of the estimate for the whole industry.

5275 The best professional conclusion is summarized using the descriptors of robust, moderate, slight, or  
5276 indeterminant, according to EPA's *2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)). For  
5277 example, a conclusion of moderate weight of scientific evidence is appropriate where there is measured  
5278 exposure data from a limited number of sources such that there is a limited number of data points that  
5279 may not be representative of the worker activities or potential exposures. A conclusion of slight weight  
5280 of scientific evidence is appropriate where there is limited information that does not sufficiently cover  
5281 all potential exposures within the COU, and the assumptions and uncertainties are not fully known or  
5282 documented. See EPA's *2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) for additional  
5283 information on weight of scientific evidence conclusions. A summary of the weight of scientific  
5284 evidence conclusions for the inhalation estimates is provided below in Table 5-19.

**Table 5-19. Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for the Inhalation Exposure Assessment**

OES	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion	Overall Confidence in Release Estimate Rationale
Manufacturing	Moderate to Robust	<p>EPA considered the assessment approach, the quality of the data, and uncertainties in assessment results to determine a weight of scientific evidence conclusion for the 8-hour TWA inhalation exposure estimates. EPA used 1,1-dichloroethane test order inhalation data to assess inhalation exposures. The primary strength of these data is the use of personal and directly applicable data, and the number of samples available for workers and ONUs. The primary limitation is that the data is from one site and may not be representative of all manufacturing sites. Additionally, EPA assumed 250 exposure days per year based on 1,1-dichloroethane exposure each working day for a typical worker schedule; it is uncertain whether this captures actual worker schedules and exposures.</p> <p>Based on these strengths and limitations, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate to robust and provides a plausible estimate of exposures in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Moderate	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane monitoring data for this scenario was not available. EPA used 1,1-dichloroethane test order data from the Manufacturing OES to assess inhalation exposures. The primary strength of this data is the use of personal and potentially applicable data. The primary limitations of these data include the uncertainty of the representativeness of these data toward the true distribution of inhalation concentrations in this scenario since the data was analogous from the manufacturing OES. EPA also assumed 250 exposure days per year based on 1,1-dichloroethane exposure each working day for a typical worker schedule; it is uncertain whether this captures actual worker schedules and exposures.</p> <p>Based on these strengths and limitations, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate and provides a plausible estimate of exposures in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Processing – repackaging	Moderate	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane monitoring data was not available for this scenario. Additionally, the Agency did not identify relevant monitoring data from other scenarios or chemicals assessed in previous EPA Risk Evaluations. Therefore, EPA modeled inhalation exposures. The Agency used assumptions and values from the <i>July 2022 Chemical Repackaging GS</i> (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2022a</a>), which the systematic review process rated high for data quality, to assess inhalation exposures (<a href="#">OECD, 2009</a>). The Agency used EPA/OPPT models combined with Monte Carlo modeling to estimate inhalation exposures. A strength of the Monte Carlo modeling approach is that variation in model input values and a range of potential exposure values is more likely than a discrete value to capture actual exposure at sites. The primary limitation is the uncertainty in the representativeness of values toward the true distribution of potential inhalation exposures. In addition, EPA lacks 1,1-dichloroethane facility production volume data; and therefore, throughput estimates are based on CDR reporting thresholds. Also, EPA could not estimate the number of exposure days per year associated with</p>



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OES	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion	Overall Confidence in Release Estimate Rationale
		<p>repackaging operations, so the exposure days per year estimates are based on an assumed site throughput of imported containers.</p> <p>Based on these strengths and limitations, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate and provides a plausible estimate of exposures.</p>
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Moderate	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane monitoring data for this scenario was not available. EPA used 1,1-dichloroethane test order data for laboratory technicians from the manufacturing OES to assess inhalation exposures. EPA considered the assessment approach, the quality of the data, and uncertainties in assessment results to determine a weight of scientific evidence conclusion for the 8-hour TWA inhalation exposure estimates. EPA used inhalation data to assess inhalation exposures. The primary strength of these data is the use of personal and potentially applicable data. The primary limitation is the number of samples available for workers. Data was not available for ONUs. Additionally, there is uncertainty in the representativeness of these data toward the true distribution of inhalation concentrations in this scenario since the laboratory use occurred in a manufacturing setting. EPA assumed 250 exposure days per year based on 1,1-dichloroethane exposure each working day for a typical worker schedule; it is uncertain whether this captures actual worker schedules and exposures.</p> <p>Based on these strengths and limitations, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate and provides a plausible estimate of exposures in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (general)	Moderate	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane monitoring data was not available for this scenario. Additionally, EPA did not identify 1,1-dichloroethane monitoring data from other scenarios. Therefore, the Agency used surrogate inhalation data from methylene chloride to assess inhalation exposures. The primary limitations of these data include the uncertainty of the representativeness of these data toward the true distribution of inhalation concentrations in this scenario since the data were surrogate from methylene chloride, which results in a moderate confidence rating. EPA also assumed 250 exposure days per year based on 1,1-dichloroethane exposure each working day for a typical worker schedule; it is uncertain whether this captures actual worker schedules and exposures.</p> <p>Based on these strengths and limitations, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate and provides a plausible estimate of exposures in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>

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OES	Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusion	Overall Confidence in Release Estimate Rationale
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Moderate	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane monitoring data was not available for this scenario. Additionally, EPA did not identify 1,1-dichloroethane monitoring data from other scenarios. Therefore, the Agency used surrogate inhalation data from 1,2-dichloroethane to assess inhalation exposures. The primary limitations of these data include the uncertainty of the representativeness of these data toward the true distribution of inhalation concentrations in this scenario since the data were surrogate from 1,2-dichloroethane, which results in a low confidence rating. In addition, the available surrogate data only provided 3 worker inhalation monitoring data samples for wastewater treatment. EPA also assumed 250 exposure days per year based on 1,1-dichloroethane exposure each working day for a typical worker schedule; it is uncertain whether this captures actual worker schedules and exposures.</p> <p>Based on these strengths and limitations, EPA has concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for this assessment is moderate and provides a plausible estimate of exposures in consideration of the strengths and limitations of reasonably available data.</p>

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5287 EPA estimated dermal exposures using modeling methodologies, which are supported by moderate  
5288 evidence. EPA used the EPA Dermal Exposure to Volatile Liquids Model to calculate the dermal  
5289 retained dose. This model modifies the EPA/OPPT 2-Hand Dermal Exposure to Liquids Model by  
5290 incorporating a “fraction absorbed ( $f_{abs}$ )” parameter to account for the evaporation of volatile chemicals.  
5291 These modifications improve the modeling methodology; however, the modeling approach is still  
5292 limited by the low variability for different worker activities/exposure scenarios. Therefore, the weight of  
5293 scientific evidence for the modeling methodologies is moderate. The exposure scenarios and exposure  
5294 factors underlying the dermal assessment are supported by moderate to robust evidence.

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5296 Dermal exposure scenarios were informed by moderate to robust process information and GS/ESD.  
5297 Exposure factors for occupational dermal exposure include amount of material on the skin, surface area  
5298 of skin exposed, and absorption of 1,1-dichloroethane through the skin. These exposure factors were  
5299 informed by literature sources, the *ChemSTEER User Guide* (U.S. EPA, 2015) for standard exposure  
5300 parameters, and a European model, with ratings from moderate to robust. Based on these strengths and  
5301 limitations, EPA concluded that the weight of scientific evidence for the dermal exposure assessment is  
5302 moderate to robust for all OESs.

### 5303 **5.1.2 General Population Exposures**

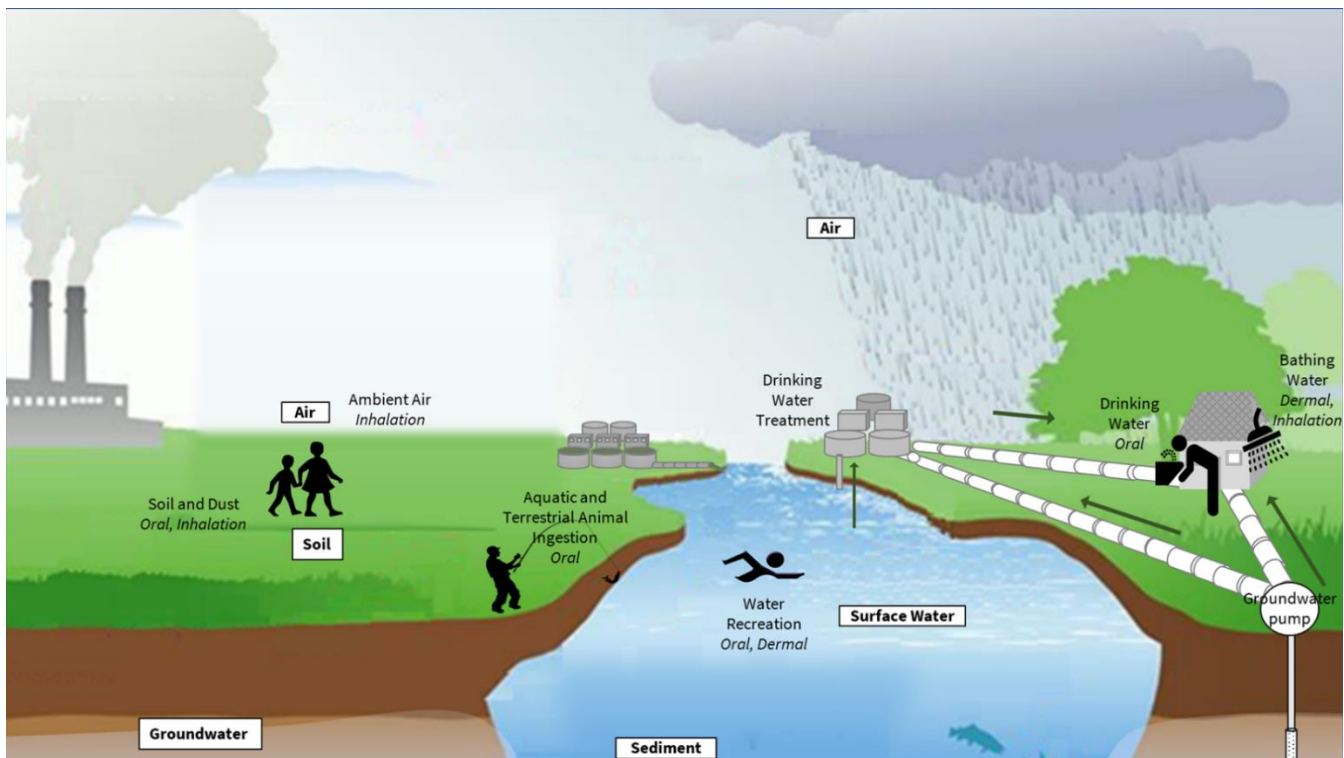
#### **1,1-Dichloroethane – General Population Exposures (Section 5.1.2): Key Points**

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information for the following general population exposures, the key points of which are summarized below:

- Inhalation exposure is the major general population exposure pathway.
  - For exposures through ambient air, EPA considered potential exposures for communities within 10 km of a release site.
  - EPA estimated general population inhalation exposures based on modeled air concentrations estimated in Section 3.3.1 using equations and exposure factors described in Appendix E.2.
- Dermal exposures from the exposure scenario of swimming in receiving water from 1,1-dichloroethane releases were estimated to result in low exposures.
- Oral exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane from ingestion of drinking water were estimated to result in low exposures.
- Oral exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane from ingestion of fish-containing 1,1-dichloroethane were estimated for adults, children and for subsistence and tribal fishers. Low bioaccumulation potential in fish results in low exposures.
- Oral exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane by children playing with and ingestion of 1,1-dichloroethane containing biosolids as applied to land were expected to result in low exposures.

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5305 General population exposures occur when 1,1-dichloroethane is released into the environment and the  
5306 media is then a pathway for exposure. Section 3.3 provides a summary of the monitoring, database, and  
5307 modeled data on concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in the environment. Figure 5-2 provides a graphic  
5308 representation of where and in which media 1,1-dichloroethane is estimated to be found and the  
5309 corresponding route of exposure.

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5312 **Figure 5-2. Potential Human Exposure Pathways to 1,1-Dichloroethane for the General**  
5313 **Population<sup>a</sup>**

5314 <sup>a</sup> The diagram presents the media (white text boxes) and routes of exposure (italics for oral, inhalation, or dermal)  
5315 for the general population. Sources of drinking water is depicted with grey arrows. This diagram pairs with Figure  
5316 2-1 and Figure 4-1 depicting the fate and transport of the subject chemical in the environment.

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### 5.1.2.1 Approach and Methodology

5318 Exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane results from direct releases to ambient air and surface water resulting  
5319 from its use in the chemical manufacturing processes. 1,1-Dichloroethane has been detected in the  
5320 indoor and outdoor environment although exposures likely vary across the general population. See  
5321 tornado plots and associated tables in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic*  
5322 *Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)) for a summary of the various environmental media 1,1-  
5323 dichloroethane has been detected.

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5325 Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane are likely to occur through the direct release to air, water, and soil, with  
5326 partitioning between the environmental compartments. Most 1,1-dichloroethane releases will ultimately  
5327 partition to air based on its vapor pressure; however, a smaller amount will remain in water due to its  
5328 water solubility. For a more detailed discussion about 1,1-dichloroethane environmental partitioning,  
5329 please see Section 2.2.2. and Appendix D.2.1.2.

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5331 Exposure to the general population was estimated for the industrial and commercial releases per OES.  
5332 Table 3-4 illustrates how the industrial and commercial releases to the environmental media varies by  
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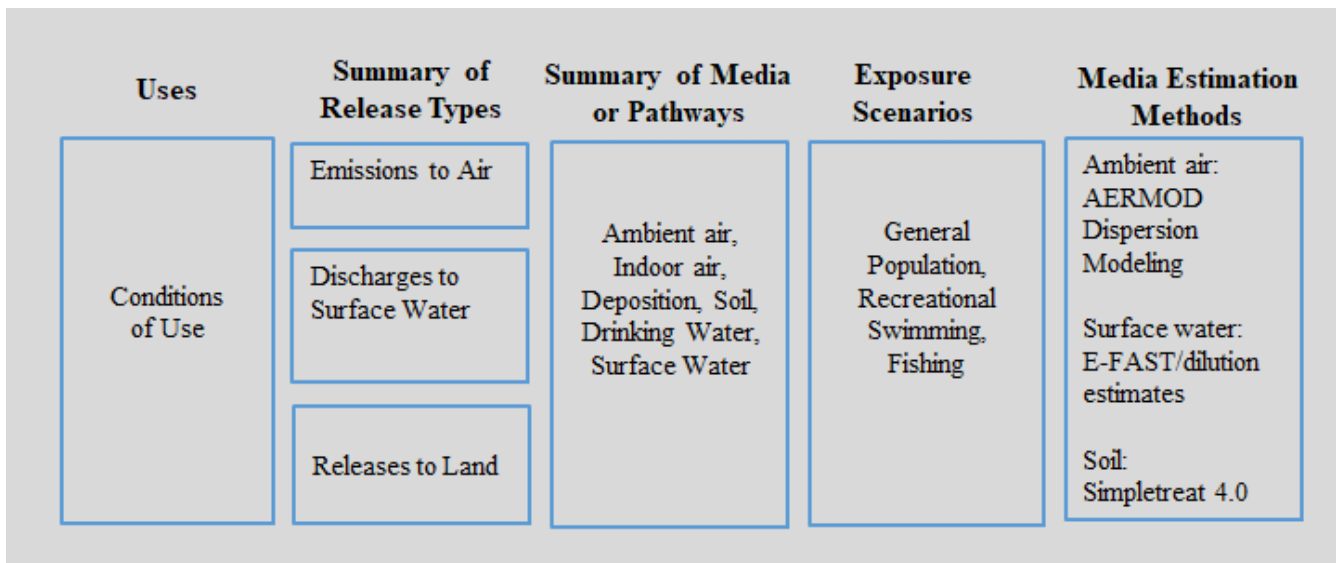
5335 Modeled air concentrations (Sections 3.3.1 and 3.3.2) were utilized to estimate inhalation exposures  
5336 (5.1.2.2) to the general population at various distances from a release facility. In addition, a detailed  
5337 population analysis was performed for a subset of TRI and NEI release facilities for which estimated  
5338 cancer risks exceeded the lifetime cancer benchmark of 1 in 1,000,000 ( $1 \times 10^{-6}$ ). This analysis includes

5339 an evaluation of PESS as well as metrics associated with racial demographics and poverty status of the  
5340 population. Proximity of general population to community infrastructures was also evaluated, such as  
5341 parks, schools, places of worship, childcare centers, and hospitals (Section 5.3.4).  
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5343 Modeled surface water concentrations (Sections 3.3.3.2) were utilized to estimate oral drinking water  
5344 exposures (Section 5.1.2.4.1) oral fish ingestions exposures (Section 5.1.2.4.2), incidental oral exposures  
5345 (Sections 5.1.2.4.3, 5.1.2.4.4, and 5.1.2.4.5), and incidental dermal exposures (Section 5.1.2.3.1) for the  
5346 general population. Modeled groundwater concentrations (Section 3.3.4.3), resulting from 1,1-  
5347 dichloroethane TSCA land disposal were estimated but not evaluated as a potential pathway of concern  
5348 for drinking water exposures. Although 1,1-dichloroethane has been detected in groundwater as drinking  
5349 water monitoring data, the low 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations confirmed low oral drinking water  
5350 exposures (Section 5.1.2.4.1) to the general population. Modeled (Section 3.3.4.1) soil concentrations  
5351 via deposition were used to estimate dermal exposures (Sections 5.1.2.4.5) to children who play in mud  
5352 and other activities with soil.  
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5354 Exposures estimates from industrial and commercial releases of 1,1-dichloroethane were compared to  
5355 exposure estimates from non-scenario specific monitoring data to ground truth the results (*e.g.*, ambient  
5356 air exposures). Figure 3-5 and Table 3-8 summarize the environmental media monitoring data that was  
5357 available in the United States For a description of statistical methods, methodology of data integration  
5358 and treatment of non-detects and outliers used to generate the AMTIC estimates please reference the  
5359 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Ambient Monitoring*  
5360 *Technology Information Center (AMTIC), 1,1-Dichloroethane Monitoring Data 2015 to 2020* ([U.S.](#)  
5361 [EPA, 2024b](#)).  
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5363 Exposure to general population per conditions of use were estimated for emissions to water and air, as  
5364 depicted in Figure 5-3.  
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5367 **Figure 5-3. Overview of General Population Exposure Assessment for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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5369 For each exposure pathway, central tendency and high-end doses were estimated. EPA’s [Guidelines for](#)  
 5370 [Human Exposure Assessment](#) defined central tendency exposures as “an estimate of individuals in the  
 5371 middle of the distribution.” It is anticipated that these estimates apply to most individuals in the United  
 5372 States. High-end exposure estimates are defined as “plausible estimate of individual exposure for those  
 5373 individuals at the upper end of an exposure distribution, the intent of which is to convey an estimate of  
 5374 exposure in the upper range of the distribution while avoiding estimates that are beyond the true  
 5375 distribution.” It is anticipated that these estimates apply to some individuals, particularly those who may  
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**5.1.2.1.1 General Population Exposure Scenarios**

5378 Figure 5-2 provides an illustration of the exposure scenarios considered for general population exposure.

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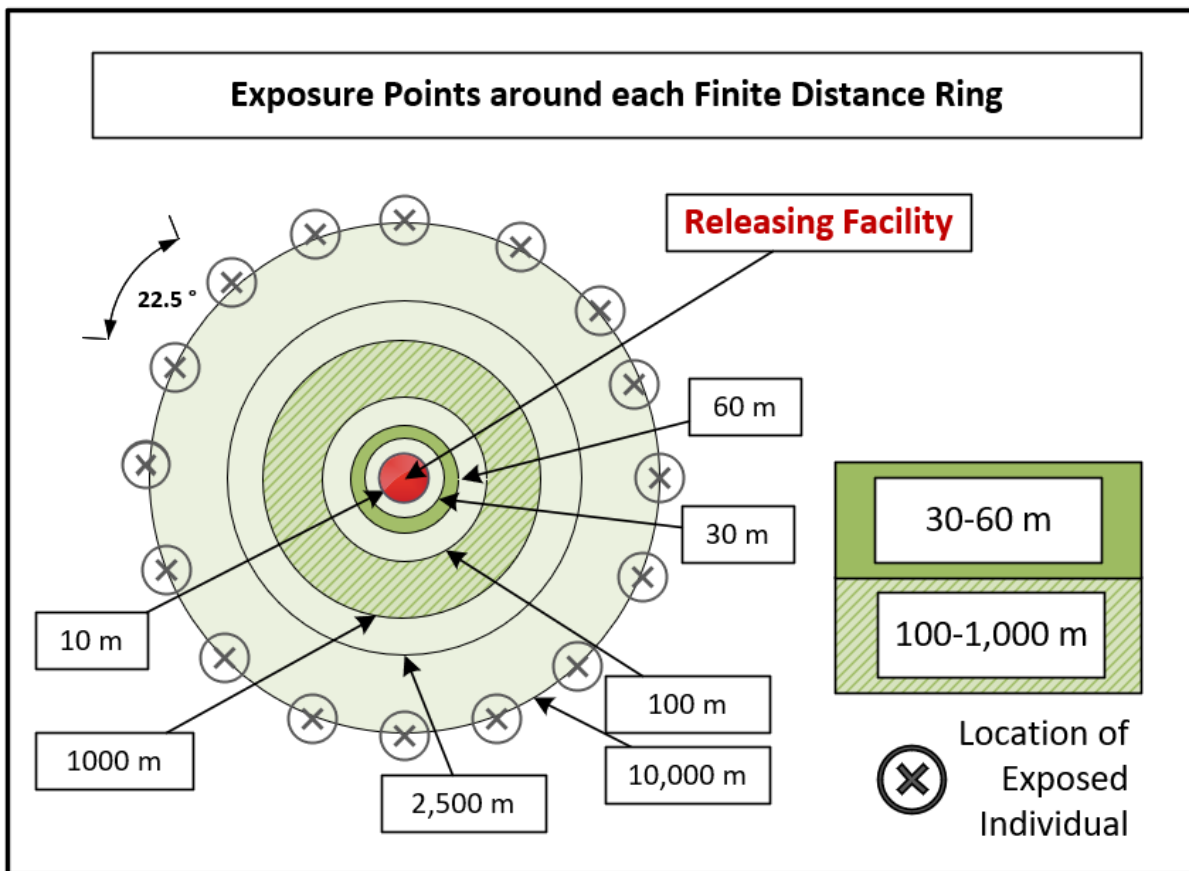
**Ambient Air Exposure Scenarios**

5380 The Multi-Year Methodology AERMOD using TRI or NEI release data evaluated exposures to  
 5381 members of the general population at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and  
 5382 10,000 m) and two area distances (30 to 60 m and 100 to 1,000 m) from each TRI and NEI releasing  
 5383 facility for each OES (or generic facility for alternative release estimates). Human populations for each  
 5384 of the eight finite distances were placed in a polar grid every 22.5 degrees around the respective distance  
 5385 ring. This results in a total of 16 modeled exposure points around each finite distance ring for which  
 5386 exposures are modeled. Figure 5-4 provides a visual depiction of the placement of exposure points  
 5387 around a finite distance ring. Although the visual depiction only shows exposure point locations around  
 5388 a single finite distance ring, the same placement occurred for all eight finite distance rings.

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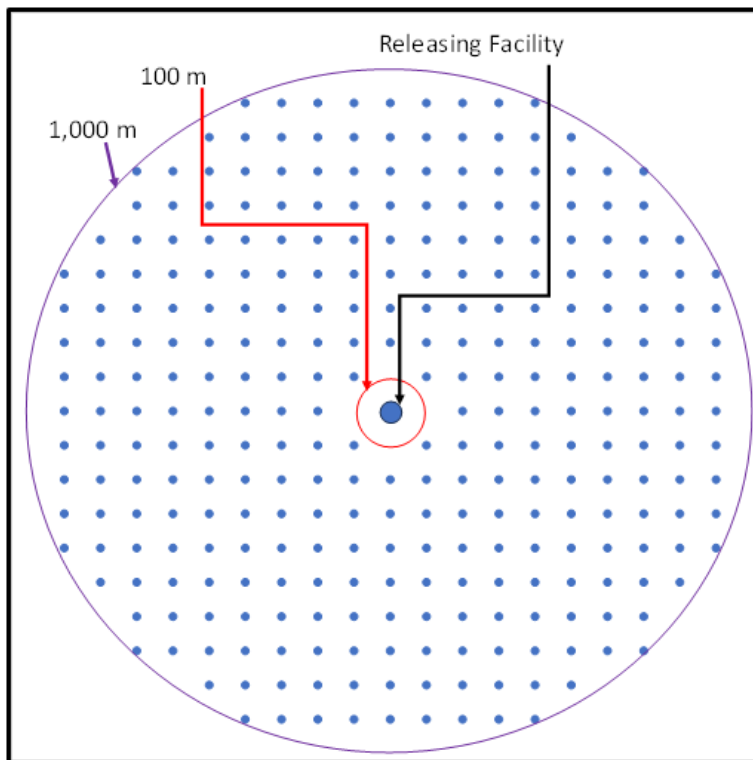




**Figure 5-4. Modeled Exposure Points for Finite Distance Rings for Ambient Air Modeling (AERMOD)**

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Modeled exposure points for the area distance 30 to 60 m evaluated were placed in a cartesian grid at equal distances between 30 and 60 m around each releasing facility. Exposure points were placed at 10-meter increments. This results in a total of 80 points for which exposures are modeled. Modeled exposure points for the area distance 100 to 1,000 m evaluated were placed in a cartesian grid at equal distances between 100 and 1,000 m around each releasing facility. Exposure points were placed at 100-meter increments. This results in a total of 300 points for which exposures are modeled. provides a visual depiction of the placement of exposure points (each dot) around the 100 to 1,000 m area distance ring. All exposure points were at 1.8 m above ground, as a proximation for breathing height for ambient air concentration estimations. A duplicate set of exposure points was at ground level (0 m) for deposition estimations.



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5407 **Figure 5-5. Modeled Exposure Point Locations for Area**  
5408 **Distance for Ambient Air Modeling (AERMOD)**  
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5410 The ambient air is a major pathway for 1,1-dichloroethane and the general population may be exposed to  
5411 ambient air concentrations and air deposition because of 1,1-dichloroethane releases. Relevant  
5412 exposures scenarios considered in this draft risk evaluation include ambient air inhalation for  
5413 populations living nearby releasing facilities, and ingestion exposure of soil to children resulting from  
5414 ambient air deposition from a nearby facility.  
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#### 5416 ***Soil Exposure Scenarios***

5417 1,1-Dichloroethane may also be present in the biosolids resulting from the 125 POTWs treating effluent  
5418 containing 1,1-dichloroethane (see Table 3-4). These 1,1-dichloroethane-containing biosolids may be  
5419 spread onto soils as a common biosolids disposal method. EPA considered exposure pathway via  
5420 children playing in soil where biosolids were spread. Given pica behavior of children where soil is  
5421 ingested, EPA used the EPA *Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)) recommended 3 to 6 year  
5422 old ingestion rate to estimate the possible ingestion of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil via the biosolids  
5423 pathway.  
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5425 As mentioned above, air deposition fluxes from AERMOD were used to estimate soil concentrations at  
5426 various distances from the largest emitting facility for each OES. Oral ingestion exposure estimates of  
5427 soil were calculated for children aged 3 to 6 years using the EPA's *Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S.  
5428 EPA, 2011a](#)) recommended ingestion rate for that age group.  
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#### 5430 ***Water Exposure Scenarios***

5431 1,1-Dichloroethane is expected to be found in surface waters through the direct facility release of the  
5432 chemical into receiving water bodies. Section 3.3.3.2 provides modeled estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane  
5433 in surface water at the site of release and Section 3.3.3.6 presents modeled estimates in downstream

5434 locations that are expected to supply public water systems (PWS) and become a source of drinking water  
5435 for the general public. Section 3.3.3.4 provides model estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane in benthic pore  
5436 waters and benthic sediment, but these scenarios are not expected to lead to general population  
5437 exposure. Likewise, surface water concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane resulting from air deposition  
5438 were estimated for the ecological assessment but are not expected to result in any significant exposure to  
5439 the general population. Section 3.3.4.3 provides modeled estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater  
5440 due to estimated migration from landfill leachate, although groundwater estimates are very low and so  
5441 do not expect to result in a general population exposure. The relevant surface water estimates at PWS  
5442 locations were used to calculate an exposure dose from drinking water for the general population.  
5443 Additionally, modeled surface water concentrations (see Section 3.3.3.6) were used to calculate a dermal  
5444 exposure estimate from swimming, incidental ingestion estimates from swimming, fish ingestion  
5445 exposure at the site of facility release of 1,1-dichloroethane.

### 5.1.2.2 Summary of Inhalation Exposure Assessment

5446 EPA evaluated acute, chronic and lifetime general population exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane in air. For  
5447 the ambient air exposure, the analysis focuses on general population exposures that may occur within 10  
5448 km of release facilities.  
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#### 5.1.2.2.1 Ambient Air Exposure

5450 To evaluate human inhalation exposures from industrial and commercial fugitive and stack emissions,  
5451 EPA calculated ACs, ADCs, and LADCs based on IIOAC- and AERMOD-modeled air concentrations  
5452 estimated in Section 3.3.1. The LADCs presented in Table 5-20 are based on the maximum 95th  
5453 percentile air concentrations estimated for the facilities within each OES reporting to TRI. LADCs  
5454 within 10 km of release types considered here range from 0 to 232  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The LADCs presented in  
5455 Table 5-21 are based on the maximum 95th percentile air concentrations estimated for the facilities  
5456 within each OES reporting to NEI. LADCs within 10 km of release types considered here range from 0  
5457 to 32  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , which is within a similar range to LDACs estimated from TRI air releases. These lifetime  
5458 exposure estimates are based on 78 years of exposure over a 78-year lifetime and are relevant to all  
5459 lifestages. These lifetime exposures were estimated from TRI air releases as shown in Figure 3-3, and  
5460 from NEI air releases as show in Figure 3-4. As mentioned in Section 3.3.1, approximately 30 percent of  
5461 the facilities reporting 1,1-dichloroethane releases to TRI (7 out of 23 facilities) are in the State of Texas  
5462 and approximately 40 percent of them (9 out of 23 facilities) are in the State of Louisiana.  
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5464 Table 5-22 provides a summary of the LADCs for the Commercial use as a laboratory chemical, and  
5465 Processing – repackaging OESs where there was no site-specific data available for modeling. These  
5466 lifetime exposure estimates are presented for high-end modeled releases, high-end meteorology (Lake  
5467 Charles, Louisiana<sup>14</sup>), both rural and urban setting, and the maximum 95th percentile air concentrations  
5468 estimated for each OES. The LADCs are based on 78 years of exposure over a 78-year lifetime and are  
5469 relevant to all lifestages. LADCs within 10 km of release types presented here range from  $4.7 \times 10^{-4}$  to  
5470  $1.5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .  
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5472 The complete set of inhalation exposure estimates are presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
5473 *Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD TRI*  
5474 *Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024n](#)), *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
5475 *Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD Generic Releases Exposure and*  
5476 *Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024l](#)), and in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
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<sup>14</sup> The high-end meteorological station used represents meteorological datasets that tended to provide high-end concentration estimates relative to the other stations within IIOAC (Appendix E.1.2.4).

5478 *Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD NEI Exposure and Risk*  
5479 *Analysis ([U.S. EPA, 2024m](#)).*

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**Table 5-20. Lifetime Average Daily Concentrations Estimated within 10,000 m of 1,1-Dichloroethane TRI Releases to Air**

OES	# Facilities Evaluated in OES	Maximum 95th Percentile LADCs Estimated within 10–10,000 m of Facilities ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )									
		10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Manufacturing	9	2.3E02	9.0E01	6.9E01	3.7E01	1.8E01	2.5	4.1E-01	9.3E-02	3.0E-02	1.0E-02
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	1.5E01	6.4	4.3	2.5	1.2	1.6E-01	2.7E-02	1.3E-02	6.8E-03	2.9E-03
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8	1.9E01	9.3	6.1	3.9	1.9	1.4E-01	4.8E-02	1.1E-02	3.4E-03	1.1E-03

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**Table 5-21. Lifetime Average Daily Concentrations Estimated within 10,000 m of 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases to Air Reported to NEI**

OES	# Releases Evaluated in OES	Maximum 95th Percentile LADCs Estimated within 10–10,000 m of Facilities ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )									
		10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	2	3.7E-02	1.2E-02	7.2E-03	4.2E-03	1.9E-03	1.9E-04	3.8E-05	8.2E-06	2.6E-06	8.4E-07
Manufacturing	9	2.1E01	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.7	1.0	1.2E-01	2.6E-02	8.3E-03	2.6E-03
Processing as a reactive intermediate	50	3.2E01	1.2E01	8.2	4.9	2.2	2.7E-01	4.8E-02	1.7E-02	6.7E-03	2.4E-03
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	102	1.3E01	8.2	6.5	4.1	2.1	2.1E-01	5.2E-02	1.1E-02	3.4E-03	1.0E-03
Facilities not mapped to an OES	59	9.2	3.7	2.8	1.5	7.3E-01	1.2E-01	1.8E-02	3.9E-03	1.3E-03	4.0E-04

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**Table 5-22. Lifetime Average Daily Concentrations Estimated within 10,000 m of 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases to Air for the Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical, and Processing – Repackaging for Laboratory Chemicals OESs, for the 95th Percentile Production Volume**

OES	Meteorology	Source	Land	Maximum 95th Percentile LADCs Estimated within 10–10,000 m of Facilities ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )									
				10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	2,500 m	5,000 m	10,000 m
Processing – repackaging for laboratory chemicals	High	Stack and Fugitive	Urban	9.3E-01	2.6E-01	2.1E-01	1.5E-01	1.4E-01	3.8E-02	1.3E-02	3.8E-03	1.3E-03	4.7E-04
	High	Stack and Fugitive	Rural	9.3E-01	2.6E-01	2.0E-01	1.2E-01	1.0E-01	3.4E-02	1.5E-02	4.5E-03	1.9E-03	9.8E-04
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	High	Stack and Fugitive	Urban	1.5	4.4E-01	3.9E-01	3.1E-01	3.5E-01	1.0E-01	3.4E-02	1.0E-02	3.7E-03	1.3E-03
	High	Stack and Fugitive	Rural	1.5	4.3E-01	3.5E-01	2.5E-01	2.4E-01	9.0E-02	4.0E-02	1.3E-02	5.1E-03	2.5E-03

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### 5.1.2.2.2 Indoor Air Exposure

EPA calculated LADCs for indoor air exposure based on the IIOAC modeled indoor air concentrations in Section 3.3.2.2. Table 5-23 shows LADCs based on the maximum 95th percentile air concentrations estimated for the facilities within each OES reporting to TRI. LADCs from 100 to 1,000 m of release types considered here range from  $1.3 \times 10^{-2}$  to  $7.4 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . These lifetime exposure estimates are based on 78 years of exposure over a 78-year lifetime and are relevant to all lifestages.

The complete set of inhalation exposure estimates are presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on IIOAC TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024p](#)).

**Table 5-23. Indoor Air Lifetime Average Daily Concentrations (LADCs) Estimated within 1,000 m of 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases to Air Reported to TRI**

OES	# Facilities Evaluated in OES	Maximum LADCs Estimated within 100 to 1,000 m of Facilities ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )		
		100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m
Manufacturing	9	1.8E01	2.0	8.3E-01
Processing as a reactive intermediate	6	9.5E-01	1.1E-01	4.5E-02
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8	6.4E-01	7.5E-02	3.0E-02

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### 5.1.2.2.3 Populations in Proximity to Air Emissions

EPA reviewed the 95th percentile LADC (lifetime average daily concentration) as a basis for selecting AERMOD TRI sites that reflect high-end exposures. Of the 23 TRI facility releases that were modeled using AERMOD, a subset of 10 AERMOD TRI release sites with the highest LADC were the focus of the population evaluation. The goal of this evaluation was to characterize the general population, the population that comprises PESS groups (*i.e.*, women of childbearing age – associated with decreases in maternal body weight, as well as people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation which is more likely in people of Asian descent, see Section 5.3.2), and the population with respect to age/lifestage, race/ethnicity, and poverty-level that surrounds this subset of high-end exposure sites at relevant distances. Nearby environments and community infrastructure of interest were also examined to further understand exposure to these groups and the general public in locations outside their residence. Census block level information that captures residential areas were used to estimate population numbers and metrics. Distance estimates between AERMOD TRI release sites, census block centroids, and community locations of interest were compared with modeled AERMOD distances to evaluate the degree of exposure possible. A full description of the purpose, methods, and uncertainties of this evaluation can be found in D.3.

Of these 10 AERMOD TRI release sites, four (three in Louisiana and one in Texas) were estimated to have populations living within 1,000 m of the source of emissions (see Table 5-24) and the presence of general population living within 1,000 meters was considered relevant for high-end exposure characterization.

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**Table 5-24. Population Density Estimates within 1,000 m of a Subset of AERMOD TRI Air Release Sites that Reflect High-End Exposures**

OES	TRIFID	Facility Location	Highest LADC AERMOD Modeled Distance (m)	Next AERMOD Modeled Distance (m)	Distance to Closest Census Block (m)
Manufacturing	70734VLCNMASHLA	Geismar, LA	30	60	1,599
	77571LPRTC2400M	La Porte, TX	100	1,000	N/A
	70734BRDNCLOUIS	Geismar, LA	100	1,000	1,300
	70669GRGGL1600V	Westlake, LA	60	100	890
	70669PPGNDCOLUM	Westlake, LA	1,000	2,500	1,391
	7076WBLCBP21255	Plaquemine, LA	100	1,000	505
	7754WBLCBP231NB	Freeport, TX	10	30	267
Processing as a reactant	70765GRGGLHIGHW	Plaquemine, LA	30	60	2,139
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	70764LLMNXHWY40	Plaquemine, LA	100	1,000	975
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	71836SHGRVPOBOX	Foreman, AR	100	1,000	1,371

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5530 While the results from Table 5-24 provide an understanding of the size of the general population in the  
 5531 areas surrounding high-end exposures, EPA also evaluated the modeled AERMOD TRI distances where  
 5532 high-end exposures are expected with respect to where these populations are anticipated to live. Table  
 5533 5-24 shows the greatest discrete AERMOD modeled distance from the emission source where a high-  
 5534 end exposure has been identified and also includes the next discrete AERMOD modeled distance, where  
 5535 high-end exposure was not identified. Both modeled distances were evaluated since in some cases the  
 5536 area in between is lacking modeled results, and so it is possible a population can experience a high-end  
 5537 exposure in between the “highest” and the “next” AERMOD modeled distances. The last column in  
 5538 Table 5-24 includes the estimated distance between the AERMOD TRI release site and the nearest  
 5539 census block with an expected population. Of the 10 subset AERMOD TRI release sites, 4 have  
 5540 populations within proximity to the release sites that may experience high-end exposures. It is important  
 5541 to note that there is a degree of uncertainty in distance estimates for reasons outlined in D.3. Thus, these  
 5542 results should not be overinterpreted; distances that overlap within a few hundred meters may be within  
 5543 the error bound surrounding the distance estimates and comparisons.

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5545 The population of targeted PESS groups, race/ethnicities, and at poverty levels were estimated based on  
 5546 a weighted approach that scales census information at the block group level to individual census blocks.  
 5547 The results from individual census blocks within 1,000 and 2,600 m of the AERMOD TRI release sites  
 5548 were then evaluated. The PESS groups included children under 5 and 18 years old because childcare  
 5549 centers and public schools were observed near several of the ARMOD TRI release sites and children  
 5550 could be susceptible to lifetime exposures and potential cancer risks. Pregnant females were identified as  
 5551 a potential PESS group in Section 5.3.2, however, the census information does not include pregnancy  
 5552 data explicitly. In turn, the population of females of reproductive age (15 to 50 years old; per the census  
 5553 data on fertility) was used as a proxy for pregnant females. The population aged over 65 was also  
 5554 estimated, although this age range was not explicitly identified as a PESS group for 1,1-dichloroethane.  
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5557 The populations that make up these age groups within 1,000 m of the subset of AERMOD TRI release  
 5558 sites are shown in Table 5-25. It shows that there are children, females ages 15 to 50, and adults older  
 5559 than 65 living within or near areas of high-end exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane. Of the 4 sites with  
 estimated populations living within or near high-end exposure areas, almost 500 females of reproductive

5560 age were estimated to live within 1,000 m of the source of emission, or approximately 30 percent of the  
 5561 total general population within 1,000 m. Although the population of females of reproductive age may be  
 5562 greater than the population of pregnant women, these results indicate that the number of pregnant  
 5563 females within or near areas of high-end exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane are still considerable.  
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5565 **Table 5-25. Population Density Estimates by Age Groups within 1,000 m of the Subset of**  
 5566 **AERMOD TRI Air Release Sites**

OES	TRIFID	Facility Location	Total Population	Children Under 5	Children Under 18	Females 15–49	Population Over 65
Manufacturing	70734VLCNMASHLA	Geismar, LA	0	0	0	0	0
	77571LPRTC2400M	La Porte, TX	0	0	0	0	0
	70734BRDNCLouis	Geismar, LA	0	0	0	0	0
	70669GRGGL1600V	Westlake, LA	135	0	8	62	17
	70669PPGNDCOLUM	Westlake, LA	0	0	0	0	0
	7076WBLCBP21255	Plaquemine, LA	128	9	17	33	24
	7754WBLCBP231NB	Freeport, TX	1,378	60	446	392	116
	70765GRGGLHIGHW	Plaquemine, LA	0	0	0	0	0
Processing as a reactant	70764LLMNHWY40	Plaquemine, LA	21	1	5	5	3
Waste handling, disposal, treatment and recycling	71836SHGRVPOBOX	Foreman, AR	0	0	0	0	0

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 5568 Population estimates with respect to race/ethnicity and poverty level were compared to national averages  
 5569 to identify potentially overburdened communities. In addition, a known metabolite is reactive  
 5570 dichloroacetaldehyde supporting that a PESS group are people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2  
 5571 mutation that is more likely in people of Asian descent which have a higher risk for several diseases  
 5572 affecting many organ systems, including a particularly high incidence relative to the general population  
 5573 of esophageal cancer, myocardial infarction, and osteoporosis due to decreased reactive aldehyde  
 5574 clearance ([Gross et al., 2015](#)). Table 5-26 shows that there are populations of non-white races and  
 5575 ethnicities living within 1,000 m of the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites that are greater than their  
 5576 respective national averages. Of particular note for populations within 1000 m of release sites in  
 5577 Westlake, Louisiana, 26 percent are of Asian descent compared to a national average of six percent. As  
 5578 noted in Section 5.3.2, this racial/ethnic group is identified as PESS due to the possible identified  
 5579 mutation and increased rate of cancer. Although exposures to maximum 1,1-dichloroethane  
 5580 concentrations resulting in risk are not expected, the PESS populations within 1,000 m represent an  
 5581 exposure to high-end ambient air concentrations to 1,1-dichloroethane.  
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**Table 5-26. Population Density by Race and Ethnicity Expressed as a Percentage of the Total Population within 1,000 m of the Subset of AERMOD TRI Release Sites**

OES	TRIFID	Facility Location	% White	% Black	% Asian	% AI/AN	% Other Race Alone	% Multi-Racial	% Hispanic/Latino
Manufacturing	70734VLCNMASHLA	Geismar, LA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	77571LPRTC2400M	La Porte, TX	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	70734BRDNCLOUIS	Geismar, LA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	70669GRGGL1600V	Westlake, LA	63	0	26	0	0	11	7
	70669PPGNDCOLUM	Westlake, LA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	7076WBLCBP21255	Plaquemine, LA	78	0	0	0	22	0	0
	7754WBLCBP231NB	Freeport, TX	53	20	0	0.2	13	13	73
	70765GRGGLHIGHW	Plaquemine, LA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Processing as a reactant	70764LLMNXHWHY40	Plaquemine, LA	17	79	0	0	0.2	4	1
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	71836SHGRVPOBOX	Foreman, AR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
National Average			68	13	6	0.8	6	7	18

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Estimates of the population density in poverty and the median household income were evaluated to provide an understanding of high-end exposures that may affect potential disadvantaged communities (Table 5-27). The population density below poverty results were also summarized by their OES designation).

**Table 5-27. Median Household Income, Population Density, and Poverty Status for Populations within 1,000 m of the Subset AERMOD TRI Release Sites**

OES	TRIFID	Facility Location	Household Median Income <sup>a</sup>	Number of People in Poverty <sup>b</sup>
Manufacturing	70734VLCNMASHLA	Geismar, LA	N/A	N/A
	77571LPRTC2400M	La Porte, TX	N/A	N/A
	70734BRDNCLOUIS	Geismar, LA	N/A	N/A
	70669GRGGL1600V	Westlake, LA	65,941	37
	70669PPGNDCOLUM	Westlake, LA	N/A	N/A
	7076WBLCBP21255	Plaquemine, LA	85,313	13
	7754WBLCBP231NB	Freeport, TX	48,870	226
	70765GRGGLHIGHW	Plaquemine, LA	N/A	N/A
Processing as a reactant	70764LLMNXHWHY40	Plaquemine, LA	43,421	4
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	71836SHGRVPOBOX	Foreman, AR	N/A	N/A
National Average				

<sup>a</sup> Median income is shown as N/A if one of the block groups did not have a determined median income.  
<sup>b</sup> A population is designated as being in poverty if the income to poverty level ratio in the past 12 months is below 1.

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The locations of childcare centers, schools, places of worship, and healthcare facilities were also identified within 1,000 m of the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites. No private schools, colleges or

5596 universities, hospitals, urgent care centers, VA health facilities, or dialysis clinics were located even  
 5597 out to within 2,600 m of any of the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites. One childcare center and  
 5598 two places of worship were located within 1,000 m of the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites.  
 5599 Collectively these results do indicate that other PESS groups that attend, work, or frequent these  
 5600 community locations may be susceptible to high-end exposures from the subset of AERMOD TRI  
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### 5.1.2.3 Summary of Dermal Exposure Assessment

#### 5.1.2.3.1 Incidental Dermal Exposure from Swimming

5604 The general population may swim in surface waters that are affected by 1,1-dichloroethane  
 5605 contamination. Modeled surface water concentrations assuming the facility release annual load was over  
 5606 the number of facility operating days. The surface water concentrations were used to estimate acute  
 5607 doses and average daily doses from dermal exposure while swimming.

5609 The following equations from the EPA Office of Pesticide Program Swimmer Exposure Assessment  
 5610 Model ([SWIMODEL](#)) were used to calculate incidental dermal (swimming) doses for all COUs, for  
 5611 adults, youth, and children:

#### Equation 5-2.

$$ADR = (SWC \times K_p \times SA \times ET \times CF1 \times CF2) / BW$$

#### Equation 5-3.

$$ADD = (SWC \times K_p \times SA \times ET \times RD \times ED \times CF1 \times CF2) / (BW \times AT \times CF3)$$

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5621	<i>ADR</i>	=	Acute Dose Rate (mg/kg-day)
5622	<i>ADD</i>	=	Average Daily Dose (mg/kg-day)
5623	<i>SWC</i>	=	Chemical concentration in water (µg/L)
5624	<i>K<sub>p</sub></i>	=	Permeability coefficient (cm/hour)
5625	<i>SA</i>	=	Skin surface area exposed (cm <sup>2</sup> )
5626	<i>ET</i>	=	Exposure time (hours/day)
5627	<i>RD</i>	=	Release days (days/year)
5628	<i>ED</i>	=	Exposure duration (years)
5629	<i>BW</i>	=	Body weight (kg)
5630	<i>AT</i>	=	Averaging time (years)
5631	<i>CF1</i>	=	Conversion factor (1.0×10 <sup>-3</sup> mg/µg)
5632	<i>CF2</i>	=	Conversion factor (1.0×10 <sup>-3</sup> L/cm <sup>3</sup> )
5633	<i>CF3</i>	=	Conversion factor (365 days/year)

5635 The 1,1-dichloroethane skin permeability coefficient used in the equation above was the predicted *K<sub>p</sub>*  
 5636 value presented in the EPA Risk Assessment Guidance for Superfund for organic contaminants in water  
 5637 (*K<sub>p</sub>* = 6.7×10<sup>-3</sup> cm/hour). This *K<sub>p</sub>* was chosen above the permeability coefficient received from  
 5638 submitted 1,1-dichloroethane dermal test order study data since the one from test orders measured the  
 5639 1,1-dichloroethane *K<sub>p</sub>* in a solvent instead of in an aqueous solution as would be appropriate to estimate  
 5640 exposures from a swimming scenario (see dermal test order data description Section 5.1.1.1.5).  
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5642 Table 5-28 presents a summary of the estimated dermal exposures from facility releases to surface  
5643 waters. The table lists the facility corresponding to the maximum 1,1-dichloroethane surface water  
5644 concentrations per OES and the highest resultant dermal exposures from swimming.



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**Table 5-28. Highest Modeled Incidental Dermal (Swimming) Doses for all COUs, for Adults, Youth, and Children**

OES	Facility	Receiving Waterbody	Surface Water Concentration		Adult (≥21 years)		Youth (11–15 years)		Child (6–10 years)	
			30Q5 Conc. (µg/L)	Harmonic Mean Conc. (µg/L)	ADRPOT (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)	ADRPOT (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)	ADRPOT (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)
Manufacturing	LA0000761	Bayou D'Inde & Bayou Verdine	1.7E04	9.7E03	8.4E-02	1.3E-04	6.4E-02	1.0E-04	3.9E-02	6.1E-05
Processing as a reactant intermediate	TX0119792	Unnamed, San Jacinto Bay	4.8E03	4.8E03	2.3-02	6.4E-05	1.8E-02	4.9E-05	1.1E-02	3.0E-05
Processing – repackaging	IL0064564	Rock River	1.8E02	1.82E02	8.9E-04	2.4E-06	6.8E-04	1.9E-06	4.2E-04	1.1E-06
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	IL0034592	Sawmill Creek	8.7E01	5.1E01	4.2E-04	6.8E-07	3.2E-04	5.2E-07	2.0E-04	3.2E-07
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (non-POTW)	NN0021610	Little Colorado River	7.3E02	7.3E02	3.6E-03	9.8E-06	2.7E-03	7.5E-06	1.7E-03	4.6E-06
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	NE0043371	Stevens Creek	2.7E03	1.7E03	1.3E-02	2.3E-05	1.0E-02	1.7E-05	6.1E-03	1.1E-05
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	CA0064599	South Fork of Arroyo Conejo Creek	4.1E04	4.1E04	2.0E-01	5.5E-04	2.0E-01	4.2E-04	9.3E-02	2.5E-04
Unknown	OH0143880	Spring Creek	7.2E03	7.2E03	3.5E-02	9.7E-05	2.7E-02	7.4E-05	1.6E-02	4.5E-05

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### 5.1.2.4 Summary of Oral Exposure Assessment

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#### 5.1.2.4.1 Drinking Water Exposure

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EPA estimated drinking water exposures for those facility effluents containing 1,1-dichloroethane discharged to receiving water bodies upstream of drinking water intakes. The Manufacturing and Commercial use as a laboratory chemical COUs/OES did not have downstream drinking water intakes and were not included in the drinking water exposure estimates. The surface water exposures presented in Table 5-29 are the maximum acute dose rate (ADR) and average daily dose (ADD) and lifetime average daily dose (LADD) estimates for adults and infants (using drinking water for formula) at the calculated drinking water intake after dilution from the point of release. The point of release concentrations were based on the 30Q5 flow of each of the corresponding receiving water bodies and the annual effluent discharges occurring over the facility operating days (see Table 3-3).

**Table 5-29. Highest Drinking Water Exposures from Surface Water Releases**

OES	Facility	Surface Water Concentration	Adult (≥21 years)			Infant (birth to <1 year)		
		30Q5 Conc. (µg/L)	ADR <sub>POT</sub> (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)	LADD (mg/kg-day)	ADR <sub>POT</sub> (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)	LADD (mg/kg-day)
Manufacturing	–							
Processing as a reactant intermediate	IL0000141	8.7E-04	3.5E-08	1.1E-11	4.8E-12	1.2E-07	2.9E-11	3.8E-13
Processing – repackaging	LA0124583	1.3E-04	5.4E-09	1.7E-12	7.3E-13	1.9E-08	4.4E-12	5.7E-14
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	–							
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (non-POTW)	MI0044130	2.5E-01	1.0E-05	7.5E-09	3.2E-09	3.5E-05	1.9E-08	2.5E-10
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	CA0048194	1.1E-06	4.4E-11	1.8E-14	7.7E-15	1.5E-10	4.7E-14	6.0E-16
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	MI0042994	2.6E-04	1.0E-08	3.6E-12	1.5E-12	3.7E-08	9.3E-12	1.2E-13
Unknown	MI00004057	5.2E-04	2.1E-08	6.4E-12	2.7E-12	7.3E-08	1.6E-11	2.1E-13

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1,1-Dichloroethane concentrations in drinking water and population exposures have also been evaluated through the EPA Office of Water, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water and described in the [Final Regulatory Determination 4 Support Document](#) (January 2021, EPA 815-R-21-001). 1, 1-dichloroethane was evaluated as a candidate for regulation under SDWA as a drinking water

5667 contaminant under the fourth Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 4) Regulatory Determination process.  
 5668 In 2021, 1,1-Dichloroethane was determined to not satisfy the criteria required under SDWA and did not  
 5669 warrant regulation. Maximum 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations among sampled large, medium, and  
 5670 small PWSs were 1.5ug/L, and none of the detections exceeded the health reference level of 1,000 ug/L.  
 5671 Based on the data indicating that 1,1-dichloroethane was not occurring in drinking water at levels of  
 5672 public health concern, the EPA Office of Water made a determination to not regulate 1,1-dichloroethane  
 5673 under SDWA. The estimated drinking water concentrations presented Table 5-29. from TSCA releases  
 5674 represent estimates of water concentrations near the discharge sites, well below those reported in the  
 5675 Office of Water PWS monitoring data of finished drinking water data at public water systems.

#### 5676 **5.1.2.4.2 Fish Ingestion Exposure**

5677 EPA calculated fish ingestion exposure using modeled surface water concentrations for 1,1-  
 5678 dichloroethane per corresponding COU using the release pattern of facility discharges equal to the  
 5679 facilities' operating days (see Table 3-3) and both a high-end and a central tendency ingestion rates for  
 5680 adults and children and a high-end ingestion rate characterizing adult subsistence fisher ingestion rate of  
 5681 142.40 g/day (see Table 5-30). To further characterize potential tribal exposures, EPA considered and  
 5682 included two facilities releasing in tribal lands (Navajo Nation: NN0021610 and NN0020265). Habits  
 5683 and practices of members of tribal nations may result in their higher exposures from fish consumption.  
 5684 Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in fish were calculated by multiplying the maximum modeled  
 5685 surface water concentrations based on the number of operating days per year for each industrial and  
 5686 commercial release scenario (Table 3-3) by the EPI Suite™-generated BCF of 7 (Table 2-2). EPA  
 5687 estimated exposure from fish consumption using an adult ingestion rate, for 6 to less than 11 and 11 to  
 5688 less than 16 years according to the following equation (Equation 5-4):

#### 5690 **Equation 5-4.**

$$5691 \text{ Exposure Estimate} = (SWC \times BAF \times IR \times CF1 \times CF2 \times ED) / (AT \times BW)$$

5692 Where:

5693	<i>SWC</i>	=	Surface water (dissolved) concentration (µg/L)
5694	<i>BAF</i>	=	Bioaccumulation factor (L/kg wet weight)
5695	<i>IR</i>	=	Fish ingestion rate (g/day)
5696	<i>CF1</i>	=	Conversion factor (0.001 mg/µg)
5697	<i>CF2</i>	=	Conversion factor for kg/g (0.001 kg/g)
5698	<i>ED</i>	=	Exposure duration (year)
5699	<i>AT</i>	=	Averaging time (year)
5700	<u><i>BW</i></u>	=	Body weight (80 kg)

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 5702 The years within an age group (*i.e.*, 33 years for adults) was used for the exposure duration and  
 5703 averaging time. The lifetime exposures were assumed to be 78 years. Table 5-30 presents the summary  
 5704 of the highest fish ingestion dose resulting from the corresponding highest receiving water concentration  
 5705 and facility release per COU/OES.

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 5707 A BCF is preferred in estimating exposure because it considers the animal's uptake of a chemical from  
 5708 both diet and the water column. For 1,1-dichloroethane, the BCF value (see Table 2-2) was estimated as  
 5709 7 using EPISUITE™ ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)). The modeled surface water concentrations were converted to  
 5710 fish tissue concentrations using the estimated BCF.

**Table 5-30. Summary of Fish Ingestion Exposures**

OES	Facility	Receiving Waterbody	Surface Water Conc.	Adult (≥21 years) High-End/Subsistence <sup>a</sup>			Small Child (1–2 years) High-End/90th Percentile <sup>b</sup>		
			7Q10 (µg/L)	Acute (mg/kg-day)	Chronic (mg/kg-day)	Lifetime Avg. Dose (mg/kg-day)	Acute (mg/kg-day)	Chronic (mg/kg-day)	Lifetime Avg. Dose (mg/kg-day)
Manufacturing	LA0000761	Bayou D'Inde & Bayou Verdine	85.7	1.1E-03	2.9E-06	1.2E-06	2.5E-04	6.8E-07	8.7E-09
Processing as a reactant intermediate	TX0119792	Unnamed Ditch, San Jacinto Bay	13.6	1.7E-04	4.6E-07	2.0E-07	3.9E-05	1.1E-07	1.4E-09
Processing – repackaging	IL0064564	Rock River	0.7	8.7E-06	2.4E-08	1.0E-08	2.0E-06	5.5E-09	7.1E-11
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	IL0034592	Sawmill Creek	0.6	8.0E-06	2.2E-08	9.2E-09	1.8E-06	5.0E-09	6.5E-11
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (non-POTW)	NE0043371	Steven's Creek	18.1	2.3E-04	6.2E-07	2.6E-07	5.2E-05	1.4E-07	1.8E-09
	NN0021610	Little Colorado River, AZ	2.9	3.6E-05	1.0E-07	4.2E-08	8.4E-06	2.3E-08	3.0E-10
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	KY0022039	Valley Creek	8.2	1.0E-04	2.8E-07	1.2E-07	2.4E-05	1.4E-07	1.8E-09
	NN0020265	Chinle Wash, AZ	5.0	6.2E-05	1.7E-07	7.2E-08	1.4E-05	4.0E-08	5.1E-10
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	CA0064599	South Fork of Arroyo Conejo Creek	30.7	1.4E-03	3.8E-06	1.6E-06	3.2E-04	8.8E-07	1.1E-08
Unknown	OH0143880	Spring Creek	20.6	2.6E-04	7.0E-07	3.0E-07	5.9E-05	1.6E-07	2.1E-09

<sup>a</sup> High-end assumes subsistence fish ingestion rate: 142.4g/day  
<sup>b</sup> High-end child 90th percentile fish ingestion rate: 7.7g/day

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**5.1.2.4.3 Incidental Oral Ingestion from Swimming**

The general population may swim in surface waters (streams and lakes) that are affected by 1,1-dichloroethane contamination. Modeled surface water concentrations where discharges occur were used to estimate acute doses and average daily doses due to ingestion exposure while swimming. EPA estimated the annual load from facility releases occurred over the number of facility operating days in modeling surface water concentrations.

The following equations (Equation 5-5 and Equation 5-6) were used to calculate incidental oral (swimming) doses for all COUs, for adults, youth, and children:

**Equation 5-5.**

$$ADR = \frac{SWC \times IR \times CF1}{BW}$$

**Equation 5-6.**

$$ADD = \frac{SWC \times IR \times ED \times RD \times CF1}{BW \times AT \times CF2}$$

Where:

- ADR* = Acute Dose Rate (mg/kg/day)
- ADD* = Average Daily Dose (mg/kg/day)
- SWC* = Surface water concentration (ppb or µg/L)
- IR* = Daily ingestion rate (L/day)
- RD* = Release days (days/year)
- ED* = Exposure duration (years)
- BW* = Body weight (kg)
- AT* = Averaging time (years)
- CF1* = Conversion factor (1.0×10<sup>-3</sup> mg/µg)
- CF2* = Conversion factor (365 days/year)

Table 5-31 presents a summary of the estimated oral exposures from facility releases to surface waters. The table lists the facility corresponding to the maximum 1,1-dichloroethane surface water concentrations per OES and the highest resultant oral exposures from swimming. Because the acute dose of 1,1-dichloroethane is estimated to be very low compared to oral hazard values, acute and chronic risk estimates of oral exposures are only presented in the supplemental files and not in subsequent sections of this draft risk evaluation.

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**Table 5-31. Summary of Incidental Oral Exposures from Swimming**

OES	Facility	Receiving Water Body	Surface Water Concentration		Adult (≥21 years)		Youth (11–15 years)		Child (6–10 years)	
			30Q5 Conc. (µg/L)	Harmonic Mean Conc. (µg/L)	ADR <sub>POT</sub> (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)	ADR <sub>POT</sub> (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)	ADR <sub>POT</sub> (mg/kg-day)	ADD (mg/kg-day)
Manufacturing	LA0000761	Bayou D’Inde & Bayou Verdine	1.7E04	9.7E03	5.9E-02	9.2E-05	9.2E-02	1.4E-04	5.2E-02	8.1E-05
Processing as a reactant intermediate	TX0119792	Unnamed Stream, San Jacinto Bay	4.8E03	4.8E03	1.6-02	4.5E-05	2.6E-02	7.0E-05	1.4E-02	3.9E-05
Processing – repackaging	IL0064564	Rock River	1.8E02	1.82E02	6.3E-04	1.7E-06	9.8E-04	2.7E-06	5.5E-04	1.5E-06
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	IL0034592	Sawmill Creek	8.7E01	5.1E01	3.0E-04	4.8E-07	4.6E-04	7.4E-07	2.6E-04	4.2E-07
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (non-POTW)	NN0021610	Little Colorado River	7.3E02	7.3E02	2.5E-03	6.9E-06	3.9E-03	1.1E-05	2.2E-03	6.0E-06
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	NE0043371	Stevens Creek	2.7E03	1.7E03	9.2E-03	1.6E-05	1.4E-02	2.5E-05	8.1E-03	1.4E-05
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	CA0064599	South Fork of Arroyo Conejo Creek	4.1E04	4.1E04	1.0E-01	3.9E-04	2.0E-01	6.0E-04	1.0E-01	3.4E-04
Unknown	OH0143880	Spring Creek	7.2E03	7.2E03	2.5E-02	6.8E-05	3.9E-02	1.1E-04	2.2E-02	6.0E-05

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5754 **5.1.2.4.4 Incidental Oral Ingestion from Soil (Biosolids)**

5755 No current information on the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in wastewater treatment sludge or  
 5756 biosolids was found. In the absence of measured data, EPA estimated the maximum amount of 1,1-  
 5757 dichloroethane entering wastewater treatment from the releases reported for any facility in its DMR. The  
 5758 releases were converted to daily loading rates and used as input to the SimpleTreat 4.0 wastewater  
 5759 treatment plant model ([RIVM 2014](#)). It was assumed that the modeled site used activated sludge  
 5760 wastewater treatment and that SimpleTreat 4.0 defaults were a reasonable representation of the activated  
 5761 sludge treatment at the site. Using this loading data, the model predicted 1,1-dichloroethane  
 5762 concentration in combined sludge of 20 mg/kg.

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 5764 To assess soil concentrations resulting from biosolid applications, EPA relied upon modeling work  
 5765 conducted in Canada (EC/HC 2011), which used Equation 60 of the European Commission Technical  
 5766 Guidance Document (TGD) (ECB 2003). The equation in the TGD is provided in Equation 5-7 below:  
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5768 **Equation 5-7.**

$$5769 \quad PEC_{soil} = (C_{sludge} \times AR_{sludge}) / (D_{soil} \times BD_{soil})$$

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 5771 Where:

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 5773  $PEC_{soil}$  = Predicted environmental concentration (PEC) for soil (mg/kg)  
 5774  $C_{sludge}$  = Concentration in sludge (mg/kg)  
 5775  $AR_{sludge}$  = Application rate to sludge amended soils (kg/m<sup>2</sup>/year); default = 0.5 from Table A-  
 5776 11 of TGD  
 5777  $D_{soil}$  = Depth of soil tillage (m); default = 0.2 m in agricultural soil and 0.1 m in  
 5778 pastureland from Table A-11 of TGD  
 5779  $BD_{soil}$  = Bulk density of soil (kg/m<sup>3</sup>); default = 1,700 kg/m<sup>3</sup> from Section 2.3.4 of TGD

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 5781 Using Equation 5-7, the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in pastureland soil receiving an annual  
 5782 application of biosolids was estimated to be 58.8 µg/kg. See Section 3.3.4.3 for details on the estimation  
 5783 of 1,1-dichloroethane biosolids concentrations.

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 5785 ADDs for children ingesting soil receiving biosolids were calculated for 1,1-dichloroethane using  
 5786 Equation 5-8:

5787 **Equation 5-8.**

$$5788 \quad ADD = (C \times IR \times EF \times ED \times CF) / (BW \times AT)$$

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 5790 Where:

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 5792  $ADD$  = Average Daily Dose (mg/kg/d)  
 5793  $C$  = Soil concentration (mg/kg)  
 5794  $IR$  = Intake rate of contaminated soil (mg/d)  
 5795  $EF$  = Exposure frequency (d)  
 5796  $CF$  = Conversion factor (1.0×10<sup>-6</sup> kg/mg)  
 5797  $BW$  = Body weight (kg)  
 5798  $AT$  = Averaging time (non-cancer: ED × EF, cancer: 78 years × EF)

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 5800 The recommended intake rate for children aged 3 to 6 years for soil pica (soil ingestion) is 1,000 mg/d.  
 5801 ([U.S. EPA, 2017d](#)). Mean body weight (18.6 kg) for 3- to 6-year-olds was taken from EPA's *Exposure*  
 5802 *Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)).

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**Table 5-32. Modeled Exposure to 1,1-Dichloroethane in Land Applied Biosolids for Children**

OES	Average Daily Dose (mg/kg-day)
Disposal	3.16E-06

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Thus, at the estimated 1,1-dichloroethane soil concentration of 58.8 ug/kg, the ADD for a 3- to 6-year old child ingesting 1,000 mg/day of contaminated soil would be  $3.16 \times 10^{-6}$  mg/kg/day (Table 5-32).

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An alternate approach to estimating the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil from land applied biosolids and subsequent childrens exposure employed the use of the Biosolids Tool (BST) ([U.S. EPA, 2023a](#)). The BST is a multimedia, multipathway, multireceptor deterministic, problem formulation, and screening-level model that can estimate high-end human and ecological hazards based on potential exposures associated with land application of biosolids or placement of biosolids in a surface disposal unit. The BST was peer reviewed by the EPA Science Advisory Board in 2023 ([EPA-SAB-24-001](#)). A default annual biosolids land application rate of 1 kg/m<sup>2</sup>/year and a 1,1-dichloroethane biosolids concentration of 20 mg/kg, estimated using the SimpleTreat 4.0 wastewater treatment plant model, were used as input to the BST. The model predicted a maximum soil concentration of approximately 1.6 ug/kg corresponding to an average daily dose of  $8.6 \times 10^{-8}$  mg/kg-day using the described assumptions above. Because this acute dose estimate of 1,1-dichloroethane exposure is very low compared to oral hazard values, acute and chronic risk of oral exposures from ingestion of soil were not expected and were not estimated.

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**5.1.2.4.5 Incidental Oral Ingestion from Soil (Air Deposition)**

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No information on the concentration of or exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane in soil from air deposition was found. Estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane air deposition to soil are discussed in detail in Section 3.3.4.1. The deposition rates and soil concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were calculated with Equation 5-9 and Equation 5-10 below.

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**Equation 5-9.**

$$Ann_{Dep} = Tot_{Dep} \times Ar \times CF$$

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- $Ann_{Dep}$  = Total annual deposition to soil (µg)
- $Tot_{Dep}$  = Annual deposition flux to soil (g/m<sup>2</sup>)
- $Ar$  = Area of soil (m<sup>2</sup>)
- $CF$  = Conversion of grams to micrograms

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**Equation 5-10.**

$$Soil_{Conc} = Ann_{Dep} / (Ar \times Mix \times Dens)$$

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Where:

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- $Soil_{Conc}$  = Annual-average concentration in soil (µg/kg)
- $Ann_{Dep}$  = Total annual deposition to soil (µg)
- $Mix$  = Mixing depth (m); default = 0.1 m from the European Commission Technical Guidance Document ([ECB, 2003](#))
- $Ar$  = Area of soil (m<sup>2</sup>)

5836 *Dens* = Density of soil; default = 1,700 kg/m<sup>3</sup> from the European  
5837 Commission Technical Guidance Document ([ECB, 2003](#))

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5839 The above equations assume instantaneous mixing with no degradation or other means of chemical  
5840 reduction in soil over time and that 1,1-dichloroethane loading in soil is only from direct air-to-surface  
5841 deposition (*i.e.*, no runoff).

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5843 Section 3.3.4.1 presents the range of calculated soil concentrations corresponding to the emission  
5844 scenarios considered. From Table 3-19, the highest estimated 95th percentile soil concentration amongst  
5845 all exposure scenarios was for the processing as a reactant (OES) scenario:

- 5846 •  $4.91 \times 10^3$  µg/kg at “fenceline” populations (100 m from the source); and
- 5847 •  $6.29 \times 10^1$  µg/kg at “community” populations (1,000 m from the source).

5848 ADDs were calculated for air deposited 1,1-dichloroethane ingestion via soil using Equation 5-11  
5849 below:

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5851 **Equation 5-11.**

$$5852 \quad ADD = (C \times IR \times EF \times ED \times CF) / (BW \times AT)$$

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5854 Where:

5855 *ADD* = Average Daily Dose (mg/kg/d)  
5856 *C* = Soil concentration (mg/kg)  
5857 *IR* = Intake rate of contaminated soil (mg/d)  
5858 *EF* = Exposure frequency (d)  
5859 *CF* = Conversion factor ( $10 \times 10^{-6}$  kg/mg)  
5860 *BW* = Body weight (kg)  
5861 *AT* = Averaging time (non-cancer: ED × EF, cancer: 78 years × EF)

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5863 Modeled soil concentrations were calculated from 95th percentile air deposition (Section 3.3.1.2.2)  
5864 concentrations for 100 and 1,000 m from a facility. These calculations were conducted for the  
5865 Processing as a reactant OES (Table 5-33).

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5867 The recommended intake rate for children aged 3 to 6 years for soil pica is 1,000 mg/d ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
5868 [2017d](#)). Mean body weight (18.6 kg) for 3- to 6-year-olds was taken from the *Exposure Factors*  
5869 *Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)).

5871 **Table 5-33. Modeled Soil Ingestion Doses for the Processing as a Reactant OES, for Children**

OES	Distance (m)	95th Percentile Soil Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ )	Average Daily Dose ( $\text{mg}/\text{kg}\text{-day}$ )
Processing as a reactant	100	4.91E3	2.64E-04
	1,000	6.29E1	3.72E-06

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5873 Because this average daily dose estimate of 1,1-dichloroethane exposure is very low compared to oral  
5874 hazard values, acute and chronic risk of oral exposures from ingestion of soil were not expected and  
5875 were not estimated.

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### **5.1.2.5 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for General Population Exposure**

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#### **5.1.2.5.1 Strengths, Limitations, Assumptions, and Key Sources of Uncertainty for the General Population Exposure Assessment**

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5879 Except for two OESs, site-specific information was reasonably available when estimating releases of  
5880 1,1-dichloroethane to the environment. Thus, there is certainty in the environmental release estimates  
5881 and the resulting modeled exposure estimates. In addition, there is certainty in the relevancy of the  
5882 monitoring data to the modeled estimates presented in this evaluation.

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#### ***Ambient and Indoor Air Inhalation Exposures***

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5885 The weight of scientific evidence for inhalation exposure estimates is determined by several different  
5886 evidence streams, including evidence supporting the exposure scenarios (Section 5.1.2.1.1), the quality  
5887 and representativeness of available monitoring data (Sections 3.3.1.1 and 3.3.2.1), evidence supporting  
5888 modeling approaches and input data (Sections 3.3.1.2 and 3.3.2.2), evidence supporting release data  
5889 used as model input data (Section 3.2.2), and concordance between modeled and monitored ambient air  
5890 concentrations (Section 3.3.5).

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5892 *Releases:* 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in air were estimated for areas around industrial and  
5893 commercial COUs/OESs reported to TRI and NEI, and for two COUs/OESs for which release estimates  
5894 are based on modeled information (Sections 3.3.1.2 and 3.3.2.2). The associated strengths and  
5895 limitations of these estimated environmental concentrations are described in Section 3.3.5. Industrial and  
5896 commercial COUs/OESs that rely on release data reported to TRI and NEI, site-specific release  
5897 estimates are supported by moderate to robust evidence. For COUs/OESs that rely primarily on generic  
5898 scenarios, release estimates are supported by moderate evidence as described in Section 3.2.2.

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5900 *Modeling Methodologies and Model Input Data:* As stated in Section 3.3.5, the modeling methodology  
5901 used to estimate exposure concentrations via the ambient air pathway is supported by robust evidence.  
5902 Model input data on air releases are supported by moderate to robust evidence. The ability to locate  
5903 releases by location strengthens assumptions when selecting model input parameters that are typically  
5904 informed by location (e.g., meteorological data, land cover parameters). Thus, model input data on air  
5905 releases are supported by moderate to robust evidence.

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5907 *Comparison of Modeled and Monitored Data:* Measured or monitored data were available for  
5908 comparison. Comparison of estimated and measured exposures provide robust evidence (Section 3.3.5).

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5910 *Exposure Scenarios and Exposure Factors:* The general population air exposure scenarios and exposure  
5911 factors used to estimate exposures are described in Section 5.1.2.1. The exposure factors used to build

5912 the exposure scenarios are directly relevant to general population exposures for communities living near  
5913 releasing facilities. While the long-term exposure scenarios are most directly relevant for individuals  
5914 who reside in fence-line communities for many years, these scenarios are expected to be within the range  
5915 of normal habits and exposure patterns expected in the general population. However, there is uncertainty  
5916 around the extent to which people actually live and work around the specific facilities where exposures  
5917 are highest, decreasing the overall strength of evidence for these exposure scenarios—particularly at the  
5918 distances nearest to facilities. For this analysis EPA minimizes that uncertainty by assuming exposed  
5919 individuals live or work nearby facilities for 78 years (and have a 78-year life span). This period is  
5920 within the range of normal habits and exposure patterns expected in the general population. Therefore,  
5921 exposure scenarios underlying these exposure estimates are supported by robust evidence.  
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5923 *Overall Confidence in Exposure Estimates:* Overall confidence in air inhalation exposure estimates  
5924 resulting for air concentrations modeled based on industrial and commercial releases is consistent across  
5925 COUs. The AERMOD modeling methodology used for this analysis is robust and considers  
5926 contributions from both stack and fugitive emissions. The exposure scenarios considered are most  
5927 relevant to long-term residents in fence-line communities. Overall confidence varies due to variable  
5928 levels of confidence in underlying release information used to support the analysis.  
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#### 5930 *Oral Exposures: Surface Water Concentrations*

5931 Facility-specific estimates of aqueous concentration (derived from facility annual loads and receiving  
5932 water body hydrology) to the water column were estimated to evaluate human exposures via drinking  
5933 water, oral ingestion, dermal contact, and via fish ingestion. In this first step, annual load estimates were  
5934 acquired from the ECHO Pollutant Loading Tool for 6 years between 2015 to 2020. The Loading Tool  
5935 uses facility reported data from DMRs to calculate and then extrapolate loads for the entire year. There  
5936 are several hierarchically organized steps that the ECHO Loading Tool takes to prioritize reported data  
5937 for the calculation inputs in order to ensure an annual load estimate is of the best quality possible. For  
5938 example, reported measurements of the quantity (load) of a chemical in facility effluent is prioritized  
5939 over measurements of concentration from grab samples that must be paired with an effluent hydrologic  
5940 flow value. There are inherent uncertainties surrounding the annual load estimates based on the quality  
5941 of the input data from DMRs, and thus could be several reasons why annual load estimates may be  
5942 considered moderate-to-poor quality. For instance, too few periods of reported DMR data make  
5943 extrapolation across the year unreasonable; concentration measurements from grab samples may not  
5944 have been taken at the same time or location as measurements of effluent hydrologic flow; and detection  
5945 limit reporting and usage may be inconsistent. While annual load estimates from the ECHO Loading  
5946 Tool do lend themselves to more efficient national-scale evaluations, the quality of the annual loads are  
5947 strongly linked to the quality of reported DMR data, which should be viewed with moderate confidence  
5948 at best unless it can be demonstrated that high-quality input data from DMRs are being used.  
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5950 The highest annual load across the 2015 to 2020 timeframe was identified and used to estimate aqueous  
5951 (water column) concentrations within the receiving water body at the site of effluent release. Thus, these  
5952 initial aqueous concentrations only account for the effect of dilution and do not include source/sink  
5953 processes that may increase or decrease the concentration in the ambient environment. This was done to  
5954 remain conservative with our methodology and assumptions: Using the highest annual load from 2015 to  
5955 2020 provides a more conservative, high-end exposure scenario, which was preferred over taking an  
5956 annual average that may underestimate realized exposure levels. As a result, it is expected that annual  
5957 loads may be considerably lower in other years. It is also important to note that the Loading Tool  
5958 calculations replace non-detects with one-half the detection limit to ensure potentially non-zero  
5959 concentration estimates were considered. This is a Loading Tool option that was discussed and selected.  
5960 While using concentration estimates based on one-half the detection limit may overestimate



5961 concentration (and thus load) in some cases, this step was taken to likewise remain conservative with  
5962 our methodology and assumptions to avoid underestimating exposure levels.

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5964 Aqueous concentrations used for human exposure assessment were estimated using the highest 2015  
5965 to2020 annual releases and estimates of 30Q5 and harmonic mean (HM) hydrologic flow data for the  
5966 receiving water body that were derived from National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) modeled (EROM)  
5967 flow data. NHD 14-digit HUC reach codes were obtained directly from the DMRs for the facilities  
5968 (based on their NPDES codes), which was then used to obtain modeled NHD hydrologic flow values  
5969 (e.g., lowest monthly and annual means). This flow data was used to estimate 30Q5 and HM flow using  
5970 a regression-based approach that is discussed in further detail in Appendix F. The confidence in these  
5971 flow values should be considered moderate-to-robust provided modeled NHD flow data has been widely  
5972 used and thoroughly vetted. However, a regression-based calculation as opposed to a modeling approach  
5973 was used to estimate 30Q5 and HM from NHD-acquired flow data. The latter possibly yielding a more  
5974 robust confidence level. Aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane are based on simply flow dilution  
5975 using this approach, while no other source/sink processes are included.

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5977 Aqueous concentrations for human exposure assessment were based on annual releases that occurred  
5978 within a single operation day; that is, it is assumed that the entire annual release occurs in a single day.  
5979 While facilities may be releasing 1,1-dichloroethane over longer periods of time throughout the year,  
5980 this was done to maintain a conservative exposure scenario and to avoid underestimating exposure  
5981 levels.

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5983 Additional information surrounding the methods and uncertainties for the drinking water, oral ingestion,  
5984 dermal contact, and fish ingestion can be found in Appendix F.

#### 5985 ***Oral Exposures: Fish Ingestion Estimates***

5986 To account for the variability in fish consumption across the United States, fish intake estimates were  
5987 considered for both subsistence fishing populations and the general population. In estimating fish  
5988 concentrations, diluted surface water concentrations were not considered. It is unclear what level of  
5989 dilution may occur between the surface water at the facility outfall and habitats where fish reside. A  
5990 source of uncertainty in the fish ingestion estimates was the BAF estimate. No monitoring data were  
5991 available indicating the consumption of fish containing 1,1-dichloroethane.

#### 5992 ***Oral Exposures: Soil and Swimming Ingestion Estimates***

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5994 Land application of biosolids containing 1,1-dichloroethane and air deposition onto land represent two  
5995 pathways where soils containing 1,1-dichloroethane could be a source of exposure to children who play  
5996 and potentially ingest soils. EPA's *Exposure Factors Handbook* provided detailed information on the  
5997 child skin surface areas and event per day of the various scenarios ([U.S. EPA, 2017d](#)). It is unclear how  
5998 relevant dermal and ingestion estimates from soil exposure are as 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to  
5999 either volatilize or migrate from surface soils to groundwater. Furthermore, there are inherent  
6000 uncertainties associated with estimating exposures from the transport of chemicals through various  
6001 media (e.g., air to land and subsequent soil ingestion and dermal absorption).

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6004 Non-diluted surface water concentrations were used when estimating dermal exposures to adults and  
6005 youth swimming in streams and lakes. 1,1-Dichloroethane concentrations will dilute when released to  
6006 surface waters, but it is unclear what level of dilution will occur when the general population swims in  
6007 waters containing a number of releases of 1,1-dichloroethane over a year.

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6009 Sections 5.1.2.2, 5.1.2.2.3, and 5.1.2.4 summarize exposure assessment approaches taken to estimate  
 6010 general population exposures. The weight of scientific evidence conclusions supporting the exposure  
 6011 estimate is decided based on the strengths, limitations, and uncertainties associated with the various lines  
 6012 of evidence and considerations used in estimating exposures. The conclusions are summarized using the  
 6013 following descriptors: robust, moderate, slight, or indeterminate.

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 6015 EPA used general considerations (*i.e.*, relevance, data quality, representativeness, consistency,  
 6016 variability, uncertainties) as well as chemical-specific considerations to characterize the confidence of  
 6017 each of the exposure scenarios.

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 6019 EPA modeled three routes of exposure: (1) inhalation from ambient air; (2) oral ingestion from drinking  
 6020 water, fish ingestion, and soil intake; and (3) dermal exposures from surface water. Within each of these  
 6021 modeled pathways, EPA considered multiple variations in its analyses (to help characterize the general  
 6022 population exposure estimates and to explore potential variability. The resulting exposure estimates  
 6023 were a combination of central tendency and high-end inputs for the various exposure scenarios. Modeled  
 6024 estimates were compared with monitoring data to evaluate overlap, magnitude, and trends.

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 6026 Table 5-34 presents the weight of scientific evidence conclusions for the routes exposures and  
 6027 corresponding exposure scenarios assessed for the general population exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane.

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 6029 **Table 5-34. Weight of Scientific Evidence (WOSE) Conclusions for General Population Exposure**  
 6030 **Assessments**

OES	Route of Exposure	Media	Relevance to Exposure Scenario	Modeling/ Estimation Confidence Level	Measured/ Monitoring Confidence Level <sup>a</sup>	Measured/ Modeling Comparison	WOSE
Manufacturing	Inhalation	Ambient Air	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Inhalation	Indoor Air	++	++	++	+	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Fish Ingestion	Surface Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	-	N/A	Slight
	Oral/ Ingestion	Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	-	N/A	Slight
	Dermal	Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Inhalation	Ambient Air	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Inhalation	Indoor Air	++	++	++	+	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Fish Ingestion	Surface water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate

OES	Route of Exposure	Media	Relevance to Exposure Scenario	Modeling/ Estimation Confidence Level	Measured/ Monitoring Confidence Level <sup>a</sup>	Measured/ Modeling Comparison	WOSE
	Oral/ Ingestion	Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Oral/ Ingestion	Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Dermal	Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate
Processing – repackaging	Inhalation	Ambient Air	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Fish Ingestion	Surface water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Oral/ Ingestion	Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Dermal	Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate
Commercial use as a lab chemical	Inhalation	Ambient Air	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Fish Ingestion	Surface Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Oral/ Ingestion	Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Dermal	Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Inhalation	Ambient Air	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Inhalation	Indoor Air	++	++	++	+	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Fish Ingestion	Surface Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight
	Oral/ Ingestion	Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	–	N/A	Slight

OES	Route of Exposure	Media	Relevance to Exposure Scenario	Modeling/ Estimation Confidence Level	Measured/ Monitoring Confidence Level <sup>a</sup>	Measured/ Modeling Comparison	WOSE
	Dermal	Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate
General waste handling, treatment and disposal (POTW)	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Fish Ingestion	Surface Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
	Oral/ Ingestion	Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate
	Oral/ Ingestion	Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	-	N/A	Slight
	Oral/ Ingestion	Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	-	N/A	Slight
	Dermal	Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate
	General waste handling, treatment and disposal (REMEDIATION)	Oral/ Ingestion	Drinking Water	+++	+++	++	++
Oral/ Fish Ingestion		Surface Water	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
Oral/ Ingestion		Surface Water/ Swimming	++	++	++	++	Moderate
Oral/ Ingestion		Soil (Biosolids)	++	++	-	N/A	Slight
Oral/ Ingestion		Land; Soil (Air Deposition)	++	++	-	N/A	Slight
Dermal		Swimming	++	++	++	+	Moderate

+++ Robust confidence suggests the supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the media concentration estimate.  
 ++ Moderate confidence suggests the supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably adequate to characterize the media concentration estimates.  
 + Slight confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be considered.

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**5.1.3 Aggregate Exposure Scenarios**

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Section 6(b)(4)(F)(ii) of amended TSCA requires EPA, as a part of the risk evaluation, to describe whether aggregate or sentinel exposures under the COUs were considered and the basis for their consideration.

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EPA has defined aggregate exposure as “the combined exposures from a chemical substance across multiple routes and across multiple pathways” (89 FR 37028, May 3, 2024, to be codified at 40 CFR 702.33). The fenceline methodology, [Draft Screening Level Approach for Assessing Ambient Air and Water Exposures to Fenceline Communities Version 1.0](#), aggregated inhalation estimates and drinking water estimates from co-located facilities. In this draft risk evaluation, EPA employed this approach for the general population ambient air exposure scenarios and quantitatively evaluated combined exposure

6043 and risk across multiple TRI facilities in proximity releasing 1,1-dichlorethane to air. For inhalation, this  
6044 aggregate screening analysis did not identify locations where the proximity and risk estimates of nearby  
6045 facilities led to aggregate risk estimates greater than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  and therefore did not have a substantial  
6046 impact on the overall findings. Details of the methods and results of this screening aggregate analysis  
6047 are described in Appendix E.4.

#### 6048 **5.1.4 Sentinel Exposures**

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6049 EPA defines sentinel exposure as “the exposure from a chemical substance that represents the plausible  
6050 upper bound of exposure relative to all other exposures within a broad category of similar or related  
6051 exposures” (89 FR 37028, May 3, 2024, to be codified at 40 CFR 702.33). In terms of this draft risk  
6052 evaluation, EPA considered sentinel exposures by considering risks to human populations who may  
6053 have upper bound exposures; for example, workers and ONUs who perform activities with higher  
6054 exposure potential, or certain physical factors like body weight or skin surface area exposed. EPA  
6055 characterized high-end exposures in evaluating exposure using both monitoring data and modeling  
6056 approaches. Where statistical data are available, EPA typically uses the 95th percentile value of the  
6057 available dataset to characterize high-end exposure for a given COU.

## 5.2 Human Health Hazard

### 1,1-Dichloroethane – Human Health Hazards Key Points

EPA evaluated the reasonably available information for human health hazards and identified hazard points of departure (PODs) for adverse effects following acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic exposures. Differences in endpoints used in past assessments have been identified. These differences are based on OPPT systematic review criteria. EPA is requesting the SACC to provide input on the selection of the non-cancer and cancer PODs in the draft 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation. These PODs represent the potential for greater biological susceptibility across subpopulations. The most biologically relevant and sensitive PODs for non-cancer and cancer effects for 1,1-dichloroethane from among the human health hazards identified—along with the corresponding Human Equivalent Dose (HED), the Human Equivalent Concentration (HEC), and the total combined uncertainty factors (UF) for each route and exposure duration—are summarized below. For non-cancer, the lack of adequate data by all routes and durations of exposure for 1,1-dichloroethane required the use of data from 1,2-dichloroethane as read-across. The lack of adequate non-cancer data by the dermal route for 1,2-dichloroethane required route-to-route extrapolation from oral PODs. Similarly for cancer, the lack of adequate cancer data for 1,1-dichloroethane by any route required data from 1,2-dichloroethane using read-across. The following bullets summarize the key points of this section of the risk evaluation.

#### *Non-cancer*

The POD for the **acute** oral/dermal exposure route is renal toxicity (BMDL<sub>10</sub> = 153); the POD for the acute inhalation exposure route is nasal necrosis (BMCL<sub>10</sub> = 48.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

- HED (worker) = 19.9 mg/kg; HED (continuous) = 19.9 mg/kg
- HEC (worker) = 10.14 ppm; HEC (continuous) = 2.42 ppm
- Total UF = 30 for oral, inhalation, and dermal

The POD for the **short-term/subchronic** oral/dermal exposure route is suppression of immune system response (LOAEL<sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg); the POD for the short-term/subchronic inhalation exposure route is male reproductive effects (BMCL<sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

- HED (worker) = 0.890 mg/kg; HED (continuous) = 0.636 mg/kg
- HEC (worker) = 22 ppm; HEC (continuous) = 5.2 ppm
- Total UF = 100 for oral and dermal; 30 for inhalation

The POD for the **chronic** oral/dermal exposure route is suppression of immune system response (LOAEL<sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg); the POD for the chronic inhalation exposure route is male reproductive effects (BMCL<sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

- HED (worker) = 0.890 mg/kg; HED (continuous) = 0.636 mg/kg
- HEC (worker) = 22 ppm; HEC (continuous) = 5.2 ppm
- Total UF = 1000 for oral and dermal; 300 for inhalation

#### *Cancer*

The POD for the oral/dermal exposure routes is hepatocellular carcinomas in male mice based on read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane ([U.S. EPA, 1987a](#); [NTP, 1978](#)); the IUR is hepatocellular carcinomas based on read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane ([Nagano et al., 2006](#)); DW is based on route-to-route extrapolation of the oral data.

- Oral/dermal cancer slope factor (continuous/worker) = 0.062 per mg/kg/day

### 5.2.1 Approach and Methodology

EPA used the general approach described in Figure 5-6 to evaluate and extract evidence for 1,1-dichloroethane human health hazard and dose–response information. This approach is based on the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b) (hereafter referred to as the *2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol*), updates to the systematic review processes presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2024t) (hereafter referred to as the *1,1-Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol*) and the *Framework for Human Health Risk Assessment to Inform Decision Making* (U.S. EPA, 2014c).

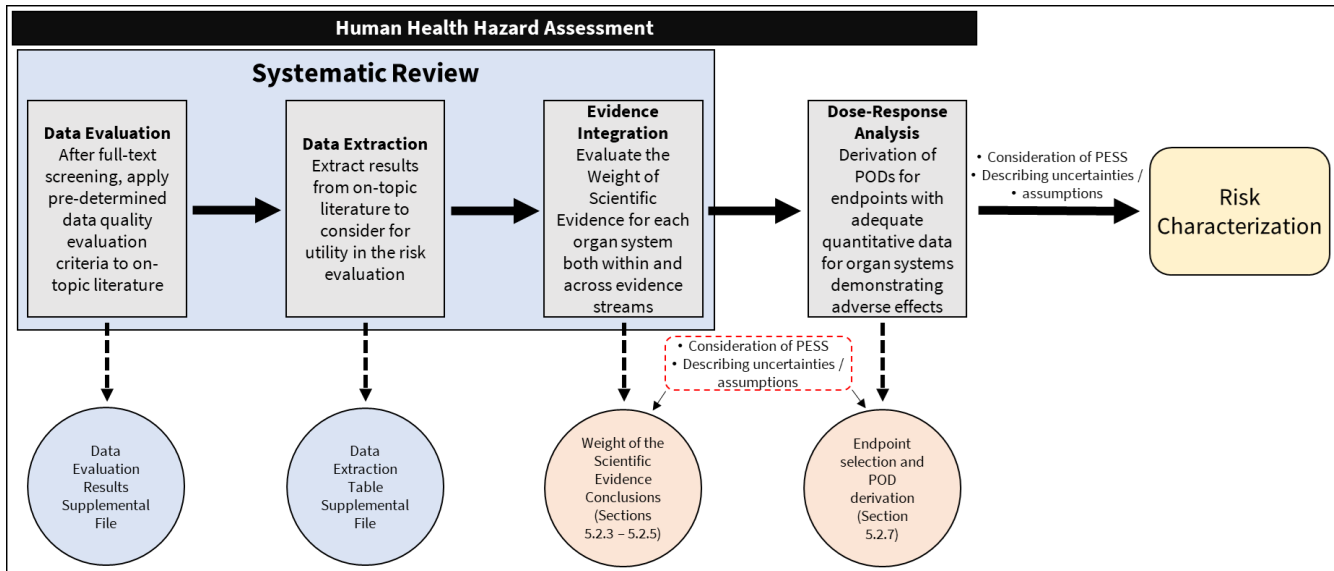


Figure 5-6. EPA Approach to Hazard Identification, Evidence Integration, and Dose-Response Analysis for Human Health Hazard

#### 5.2.1.1 Identification and Evaluation of 1,1-Dichloroethane Hazard Data

For the human health hazard assessment, EPA used a systematic review (SR) approach described in the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b), to identify relevant studies of acceptable data quality and integrate the pertinent data while evaluating the weight of scientific evidence. For identified hazards and endpoints with the weight of scientific evidence supporting an adverse outcome, studies were considered for dose-response analysis. The *2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2021b) describes the general process of evidence evaluation and integration, with relevant updates to the process presented in the *1,1-Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2024t).

For **data quality evaluation**, EPA systematically reviewed literature studies for 1,1-dichloroethane first by reviewing screened titles and abstracts and then full texts for relevancy using population, exposure, comparator, and outcome (PECO) screening criteria. Studies that met the PECO criteria were evaluated for data quality using pre-established metrics as specified in the *1,1-Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol* (U.S. EPA, 2024t). Studies (based on the specified metrics) received overall data quality determinations of either Uninformative, Low, Medium, or High. The results and details of the data quality evaluation for 1,1-dichloroethane human health hazard epidemiology studies are included in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Epidemiology* (U.S. EPA, 2024ad). This supplemental file is hereafter referred to as the *1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation Information*



6093 *for Human Health Hazard Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ad](#)). The results and details of the data quality  
6094 evaluation for 1,1-dichloroethane animal toxicity studies are included in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for*  
6095 *1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data Quality Evaluation Information for*  
6096 *Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ac](#)). This supplemental file is hereafter  
6097 referred to as *1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard*  
6098 *Animal Toxicology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ac](#)) or OPPT SR review ([U.S. EPA, 2024ac](#)).

6100 Following data quality evaluation, EPA completed data extraction of the toxicological information from  
6101 each on topic study that met the PECO criteria. This data extraction included studies of all data quality  
6102 determinations including “uninformative”. The results of data extraction for human and animal for 1,1-  
6103 dichloroethane toxicity studies are reported in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
6104 *Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data Extraction Information for Environmental Hazard and*  
6105 *Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology and Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024u](#)). This supplemental file  
6106 is hereafter referred to as the *1,1-Dichloroethane Data Extraction Information for Environmental*  
6107 *Hazard and Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology and Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024u](#)).

6109 EPA completed a hazard identification and evidence integration for 1,1-dichloroethane based on a  
6110 review and evaluation of the results of the SR process including data quality evaluation and data  
6111 extraction. The hazard identification and evidence integration completed for 1,1-dichloroethane are  
6112 provided in Section 5.2.1.5 for toxicokinetics, Section 5.2.3 for non-cancer human and animal study data  
6113 (stratified by organ system), Section 5.2.4 for genotoxicity and Section 5.2.5 for cancer. Details are  
6114 provided in Appendix M.

6116 Based on these hazard identification and evidence integration results, EPA completed a dose-response  
6117 assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane in Section 5.2.5.3. These analyses of the 1,1-dichloroethane data  
6118 resulted in the identification of data gaps that are summarized in Section 5.2.1.2.

#### 6119 **5.2.1.2 1,1-Dichloroethane Data Gaps**

6120 EPA identified three community-based epidemiological studies, one occupational epidemiological study  
6121 and 16 animal toxicity studies for inclusion in the risk evaluation and thereby, candidate studies to  
6122 complete dose-response assessment and inform the identification of points of departure (PODs) for 1,1-  
6123 dichloroethane. Excluding studies rated as Uninformative in the data quality evaluation left nine 1,1-  
6124 dichloroethane animal toxicity studies and the three community-based epidemiological studies with  
6125 acceptable quality for subsequent consideration as candidates for dose-response analysis. Each of these  
6126 studies was evaluated in the dose-response assessment (Section 5.2.5.3) and none were identified as  
6127 suitable for the identification of PODs for use in the risk evaluation. In short, the available toxicity  
6128 database for 1,1-dichloroethane consists of a small number of animal studies evaluating a limited  
6129 number of measured parameters.

6131 In summary, EPA identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane for non-cancer PODs by the acute, short-  
6132 term/subchronic, and chronic oral, dermal, and inhalation routes; and cancer PODs by the oral,  
6133 inhalation, and dermal routes (see Sections 5.2.1.2.1 and 5.2.1.2.2 for details). In support of EPA’s  
6134 analyses, the [ATSDR \(2015\)](#) 1,1-Dichloroethane Report reached a similar conclusion that “the  
6135 uncertainties associated with identification of the most sensitive target and the associated concentration-  
6136 response relationships, precludes deriving inhalation MRLs for 1,1-dichloroethane.”

6138 A summary of the identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane are provided in the following subsections  
6139 for non-cancer and cancer, respectively.

### 5.2.1.2.1 Non-cancer Data Gaps

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#### *Oral*

EPA evaluated and extracted the data for human health hazard identification and evidence integration for oral exposures of 1,1-dichloroethane. In the dose-response assessment, EPA did not identify acceptable studies to inform the identification and derivation of PODs for 1,1-dichloroethane for acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic oral exposures.

There were two acute-duration oral studies of 1,1-dichloroethane that were rated acceptable and were considered in the dose-response assessment for use in the risk evaluation. These studies included an acute lethality study in guinea pigs by [Dow Chemical \(1947\)](#) and a single-dose lethality study in rats by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#). The limitations of these studies that preclude their use for POD derivation are described in Section 5.2.6.1.2.

There were three short-term (>1-30 days) and sub-chronic (>30-91 days)-duration animal toxicology studies that were rated acceptable and were considered in the dose response assessment for use in the risk evaluation. These studies include a 10-day exposure in rats ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), a 14-day exposure in rats ([Ghanayem et al., 1986](#)), and a 13-week exposure in rats ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)). The limitations of these studies that preclude their use for POD derivation are described in Section 5.2.6.1.3.

There was one chronic-duration oral study of 1,1-dichloroethane in mice that was rated acceptable and considered in the dose-response assessment for use in the risk evaluation. This study was a 52-week drinking water study in mice ([Klaunig et al., 1986](#)). The limitation of this study that precludes its use for POD derivation is described in detail in Section 5.2.6.1.4.

#### *Inhalation*

EPA evaluated and extracted the data for human health hazard identification and evidence integration for inhalation of 1,1-dichloroethane. EPA did not identify available or acceptable data for dose-response assessment to inform the identification of PODs for 1,1-dichloroethane for acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic inhalation exposures.

There were no acute duration ( $\leq 24$  hours) inhalation exposure studies of 1,1-dichloroethane identified as from the OPPT SR process. One developmental inhalation toxicity study in rats for 1,1-dichloroethane [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) was rated acceptable and was considered in the dose-response analyses for use in the risk evaluation for identification of an acute and/or short-term/subchronic inhalation POD. The limitation of this study that precludes its use for POD derivation is described in Section 5.2.6.1.2 and Section 5.2.6.1.3.

There were two chronic-duration inhalation studies of 1,1-dichloroethane that were rated acceptable and were considered in the dose-response assessment for use in the risk evaluation. These studies include a 13-week exposure for rats, cats, guinea pigs, and rabbits [Hofmann et al. \(1971a\)](#) and a 6-month exposure for a single mongrel dog [Mellon Institute \(1947\)](#). The limitations of these studies that preclude their use for POD derivation are described in Section 5.2.6.1.4.

6183 ***Dermal***

6184 EPA did not identify any non-cancer animal toxicological data for 1,1-dichloroethane by the dermal  
6185 route.

6186 **5.2.1.2.2 Cancer Data Gaps**6187 ***Oral***

6188 After data quality evaluation and data extraction as described in Section 5.2.1.1 EPA identified cancer  
6189 data on 1,1-dichloroethane from one study. This study is a National Toxicological Program (NTP) study  
6190 in rats and mice [NCI \(1978\)](#). The rat portion of this study was rated as uninformative by SR review  
6191 ([U.S. EPA, 2024ac](#)) based on a confounding health outcome unrelated to exposure. Specifically, “rats  
6192 from all study groups (including both sexes and controls) exhibited high incidences of pneumonia (up to  
6193 95%), indicating infections in these animals”. This aspect was not discussed nor mentioned by the study  
6194 authors. It is unclear how these infections impacted study results. The mouse portion of this 1,1-  
6195 dichloroethane cancer study revealed a statistically significant increase in benign uterine endometrial  
6196 stromal polyps (4/46) in high-dose females, which were not observed in any other group. No other  
6197 statistically significant evidence of cancer was observed. Pre-cancerous endometrial polyps are not a  
6198 tissue growth amenable to calculate cancer slope factors. As a result, EPA did not use the [NCI \(1978\)](#)  
6199 oral cancer study on 1,1-dichloroethane in Osborne-Mendel rats and B6C3F1 mice to calculate cancer  
6200 slope factors for 1,1-dichloroethane.

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6202 ***Inhalation***

6203 EPA after data quality evaluation and data extraction as described in Section 5.2.1.1 did not identify a  
6204 cancer study via the inhalation exposure route for 1,1-dichloroethane.

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6206 ***Dermal***

6207 EPA after data quality evaluation and data extraction as described in Section 5.2.1.1 did not identify a  
6208 cancer study via the dermal exposure route for 1,1-dichloroethane.

6209 **5.2.1.3 Identification of an Analog and the Use of Read-Across from 1,2-  
6210 Dichloroethane Hazard Data**

6211 As acceptable human health hazard data were not available to assess risks for 1,1-dichloroethane, EPA  
6212 chose to use a “read-across” approach using data available for a closely related chemical or analog to  
6213 evaluate the human health hazard of 1,1-dichloroethane. An analysis of other chlorinated solvents as  
6214 potential analogs for read-across data was performed following the general principles for read-across as  
6215 outlined in [Lizarraga et al. \(2019\)](#), taking into consideration structural similarities, physical-chemical  
6216 properties, metabolism, and toxicological similarities. The analyses resulted in the identification of 1,2-  
6217 dichloroethane (an isomer of 1,1-dichloroethane) as the most appropriate analog to fill the identified data  
6218 gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane and a consultation with the EPA Office of Research and Development  
6219 (ORD) agreed. EPA has high confidence that the 1,2-dichloroethane data will accurately reflect the  
6220 hazards of 1,1-dichloroethane.

6221 **5.2.1.3.1 Structural Similarity**

6222 The first step in identification of possible analogs is to examine structural similarity. There are several  
6223 different methods for determining structural similarity. A fragment-based approach (*e.g.*, as  
6224 implemented by AIM) searches for compounds with similar structural moieties or functional groups. A  
6225 structural identifier approach (*e.g.*, the Tanimoto coefficient) calculates a similarity coefficient based on  
6226 molecular fingerprinting ([Belford, 2023](#)). Molecular fingerprinting approaches look at similarity in  
6227 atomic pathway radius between the analog and target chemical substance (*e.g.*, Morgan fingerprint in  
6228 GenRA which calculates a Jaccard similarity index). Some fingerprints may be better suited for certain

6229 characteristics and chemical classes. For example, substructure fingerprints like PubChem fingerprints  
6230 perform best for small molecules such as drugs, while atom-pair fingerprints, which assigns values for  
6231 each atom within a molecule and thus computes atom pairs based on these values, are preferable for  
6232 large molecules. Some tools implement multiple methods for determining similarity. Regarding  
6233 programs which generate indices, it has been noted that because the similarity value is dependent on the  
6234 method applied, that these values should form a line of evidence rather than be utilized definitively  
6235 ([Pestana et al., 2021](#); [Mellor et al., 2019](#)).  
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6237 Structural similarity between 1,1-dichloroethane and other chlorinated solvents was assessed using two  
6238 TSCA NAMs (the AIM program and OECD QSAR Toolbox) and two EPA Office of Research products  
6239 (GenRA) and the Search Module within the Cheminformatics Modules (Hazard Comparison Dashboard  
6240 (HCD) previously). AIM analysis was performed on the CBI-side and potential analogs were described  
6241 as 1st or 2nd pass. Tanimoto-based PubChem fingerprints were obtained in the OECD QSAR Toolbox  
6242 (v4.4.1, 2020) using the Structure Similarity option. Chemical Morgan Fingerprint scores were obtained  
6243 in GenRA (v3.1, no ToxRef filter) (limit of 100 analogs). Tanimoto scores were obtained in the ORD  
6244 Cheminformatics Search Module (Hazard Comparison Dashboard or HCD) using similarity analysis.  
6245 The top 100 analogs with indices greater than 0.5 generated from the OECD QSAR Toolbox and the  
6246 Cheminformatics Search Module and indices greater than 0.1 generated from GenRA were compiled  
6247 with AIM 1st and 2nd pass analogs. Analogs that appeared in three out of four programs were identified  
6248 as potential analog candidates. A more complete description of the structural similarity tools are  
6249 provided in Appendix J.2.  
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6251 1,2-Dichloroethane was identified as a possible analog based on structural similarity as well as 1,1,2-  
6252 trichloroethane (1,1,2-TCA), and 1,2-dichloropropane (1,2-DCP). The results of the comparison of the  
6253 structural similarity of the target chemical 1,1-dichloroethane to other chlorinated solvents using the  
6254 structural similarity tools are shown in Table 5-35. The higher the similarity score, the better the  
6255 structural match, with a value of 1.00 being an exact match, whereas AIM 1st pass indicates better  
6256 structural agreement than AIM 2nd pass. 1,2-Dichloroethane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-  
6257 dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.79), and the  
6258 Cheminformatics Search Module (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.63). 1,2-Dichloropropane was indicated as  
6259 structurally similar to 1,1-dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features  
6260 = 0.75), and GenRA (Morgan Fingerprint = 0.45) and had a lower Tanimoto score in the  
6261 Cheminformatics Search Module (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.42). 1,1,2-Trichloroethane was indicated as  
6262 structurally similar to 1,1-dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features  
6263 = 0.79), and the Cheminformatics Search Module (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.78). 1,2-dichloroethane was  
6264 identified as the best available candidate chemical to fill the identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane  
6265 hazard based on further lines of evidence and the fact that they are structurally similar as reactive di-  
6266 chlorinated ethanes and both are isomers with identical molecular formulas/molecular weight.  
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Table 5-35. Structural Similarity of 1-1 Dichloroethane Compared to Other Chlorinated Solvents

	Chlorinated Solvent	AIM	OECD QSAR Toolbox	GenRA	HCD
Target	1,1-Dichloroethane	Exact match	1.00	1.00	1.00
	1,2-Dichloroethane	2nd pass	0.79	–	0.63
Candidate Analogs	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	2nd pass	0.79	–	0.78
	1,2-Dichloropropane	2nd pass	0.75	0.45	0.42
	Trichloroethylene	–	0.73	–	0.33
	Dichloromethane	2nd pass	0.46	–	0.57
	<i>trans</i> -1,2-dichloroethylene	–	0.63	–	0.30
	Perchloroethylene	–	0.47	–	0.33
	Carbon tetrachloride	2nd pass	0.29	–	0.44

### 5.2.1.3.2 Physical and Chemical Similarities

The comparison of key physical and chemical properties of 1,1-dichloroethane and the three top candidate analogs identified based on structural similarities (1,2-dichloroethane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloropropane) is shown in Table 5-36. Considering the common variability in physical and chemical results across methods and laboratories over time, 1,1-dichloroethane has similar values to 1,2-dichloroethane for water solubility, log K<sub>OW</sub>, molecular weight, physical state, Henry's Law constant and vapor pressure, all of which can affect their ADME and target tissue levels. For example, in Table 5-36, water solubility and K<sub>OW</sub> between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane appear to be different. However, in general, variability in physical and chemical properties results for the same chemical for water solubility and K<sub>OW</sub> can differ by orders of magnitude, therefore, differences in reported physical and chemical values are not uncommon ([Gigante et al., 2021](#); [Pontolillo and Eganhouse, 2001](#)). In addition, the physical and chemical properties for 1,1,2-Trichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane are also included in Table 5-36. For 1,1,2-trichloroethane, the vapor pressure is 10 times lower, the Henry's Law constant is 7 times lower, and the molecular weight is 35 percent higher than 1,1-dichloroethane, which has ADME implications, and therefore was not considered as close of a chemical candidate analog for read-across compared to 1,2-dichloroethane.



6288 **Table 5-36. Comparison of 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane for Physical and Chemical**  
6289 **Properties Relevant to Human Health Hazard**

Chlorinated Solvent	Water Solubility (mg/L)	Log Kow	Molecular Weight	Physical State	Henry's Law Constant (atm-m <sup>3</sup> /mol)	Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)
1,1-Dichloroethane	5,040	1.79	98.95	Liquid	0.00562	227
1,2-Dichloroethane	8,600	1.48	98.96	Liquid	0.00118	79
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	4,590	1.89	133.41	Liquid	0.00082	23
1,2-Dichloropropane	2,800	1.99	112.99	Liquid	0.00282	40

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6291 **5.2.1.3.3 Metabolic Similarities**

6292 ***In Vitro Metabolism Studies – 1,1-Dichloroethane***

6293 The metabolic pathways for 1,1-dichloroethane have been elucidated from *in vitro* studies using rat  
6294 hepatic microsomes ([McCall et al., 1983](#); [Sato et al., 1983](#); [Van Dyke and Wineman, 1971](#)). As outlined  
6295 in Figure\_Apx J-1, the primary metabolic pathway involves oxidation of the C-1 carbon by cytochrome  
6296 P450 (CYP) to give an unstable alpha-haloalcohol followed by dechlorination to produce acetyl chloride  
6297 and acetic acid, which is the major metabolite. The alpha-haloalcohol may also undergo a chlorine shift  
6298 to yield chloroacetyl chloride and monochloroacetic acid, although this reaction is not favored. CYP  
6299 oxidation at the C-2 position results in the formation of 2,2-dichloroethanol, dichloroacetaldehyde, and  
6300 dichloroacetic acid as minor metabolites. Metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane was increased by induction  
6301 with phenobarbital and ethanol, but not  $\beta$ -naphthoflavone ([McCall et al., 1983](#); [Sato et al., 1983](#)).  
6302 Similarly, enzymatic dechlorination was inducible by phenobarbital, but not 3-methylcholanthrene ([Van  
6303 Dyke and Wineman, 1971](#)).

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6305 ***In Vivo and In Vitro Metabolism Studies – 1,2-Dichloroethane***

6306 No human studies on the metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane were located. Figure\_Apx J-2 outlines the  
6307 primary metabolic pathways for 1,2-dichloroethane, elucidated from *in vitro* studies and *in vivo* studies  
6308 in rats and mice, include cytochrome P450 (CYP) oxidation and glutathione (GSH) conjugation ([IPCS,  
6309 1995](#)). Metabolism by CYP results in an unstable gem-chlorohydrin that releases hydrochloric acid,  
6310 resulting in the formation of 2-chloroacetaldehyde. 2-Chloroacetaldehyde is oxidized to form  
6311 chloroacetic acid or reduced to form 2-chloroethanol, and these metabolites are conjugated with GSH  
6312 and excreted in the urine. Metabolism via glutathione-S-transferase results in formation of S-(2-  
6313 chloroethyl)-glutathione, which rearranges to form a reactive episulfonium ion. The episulfonium ion  
6314 can form adducts with protein, DNA or RNA or interact further with GSH to produce water soluble  
6315 metabolites that are excreted in the urine.

6316 **5.2.1.3.4 Toxicological Similarity – Cancer**

6317 There are no adequate non-cancer data available by the acute, short-term/subchronic and chronic  
6318 inhalation routes, and dermal routes by any exposure duration for 1,1-dichloroethane. As a result, the  
6319 1,2-dichloroethane database was systematically reviewed and evaluated to identify non-cancer PODs to  
6320 be used as read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane to fill in those 1,1-dichloroethane data gaps and calculate  
6321 quantitative risk estimates.

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6323 Table 5-37 shows a qualitative comparison of common non-cancer findings between 1,1-dichloroethane  
6324 and 1,2-dichloroethane, highlighting an overall similarity. Table 5-37 does not, however, reflect the full  
6325 database for either chemical. The final non-cancer quantitative PODs selected for both chemicals were  
6326 based upon the strength of the evidence from data that ranked Moderate to High in our SR, was of



6327 reliable and sufficient quality, and was the most biologically relevant and sensitive using the best  
6328 available science.

6329 **Table 5-37. Qualitative Comparison of Cancer Findings for 1,1-Dichloroethane compared to 1,2-**  
6330 **Dichloroethane**  
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Studies	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
NTP Oral Rat Studies (Uninformative by SR)	Mammary gland adenocarcinomas, hemangiosarcoma, ( <a href="#">NCI, 1978</a> )	Mammary gland adenocarcinomas, hemangiosarcoma ( <a href="#">NTP, 1978</a> )
NTP Oral Mouse Studies (High SR rating)	Endometrial stromal polyps (precursor), ( <a href="#">NCI, 1978</a> )	Endometrial stromal polyps (precursor), NTP (1978b) Hepatocarcinomas, ( <a href="#">NTP, 1978</a> )
Inhalation Studies	Chronic study, but not a cancer study, ( <a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971b</a> ), Uninformative by SR)	Mammary gland adenomas; fibroadenomas, adenocarcinomas; subcutaneous fibromas; bronchioalveolar adenoma & carcinoma; endometrial stromal polyps; hepatocellular adenoma, ( <a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a> ), High SR rating
Dermal Study	None	Bronchioalveolar adenomas and adenocarcinomas (mice, 1 dose), ( <a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a> ), High SR rating)
Human Studies	Indeterminate	Indeterminate

6332 Table 5-38 provides a comparison of the cancer study findings between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-  
6333 dichloroethane.  
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6335 **Table 5-38. Comparison of Cancer Study Findings for 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane**  
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Chronic Study Finding	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Endometrial polyps	+	+
Hepatocellular carcinomas	+	+
Hemangiosarcomas	+	+
Mammary gland tumors	+	+
<sup>a</sup> In general, similar tumor types or pre-cancerous lesions were observed with 1,1-dichloroethane as seen in the bioassays of the similar isomer 1,2- dichloroethane ( <i>i.e.</i> , hepatocellular carcinomas, endometrial polyps, hemangiosarcomas, mammary gland tumors; High SR study in F344 rats and BDF1 mice ( <a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a> )).		

6337 Table 5-39 provides the results of the predicted carcinogenicity of 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-  
6338 dichloroethane using the [OncoLogic™](#) model. This model was developed by EPA to evaluate the  
6339 carcinogenic potential of chemicals following sets of knowledge rules based on studies of how  
6340 chemicals cause cancer in animals and humans. Both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane  
6341 possessed similar results based on OncoLogic™ and similar precursor events (see Table\_Apx J-12).  
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6344 **Table 5-39. OncoLogic Carcinogenic Potential Results for 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-**  
 6345 **Dichloroethane**

Parameter	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Classification for carcinogenicity	Low-Medium Concern	Medium Concern
Chemistry	Geminal alkyl dihalide	Vicinal alkyl dihalide
Chemical reactivity	Geminal alkyl dihalide < vicinal alkyl dihalide	

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6347 **5.2.1.3.5 Toxicological Similarity – Non-cancer**

6348 There are no adequate non-cancer data available by the acute, short-term/subchronic and chronic  
 6349 inhalation routes, and dermal routes by any exposure duration for 1,1-dichloroethane. As a result, the  
 6350 1,2-dichloroethane database was systematically reviewed and evaluated to identify non-cancer PODs to  
 6351 be used as read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane to fill in those 1,1-dichloroethane data gaps and calculate  
 6352 quantitative risk estimates.

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6354 Table 5-40 shows a qualitative comparison of common non-cancer findings between 1,1-dichloroethane  
 6355 and 1,2-dichloroethane, highlighting an overall similarity. The final non-cancer quantitative PODs  
 6356 selected for 1,1-dichloroethane (using 1,2-dichloroethane data as read across) were based upon the  
 6357 strength of the evidence from data that ranked Moderate to High in the OPPT SR, was of reliable and  
 6358 sufficient quality, and was the most biologically relevant and sensitive using the best available science.

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6360 **Table 5-40. Qualitative Comparison of Non-cancer Findings between 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-**  
 6361 **Dichloroethane**

Effects	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Reproductive/ Developmental	Evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause reproductive/ developmental toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause effects on male reproductive structure and/or function under relevant exposure conditions. Evidence is inadequate to determine whether 1,2-dichloroethane may cause effects on the developing organism. There is no evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane causes effects on female reproductive structure and/or function.
Renal	Evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause renal toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes renal effects under relevant exposure circumstances.
Hepatic	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes hepatic toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause hepatic effects under relevant exposure conditions.
Nutritional/ Metabolic	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes body weight decrements under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence suggests that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause body weight decrements under relevant exposure circumstances.

Effects	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Neurological/ Behavioral	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes neurological effects under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes neurological/behavioral effects under relevant exposure circumstances.
Immune/ Hematological	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes immune system suppressions ( <a href="#">Zabrodskii et al., 2004</a> ).	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause immune system suppression under relevant exposure conditions.
Respiratory Tract	–	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause nasal effects under relevant exposure conditions.
Mortality	Evidence indicates that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure is likely to cause death under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause death under relevant exposure circumstances and lethal levels have been identified in animal studies.

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#### 5.2.1.3.6 Read-Across Conclusions

1,2-Dichloroethane was identified as the best available candidate chemical to fill the identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane. This conclusion is based on the fact that both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane are structurally similar as reactive di-chlorinated ethanes, both are isomers of each other with identical molecular weights and formulas, both have similar physical-chemical properties, both are volatile liquids, both have similar ADME patterns and metabolic pathways, both are reactive alkyl halides, and both possess, overall, similar non-cancer and cancer outcomes (mutagenicity, common tumor types, many common hazard endpoints).

Table 5-41 illustrates the many qualitative non-cancer and cancer toxicity endpoints and other chemical properties both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane have in common. This comparison is based on the literature studies and the ATSDR reports for both isomers ([ATSDR, 2022, 2015](#)). Many of the identified endpoints for 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane were from studies that passed OPPT SR were not always but were not robust enough to identify a non-cancer PODs or cancer slope factors to use for quantitative risk estimates.

**Table 5-41. Common Hazards and Properties of 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane**

1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane Common Hazards and Properties		
Hazard-Property	1,1-Dichlorethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Chemical Reactivity	+	+
Dichloroethane Isomers	+	+
Irritation	+	+
Narcosis	+	+
Genotoxicity without Metabolic Activation	+	+
Immunotoxicity	+	+
Endometrial Polyps	+	+
Hepatocellular Carcinoma	+	+
Hemangiosarcomas	+	+

<b>1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane Common Hazards and Properties</b>		
Mammary Gland Tumors	+	+
Nephrotoxicity	+	+
Hepatotoxicity	+	+
Metabolic Toxicity	+	+
Cardiotoxicity	+	+

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#### **5.2.1.4 Identification and Evaluation of 1,2-Dichloroethane Hazard Data**

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The same process as described for 1,1-dichloroethane in Section 5.2.1.1 applies to the identification and evaluation of 1,2-dichloroethane hazard data. The results of the SR process (data quality evaluation and data extraction) for 1,2-dichloroethane are recorded in the same respective supplemental files for 1,1-dichloroethane including *1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ad](#)), *1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ac](#)), and *1,1-Dichloroethane Data Extraction Information for Environmental Hazard and Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology and Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024u](#)).

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After EPA completed the data evaluation and data extraction for 1,2-dichloroethane, a hazard identification and evidence integration of the data were completed and the results are provided in Section 5.2.1.5 for toxicokinetics, Section 5.2.3 for non-cancer data stratified by organ system, Section 5.2.4 for genotoxicity, and Section 5.2.5 for cancer. Based on these hazard identification and evidence integration results, EPA completed a dose-response assessment for 1,2-dichloroethane in Section 5.2.5.3.

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#### **5.2.1.5 Structure of the Human Health Hazard Assessment**

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6.3.1 Appendix M provides the details of the human health hazard assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane and the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane. Appendix M.1 provides a summary of toxicokinetics for both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane. Appendix M.2 provides a non-cancer dose response assessment for both chemicals. Appendix 6.3.1M.3 provides the equations used in derivation of non-cancer and cancer PODs for the 1,1-dichloroethane risk assessment. Appendix 6.3.1M.4 describes the non-cancer POD derivation for acute, short/intermediate-term, and chronic durations. Appendix M.5 provides evidence integration tables for 1,1-dichloroethane. Appendix M.6 provides evidence integration tables for 1,2-dichloroethane. Appendix M.7 describes evidence for mutagenicity and cancer for both chemicals. Appendix M.8 provides a cancer dose-response assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane using data for 1,2-dichloroethane as read-across.

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The following subsections provide a summary of the human health hazard assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane and the analog 1,2-dichloroethane (used to fill data gaps in a read-across approach).

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#### **5.2.2 Toxicokinetics Summary**

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This section provides a summary on the absorption, distribution, metabolism, and elimination (ADME) data available for 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane. For full details on toxicokinetics see Appendix M.1. which provides details on the toxicokinetics of 1,1-dichloroethane including absorption (Appendix M.1.1.1), distribution (Appendix M.1.2), metabolism (Appendix M.1.3.1) and excretion (Appendix M.1.4.1).

### 5.2.2.1 1,1-Dichloroethane

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6417 The pulmonary absorption of 1,1-dichloroethane is likely to occur since previous use of 1,1-  
6418 dichloroethane as a gaseous anesthetic in humans provides evidence of systemic absorption and  
6419 distribution to the CNS by the inhalation route ([ATSDR, 2015](#)). Qualitative evidence of dermal  
6420 absorption was provided by a rabbit study that detected halogen ion in exhaled breath following  
6421 application of 1,1-dichloroethane to shaved abdominal skin ([Reid and Muianga, 2012](#)). Tissue:air  
6422 partition coefficients calculated using a vial equilibration method on tissues obtained from male Fischer  
6423 344 rats suggest that 1,1-dichloroethane is likely distributed to highly perfused tissues (*i.e.*, liver,  
6424 muscle) and will accumulate in fat ([Gargas and Andersen, 1989](#)).

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6426 The metabolic pathways for 1,1-dichloroethane have been elucidated from *in vitro* studies using rat  
6427 hepatic microsomes ([McCall et al., 1983](#); [Sato et al., 1983](#); [Van Dyke and Wineman, 1971](#)). The primary  
6428 metabolic pathway involves oxidation by cytochrome P450 to give an unstable alpha-haloalcohol  
6429 followed by dechlorination to produce acetyl chloride and acetic acid, which is the major metabolite.  
6430 Cytochrome P450 oxidation results in the formation of 2,2-dichloroethanol, reactive  
6431 dichloroacetaldehyde, and dichloroacetic acid as minor metabolites.

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6433 Via inhalation, the metabolic rate constants for 1,1-dichloroethane were estimated for male Fischer 344  
6434 rats using a gas uptake method in rats exposed to initial concentrations of 360, 1,980, 4,500, or 8,804  
6435 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, from which concluded that the liver metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane is saturable process at  
6436 high concentrations ([Gargas et al., 1990](#)).

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6438 The extent of oral metabolism was evaluated in Osborne-Mendel rats and B6C3F1 mice administered  
6439 700 or 1,800 mg/kg-bw/day 1,1-dichloroethane, respectively, by gavage for 4 weeks ([Mitoma et al.,](#)  
6440 [1985](#)). The total percentages of administered dose found in exhaled CO<sub>2</sub>, excreta, and body carcass 48  
6441 hours after the administration of the radiolabeled dose were 7.45 percent in rats and 29.3 percent in  
6442 mice. The 1,1-dichloroethane is highly absorbed orally. Within 48 hours in rats, 91 percent of the  
6443 administered dose was eliminated in expired air (86 percent unchanged, 5 percent as CO<sub>2</sub>). In mice, 95  
6444 percent of the administered dose was eliminated in expired air (70 percent unchanged, 25 percent as  
6445 CO<sub>2</sub>) within 48 hours.

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6447 EPA did not identify *in vivo* animal data that evaluated elimination following exposure to 1,1-  
6448 dichloroethane by the dermal route nor inhalation routes and PBPK models were not identified. The  
6449 highest dermal absorption value reported in the 1,1-dichloroethane OECD 428 study was 0.27 percent at  
6450 50 percent concentration in 1,2-dichloroethane as the COU vehicle. The mass balance corrected mean  
6451 dermal absorption for neat 1,1-dichloroethane was 0.22 percent and the 95 percent upper confidence  
6452 limit for the neat chemical was 0.29 percent dermal absorption, or similar to the dermal absorption  
6453 reported for the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane at 0.21 percent. The mean K<sub>p</sub> value and the 95  
6454 percent upper confidence limit K<sub>p</sub> value for neat 1,1-dichloroethane were 0.00229 and 0.00371 cm/hour,  
6455 respectively. The reported *in vitro* mean K<sub>p</sub> value and 95 percent upper confidence limit K<sub>p</sub> value for the  
6456 analog 1,2-dichloroethane were similar at 0.00109 and 0.00137 cm/hour, respectively for the neat  
6457 chemical ([Schenk, 2018, 4940676](#)).

### 5.2.2.2 1,2-Dichloroethane

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6459 Following oral administration in rats the elimination of 1,2-dichloroethane was rapid and occurred  
6460 primarily via unchanged parent compound and carbon dioxide in the expired air and via excretion of  
6461 soluble metabolites in the urine. Women inhaling 1,2-dichloroethane present in the workplace air  
6462 eliminated the compound unchanged in the expired air with similar observations in women exposed via  
6463 dermal contact to liquid 1,2-dichloroethane. It should be noted that in female workers exposed dermally



6464 to 1,2-dichloroethane, the breast milk levels were considerable at 283 micromolar and that similar  
6465 concentrations caused cytotoxicity to human immune T cells *in vitro* at 5 and 10 percent cell death at  
6466 concentrations of 157 and 379 micromolar, respectively. Test Order data for dermal absorption for 1,2-  
6467 dichloroethane has been requested but is currently not available, however, the dermal absorption of 1,2-  
6468 dichloroethane has been reported to be 0.21 percent or very similar to its isomer 1,1-dichloroethane  
6469 ([ATSDR, 2022](#)). The 26-week 1,2-dichloroethane dermal study in mice produced lung tumors  
6470 supporting that long term dermal exposure can produce serious systemic effects despite low dermal  
6471 absorption levels (exposures 3 times/week induced 100 percent lung tumor incidence in female mice,  
6472 Suguro, 2017, 4451542).

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6474 Details on the toxicokinetics of 1,2-dichloroethane are provided in Appendix 6.3.1M.1. ADME details  
6475 are described for 1,2-dichloroethane for adsorption (Appendix M.1.1.1), distribution (Appendix M.1.2),  
6476 metabolism (Appendix M.1.3.1) and excretion (Appendix M.1.4.1).

### 6477 **5.2.3 Non-cancer Hazard Identification and Evidence Integration**

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6478 The sections below describe adverse outcome and mechanistic data available as well as evidence  
6479 integration conclusions for each human health hazard outcome observed in 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane  
6480 toxicity studies. EPA identified very few epidemiological studies relevant to non-cancer endpoints.  
6481 Therefore, evidence is primarily based on available laboratory animal toxicity studies—exclusively via  
6482 the oral and inhalation routes.

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6484 The *2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) describes the general process of  
6485 evidence evaluation and integration, with relevant updates to the process presented in the *1,1-*  
6486 *Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)). Appendix M provides a detailed  
6487 evaluation of the 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane hazard outcomes and evidence integration conclusions.  
6488 The analyses are presented as a series of evidence integration tables in Appendix M.5 for 1,1-  
6489 dichloroethane (non-cancer), Appendix M.6 for 1,2-dichloroethane (non-cancer), Appendix M.7 for 1,1-  
6490 dichloroethane (cancer) and Appendix M.8 for 1,2-dichloroethane (cancer).

#### 6491 **5.2.3.1 Critical Human Health Hazard Outcomes**

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6492 The sections below focus on hazard identification and evidence integration of kidney toxicity,  
6493 immunotoxicity, and neurotoxicity, which are the most sensitive critical human health hazard outcomes  
6494 associated with 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane. These hazard outcome categories received *likely* evidence  
6495 integration conclusions, and sensitive health effects were identified for these hazard outcomes. In the  
6496 risk evaluation, renal toxicity forms the basis of the POD used for acute oral exposure scenarios and  
6497 immunotoxicity is the basis of the POD used for short-term and chronic oral exposure scenarios. The  
6498 2022 ATSDR document for 1,2-dichloroethane confirmed that immunotoxicity is the most sensitive  
6499 endpoint ([ATSDR, 2022](#)). Neurotoxicity is the basis of the POD used for acute inhalation exposure and  
6500 reproductive effects is the basis for short-term/subchronic and chronic inhalation exposure scenarios.  
6501 Due to a lack of adequate dermal studies, dermal hazard was based on route-to-route extrapolation from  
6502 oral exposure, based on ADME properties (see Appendix M.1). Additionally, hazard identification and  
6503 evidence integration of other toxicity outcomes are also outlined to emphasize the integration of the  
6504 identified health outcomes of both 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane.

##### 6505 **5.2.3.1.1 Renal Toxicity**

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###### 6506 ***Humans***

6507 EPA did not identify epidemiological studies that evaluated any potential renal hazards for 1,1- or 1,2-  
6508 dichloroethane.



6510 **Laboratory Animals**

6511 A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that  
6512 indicated renal effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were also identified that  
6513 demonstrate renal effects following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.

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6515 **Oral**

6516 In the short-term [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) 10-day single oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats,  
6517 administered 1,1-dichlorethane at a dose of 0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 or 8,000 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in a  
6518 significantly reduced absolute kidney weights and nonprotein sulfhydryl (NPSH) content in the 2,000  
6519 and 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day dose groups on day 10. All rats at the 8,000 mg/kg-bw/day dose died within 24  
6520 hours of dosing.

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6522 In the subchronic study by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), male Sprague-Dawley rats, administered 1,1-  
6523 dichlorethane via oral gavage for 5 days/week for 13 weeks at a dose of 0, 500, 1,000, 2,000, or 4,000  
6524 mg/kg-bw/day indicated elevated acid phosphatase (ACP) in the 2,000 and 4,000 mg/kg bw groups at 6  
6525 weeks, and ACP and N-acetylglucosaminidase (NAG) were elevated in the 1,000, 2,000, and 4,000  
6526 mg/kg-bw/day groups at 8 weeks. In addition, histopathological effects on the kidney showed  
6527 nephropathy, however, the incidences were high in the control group (7/10 animals). Animals also died  
6528 in the highest two groups of 2,000 and 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day (1/15 and 5/15, respectively) that resulted in  
6529 ceasing continuation of exposure at the highest dose.

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6531 B6C3F1 mice in the [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) study that were administered a single oral gavage dose at 0, 100,  
6532 200, 300, 400, 500, 600 mg/kg-bw resulted in kidney weights increased at 300 mg/kg-bw doses and  
6533 greater. In support, L-idoitol dehydrogenase (IDH, 9-fold increase) and blood urea nitrogen (BUN)  
6534 indicated a trend increase at 200 mg/kg-bw and greater doses but was not statistically significant due to  
6535 the low number of animals tested (N=5).

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6537 In the [Morel et al. \(1999\)](#) acute single exposure oral gavage study in male Swiss OF1 mice treated with  
6538 0, 1,000, or 1,500 mg/kg-bw of 1,2-dichloroethane, a significant increase in damaged renal tubules  
6539 (7.66% vs. 0.32% in controls) was seen only seen in the highest dose group with the lowest dose already  
6540 above the limit dose.

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6542 In the subchronic 90 day (7 day/week for 13 weeks) oral gavage study by [Daniel et al. \(1994\)](#), male and  
6543 female Sprague-Dawley rats treated with 0, 37.5, 75, or 150 mg/kg-bw/day of 1,2-dichloroethane  
6544 resulted in increased relative kidney weights in both males and females (18 and 15 percent higher than  
6545 controls, respectively) at the 75 and 150 mg/kg-bw/day.

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6547 The subchronic 90-day oral gavage study in Wistar rats by [van Esch et al. \(1977\)](#) dosed at 0, 10, 30 or  
6548 90 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in a significantly increase in relative kidney weight of 17 and 16 percent  
6549 higher than controls in males and females in the 90 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively.

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6551 In the subchronic study by [NTP \(1991\)](#), oral gavage of 1,2-dichloroethane at the dosages of 0, 30, 60,  
6552 120, 240 or 480 mg/kg-bw/day for 13 weeks in male F344 rats, resulted in significant increases in  
6553 absolute kidney weights at 30, 60, and 120 mg/kg/day ( 9, 21 and 25 percent, respectively) and  
6554 significant increases in relative kidney weights at 60 and 120 mg/kg-bw/day doses (15 and 26 percent,  
6555 respectively). Female F344 rats dosed at 0, 18, 37, 75, 150, or 300 mg/kg/day at 5 days/week via oral  
6556 gavage for 13 weeks caused significant increases in absolute kidney weights (12 and 23 percent) and  
6557 relative kidney weights (10 and 21 percent) at 75 and 150 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively.

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6559 ***Inhalation***

6560 In the [Hofmann et al. \(1971a\)](#) 1,1-dichloroethane inhalation study, there was kidney damage in cats  
6561 exposed to 1000 ppm (4047 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) 1,1-dichloroethane for 10 weeks (6 hours/day), as indicated in  
6562 histopathology analysis but limited information regarding these effects were provided in the report.

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6564 [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) identified increased serum BUN (85%) and relative kidney weight (12%) in B6C3F1  
6565 male mice as compared to controls after a 4 hour exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane vapor of 499 ppm  
6566 (2020 mg/m<sup>3</sup>). Increased mortality at concentrations greater than 499 ppm precluded a more thorough  
6567 evaluation of these effects in this study and subsequent dose -response analysis.

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6569 ***Mechanistic***

6570 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential renal hazards for 1,1- or 1,2-  
6571 dichloroethane.

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6573 ***Evidence Integration Summary***

6574 There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for either 1,1- or 1,2-  
6575 dichloroethane and therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess  
6576 whether 1,1-dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloroethane may cause renal changes in humans.

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6578 The evidence in animals is *indeterminate* based on studies on 1,1-dichloroethane on the magnitude and  
6579 severity of histological changes in the kidney and clinical signs of renal toxicity. Available toxicological  
6580 studies showed changes in kidney weight, clinical chemistry, urinary excretion, and/or kidney histology,  
6581 however, many of the studies that observed effects had limitations, and kidney effects were not seen  
6582 consistently across studies using different species, exposure routes, or study durations. In contrast,  
6583 evidence in animal studies for 1,2-dichloroethane is *moderate* based on several high- and medium-  
6584 quality studies that found associations between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and increased kidney  
6585 weights, blood urea nitrogen (BUN), and/or renal tubular histopathology in rats (both sexes) and mice  
6586 following inhalation, oral, dermal, and intraperitoneal injection exposures.

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6588 Overall, EPA concluded that while evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane  
6589 exposure may cause renal toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances, evidence indicates that 1,2-  
6590 dichloroethane likely causes renal effects under relevant exposure circumstances.

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### 5.2.3.1.2 Immunological/Hematological

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***Humans***

6593 EPA did not identify epidemiological studies that evaluated any potential immunological/hematological  
6594 hazards for 1,1- or 1,2-dichloroethane. However, an *in vitro* study utilizing human Jurkat immune T cells  
6595 indicated cytotoxicity by the analog 1,2-dichloroethane and other similar chlorinated solvents such as  
6596 trichloroethylene, perchlorethylene and dichloromethane ([McDermott and Heffron, 2013](#)). Human T cell  
6597 death at 5 and 10 percent responses occurred at concentrations of 157 and 379 micromolar, respectively.  
6598 Importantly, these 1,2-dichloroethane cytotoxic concentrations are similar to milk levels in female  
6599 workers (*i.e.*, 283 micromolar) and blood levels in rats (*i.e.*, 1.36 mM), both via dermal exposures  
6600 ([ATSDR, 2022](#); [McDermott and Heffron, 2013](#)). It should be noted that trichloroethylene was regulated  
6601 in its OPPT risk evaluation also based on immunosuppression, validating the results in this *in vitro* study  
6602 for a similar chlorinated solvent. This data supports that immunotoxicity by 1,2-dichloroethane is a  
6603 likely hazard to humans at relevant exposure conditions.

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6605 **Laboratory Animals**

6606 A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that  
6607 indicated immunological/hematological effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were  
6608 also identified that demonstrate immunological/hematological effects following 1,2-dichloroethane  
6609 exposure.

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6611 **Oral**

6612 Only one study by [Zabrodskii et al. \(2004\)](#) was identified that involved random-bred male and female  
6613 albino rats being administered inducers of the monooxygenase system (phenobarbital or benzenal) three  
6614 days prior to a single gavage dose of dichloroethane at 930 mg/kg-bw. The effects included significant  
6615 decreases in T-cell dependent (1.71-fold) and T-cell independent (1.54-fold) humoral responses 5 days  
6616 after exposure as measured by the number of antibody-producing cells in the spleen, natural cytotoxicity  
6617 (1.91-fold) evaluated 48 hours after the exposure, antibody-dependent cell cytotoxicity (1.64-fold) 5  
6618 days after immunization of the rats with  $10^8$  sheep erythrocytes and delayed hypersensitivity reactions  
6619 (1.63-fold) that was evaluated 24 hours post-exposure as compared to control. However, this study was  
6620 identified as Uninformative as the chemical identity was only identified as dichloroethane, not as either  
6621 isomer. However, in perspective since 1,2-dichloroethane data is being utilized for read-across to 1,1-  
6622 dichloroethane the study is still relevant for hazard identification.

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6624 [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#), a study in male CD-1 mice administered 1,2-dichloroethane by oral gavage for 14  
6625 days at doses of 0, 4.9, 49 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in decreased antibody-forming cells with  
6626 immunosuppression at adverse 25 and 40 percent levels at the 4.9 and 49 mg/kg-bw/day dose groups,  
6627 respectively. Suppression of cell-mediated immune responses were also indicated at both dosages. A  
6628 decrease in leukocytes at approximately 30 percent was reported in the highest dosage group. No effects  
6629 were observed regarding the organ weights of the liver, spleen, lungs, thymus, kidney,  
6630 or brain. Additionally, hepatic clinical chemistry also remained unchanged. It is important to note that  
6631 the 2022 1,2-dichloroethane ATSDR document concluded that the immune system was the most  
6632 sensitive target, but it also considered this 14-day study in the acute duration category so it was not  
6633 utilized for the sub-chronic or chronic PODs. Human immune T cell *in vitro* data supports that  
6634 immunotoxicity by 1,2-dichloroethane is likely to humans at relevant exposure levels, this McDermott  
6635 study was not cited in the ATSDR document.

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6637 **Inhalation**

6638 In the study by [Sherwood et al. \(1987\)](#), female CD-1 mice exposed to 1,2 dichloroethane for 3 hours at  
6639 5.4 ppm ( $22 \text{ mg/m}^3$ ) resulted in mortality following streptococcal challenge but it needs to be noted that  
6640 the inoculation with the bacteria was unlikely representative of a human equivalent immunological  
6641 challenge. Male SD rats in the same study did not exhibit any effects to the streptococcal immunological  
6642 challenge after exposures up to 200 ppm ( $801 \text{ mg/m}^3$ ). In addition, in [Sherwood et al. \(1987\)](#), identified  
6643 no effects in female CD-1 mice or male SD rats due to streptococcal challenge after 1,2-dichloroethane  
6644 inhalation exposure for 5 or 12 days in the mice or rats, respectively.

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6646 Other similar chlorinated solvents also indicated immunosuppression such as 1,1,2-trichloroethane at 44  
6647 mg/kg/day in CD-1 mice ([Aualiitia and Pickering, 1987](#)) and trichloroethylene at 18 mg/kg/day in CD-1  
6648 mice ([Sanders et al., 1982](#)).

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6650 **Mechanistic**

6651 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential immunological/hematological  
6652 hazards for 1,1-dichloroethane. However, its analog 1,2-dichloroethane was cytotoxic to human Jurkat T  
6653 lymphocyte cells *in vitro*. Human T cell death at 5 and 10 percent levels occurred at concentrations of

157 and 379 micromolar, respectively, or similar to milk levels in female workers and blood levels in rats both via dermal exposures ([ATSDR, 2022](#); [McDermott and Heffron, 2013](#)). Other similar chlorinated solvents such as trichloroethylene, perchlorethylene and dichloromethane also caused human T cell death. This study also reported increases in reactive oxygen species and increased cellular calcium levels by 1,2-dichloroethane and other similar chlorinated solvents such as trichloroethylene, perchlorethylene and dichloromethane. The human T cell death caused by 1,2-dichloroethane and the other similar chlorinated solvents trichloroethylene, perchlorethylene and dichloromethane was inhibited by the antioxidant N-acetylcysteine. Additionally, 1,2-dichloroethane possessing immunological/hematological effects is demonstrated in an *in vitro* study that identified reduced phagocytic activity of mouse peritoneal macrophages to 76 percent of control levels at a concentration of 200 mM ([Utsumi et al., 1992](#)). Immunosuppression is a recognized characteristic of carcinogens and tumors were reported for 1,2-dichloroethane in various studies.

### ***Evidence Integration Summary***

There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for 1,1-dichloroethane and therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane may cause immunological/hematological changes in humans. Additionally, there were no human epidemiological studies available for 1,2-dichloroethane and therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence to assess whether 1,2-dichloroethane may cause immunological/hematological changes in humans. Limited mechanistic evidence based on *in vitro* data that showed reductions in macrophage phagocytic activity and erythrocyte GST activity after exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane was also considered to be *indeterminate*.

The evidence in animals is *indeterminate* based on only one available study on 1,1-dichloroethane on the magnitude and severity of immunological/hematological effects in rats. Available toxicological studies based on high-quality inhalation and gavage studies of immune function in mice indicated an association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and immunosuppression was observed. A more limited inhalation study in rats and a longer-term drinking water study in mice that was rated uninformative did not show any effects. Evidence from other studies showed only small effects on hematology and no effects on relevant organ weights or histopathology. Based on this information, evidence based on animal studies for 1,2-dichloroethane, suggests the immunological/hematological effects as *slight*.

Overall, EPA concluded that evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause immunological/hematological toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances. 1,1-Dichloroethane did cause immunosuppression in an acute study at 930 mg/kg, however due to the paucity of data for 1,1-dichloroethane longer term studies to indicate the progression of immunotoxicity to lower LOAEL values were not available. However robust WOSE information indicates that its isomer 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes immune system suppression under relevant exposure conditions to both animals and humans. This conclusion is supported by multiple lines of evidence such as the cytotoxicity to human immune T cells *in vitro* at relevant human tissue levels, the cell mediated immunosuppression in mice at the low LOAEL value of 4.89 mg/kg/day, decreased leukocytes counts in mice and the fact of analogy that other similar chlorinated solvents also cause immunosuppression *in vivo*, such as 1,1,2-trichloroethane with a NOAEL at 3.9 mg/kg/day and the trichloroethylene LOAEL is 18 mg/kg/day (regulated by OPPT on the immunosuppression endpoint). Human immune T cell cytotoxicity was also caused by other similar chlorinated solvents *in vitro*, such as trichloroethylene, perchlorethylene and dichloromethane. In support, the 1,2-dichloroethane [ATSDR \(2022\)](#) authoritative document concluded that “the immune system was the most sensitive target for short-term exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane by both the inhalation and oral routes in mice.”



### 5.2.3.1.3 Neurological/Behavioral

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#### ***Humans***

EPA did not identify any epidemiological studies that evaluated potential neurological hazards for 1,1-dichloroethane. The clinical use of 1,1-dichloroethane as an anesthetic supports narcotic effects on the human nervous system and this clinical use was discontinued due to cardiac arrhythmias ([Reid and Muianga, 2012](#)). Chlorinated aliphatic solvents are known to cause central nervous system depression, and respiratory tract and dermal irritation in humans ([ATSDR, 2015](#)). Case reports of human exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or ingestion indicated clinical signs of neurotoxicity (dizziness, tremors, paralysis, coma) as well as histopathology changes in the brain at autopsy ([ATSDR, 2022](#)). Workers exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane for extended periods were shown to develop cerebral edema and toxic encephalopathy ([ATSDR, 2022](#)). A single study of Russian aircraft manufacturing workers noted decreased visual-motor reaction and decreased upper extremity motor function, as well as increased reaction making errors in workers exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane compared to those that were not, however the results were only described qualitatively and no statistical analyses were conducted, and the study was determined to be uninformative by systematic review ([Kozik, 1957](#)).

#### ***Laboratory Animals***

A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that indicated neurological/behavioral effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were also identified that demonstrate neurological/behavioral effects following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.

#### ***Oral***

In the short-term [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) 10-day oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats, administered 1,1-dichloroethane at a dose of 0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 or 8,000 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in rats exhibiting excitations that subsequently progressed into motor impairment and CNS depression at dosages exceeding 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day.

In the subchronic study by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), male Sprague-Dawley rats, administered 1,1-dichloroethane via oral gavage for 5 days/week for 13 weeks at a dose of 0, 500, 1,000, 2,000, or 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in rats exhibiting excitations that subsequently progressed into motor impairment and CNS depression at dosages greater or equal than 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day. The methodology of how CNS depression was not defined, and results were only described qualitatively. Histopathology on the brain was also not observed.

#### ***Inhalation***

Male SD rats exposed to 1.5 hours of 1,2-dichloroethane in [Zhou et al. \(2016\)](#) were shown to develop histological changes in the brain as denoted by edema at 975.9 ppm (3,950 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

Neurotoxicity and histological changes in the brains of SD rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane for 12 hours was seen in a study by [Qin-li et al. \(2010\)](#) at a LOAEL of 5,000 mg/m<sup>3</sup> as indicated by abnormal behavior and edema, however, details regarding the histological severity of edema were not provided.

In the acute [Dow Chemical \(2006b\)](#) inhalation study, histological changes and injury were identified in the olfactory mucosa of F344/DUCRL rats exposure for 4 or 8 hours to 1,2-dichloroethane vapor at 100 and 200 ppm, respectively. The effect on the olfactory mucosa is also considered neurological, as this tissue is neuroepithelial in nature.

6749 ***Mechanistic***

6750 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential neurological hazards for 1,1-  
6751 dichloroethane. EPA identified mechanistic studies that suggest 1,2-dichloroethane can result in brain  
6752 edema due to a downregulation of tight junction proteins (occluding and ZO-1) and mRNA, increase of  
6753 free calcium, decreased ATP content, and decrease ATPase activity in the brains of mice after an  
6754 exposure of to 296 ppm (1200 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) for 3.5 hours/day for 3 days ([Wang et al., 2018a](#); [Wang et al.,  
6755 2014](#)).

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6757 ***Evidence Integration Summary***

6758 There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for 1,1-dichloroethane and  
6759 therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-  
6760 dichloroethane may cause neurological/behavioral changes in humans.

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6762 Case reports document clinical signs of neurotoxicity and brain histopathology changes in humans  
6763 exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or ingestion as well as the ability of 1,2-dichloroethane to  
6764 downregulate tight junction proteins and energy production while also upregulating aquaporin and  
6765 matrix metalloproteinase in the brains of exposed mice. Based on these human epidemiological and  
6766 mechanistic data available for 1,2-dichloroethane, the evidence is *slight* for an association between 1,2-  
6767 dichloroethane and adverse neurological effects.

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6769 Animal studies identified the capability of 1,1-dichloroethane to induce central nervous system  
6770 depression in rats exposed by gavage, and this finding is consistent with its past use as a human  
6771 anesthetic. Several high- and medium-quality studies using rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by  
6772 inhalation or gavage or mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection showed the occurrence of  
6773 neurobehavioral changes, clinical signs of neurotoxicity, and/or changes in brain histopathology.  
6774 Therefore, EPA determined that the animal evidence for adverse neurological/behavioral effects based  
6775 on these data are *moderate* for the association between both 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane and adverse  
6776 neurological/behavioral effects.

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6778 Overall, EPA concluded that while evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that  
6779 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes neurological effects under relevant exposure circumstances. The  
6780 evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes neurological/ behavioral effects under relevant  
6781 exposure circumstances.

6782 **5.2.3.1.4 Reproductive/Developmental**6783 ***Humans***

6784 EPA did not locate any human epidemiology studies for 1,1-dichloroethane that could be utilized for a  
6785 non-cancer dose response analysis and the overall non-cancer 1,1-dichloroethane epidemiology  
6786 literature is considered indeterminate for non-cancer health effects. A case-control study relating birth  
6787 defects to exposure to various chlorinated solvents as estimated by maternal residential proximity to  
6788 industrial point sources of emissions found that exposure risk values greater than zero were associated  
6789 with increased odds of spina bifida and septal heart defects ([Brender et al., 2014](#)). This study also found  
6790 that low exposure risk for 1,1-dichloroethane was associated with increased odds of septal heart defects,  
6791 but medium and high exposure risk for 1,1-dichloroethane were not ([Brender et al., 2014](#)). This was the  
6792 only acceptable study located in the literature that evaluated the relationship between 1,1-dichloroethane  
6793 and any non-cancer health outcome in humans.

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6795 Evidence from the 1,2-dichloroethane literature is similarly indeterminate. The aforementioned [Brender  
6796 et al. \(2014\)](#) study found associations between any exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane and neural tube



6797 defects and spina bifida, however as previously mentioned exposure was estimated based on maternal  
6798 residential proximity to industrial point sources of emissions rather than using a measured level of  
6799 exposure. Additionally, two studies of 1,2-dichloroethane presence in drinking water and congenital  
6800 anomalies found a relationship between 1,2-dichloroethane detection and major cardiac defects in  
6801 newborns, but the same relationship was not significant when comparing odds of major cardiac defects  
6802 between newborns with 1,2-dichloroethane water concentrations above 1 ppb versus equal to or below 1  
6803 ppb ([Bove, 1996](#); [Bove et al., 1995](#)).

### 6804 **Laboratory Animals**

6805 A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that  
6806 indicated reproductive/developmental effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were  
6807 also identified that demonstrate reproductive/developmental effects following 1,2-dichloroethane  
6808 exposure.

### 6809 **Oral**

6810 In the short-term [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) 10-day oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats,  
6811 administered 1,1-dichloroethane at a dose of 0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 or 8,000 mg/kg-bw/day did not  
6812 develop chemically associated lesions as examined by H&E-stained sections of the testis, or epididymis  
6813 of rats sacrificed at 1, 5, or 10 days.

6814 Sprague-Dawley dams that were administered 1,2-dichloroethane by gavage at doses of 0, 1.2, 1.6, 2.0,  
6815 and 2.4 mmol/kg (corresponding to 0, 120, 160, 200, and 240 mg/kg-bw/day in the [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#)  
6816 study during gestation day (GD) 6 to GD 21 resulted in increases in non-implantations and resorptions.  
6817 The increases in non-implants and resorptions are difficult to interpret given the significant maternal  
6818 toxicity (decreases in maternal body weight gain) observed at corresponding doses (30 and 49% at 200  
6819 and 240 mg/kg/day, respectively), and the fact that there was no effect on the number of live fetuses per  
6820 litter despite the changes in non-surviving implants/litter and resorption sites/litter.

### 6821 **Inhalation**

6822 The inhalation study by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) that exposed nonpregnant female rats for 7 hours/day for  
6823 10 days or pregnant rats on GD 6 to 15 to 1,1-dichloroethane identified increased incidence of delayed  
6824 ossification of sternabrae at 6,000 ppm (24,300 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

6825 [Rao et al. \(1980\)](#), a reproductive/developmental study in pregnant SD rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane  
6826 vapor at 0, 100, or 300 ppm during GD 6 to 15 identified a significant decrease in bilobed thoracic  
6827 centra incidences, however, due to increased incidence in maternal mortality a dose-response evaluation  
6828 could not be performed on this effect. Additionally, a multi-generational evaluation by [Rao et al. \(1980\)](#)  
6829 also identified decreased body weight of F1B male weanlings as a result of exposure to 150 ppm (613  
6830 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) for 6 hours/day for 7 weeks *in utero*.

6831 Exposure to pregnant SD rats to 1,2-dichloroethane in [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#) indicated a significant decrease  
6832 in pregnancy rate at 250 ppm (1000 mg/m<sup>3</sup>), however, this effect was not seen at the highest  
6833 concentration of 300 ppm (1200 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

6834 [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#), a reproductive study, that evaluated the effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on male Swiss  
6835 mice due to a 4 week exposure resulted in changes in sperm morphology and concentration along with  
6836 decreased seminiferous tubules and the height of germinal epithelium at 25 ppm (102 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

6845 ***Mechanistic***

6846 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential reproductive/developmental  
6847 hazards for 1,1-dichloroethane. Male mice treated with 86 ppm or 173 ppm (350 or 700 mg/m<sup>3</sup>,  
6848 respectively) for 4 weeks resulted in an inhibition of the cyclic adenosine monophosphate (cAMP)-  
6849 response element binding (CREB) protein and the cAMP-response element modulator (CREM),  
6850 subsequently inducing apoptosis, and resulting in reproductive toxicity in male mice as indicated by a  
6851 decrease in sperm concentration of greater than 25 percent (4.65 ± 0.52 vs. 3.30 ± 0.57 M/g), in the  
6852 control vs. 700 mg/m<sup>3</sup> treated animals, respectively ([Zhang et al., 2017](#)).

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6854 ***Evidence Integration Summary***

6855 Due to limited and inconclusive epidemiological as well as a lack of mechanistic studies, there is  
6856 *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane may cause  
6857 reproductive/developmental changes in humans. Additionally, the available animal toxicological studies  
6858 were also limited and inconclusive and thus provided evidence that was identified as *indeterminate* for  
6859 reproductive/developmental effects due to 1,1-dichloroethane.

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6861 In high- and medium-quality studies, associations were observed between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure  
6862 and various birth defects (neural tube defects including spina bifida and heart defects of different types).  
6863 However, the effect sizes were small with associations that were weak and, in some cases, based on very  
6864 low group sizes. Results of the two available epidemiological studies were also not consistent (neural  
6865 tube defects/spina bifida in one study but not the other; different types of cardiac defects in the two  
6866 studies), and both studies were limited in various ways (e.g., incomplete data on neural tube defects,  
6867 potential exposure misclassification, questionable temporality, co-exposures to other chemicals that  
6868 were also associated with the same defects). Based on these evaluations, the evidence of  
6869 reproductive/developmental effects due to 1,2-dichloroethane was considered *indeterminate* for these  
6870 effects.

6871

6872 In high-quality studies, mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or intraperitoneal injection, but  
6873 not by drinking water, exhibited effects on testicular pathology and sperm parameters. Most of the data  
6874 in rats indicated no effect on the testes (or other reproductive organs); however, sperm parameters were  
6875 not evaluated in rats. Thus, the evidence for effects on the male reproductive tract was considered  
6876 *moderate*. Evidence was considered *moderate* based on inhalation studies in rats, oral studies in rats and  
6877 mice, and a dermal study in mice that all indicated no effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on female  
6878 reproductive organ weights or histopathology. With regard to developmental effects, a high-quality  
6879 study on 1,2-dichloroethane indicated sterility in male mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection. In  
6880 addition, evidence for effects on weanling pup body weight after 1,2-dichloroethane inhalation exposure  
6881 was considered weak and inconsistent. Thus, evidence was considered *slight* for developmental effects  
6882 due to 1,2-dichloroethane.

6883

6884 Mechanistic evidence for reproductive/developmental effects based on inhibition of CREM/CREB  
6885 signaling and the occurrence of apoptosis in testes of male mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane *in vivo* to  
6886 support observed effects on testes pathology, sperm morphology, and fertility in this species was  
6887 considered *moderate*.

6888

6889 Overall, EPA concluded that the evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure  
6890 may cause reproductive/developmental toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances; the evidence  
6891 indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes effects on male reproductive structure and/or function  
6892 under relevant exposure conditions. The nature of the effect chosen for calculating risks— changes in  
6893 sperm morphology and concentration identified by [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) – is considered adverse, and the

6894 fertility of human males is known to be sensitive to changes in sperm numbers and quality ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
6895 [1996](#)). The evidence is inadequate to determine whether 1,2-dichloroethane may cause effects on the  
6896 developing organism and there is no evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane causes effects on female  
6897 reproductive structure and/or function.

### 6898 **5.2.3.1.5 Hepatic**

#### 6899 ***Humans***

6900 EPA did not identify epidemiological studies that evaluated any potential hepatic hazards for 1,1-  
6901 dichloroethane. A single study of liver damage markers in the blood of vinyl chloride workers showed  
6902 abnormal levels of aspartate aminotransferase (AST) and alanine transaminase (ALT) in the moderate  
6903 1,2-dichloroethane exposure intensity group compared with the low 1,2-dichloroethane exposure  
6904 intensity group; however, all participants were also exposed to low levels of vinyl chloride monomer,  
6905 which may also affect liver enzyme levels ([Cheng et al., 1999](#)).

#### 6907 ***Laboratory Animals***

6908 A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that  
6909 indicated hepatic effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were also identified that  
6910 demonstrate hepatic effects following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.

#### 6912 ***Oral***

6913 In the short-term [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) 10 day single oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats,  
6914 administered 1,1-dichlorethane at a dose of 0, 1000, 2000, 4000 or 8000 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in liver  
6915 weight was significantly reduced in all dose groups on days 5 and 10.

6917 In the subchronic study by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), male Sprague-Dawley rats, administered 1,1-  
6918 dichlorethane via oral gavage for 5 days/week for 13 weeks at a dose of 0, 500, 1000, 2000, or 4000  
6919 mg/kg-bw/day did not show any histopathological or organ weight effects on the liver. Additionally, no  
6920 elevation in serum sorbitol dehydrogenase (SDH) or ornithine-carbamyl transferase (OCT) were  
6921 observed at any dose after 4, 8 or 12 weeks of exposure.

6923 In [Cottalasso et al. \(2002\)](#), a single gavage of 628 mg/kg-bw of 1,2-dichloroethane in female Sprague-  
6924 Dawley rats after 16 hours of fasting resulted in increased alanine aminotransferase (ALT), aspartate  
6925 aminotransferase (AST), and lactate dehydrogenase at 45, 44 and 67 percent as compared to controls,  
6926 respectively. Histological examination also identified moderate steatosis.

6928 In the 10-day oral gavage study by [Daniel et al. \(1994\)](#), male and female Sprague-Dawley rats  
6929 administered 0, 10, 30, 100, or 300 mg/kg-bw/day of 1,2-dichloroethane exhibited significantly  
6930 increased relative liver weights (14% relative to controls) and serum cholesterol levels in male rats alone  
6931 at 100 mg/kg-bw/day.

6933 The short-term 10-day oral gavage study in Wistar rats by [van Esch et al. \(1977\)](#) dosed at 0, 3, 10, 30,  
6934 100, or 300 mg/kg-bw/day 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in death of all animals in the 300 mg/kg-bw/day  
6935 that upon subsequent histological evaluation showed extensive liver vacuolization and lipid droplets.

6937 In the subchronic 90 day (7 day/week for 13 weeks) oral gavage study by [Daniel et al. \(1994\)](#), male and  
6938 female Sprague-Dawley rats treated with 0, 37.5, 75, or 150 mg/kg-bw/day of 1,2-dichloroethane  
6939 resulted in a 20 percent increase in relative liver weights in only male rats at 75 mg/kg-bw/day.

6940

6941 The subchronic 90-day oral gavage study in male Wistar rats by [van Esch et al. \(1977\)](#) dosed at 0, 10,  
6942 30, 90 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in a significantly increase in relative liver weight of 13 percent higher  
6943 than controls in females at the highest dose. However, this change was not accompanied by any changes  
6944 in serum enzymes or liver histopathology.

#### 6945 6946 ***Inhalation***

6947 An inhalation study that exposed nonpregnant female rats for 7 hours/day for 10 days or pregnant rats on  
6948 GD 6 to 15 to 1,1-dichloroethane evaluated serum ALT and AST, liver weights, and gross liver  
6949 pathology ([Schwetz et al., 1974](#)). This study identified relative increase in liver weight in the  
6950 nonpregnant females at 6000 ppm (24,300 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) but did not identify any effects on liver parameters in  
6951 the pregnant rats as compared to the pooled controls.

6952  
6953 Exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane for 4 hours at 499 ppm (2020 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) via inhalation in [Storer et al.](#)  
6954 [\(1984\)](#) identified increased serum ALT (2-fold) and SDH (11-fold) in B6C3F1 male mice as compared to  
6955 controls.

6956  
6957 Absolute and relative liver weights in male Swiss mice at  $\geq 10\%$  as compared to controls was indicated  
6958 in a 6 hour/day for 28 days study by [Zeng et al. \(2018\)](#) at a concentration of 89.83 ppm (364 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

6959  
6960 [IRFMN \(1978\)](#), in a chronic 12 month study in both male and female SD rats, resulted in an increase of  
6961 ALT and LDH in both sexes when exposure to 50 ppm (200 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

#### 6962 6963 ***Mechanistic***

6964 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential hepatic hazards for 1,1-  
6965 dichloroethane. In the study by [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#), B6C3F1 mice were administered a single dose of  
6966 1,2-dichloroethane at 100, 200, 300, or 400 mg/kg via oral gavage in corn oil and euthanized 4 hours  
6967 later. It was identified that a statistically significant increase in DNA damage in hepatic nuclei was  
6968 present in all dose groups, as characterized by single-strand breaks, when compared to controls.

#### 6969 6970 ***Evidence Integration Summary***

6971 There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for either 1,1-dichloroethane and  
6972 therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-  
6973 dichloroethane may cause hepatic changes in humans. In addition, there is *indeterminate* human evidence  
6974 as the only human epidemiological study was considered inadequate due to confounding associated with  
6975 co-exposure to vinyl chloride. No adequate mechanistic studies were identified as hepatic enzyme  
6976 induction was demonstrated by intraperitoneal injection in mice. Limited *in vitro* data indicate that 1,2-  
6977 dichloroethane may increase oxidative stress or impair glucose and/or lipid metabolism in mice and in  
6978 rat hepatocytes and liver slices, however, this information suggests that overall mechanistic evidence for  
6979 hepatic effects is *indeterminate*.

6980  
6981 Due to limitation in the availability of toxicological studies on 1,1-dichloroethane that showed changes in  
6982 liver weight and/or histology in the absence of relevant clinical chemistry findings, EPA determined that  
6983 the animal evidence for adverse effects on the liver are *slight* for the association between 1,1-  
6984 dichloroethane and adverse hepatic effects. Several high- and medium-quality studies in rats and mice  
6985 found associations between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and increased liver weights, serum enzymes,  
6986 and/or histopathology changes following inhalation, oral, and intraperitoneal injection exposures. Based  
6987 on these studies, EPA determined that the animal evidence for adverse effects on the liver are *moderate*  
6988 for the association between 1,2-dichloroethane and adverse hepatic effects.

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6990 Overall, EPA concluded that evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane  
6991 exposure or 1,2-dichloroethane cause hepatic toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.

#### 6992 **5.2.3.1.6 Nutritional/Metabolic**

##### 6993 *Humans*

6994 EPA did not identify epidemiological studies that evaluated any potential nutritional/metabolic hazards  
6995 for 1,1- or 1,2-dichloroethane.

##### 6997 *Laboratory Animals*

6998 A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that  
6999 indicated nutritional/metabolic effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were also  
7000 identified that demonstrate nutritional/metabolic effects following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.

##### 7002 *Oral*

7003 In the short-term [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) 10 day oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats,  
7004 administered 1,1-dichloroethane at a dose of 0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 or 80,00 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in a  
7005 dose-dependent decreases in body weight at doses  $\geq 1000$  mg/kg-bw/day with rats in the 2,000 and 4,000  
7006 mg/kg-bw/day dosage groups not gaining any weight during the 10 day exposure period. All rats in the  
7007 8000 mg/kg-bw/day exposure group died within 24 hours of dosing.

7009 In the subchronic study by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), male Sprague-Dawley rats, administered 1,1-  
7010 dichloroethane via oral gavage for 5 days/week for 13 weeks at a dose of 0, 500, 1,000, 2,000, or 4,000  
7011 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in the rats receiving 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day, the highest dose, experienced body  
7012 weight gain consistently lower than that of controls and the other treated groups. This effect was  
7013 accompanied by a progressive increase in the number of deaths, from the initial week of exposure until  
7014 week 11, when the seven surviving 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day treated rats were terminated. One death  
7015 occurred in the 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day group during the sixth week of 1,1-dichloroethane treatment with  
7016 body weight gain significantly lower than controls from the fourth week until the end of the 13-week  
7017 study. There were no fatalities in the 500 or 1,000 mg/kg-bw/day groups were observed and no  
7018 reductions in body weight gain were seen as compared to controls.

7020 In the study by [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#), pregnant SD rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane via oral gavage  
7021 exhibited a decrease in absolute maternal body weight during GD 6-21 relative to controls. The short-  
7022 term [NTP \(1978\)](#) preliminary dose-range finding study in male and female Osborne-Mendel rats  
7023 gavaged with 0, 40, 63, 100, 150 or 251 mg/kg-bw/day of 1,2-dichloroethane for 5 days/week for 6  
7024 weeks suggested body weight effects during exposure, however, due to the lack of quantitative data  
7025 provided in the study report, a thorough evaluation of the data could not be performed.

##### 7027 *Inhalation*

7028 The inhalation study by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) that exposed nonpregnant female rats for 7 hours/day for  
7029 10 days or pregnant rats on GD 6 to 15 to 1,1-dichloroethane identified decreased maternal body weight  
7030 gains at 3800 ppm (15,372 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

##### 7032 *Mechanistic*

7033 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential nutritional/metabolic hazards for  
7034 1,1- or 1,2-dichloroethane.

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**Evidence Integration Summary**

There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for either 1,1- or 1,2-dichloroethane and therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloroethane may cause nutritional/metabolic changes in humans.

An evaluation of 1,1-dichloroethane animal studies identified an induction of body weight decrements in rats at high gavage exposures ( $\geq 2,000$  mg/kg-bw/day) and in one dog exposed by inhalation (1,067 ppm). No body weight effects were seen, however, in mice or in rats at lower exposure levels. Thus, the evidence for nutritional/metabolic effects due to 1,1-dichloroethane is considered *moderate*.

The evidence is considered *slight* for animal studies for 1,2-dichloroethane based on decreased body weight as reported in mice and guinea pigs exposed by inhalation and rats and mice exposed orally to 1,2-dichloroethane in high- and medium-quality studies. Several high- and medium-quality studies in a few species via various routes of exposure also reported no effect on body weight, sometimes at lower exposure levels and/or shorter exposure durations to 1,2-dichloroethane.

Overall, EPA concluded that evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes body weight decrements under relevant exposure circumstances. EPA also concluded that the evidence suggests, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause nutritional/ metabolic effects under relevant exposure conditions.

**5.2.3.1.7 Respiratory**

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**Humans**

EPA did not identify epidemiological studies that evaluated any potential respiratory hazards for 1,1- or 1,2-dichloroethane.

**Laboratory Animals**

A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies did not identify studies that indicated respiratory effects following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were identified that demonstrate respiratory effects following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.

**Oral**

In the study by [Salovsky et al. \(2002\)](#), a single oral dose of 136 mg/kg-bw 1,2-dichloroethane in male Wistar rats resulted in increased total number of cells in the bronchioalveolar lavage fluid (BALF) of male Wistar rats at 30 days after dosing. Non-inflammatory histological changes such as cyanosis, interstitial edema, vacuolar changes, desquamative changes, atelectasis and alveolar macrophage proliferation were also seen in the lungs. Inflammatory histological such as macrophage proliferation that was mixed with a small number of neutrophils and eosinophils) occurred in the peribronchial (mild degree on day 5 and mild-moderate on days 15 and 30), interstitial (mild-moderate on days 5 and 30 and moderate on day 15), and interbronchial (mild on day 1, mild-moderate on day 5) regions. These histological data were only presented qualitatively.

**Inhalation**

In the acute [Dow Chemical \(2006b\)](#) inhalation study, histological changes and injury were identified in the olfactory mucosa of F344/DUCRL rats exposed for 4 or 8 hours to 1,2-dichloroethane vapor at 100 and 200 ppm, respectively.

**Mechanistic**



7083 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential respiratory hazards for 1,1- or 1,2-  
7084 dichloroethane.

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### 7086 ***Evidence Integration Summary***

7087 There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for 1,1-dichloroethane and  
7088 therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-  
7089 dichloroethane may cause respiratory tract changes in humans. Additionally, there were no human  
7090 epidemiological nor mechanistic studies identified for 1,2-dichloroethane and therefore, there is  
7091 *indeterminate* human evidence to assess whether 1,2-dichloroethane may cause respiratory tract changes  
7092 in humans.

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7094 Evidence based on animal studies was *indeterminate* as no studies were identified that indicated as  
7095 association between respiratory tract effects and 1,1-dichloroethane exposure.

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7097 In a high-quality study, an association between 1,2-dichloroethane inhalation exposure and nasal lesions  
7098 was observed in rats exposed to concentrations  $\geq 435$  mg/m<sup>3</sup> ( $\geq 107.5$  ppm). Although one medium-  
7099 quality study reported lung lesions in rats after a single gavage dose, high- and medium- quality studies  
7100 of longer duration and higher doses, as well as a high-quality study of acute inhalation exposure, did not  
7101 show effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on lower respiratory tract tissues of rats. Based on this, evidence  
7102 from animal studies was considered *slight to moderate*.

7103

7104 Overall, EPA concluded that the evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure  
7105 may cause respiratory tract toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances. EPA also concluded that the  
7106 evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause lower respiratory  
7107 tract effects under relevant exposure conditions.

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### **5.2.3.1.8 Mortality**

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#### 7109 ***Humans***

7110 EPA did not identify epidemiological studies that evaluated any potential mortality hazards for 1,1-  
7111 dichloroethane. EPA identified two limited retrospective cohort studies that found no increase in  
7112 mortality of workers from either petrochemical or herbicide manufacturing plants with presumed  
7113 exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane relative to the general U.S. population ([BASF, 2005](#); [Teta et al., 1991](#)).

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#### 7115 ***Laboratory Animals***

7116 A review of high and medium quality acute, subchronic, and chronic studies identified studies that  
7117 indicated mortality following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and studies were also identified that  
7118 demonstrate mortality following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.

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#### 7120 ***Oral***

7121 In the acute [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) single dose oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats were  
7122 administered a single dose of 0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000, 8,000, 12,000, or 16,000 mg/kg bw and observed  
7123 for 2 weeks. Mortality was increased in a dose-dependent manner at concentrations  $\geq 4000$  mg/kg-bw.

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7125 In the short-term [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) 10-day oral gavage study, male Sprague-Dawley rats,  
7126 administered 1,1-dichloroethane at a dose of 0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 or 8,000 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in all  
7127 rats at the 8000 mg/kg-bw/day dose died within 24 hours of dosing.

7128

7129 In the subchronic study by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), male Sprague-Dawley rats, administered 1,1-  
7130 dichloroethane via oral gavage for 5 days/week for 13 weeks at a dose of 0, 500, 1,000, 2,000, or 4,000

7131 mg/kg-bw/day resulted in 1/15 animals dying in the 2000 mg/kg bw dose group and 8/15 animals dying  
7132 in the 4,000 mg/kg bw dose group, which resulted in early termination of the highest dose group at 11  
7133 weeks.

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7135 The short-term 10 day oral gavage study in male Wistar rats by [van Esch et al. \(1977\)](#) dosed at 0, 3, 10,  
7136 30, 100, or 300 mg/kg-bw/day 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in death of all animals in the 300 mg/kg-  
7137 bw/day exposure group.

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### 7139 ***Inhalation***

7140 In the study by [Francovitch et al. \(1986\)](#), male CD-1 mice treated with 1,2-dichloroethane for 4 hours  
7141 via inhalation resulted in a dose-related increase in mortality beginning at a concentration of 1000 ppm  
7142 (4050 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

7143

7144 Male SD rats exposed via inhalation to 1,2-dichloroethane for 7 hours/day for 5 days/weeks resulted in  
7145 the occurrence of mortality starting at 304 ppm (1230 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) ([Igwe et al., 1986b](#)).

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7147 Female SD rats exposed to 300 ppm (1210 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in increased incidences  
7148 in mortality in dams when exposed for 10 days during GD 6 to 15 ([Rao et al., 1980](#)). Additionally, in  
7149 [Rao et al. \(1980\)](#), New Zealand white rabbits treated with 1,2-dichloroethane for 7 hours/day during the  
7150 13 days of GD 6-18 also showed increased incidences of maternal mortality beginning at the exposure  
7151 concentration of 100 ppm (405 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

7152

7153 In the study by [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#), female SD rats treated with 1,2-dichlorethnae resulted in increased  
7154 incidence of maternal death at a LOAEL of 329 ppm (1330 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

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### 7156 ***Mechanistic***

7157 EPA did not identify mechanistic studies that evaluated any potential mortality hazards for 1,1-or 1,2-  
7158 dichloroethane.

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### 7160 ***Evidence Integration Summary***

7161 There were no human epidemiological nor mechanistic studies available for 1,1-dichlorethane and  
7162 therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence and mechanistic support to assess whether 1,1-  
7163 dichloroethane may cause mortality in humans. Limited epidemiological data show no increase in  
7164 mortality among workers with presumed exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane but are insufficient to draw any  
7165 broader conclusions. Therefore, there is *indeterminate* human evidence to assess whether 1,2-  
7166 dichloroethane may cause mortality in humans. There were no mechanistic studies available for 1,2-  
7167 dichlorethane and therefore, there is *indeterminate* mechanistic support to assess whether 1,2-  
7168 dichloroethane may cause mortality in humans.

7169

7170 The evidence in laboratory animals is *robust* based on an evaluation of studies that identified the  
7171 occurrence of mortalities in several species of animal exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane (≥1000 mg/kg-bw)  
7172 via gavage in high quality studies. Evidence was also considered *robust* with regard to animal studies of  
7173 1,2-dichloroethane as treatment-related increases in the incidence of mortality were observed in several  
7174 animal species exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane via inhalation, oral, or dermal exposure for acute, short-  
7175 term/intermediate, or chronic durations in multiple studies.

7176

7177 Overall, EPA concluded that the evidence indicates that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure is likely to cause  
7178 death under relevant exposure circumstances and the evidence also indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane

7179 may cause death under relevant exposure circumstances and lethal levels have been identified in animal  
7180 studies.

#### 7181 **5.2.4 Genotoxicity Hazard Identification and Evidence Integration**

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7182 Genotoxicity hazard identification and evidence integration for 1,1-dichloroethane and the identified  
7183 analog 1,2-dichloroethane can be found in Appendix M.6 and M.7.2. Mutagenicity and genotoxicity data  
7184 for 1,1-dichloroethane are very limited and consist of a small number of genotoxicity experiments.  
7185 Available information shows that 1,1-dichloroethane induces DNA repair and binds to DNA in liver  
7186 cells, and that it induces chromosomal aberrations and micronuclei in bone marrow. Overall, the  
7187 available data provide limited support for the genotoxicity of 1,1-dichloroethane. For more details, see  
7188 Table\_Apx M-40 and Table\_Apx M-41 showing the results of *in vitro* and *in vivo* genotoxicity, and cell  
7189 transformation assays of 1,1-dichloroethane. However, the [Milman et al. \(1988\)](#) study with a High  
7190 systematic review rating demonstrated positive findings in the Ames assay with and without metabolic  
7191 activation.

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7193 Evidence from *in vivo* studies using multiple animal species and routes of exposure and *in vitro* studies  
7194 using multiple test systems indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane and/or its metabolites can induce mutations,  
7195 chromosomal aberrations, DNA damage, and DNA adducts in certain test systems. The available data  
7196 show that biotransformation of 1,2-dichloroethane to reactive metabolites via a major CYP450-mediated  
7197 oxidative pathway and a minor glutathione conjugation pathway contributes to the observed effects.  
7198 There are species-, sex-, tissue-, and dose-related differences in the interactions between 1,2-  
7199 dichloroethane and/or its metabolites and DNA.

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7201 For more details, see Appendix M.7.2 that provides a summary of the studies identified for *in vitro* and  
7202 *in vivo* genotoxicity, and cell transformation assays of 1,2-dichloroethane.

#### 7203 **5.2.5 Cancer Hazard Identification, Mode of Action (MOA) Summary and Evidence** 7204 **Integration**

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##### 7205 **5.2.5.1 Cancer Hazard Identification and Evidence Integration**

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7206 Appendix M.7 provides hazard identification and evidence integration for cancer for 1,1-dichloroethane  
7207 and the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane.

##### 7208 **5.2.5.1.1 Human Evidence**

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###### 7209 ***Human Evidence for 1,1-Dichloroethane***

7210 EPA did not locate any human epidemiology studies for 1,1-dichloroethane that could be utilized for a  
7211 cancer dose response analysis, and the overall 1,1-dichloroethane cancer epidemiology literature is  
7212 considered indeterminate. A study of ambient air concentration estimates of 1,1-dichloroethane and  
7213 breast cancer in women in the United States did not find significantly increased risk in the upper four  
7214 quintiles of exposure when compared individually to the first quintile, nor did the study find  
7215 significantly increased risk when the case definition of breast cancer only included those tumors that  
7216 were estrogen-receptor positive ([Niehoff et al., 2019](#)). An additional study, [Garcia et al. \(2015\)](#)  
7217 investigated cancer risk based on female teachers in California's exposure to ambient air concentrations  
7218 of 1,1-dichloroethane broken into quintiles, and also generally did not provide adequate evidence of  
7219 carcinogenicity. The study did not find evidence of increased risk of breast cancer in the upper four  
7220 quintiles of exposure when compared individually to the first quintile in the full study population, but  
7221 did find limited increased risk for breast cancer when defining cases of breast cancer as those with  
7222 tumors that were either estrogen-receptor positive or progesterone-receptor positive (ER+/PR+), and  
7223 when defining cases of breast cancer as only those cases that were not currently using hormone therapy.

7224 However, this increased risk was only observed in quintiles three and four of exposure but not quintile  
7225 five for the ER+/PR+ case definition subset, and only observed in quintile three of exposure but not  
7226 quintiles four or five for the subset not currently using hormone therapy. Therefore, the evidence of 1,1-  
7227 dichloroethane carcinogenicity from the human study data is inadequate to draw definitive conclusions.  
7228

#### 7229 ***Human Evidence for 1,2-Dichloroethane***

7230 The 1,2-dichloroethane human epidemiology literature is similarly indeterminate as to whether 1,2-  
7231 dichloroethane exposure causes cancer due to a lack of published studies. A few studies showed  
7232 significant relationships between 1,2-dichloroethane and certain types of cancers, however these  
7233 relationships existed in very specific subgroups and were not consistent across exposure groups, which  
7234 limits our ability to draw conclusions from their results. For example, although [Niehoff et al. \(2019\)](#)  
7235 found a slight increase in the risk for ER+ invasive breast cancer in the fourth quintile of exposure as  
7236 compared with the first, this relationship was not significant in the fifth quintile of exposure as  
7237 compared with the first. This study also did not find a significant relationship between 1,2-  
7238 dichloroethane exposure and overall incidence of breast cancer, which was consistent with the only  
7239 other study investigating this relationship ([Garcia et al., 2015](#)). Similarly, 1,2-dichloroethane exposure  
7240 was associated with a borderline significant increase in pancreatic cancer, but only among Black females  
7241 with low estimated exposure intensity (and not medium or high exposure intensity) ([Kernan et al.,](#)  
7242 [1999](#)). Studies of brain cancer and kidney cancer showed no significant relationship with 1,2-  
7243 dichloroethane exposure ([Dosemeci et al., 1999](#); [Austin and Schnatter, 1983](#)).  
7244

7245 Another study observed higher incidence of all-cause cancer than was expected in a cohort of workers  
7246 when compared to the general population, but the statistical significance of this result was not reported,  
7247 and the significance of all-cause cancer is not clear ([BASF, 2005](#)). This same study looked at many  
7248 specific cancer SIRs as well, but none were statistically significantly elevated except for prostate cancer,  
7249 which no other studies in the literature reported observing. [Sobel et al. \(1987\)](#) did not show a statistically  
7250 significant relationship between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and soft-tissue sarcoma, but also had very  
7251 low statistical power with a sample size of seven 1,2-dichloroethane exposed participants. In general,  
7252 more studies would be needed to draw conclusions about the weight of evidence for the relationship  
7253 between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and cancer from the epidemiologic literature, and none of the  
7254 existing studies measured exposure in a way that could be used to estimate a quantitative dose-response  
7255 relationship.

#### 7256 **5.2.5.1.2 Animal Evidence**

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##### 7257 ***Animal Evidence for 1,1-Dichloroethane***

7259 The [NCI \(1978\)](#) cancer study on 1,1-dichloroethane in Osborne-Mendel rats provides limited evidence  
7260 of the carcinogenicity based on significant dose-related increases in the incidence of hemangiosarcomas  
7261 at various sites and mammary carcinomas in female rats, neither of which were observed in male rats.  
7262 However, the high incidence of pneumonia and deaths in all groups prevented the use of the data for  
7263 calculation of oral slope factors. Technical grade 1,1-dichloroethane in corn oil was administered by  
7264 gavage 5 days/week for 78 weeks to groups of rats/sex/dose. In male rats, survival at 111 weeks was low  
7265 at 30, 5, 4, and 8 percent (untreated control, the vehicle control, the low-dose, and the high- dose groups,  
7266 respectively). In female rat groups survival was also low at 40, 20, 16, and 18 percent (untreated control,  
7267 vehicle control, low- and high-dose groups, respectively). For hemangiosarcomas, the incidence in  
7268 female rats there was a statistically significant positive dose-related trend at 0/19 for matched vehicle  
7269 controls, 0/50 for the low-dose group, and 4/50 for the high-dose group. In female rats, the incidence of  
7270 mammary gland adenocarcinomas was 1/20 for the untreated group, 0/19 for the vehicle control group,

7271 1/50 for low-dose, and 5/50 for high-dose groups which showed a statistically significant dose-related  
7272 positive trend in rats surviving at least 52 weeks.

7273  
7274 The [NCI \(1978\)](#) cancer study on 1,1-dichloroethane in B6C3F1 mice revealed a statistically significant  
7275 increase in benign uterine endometrial stromal polyps (4/46) in high-dose females, which were not  
7276 observed in any other group. However, pre-cancerous endometrial polyps are not a tissue growth  
7277 amenable to calculate cancer slope factors. In the study, groups of 50 B6C3F1 mice/sex/group were  
7278 administered technical grade 1,1-dichloroethane in corn oil by gavage 5 days/week for 70 weeks with 20  
7279 mice/sex/group in the control groups. In female mice, survival at termination was 80, 80, 80, and 50  
7280 percent for the untreated control group, the vehicle control group, the low-, and high-dose groups,  
7281 respectively. Survival in male mice was 35, 55, 62, and 32 percent in the untreated control group, the  
7282 vehicle control group, the low-, and high-dose groups, respectively. Liver carcinomas were reported in  
7283 only the vehicle control (1/19) and the low-dose groups (1/47) in female mice, no liver tumors were seen  
7284 in the untreated controls or in the high-dose group. The incidence of hepatocellular carcinomas in male  
7285 mice surviving at least 52 weeks was 1/19, 6/72, 8/48, and 8/32 in the matched vehicle control group  
7286 with a statistically significant trend test, a pooled vehicle control group consisting of mice from this  
7287 group and identical controls from other concurrent experiments, and the low-, and high- dose groups,  
7288 respectively. However, an increased incidence of hepatocellular carcinoma in male mice was not  
7289 statistically significant by either pair-wise or trend test at 2/17 in the untreated control group, 1/19 in the  
7290 vehicle control group, 8/49 in the low-dose, and 8/47 in the high-dose groups.

7291  
7292 Because the cancer studies for 1,1-dichloroethane were not usable for the cancer assessment, the cancer  
7293 data for the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane was identified and evaluated in Appendix M.7

7294  
7295 There is no reliable cancer study via the inhalation route for 1,1-dichloroethane, so the cancer data for  
7296 1,2-dichloroethane was utilized for the inhalation route by the same read-across rationale as for the oral  
7297 route. The 1,2-dichloroethane inhalation cancer study produced some of the same tumors as observed in  
7298 the 1,2-dichloroethane oral cancer study. The highest estimated inhalation unit risk (IUR) is  $7.1 \times 10^{-6}$   
7299 (per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) for combined mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and  
7300 subcutaneous fibromas in female rats in the inhalation study by [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#).

7301  
7302 The [NTP \(1978\)](#) cancer study for 1,2-dichloroethane in Osborne-Mendel rats and B6C3F1 mice  
7303 provides evidence of the carcinogenicity treated by oral gavage for 78 weeks. Male rats had significantly  
7304 increased incidence of forestomach squamous-cell carcinomas and circulatory system  
7305 hemangiosarcomas. Significant increases in mammary adenocarcinoma incidence in female rats and  
7306 mice were observed. Alveolar/bronchiolar adenomas developed in mice of both sexes and females  
7307 developed endometrial stromal polyps and sarcomas, while males developed hepatocellular carcinomas.  
7308 The high incidence of death in the rat study caused it to have an uninformative rating in systematic  
7309 review so cancer slope factors were not modeled from this data set.

#### 7310 **5.2.5.2 Mode of Action (MOA) Summary**

7311 The [U.S. EPA \(2005b\)](#) *Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment* defines mode of action as “a  
7312 sequence of key events and processes, starting with the interaction of an agent with a cell, proceeding  
7313 through operational and anatomical changes and resulting in cancer formation.”

7314  
7315 Appendix M.7 provides hazard identification and evidence integration for cancer for 1,1-dichloroethane  
7316 and the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane. A limited number of *in vitro* and *in vivo* experiments on  
7317 1,1-dichloroethane genotoxicity are available. *In vitro* experiments include two bacterial mutagenicity  
7318 studies, a study of chromosomal aberrations in mammalian cells, studies of DNA repair in mouse and



7319 rat, hepatocytes studies of mammalian cell transformation, a test of chromosome malsegregation in  
7320 fungi, and a study of cell-free DNA binding. *In vivo* experiments include two DNA binding assays and a  
7321 bone marrow chromosomal aberration assay. The 1988 Milman study (1988) demonstrated positive  
7322 findings in the Ames assay with and without metabolic activation. The 2004 Zabrodskii study  
7323 demonstrated immunotoxicity as well (Zabrodskii et al., 2004). Immunotoxicity was also demonstrated  
7324 for the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane (Munson et al., 1982). Both mutagenicity and  
7325 immunosuppression are accepted mechanisms for tumorigenesis.

### 7326 **Overall MOA Conclusions**

7328 Animal studies provide limited evidence that 1,1-dichloroethane may cause cancer in rodents. Rats and  
7329 mice exposed via gavage for 78 weeks exhibited a positive dose-related trend in the incidence of liver  
7330 tumors in male mice as well as mammary gland tumors and hemangiosarcomas in female rats. Poor  
7331 survival in both control and treated rats limits the validity of these results. The mouse cancer study  
7332 indicated that 1,1-dichloroethane produced pre-cancerous endometrial polyps. Cancer mode-of-action  
7333 data for 1,1-dichloroethane are limited and consist of a small number of genotoxicity experiments. The  
7334 Milman initiation-promotion study in rats indicated that 1,1-dichloroethane is a liver tumor promotor  
7335 when dosed at 700 mg/kg/day for 7 weeks and it was positive in the Ames assay with and without  
7336 metabolic activation (Milman et al., 1988).

7337  
7338 In summary, MOA information pertaining specifically to tissues susceptible to tumor formation after  
7339 exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane (*e.g.*, liver, mammary, blood) is limited to studies showing that 1,1-  
7340 dichloroethane induces DNA repair and binds to DNA in liver cells, and that it induces chromosomal  
7341 aberrations and micronuclei in bone marrow. These data are not sufficient to determine the mode of  
7342 action for any tumor type associated with exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. Alkyl halides such as 1,1-  
7343 dichloroethane are known to be DNA alkylating agents. Overall, the available data provide limited  
7344 support for the genotoxicity of 1,1-dichloroethane and with immunosuppression as an alternative mode  
7345 of carcinogenic action (Zabrodskii et al., 2004).

### 7346 **5.2.5.3 Weight of Scientific Evidence**

#### 7347 **Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions**

7348 There are no human epidemiology studies that were amenable to dose-response analysis; however,  
7349 studies in rats and mice were available for 1,1-dichloroethane and its analog 1,2-dichloroethane.

7350  
7351 Chronic cancer studies performed by NCI (1978) on 1,1-dichloroethane qualitatively resulted in the  
7352 same tumor types or pre-cancerous lesions as seen in the bioassays of the similar isomer 1,2-  
7353 dichloroethane (*i.e.*, hepatocellular carcinomas, endometrial polyps, hemangiosarcomas, etc). However,  
7354 the rat studies for both chemicals were not utilized for cancer slope factor derivation due to the  
7355 excessive animal deaths and pre-cancerous endometrial polyps in mice for 1,1-dichloroethane are not  
7356 considered for cancer slope factor analysis.

7357  
7358 The cancer classification of 1,1-dichloroethane is Group C, a possible human carcinogen, based on  
7359 similarities in chemical structure and target organs with the carcinogenic evidence for the identified  
7360 analog 1,2-dichloroethane with an oral slope factor of  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  (mg/kg)/day from reliable dose response  
7361 data on hepatocellular carcinomas in male mice (U.S. EPA, 1987a). In context, the oral slope factor for  
7362 rats for 1,2-dichloroethane was a similar value of  $9.1 \times 10^{-2}$  (mg/kg)/day based on a common tumor of  
7363 hemangiosarcomas in rats. The Nagano et al. (2006) inhalation study for 1,2-dichloroethane provided a  
7364 reliable IUR value for risk evaluation. Considering that 1,2-dichloroethane is categorized to be a more  
7365 potent carcinogen than 1,1-dichloroethane by OncoLogic and that vicinal dihalides such as 1,2-  
7366 dichloroethane are more reactive than geminal dihalides such as 1,1-dichloroethane, utilizing the oral



7367 slope factor and IUR value from 1,2-dichloroethane for 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation is considered  
7368 to be human health protective.

### 7369 **5.2.6 Dose-Response Assessment**

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7370 According to the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical*  
7371 *Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b), hazard endpoints that receive evidence integration judgments of  
7372 *demonstrates* and *likely* are considered for dose-response analysis. Endpoints with *suggestive* evidence  
7373 can be considered on a case-by-case basis. Studies that received high or medium overall quality  
7374 determinations (or low-quality studies if no other data are available) with adequate quantitative  
7375 information and sufficient sensitivity can be compared.

7376  
7377 The only hazard outcome category for which evidence *demonstrates* or is *likely* for 1,1-dichloroethane  
7378 to cause the effect in humans was for mortality. Therefore, hazard outcomes that received *suggestive*  
7379 judgements would then be the most robust evidence integration decisions in the case of 1,1-  
7380 dichloroethane. These evidence, however, were identified as suggestive but not conclusive or inadequate  
7381 regarding 1,1-dichloroethane. This limitation necessitated the utilization of an integration of  
7382 data from both 1,1-dichloroethane and the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane to provide a more adequate  
7383 weight of evidence evaluation of comprehensive toxicological endpoints. As the health effect with the  
7384 most robust and sensitive POD among these *suggestive* outcomes were derived from 1,2-  
7385 dichloroethane, these data were used for risk characterization for each exposure scenario to be protective  
7386 of other adverse effects as described in the sections below.

7387  
7388 Data for the dose-response assessment were selected from oral and inhalation toxicity studies in animals  
7389 specifically from 1,2-dichloroethane. Additionally, no usable PBPK models are available to extrapolate  
7390 between animal and human doses or between routes of exposure using 1,1- or 1,2-dichloroethane-  
7391 specific information. The PODs estimated based on effects in animals were converted to HEDs or CSFs  
7392 for the oral and dermal routes and HECs or IURs for the inhalation route. For this conversion, EPA used  
7393 guidance from U.S. EPA (2011b) to allometrically scale oral data between animals and humans.  
7394 Although the guidance is specific for the oral route, EPA used the same HEDs and CSFs for the dermal  
7395 route of exposure as the oral route because the extrapolation from oral to dermal routes is done using the  
7396 human oral doses, which do not need to be scaled across species. EPA accounts for dermal absorption in  
7397 the dermal exposure estimates, which can then be directly compared to the dermal HEDs.

7398  
7399 For the inhalation route, EPA extrapolated the daily oral HEDs and CSFs to HECs and IURs using  
7400 human body weight and breathing rate relevant to a continuous exposure of an individual at rest. For  
7401 consistency, all HEDs and the CSF are expressed as daily doses and all HECs are based on daily,  
7402 continuous concentrations (24 hours per day) using a breathing rate for individuals at rest. Adjustments  
7403 to exposure durations, exposure frequencies, and breathing rates are made in the exposure estimates used  
7404 to calculate risks for individual exposure scenarios.

7405  
7406 The endpoints of concern for 1,1-dichloroethane (based on read across from 1,2-dichloroethane includes  
7407 renal/kidney, nasal, neurological, immune system, reproductive effects and cancer. These data were used  
7408 for risk characterization for each exposure scenario to be protective of other adverse effects as described  
7409 in the sections below. The health effects identified as suggestive and evaluated for dose response were  
7410 renal, immunological, neurological, reproductive/developmental and hepatic.

#### 7411 **5.2.6.1 Selection of Studies and Endpoints for Non-cancer Toxicity**

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7412 The following subsections provide a description of the selection of critical non-cancer PODs for acute,  
7413 short-term/subchronic and chronic exposures for 1,1-dichloroethane (using data for the analog 1,2-

dichloroethane to fill data gaps). The sections provide a summary of the evaluation of the possible PODs and the rationale for selection of the critical study (and POD) in a series of tables. The tables are intended to streamline the text of this draft RE. Appendix M.2 provides the details of the non-cancer dose response assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane and the analog 1,2-dichloroethane.

For the 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation, all data considered for PODs are obtained from animal toxicity studies in rats or mice. EPA used dichotomous models to fit quantal data (e.g., incidences of tumors) and continuous models to fit continuous data (e.g., body and organ weights), as recommended by EPA's BMD Technical Guidance ([U.S. EPA, 2012b](#)). The BMDs/BMDLs (benchmark doses lower 95 percent confidence limit) are provided based on a daily exposure (i.e., seven days per week) for easier comparison across all hazard endpoints and thus, doses were adjusted as needed before BMD modeling. EPA modeled endpoints that had statistically significant pairwise comparisons between individual doses and controls or significant dose-response trends. EPA also considered potential biologically significant changes from controls where possible and/or that appeared to exhibit a dose-response relationship upon visual inspection. Multiple health endpoints may have been modeled from each study, depending on the relevance of the data to adverse health outcomes and to identify sensitive health endpoints for each domain.

EPA relied on the BMD guidance and other information to choose benchmark responses (BMRs) appropriate for each endpoint. Although the BMD Technical Guidance doesn't recommend default BMRs, it describes how various BMD modeling results compare with NOAEL values, and the guidance does recommend calculating 10 percent extra risk (ER) for quantal data and one standard deviation (SD) for continuous data to compare modeling results across endpoints. EPA also modeled percent relative deviations (RD) for certain continuous endpoints such as a BMR for decreased sperm concentration at five percent, as this was considered biologically relevant. EPA's choice of BMRs for the 1,1-dichloroethane health endpoints are described in more detail in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Benchmark Dose Modeling* ([U.S. EPA, 2024c](#)) that present BMD modeling results for each health domain.

#### 5.2.6.1.1 Uncertainty Factors Used for Non-cancer Endpoints

For the non-cancer health effects, EPA applied specific uncertainty factors (UF) to identify benchmark MOEs for acute, short term, and chronic exposure durations for each exposure route among studies that are used to estimate risks. [U.S. EPA \(1993a\)](#) and [U.S. EPA \(2002b\)](#) further discuss use of UFs in human health hazard dose-response assessment. A total uncertainty factor for each POD is calculated by multiplication of each of the five individual uncertainty factors. These uncertainty factors and their use in risk characterization is further described in Section 5.3.1.1. In general, the higher the total uncertainty factor applied to a POD to identify a benchmark MOE, the higher the uncertainty in the hazard value. The following five individual UFs are considered for each of the PODs identified for use in risk estimation. In the case of 1,1-dichloroethane, the database uncertainty factor was not used for any of the PODs.

##### 1. Interspecies Uncertainty Factor (UFA) of 3

EPA uses data from oral toxicity studies in animals to derive relevant HEDs, and ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)) recommends allometric scaling (using the  $\frac{3}{4}$  power of body weight) to account for interspecies toxicokinetics differences for oral data. When applying allometric scaling, EPA guidance recommends reducing the UFA from 10 to 3. The remaining uncertainty is associated with interspecies differences in toxicodynamics. EPA also uses a UFA of 3 for the inhalation HED that accounts for dosimetric adjustment and dermal HED values as these values are derived from the oral HED.

7462  
7463 **2. Intraspecies Uncertainty Factor (UF<sub>H</sub>) of 10**

7464 EPA uses a default UF<sub>H</sub> of 10 to account for variation in sensitivity within human populations  
7465 due to limited information regarding the degree to which human variability may impact the  
7466 disposition of or response to, 1,2-dichloroethane.  
7467

7468 **3. LOAEL-to-NOAEL Uncertainty Factor (UF<sub>L</sub>) of 1 or 3**

7469 For the PODs chosen to calculate risks based on BMDL values, EPA used a UF<sub>L</sub> of 1. EPA  
7470 compared these values with other endpoints that were based on LOAELs, which used a UF<sub>L</sub> of 3  
7471 to account for the uncertainty inherent in extrapolating from the LOAEL to the NOAEL.  
7472

7473 **4. Subchronic-to-Chronic Duration Uncertainty Factor (UFs) of 10**

7474 EPA uses a default of 10 to account for extrapolating from data obtained in a study with less-  
7475 than-lifetime (subchronic) exposure to lifetime (chronic) exposure. A default value of 10 for this  
7476 UF is applied to the NOAEL/LOAEL or BMDL/BMCL from the subchronic study on the  
7477 assumption that effects from a given compound in a subchronic study occur at a 10-fold higher  
7478 concentration than in a corresponding (but absent) chronic study.  
7479

7480 **5. Database Uncertainty Factor (UF<sub>D</sub>) of 1**

7481 EPA considers the application of a database UF to account for the potential for deriving an  
7482 under-protective POD due to an incomplete characterization of the chemical's toxicity. As the  
7483 database for 1,2-dichloroethane possesses data that informs several toxicological endpoints, a UF<sub>D</sub>  
7484 of 1 was applied.  
7485

7486 **5.2.6.1.2 Non-cancer PODs for Acute Exposures**

7487 ***Oral***

7488 Table 5-42 shows the recommended acute oral study and POD (in consideration of both 1,1-  
7489 dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane toxicity data) followed by co-critical endpoints (PODs within the  
7490 range of the recommended study) and other studies considered in support of the recommended POD.  
7491

7492 ***1,1-Dichloroethane***

7493 Only the single-dose experiment by ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)) was considered as a potential study  
7494 adequate for evaluation of 1,1-dichloroethane toxicity and POD derivation following acute oral  
7495 exposures. A NOAEL of 1,000 mg/kg-bw and a LOAEL of 2,000 mg/kg-bw were identified based on  
7496 clinical signs of neurotoxicity characterized by the authors as "excitation followed by progressive motor  
7497 impairment and sedation." Although the acute-duration oral data are limited, the observation of central  
7498 nervous system or CNS effects is consistent with the past use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a human  
7499 anesthetic ([ATSDR, 2015](#)). This study, however, was not selected for the acute POD as this dose  
7500 approaches the LD<sub>50</sub> for 1,1-dichloroethane and the effect of sedation/CNS depression not a sensitive  
7501 endpoint, thus necessitating the integration of studies within the 1,2-dichloroethane database to identify  
7502 a more sensitive endpoint.  
7503

7504 The data available for 1,1-dichloroethane in [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) were near the LD<sub>50</sub> value and  
7505 were not considered appropriate for use for POD identification. For 1,2-dichloroethane, a total of four  
7506 oral animal toxicity studies are available, with three studies having medium or high data quality for  
7507 dose-response analysis and identification of the short-term/sub-chronic oral duration POD.  
7508

7509 There were two acute-duration oral studies of 1,1-dichloroethane that were rated acceptable based on  
7510 systematic review evaluation (Table\_Apx M-8): an acute lethality study in guinea pigs by ([Dow](#)  
7511 [Chemical, 1947](#)) and a single-dose lethality study in rats by([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)). The study by  
7512 ([Dow Chemical, 1947](#)), however, reported no details on the animal strain, sex, age, or condition; number  
7513 of animals tested; method of administration; or duration of follow-up. These limitations in the study  
7514 preclude its use for POD derivation.

### 7515 *1,2-Dichloroethane*

7516 When looking within the 1,2-dichloroethane study database, a greater number of toxicological endpoints  
7517 were identified. These studies were evaluated by systematic review and only 4 studies were considered  
7518 for the acute oral non-cancer dose assessment (Table\_Apx M-14). In [Cheever et al. \(1990\)](#), it was noted  
7519 that in a preliminary study on 4 month old Osborne-Mendel rats dosed with 150 mg/kg-bw by oral  
7520 gavage of radiolabeled 1,2-dichloroethane it was identified that the <sup>14</sup>C was almost completely  
7521 eliminated within 24 hours after administration. Elimination of the <sup>14</sup>C was found primarily in the urine  
7522 (49.7-51.5 percent), in expired air (35.5-39.6 percent) and only a small portion in the feces as detected as  
7523 <sup>14</sup>CO<sub>2</sub>. This suggested that the kidneys are a potential target due to oral exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane.  
7524

7525 In the [Morel et al. \(1999\)](#) acute single exposure oral gavage study in male Swiss OF1 mice treated with  
7526 0, 1000, or 1500 mg/kg-bw of 1,2-dichloroethane, a significant increase in damaged renal tubules  
7527 (7.66% vs. 0.32% in controls) was seen only seen in the highest dose group with the lowest dose already  
7528 above the limit dose. B6C3F1 mice in the [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) study that were administered a single oral  
7529 gavage dose at 0, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600 mg/kg-bw resulted in absolute kidney weights increased  
7530 at 300 mg/kg-bw doses and greater. Relative kidney weights in [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) were also increased  
7531 in the 300 mg/kg and higher dose groups along with serum BUN (serum BUN showed a trend increase  
7532 but the 300 mg/kg/day dose was not statistically significant to control at N = 5; however, the benchmark  
7533 dose [BMD] analysis using all data points together showed significance above 106 mg/kg/day). Thus,  
7534 based on both histological and clinical chemistry parameters, the [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) study based on  
7535 mice kidney weight was identified as the recommended candidate for the acute oral POD. To calculate  
7536 risks for the acute exposure duration in the risk evaluation, EPA used a daily HED of 19.9 mg/kg-bw  
7537 (based on a BMDL<sub>10%</sub> of 153 mg/kg-bw) from [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) and based on a significant (13  
7538 percent) increase in relative kidney weight in male B6C3F1 mice administered a single dose of 1,2-  
7539 dichloroethane at 100, 200, 300, or 400 mg/kg via oral gavage in corn oil. This study was given a high  
7540 overall quality determination and a UF of 30 was used for the benchmark MOE during risk  
7541 characterization (Table 5-49).  
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7543 Evaluation of the 1,2-dichloroethane studies also suggest the liver and respiratory system as targets of  
7544 oral 1-2-dichloroethane exposure. In the [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#) study, an acute single oral gavage to 1-2-  
7545 dichloroethane in CD-1 mice identified a LD<sub>50</sub> of 413 and 489 mg/kg for female and male mice,  
7546 respectively. Upon necropsy of these animals, it was identified that the lungs and liver appeared to be  
7547 the primary target organs.  
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7549 In support of liver toxicity, in the study by [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#), B6C3F1 mice were administered a single  
7550 dose of 1,2-dichloroethane at 100, 200, 300, or 400 mg/kg via oral gavage in corn oil and euthanized 4  
7551 hours later. It was identified that a statistically significant increase in DNA damage in hepatic nuclei was  
7552 present in all dose groups, as characterized by single-strand breaks, when compared to controls. The  
7553 study by [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) also indicated increased IDH (also known as sorbitol dehydrogenase, SDH)  
7554 and AAT (alanine aminotransferase) serum levels were also increased at the 200 mg/kg and higher doses  
7555 in the B6C3F1 mice. In [Cottalasso et al. \(2002\)](#), a single gavage of 628 mg/kg of 1,2-dichloroethane in  
7556 female Sprague-Dawley rats resulted in increased alanine aminotransferase (ALT), aspartate  
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7558 aminotransferase (AST), and lactate dehydrogenase as compared to controls. Additionally, histological  
7559 evaluation of the liver showed moderate steatosis. Increased malondialdehyde (MDA), a marker of lipid  
7560 peroxidation, was also seen in the treated animals when compared to controls. Although clinical  
7561 chemistry for liver enzyme-implicates liver injury due to 1,2-dichloroethane exposure, gross pathology  
7562 (changes in liver weight or quantified histological changes) was not identified.  
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7564 With regard to the respiratory system, only the study by [Salovsky et al. \(2002\)](#), a single oral dose of 136  
7565 mg/kg-bw 1,2-dichloroethane in male Wistar rats resulted in increased total number of cells in the  
7566 bronchioalveolar lavage fluid (BALF) of male Wister rats at 30 days after dosing. Histological changes  
7567 were only presented qualitatively. Thus, this study was not identified as the POD due to limited data that  
7568 was quantitative.  
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### 7570 **Inhalation**

7571 Table 5-43 shows the recommended acute inhalation study and POD for 1,1-dichloroethane (using 1,2-  
7572 dichloroethane data to read-across) followed by co-critical endpoints (PODs within the range of the  
7573 recommended study) and other studies considered in support of the recommended POD.  
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7575 No acute PODs were identified from studies for inhalation exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane. The 10-day  
7576 inhalation study by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) was not used because the effects on developing fetuses and/or  
7577 offspring are limited and inconclusive and were considered inadequate for derivation of an acute  
7578 inhalation POD, and because the only effect reported were decreases in maternal body weight which  
7579 occurred following 10-days of exposure. Likewise, a route-to-route extrapolation from the acute [Storer  
7580 et al. \(1984\)](#) oral study was not conducted given the differences in absorption rates across routes, method  
7581 of dosing effects on blood levels and hazards (*i.e.*, gavage bolus dose vs. slower inhalation dosing), the  
7582 lack of a PBPK model, and the inherent uncertainties when performing oral-to-inhalation route  
7583 extrapolations for a volatile solvent (*i.e.*, most of the oral dose is eliminated in expired air). Therefore,  
7584 there is inadequate data to identify an inhalation POD for the acute duration scenario. An 8-hour  
7585 inhalation study in male and female rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by [Dow Chemical \(2006b\)](#) was  
7586 used based on read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane. A BMCL<sub>10</sub> of 48.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup> and BMD of 81.4 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
7587 were identified based on degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory mucosa. The acute inhalation HEC  
7588 for occupational and continuous exposure of 10.14 ppm (41.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) and 2.42 ppm (9.78 mg/m<sup>3</sup>),  
7589 respectively, with a benchmark MOE of 30, was used for risk assessment of acute inhalation exposure  
7590 (Table 5-49). The resulting RGDR value of 0.2 is the combined value for male (0.25) and female (0.16)  
7591 F344 rats used to calculate HEC continuous ([U.S. EPA, 2012a](#)).  
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### 7593 **Dermal**

7594 No acute exposure studies on 1,1-dichloroethane via the dermal route were identified. Therefore, the  
7595 acute oral HED of 19.9 mg/kg-bw/day was extrapolated for the dermal route, with a benchmark MOE of  
7596 30, and was used for risk assessment of acute dermal exposures (Table 5-49).

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**Table 5-42. Acute Oral Non-cancer POD-Endpoint Selection Table**

Chemical/Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
POD selected for risk evaluation of non-cancer for acute oral exposures			
1,2-Dichloroethane, Kidney Weight	BMDL = 153 BMD = 270  NOAEL = 200 mg/kg; LOAEL = 300 mg/kg	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a> , Gavage, SR High  B6C3F1 Mice – Male Single exposure (0, 200, 300, 400, 500, or 600 mg/kg)	Single exposure study with a POD dose virtually identical to the POD dose where resorptions were observed. This POD is protective for other endpoints such as narcosis, BUN, IDH, resorptions, etc.  Death started at 400 mg/kg; LD <sub>50</sub> (males) = 450 mg/kg).
Co-critical studies			
1,2-Dichloroethane, Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)	NOAEL = 200 LOAEL = 300	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a> , Gavage, SR High  B6C3F1 Mice – Male Single exposure (0, 200, 300, 400, 500, or 600 mg/kg)	Adverse increase in BUN supporting kidney effects, not statistically significant due to low N=5.  The BMD10 for BUN was 55 which is far lower than the BUN NOAEL value of 200 mg/kg, thus the BMD10 value is not representative of the BUN data. Also, none of the models derived goodness-of-fit p-values for the means.
1,2-Dichloroethane, L-iditol dehydrogenase (IDH)	NOAEL = 200 LOAEL = 300	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a> , Gavage, SR High  B6C3F1 Mice – Male Single exposure (0, 200, 300, 400, 500, or 600 mg/kg)	Nine-fold adverse increase in IDH marker of tissue damage (associated mostly with kidney and liver damage), not statistically significant due to low N = 5.  Neither the constant nor nonconstant variance models provided adequate fit to the variance data. No model selected.
Other studies/endpoints considered			
1,1-Dichloroethane, CNS Depression/Sedation	NOAEL = 1,000 LOAEL = 2,000	<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium  SD Rats – Male Single exposure (0, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000, or 8,000 mg/kg)	1,2-Dichloroethane Oral LD <sub>50</sub> is 725 mg/kg (PubChem), so POD too near lethal doses. Narcosis is not a sensitive endpoint in the database. This is the only 1,2-dichloroethane study that passed SR with an acute oral POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Kidney Histopathology	NOAEL = 1,000 LOAEL = 1,500	<a href="#">Morel et al. (1999)</a> , Gavage, SR High  Swiss OF1 Mice – Male (0, 1,000, 1,500 mg/kg)	Significant increase in damaged renal tubules but lowest dose above the limit dose.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver Weight	LOAEL = 625	<a href="#">Moody et al. (1981)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium	Increased liver weight. Dose is not a sensitive endpoint.



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Chemical/Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
		SD Rats – Male Single exposure (0, 625 mg/kg)	
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver Clinical Chemistry	NOAEL = 134	<a href="#">Kitchin et al. (1993)</a> , Gavage, SR High  SD Rats – Female Single exposure (0, 134 mg/kg)	No effects reported. Inadequate dosing (too low).
1,2-Dichloroethane, Fetal Resorptions	NOAEL = 160 LOAEL = 200 (Data not amenable for BMD modeling)	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Gavage Pre-Natal Developmental, SR High  SD Rats – Female Dosing GD6–20 (0, 120, 160, 200, or 240 mg/kg)	The increases in non-implants and resorptions are difficult to interpret given the significant maternal toxicity at corresponding doses (30% and 49% at 200 and 240 mg/kg/day, respectively) consisting of decreases in maternal bw gain, and the fact that there was no effect on the number of live fetuses per litter despite the changes in non-surviving implants/litter and resorption sites/litter. Therefore, cannot be used as POD.

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**Table 5-43. Acute Inhalation Non-cancer POD-Endpoint Selection Table**

Chemical/ Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
POD selected for non-cancer risk evaluation for acute inhalation exposures			
1,2-Dichloroethane, Neurological	BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 48.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 12.1 ppm  NOAEL: 202 LOAEL: 405	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a> , SR High F344 Rats – Male 8 hours/day 1 days (0, 50, 100, 150, 200, 600, 2000 ppm; 0, 202, 405, 607, 809, 2428, 8095 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory neuroepithelial mucosa.
Co-critical endpoints			
1,2-Dichloroethane, Reproductive Toxicity/Fetal Development	Reproductive/ Developmental  BMDL <sub>5</sub> = 25 Pup BW decreased at 613 BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  NOAEL: 305 LOAEL: 613	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium SD Rats – Both sexes  Inhalation. Prior to mating, during gestation, and post-natally for two F1 generations (0, 25, 75, 150 ppm; 0, 102, 305 or 613 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Decreased body weight of selected F1B male weanlings at 150 ppm  Study used for co-critical endpoints with BMDL <sub>10</sub> very close to that from the recommended endpoint. Considering NOAELs/LOAELs, using the recommended endpoint will be protective of the decreases in pup body weight. Also, portal of entry effects can be considered more sensitive than systemic effects.
Other studies/endpoints considered			
1,2-Dichloroethane Prenatal Developmental	Reproductive/ Developmental Toxicity: NOAEL: 1,200  Maternal Toxicity: NOAEL = 1,000 LOAEL: 1,200	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Vapor, SR High SD Rats – Both Sexes  Inhalation exposure for 2 weeks. GD 6-20. 6 hours/day 7 days/week, at 0, 150, 200, 250, 300 ppm; 0, 610, 820, 1,000, 1,200 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Repro/Dev Toxicity: Pregnancy rate among females at 250 ppm was significantly lower (p<0.05). This was not observed at the highest concentration of 300 ppm. No other significant effects reported.  Maternal Toxicity: 2/26 dams died at 300 ppm (highest dose). Maternal body weight gain at GD 6-21 was significantly decreased at 300 ppm. No mention of food consumption.  NOAEL/LOAEL higher than recommended endpoint. Not amenable to BMD modeling.
1,2-Dichloroethane Prenatal Developmental	Reproductive/ Developmental LOAEL: 405  Maternal Toxicity: NOAEL: 405	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium SD Rats - Female  Inhalation exposure for 10 days. GD 6–15. 7 hours/day. 0, 100, 300 ppm (0, 405, 1,214 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Developmental Toxicity: A significant decrease in the incidence of bilobed thoracic centra was seen at 100 ppm however study essentially becomes a single dose study and not amenable to dose-response modeling due to the high maternal toxicity at 300 ppm (10/16 maternal rats died at 300 ppm). Therefore, this study is not acceptable for POD derivation.

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Chemical/ Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
	LOAEL: 1214		
1,2-Dichloroethane Prenatal Developmental Toxicity	Reproductive/ Developmental  Liver NOAEL: 16,000  Maternal Toxicity: LOAEL: 16,000	<a href="#">Schwetz et al. (1974)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  7 hours/day 10 days Exposed on GD 6–15 (0, 3,800, 6,000 ppm; 0, 16,000, 24,300 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	At 6000 ppm: Increased relative liver weight (SGPT/ALT activity was not determined); an increased incidence of delayed ossification of sternabrae. At 3800 ppm: decrease in maternal body weight gains observed LOAEL: 15,372 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (3798 ppm).  Study precluded for POD derivation because of several methodological and control issues.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver	NOAEL = 2,527 LOAEL = 3,475	<a href="#">Brondeau et al. (1983)</a> , whole body inhalation chamber, SR Medium  SD Rats – Male  0, 618, 850, 1,056, 1,304 ppm; 0, 2,527, 3,475, 4,318, 5,332 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Significant increases in serum GLDH and SDH levels were seen at ≥850 ppm (3475 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ); serum ALT and AST were significantly increased at 850 ppm (3475 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) but not at higher concentrations. Dose-response analysis inadequate.  Histopathology and organ weight were not assessed.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver, Metabolic, Kidney, Neurological	Liver, Metabolic & Kidney (Organ Weight/  Overall study NOAEL/LOAEL: Metabolic (Body Weight): NOAEL: 809 LOAEL: 2,428	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a> , Vapor, SR High  F344 Rats- Both sexes  4 or 8 hours: (0, 50, 100, 150, 200, 600, or 2,000 ppm; 202, 405, 607, 809, 2,428 or 8,095 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Organ weight changes (liver, adrenal, kidney); histological changes (liver, kidney, olfactory mucosa); multiple FOB changes, bw changes were observed although most effects were inconsistent or transient but supportive of liver and kidney effects; the neurological effect (degeneration of the olfactory neuroepithelial mucosa) from this study was used as the recommended POD (see first entry above).

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Chemical/ Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver/Kidney relative organ weights	Liver (relative organ weight): NOAEL: 5,111 LOAEL: 6,134  Kidney (relative organ weight): NOAEL: N/A LOAEL:4089	<a href="#">Francovitch et al. (1986)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  CD-1 Mice – Male  4 hours: (0, 1000, 1250, 1500 ppm; 0, 4,089, 5,111 or 6,134 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Organ weight changes and histology (liver and kidney); however, exposure group where these changes occurred, and negative control data were not reported. While study is supportive of liver and kidney effects, it is not suitable for dose-response analysis. Observed effects are occurring at higher concentrations than the recommended POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Immunological/ Streptococcal infection challenge	CD-1 (Female): NOAEL: 9.21 LOAEL: 21.6  SD Rats (Male): NOAEL: 801.2	<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a> , Vapor, SR High  CD-1 Mice – Female: 3 hour single exposure; 0, 2.3, 5.4, 10.8 ppm; 0, 9.21, 21.6, 43.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  SD Rats – Male: 3 or 5 hour single exposure; 0, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 ppm; 0, 40.1, 80.1, 200.3, 400.6 and 801.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Mice: Increased mortality from streptococcal challenge; decreased bactericidal activity; no effects in cell counts or phagocytic activity of alveolar macrophages; increased leucine aminopeptidase (LAP) activity.  Rats: No effects observed
1,2-Dichloroethane, Neurological	For 12 hours/day for 1 day: NOAEL: 2,500 LOAEL: 5,000  2, 4, or 6 hours/day for 1 day: LOAEL: 5,000	<a href="#">Qin-li et al. (2010)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats: Both sexes  12 hours/day for 1 day: 0, 2,500, 5,000, 1,0000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  2, 4, or 6 hours/day for 1 day: 0 or 5,000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	12 hours/day for 1 day: No mortality observed; signs of abnormal behavior; effects on brain histology (edema corresponding with water content in the cortex, no details on severity or dose-response).  2, 4, or 6 hours/day for 1 day: Effects on brain histology less severe than at 12 hours (edema corresponding with water content of cortex, perineural and perivascular spaces).  These effects no suitable for dose-response analysis but are supportive of neurological effects seen in the recommended study and POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Neurological	For 1.5 or 4 hours: NOAEL: 4,000	<a href="#">Zhou et al. (2016)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Males	Effects on the brain lesions with edema, and a significant decrease in the number of fiber tracts were observed compared to control. Study not suitable for dose- response analysis.

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Chemical/ Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
		1.5 or 4 hours; 0, 4,000, or 12,000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Study supports neurological effects seen in the recommended study and POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver/Kidney Clinical Chemistry	Liver Clinical Chemistry: NOAEL: 640 LOAEL: 2,020 Kidney weight/BUN: NOAEL: 640 LOAEL: 2,020 Mortality: NOAEL: 2,020 LOAEL: 4,339	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a> , Gas, SR High B6C3F1 Mice – Males 4 hours (0, 58, 499, 1,072, and 1,946 ppm; 0, 640, 2,020, 4,339, and 7,876 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Increased serum levels of IDH, ALT, and BUN; increased liver and kidney weights; evidence of DNA damage; and increased mortality (4/5 and 5/5 at ≥ 499 ppm) essentially reducing this study to a single dose study and unsuitable for dose-response analysis.

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### 5.2.6.1.3 Non-cancer PODs for Short-Term/Subchronic Exposures

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#### *Oral Short-Term/Subchronic*

Table 5-44 shows the recommended short term/subchronic oral study and POD for 1,1-dichloroethane (using 1,2-dichloroethane data to read-across) followed by co-critical endpoints (PODs within the range of the recommended study) and other studies considered in support of the recommended POD.

There were 4 short-term (>1–30 days) and sub-chronic (>30–91 days)-duration animal toxicology studies from the 1,1-dichloroethane database rated as acceptable based on data quality evaluation using systematic review approaches (Table\_Apx M-8). Three other studies that met this exposure duration were uninformative and excluded from study and endpoint selections based on quality metrics including lack of concurrently run controls, limited methodological details and deficient data reporting. Overall, the 1,1-dichloroethane database did not have enough information to identify NOAELs and LOAELs by target organ/system. Identifying only overall non-cancer NOAELs and LOAELs yielded one study, [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) adequate for dose-response analysis and POD selection for the short-term/sub-chronic exposure duration. In this 13-week study following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), and further described above in Section 5.2.3, a NOAEL of 1,000 mg/kg-bw/day and a LOAEL of 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day were identified for mortality (1/15 rats), CNS depression, and decreased body weight. At the high dose in this study (4,000 mg/kg-bw/day), the rats exhibited protracted narcosis, and 8/15 rats died between weeks 1 and 11, when the surviving rats in this group were sacrificed. While this study was initially considered for short-term/sub-chronic exposure duration POD selection, the oral LD50 was near lethal doses. Taken together with narcosis lacking sensitivity as a critical endpoint, [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) from the 1,1-dichloroethane database was not useable as a sub-chronic oral POD.

Thus, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used for 1,1-dichloroethane to identify non-cancer short-term/sub-chronic oral and dermal PODs. For 1,2-dichloroethane, a total of 4 animal toxicity studies were available, and 3 of these studies had acceptable data quality for dose-response analysis and identification of the short-term/sub-chronic oral duration POD. There were no dermal data for the short-term/sub-chronic duration exposure.

Using the 1,2-dichloroethane database, the selected critical study was ([Munson et al., 1982](#)). In this 14-day short-term study in CD1 mice of both sexes and dosed with 1,2-dichloroethane via oral gavage at doses of 0, 4.9, 49 mg/kg. Endpoints evaluated included body weight, hematology, gross necropsy, organ weights (liver, spleen, lungs, thymus, kidney, and brain), humoral immunity, and cell-mediated immunity. The treatment-related effect observed in this study was immunosuppression based on observed suppression of a cell-mediated immune response at doses 4.9 and 49 mg/kg/day. Co-critical endpoints identified in this same [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#) study included an observed 30 percent decrease in leukocytes at 49 mg/kg/day, and a dose-dependent trend of antibody forming cells/spleen towards immune suppression with 25 and 40 percent suppression at 4.9 and 49 mg/kg/day, respectively.

[NTP \(1991\)](#) provided additional support for immunotoxicity. It was a 13-week oral gavage study of F344/N rats dosed with 30, 60, 120, 240, or 480 mg/kg for males or 18, 37, 75, 150 or 300 for females of 1,2-dichloroethane that observed possible dose-related incidences of thymus necrosis. Female rat absolute thymus weight was decreased. This study's quality was limited by lack of drinking water consumption reporting that would ensure consistent dosing of test animals throughout the study and also limited by the changes in thymus co-occurring with mortality. [NTP \(1991\)](#) also reported a statistically significant absolute and relative kidney weights at 60 and 120 mg/kg/day or 75 and 150 mg/kg/day in



7648 male or female rats, respectively. Increased absolute kidney weight was initially seen at 30 mg/kg in  
7649 male mice.

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7651 The 1,1-dichloroethane database also had an acute oral study by [Zabrodskii et al. \(2004\)](#) that identified  
7652 immunotoxicity, however the study LOAEL of 930mg/kg was insensitive compared to the much lower  
7653 POD of 4.9 mg/kg/day in the 1,2-dichloroethane [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#) multi-dose study and compared to  
7654 other identified critical effects. Further, [Zabrodskii et al. \(2004\)](#) was not appropriate for POD selection  
7655 because inductors of the monooxygenase system (*i.e.*, phenobarbital (50 mg/kg) and benzenal [70  
7656 mg/kg]), which in part can mediate the immune system and acted as sensitizers in this study for the  
7657 treatment-related effects that were observed, were orally administered prior to 1,1-dichloroethane  
7658 administration. This immunotoxicity finding in the 1,1-dichloroethane database further supports the  
7659 immunosuppression POD using 1,2-dichloroethane as the analog. Other similar chlorinated solvents  
7660 demonstrate immunotoxicity. EPA's independent convergence on [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#) for the non-  
7661 cancer oral, short-term POD selection is validated by the 2022 ATSDR ToxProfile for 1,2-Dichloroethane  
7662 ([ATSDR, 2022](#)), which also identified immunosuppression as the most sensitive human health  
7663 protective endpoint.

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7665 Important to underscore, immunotoxicity found in both the 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane databases, is  
7666 recognized as a cancer mechanism ([Hanahan and Weinberg, 2011](#)). Specifically, inflammatory cell  
7667 recruitment that can actively promote tumor formation and was observed in both the [Munson et al.](#)  
7668 [\(1982\)](#) and [Zabrodskii et al. \(2004\)](#), through cell-mediated immune responses.

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7670 Several other studies were considered from across the 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane databases including  
7671 sedation which was insensitive as a selected POD from 1,1-dichloroethane ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), as  
7672 discussed; changes in kidney organ weight from a drinking water study from 1,2-dichloroethane ([NTP,](#)  
7673 [1991](#)), as discussed; reproductive/developmental outcomes following exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane,  
7674 including fetal resorptions and decreases in maternal body weight ([Payan et al., 1995](#)) and likely  
7675 confounded results for fertility and implantation success for 1,2-dichloroethane ([Lane et al., 1982](#)).

#### 7676 7677 **Inhalation**

7678 No other short/intermediate-term inhalation studies with a rating of acceptable were located for 1,1-  
7679 dichloroethane except for [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#). Among the effects reported by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#),  
7680 only the decreased maternal body weight (LOAEL of 3,798 ppm) was considered to be a suitable  
7681 endpoint for POD derivation. Uncertainties of the data from [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) were (1) the  
7682 evaluations of maternal endpoints did not include histopathology or effects in organs other than the liver,  
7683 (2) the disparate findings on delayed ossification in the two control groups mean that a conclusion  
7684 regarding this endpoint cannot be made with confidence, and (3) there are no supporting studies that  
7685 evaluated comprehensive endpoints. A 4-week short-term study in male mice exposed to 1,2-  
7686 dichloroethane by [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) was thus used based on read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane. A  
7687 BMCL5 and BMC5 of 6.6 ppm (26.7 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) and 5.24 ppm (21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>), were identified based on  
7688 decreased sperm concentration. The short-term/subchronic inhalation HEC for occupational and  
7689 continuous exposure of 22 ppm (89 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) and 5.2 ppm (21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>), respectively, with a benchmark  
7690 MOE of 100, was used for risk assessment of short-term/subchronic inhalation exposure (see Table  
7691 5-50).

#### 7692 7693 **Dermal**

7694 No short-term/subchronic exposure studies on 1,1-dichloroethane via the dermal route were located.  
7695 Therefore, the short-term/subchronic oral HED for occupational and continuous exposures of 171 and

7696 239 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively, was extrapolated for the dermal route, with a benchmark MOE of 100,  
7697 and was used for risk assessment of short-term dermal exposure (see Table 5-50).  
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**Table 5-44. Short-Term/Subchronic Oral Non-cancer POD-Endpoint Selection Table**

Chemical/Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
POD selected for non-cancer risk evaluation for short-term/subchronic oral exposures			
1,2-Dichloroethane Decreased cell based immune response	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =4.9	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> , Gavage, SR High  CD1 Mice – Both sexes  14 days (0, 4.9, 49 mg/kg-day)	<a href="#">ATSDR (2022)</a> Report for 1,2-Dichloroethane confirms that immunosuppression is the most sensitive human health protective endpoint, Other similar chlorinated solvents demonstrate immunotoxicity.  The Munson study had a much higher adverse response of 25% immunosuppression at only 4.89 mg/kg/day when the NTP gavage study only had an 8.9% increase in kidney weight at 30 mg/kg/day.
Co-critical endpoints			
1,2-Dichloroethane Decreased leukocytes	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =4.9	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> , Gavage, SR High  CD1 Mice – Both sexes  14 days (0, 4.9, 49 mg/kg-day)	Supports cell-based immunosuppression endpoint.
Other studies/endpoints considered			
1,2-Dichloroethane Immunotoxicity • Humoral immune response to T-dependent and T-independent antigens • Antibody-dependent cell cytotoxicity • Delayed Hypersensitivity (DTH) reaction	LOAEL= 930	<a href="#">Zabrodskii et al. (2004)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium  Random-Bred Albino Rat – Both sexes  Single Dose (0, 930 mg/kg-bw)	Qualitatively supports immunosuppression. A multi-day exposure produces more sensitive PODs for immune suppression than a single exposure study.  However, dose is close to LD <sub>50</sub> . Single acute exposure to one dose and monitored – various immune reactions and indices were evaluated 48 h and 5 days after exposure.
1,2-Dichloroethane Sedation	NOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =714	<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium  SD Rats -Male  13 weeks (0, 500, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day)	1,2-Dichloroethane acute oral LD <sub>50</sub> is 725 mg/kg (PubChem), the POD is near lethal doses, narcosis is well-known to occur at high doses and is not considered a sensitive endpoint in the database. This is the only study that passed SR with a useable subchronic oral POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane Immune (Thymus)	NOAEL =240 mg/kg-day (males); 150	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a> , Gavage, SR High	Qualitatively supports immunosuppression. However, thymus necrosis occurs at dosages where mortality was also occurring therefore cannot be used as a POD.

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Chemical/Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
	mg/kg-day (females)  LOAEL= 480 mg/kg-day for thymus necrosis in males; 300 mg/kg-day for thymus necrosis in females	F344 Rats – Both sexes  13 weeks (0, 30, 60, 120, 240, 480 mg/kg-day (males); 0, 18, 37, 75, 150, 300 mg/kg/day (females)	
1,2-Dichloroethane Kidney Weight	NOAEL=30 (males) LOAEL=75 (females)	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a> , Gavage, SR High  F344 Rats – Both sexes 13 weeks (0, 30, 60, 120, 240, 480 mg/kg-day (males); 0, 18, 37, 75, 150, 300 mg/kg/day (females)	Study was considered for POD selection but not selected as this is not the most sensitive endpoint compared to immunosuppression.
1,2-Dichloroethane Fetal Resorptions	NOAEL=160 LOAEL=200 (Data were not amenable for BMD modeling)	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Gavage Pre-Natal Developmental, SR High  SD Rats - Female  Dosing GD6–20 (0, 120, 160, 200, or 240 mg/kg)	The increases in non-implants and resorptions are difficult to interpret given the significant maternal toxicity at corresponding doses (30% and 49% at 200 and 240 mg/kg/day, respectively) consisting of decreases in maternal bw gain, and the fact that there was no effect on the number of live fetuses per litter despite the changes in non-surviving implants/litter and resorption sites/litter. Therefore, cannot be used as POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane Decreases in Maternal Body Weight Gain	NOAEL=160 LOAEL=200 (BMD = 99.1; BMDL = 41.8)	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Gavage Pre-Natal Developmental, SR High  SD Rats - Female  Dosing GD6–20 (0, 120, 160, 200, or 240 mg/kg)	A dose-related reduction in adjusted (for gravid uterine weight) maternal bodyweight gain during treatment occurred, with statistical significance achieved at the two highest doses (30 and 49% reduction compared with controls, $p < 0.05$ ). However, this POD is not as sensitive (LOAEL = 200; BMDL = 41.8) as the Immunotoxicity Endpoint (LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.9).
1,2-Dichloroethane Multigenerational/Reproductive	LOAEL= 50	<a href="#">Lane et al. (1982)</a> , Drinking Water, SR High	Drinking water not measured to confirm actual dosage, therefore not reliable for a dose-response analysis. Also, not as sensitive

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Chemical/Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
Pup weight		ICR Mice – Both Sexes  Multigenerational (0, 5, 15 or 50 mg/kg-day)	(LOAEL=50) as the Immunotoxicity Endpoint identified in the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> , LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =4.9.  Pup weight was biologically significantly ( $\geq 5\%$ ) decreased at $\geq 0.09$ mg/ml (50mg/kg/day) in F1/B mice.
1,2-Dichloroethane Chronic 26-week dermal study Decreased body weight in females; increased distal tubular mild karyomegaly (both sexes); renal karyomegaly & tubular degeneration (females)	LOAEL= 6300	<a href="#">Suguro et al. (2017)</a> , Dermal, SR High  CB6F1- Tg rasH2@Jcl (rasH2) mice – Both sexes  3 days/week 26 weeks (0, 126 mg; 0, 6,300 mg/kg-day)	Not considered acceptable for dose response assessment as the study used a single dose using transgenic mice.

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**Table 5-45. Short-Term/Subchronic Inhalation Non-cancer POD-Endpoint Selection Table**

Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
POD selected for non-cancer risk evaluation for short-term/subchronic inhalation exposures			
1,2-Dichloroethane	BMDL <sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  NOAEL:350 LOAEL:700	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a> , 4 week morphological analysis of sperm parameters, SR High  Swiss Mice -Male  6 hours/day, 7 days/week, 4 weeks (0, 100, 350, 700 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Decreases in sperm concentration.
Co-critical endpoints			
1,2-Dichloroethane, Fetal Development	Reproductive/ Developmental  BMDL <sub>5</sub> = 25 Pup BW decreased at 613  BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  NOAEL: 305 LOAEL: 613	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Both sexes  Inhalation. Prior to mating, during gestation, and post-natally for two F1 generations (0, 25, 75, 150 ppm; 0, 102, 305 or 613 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Decreased body weight of selected F1B male weanlings at 150 ppm.  Study used for co-critical endpoints with BMDL <sub>5</sub> very close to that from the recommended endpoint. Considering NOAELs/LOAELs, using the recommended endpoint will be protective of the decreases in pup body weight. Also, portal of entry effects can be considered more sensitive than systemic effects.
Other studies/endpoints considered			
1,1-Dichloroethane Prenatal Developmental Toxicity	Reproductive/ Developmental  Liver NOAEL: 16,000  Maternal Toxicity: LOAEL: 16,000	<a href="#">Schwetz et al. (1974)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  7 hours/day 10 days Exposed on GD 6-15 (0, 3,800, 6,000 ppm; 0, 16,000, 24,300 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	At 6000 ppm: Increased relative liver weight (SGPT/ALT activity was not determined); an increased incidence of delayed ossification of sternabrae. At 3800 ppm: decrease in maternal body weight gains observed LOAEL: 15,372 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (3798 ppm).  Study precluded for POD derivation because of several methodological and control issues.



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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver	LOAEL: 3424	<a href="#">Brondeau et al. (1983)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Males 6 hours/day for 2 or 4 days; 0 or 3424 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	6 hours/day for 2 days: Significant increases in serum ALT, GLDH and SDH levels ; liver histopathology and organ weight were not assessed. 6 hours/day for 4 days: Serum SDH levels were significantly increased. Liver histopathology and organ weight were not assessed.
1,2-Dichloroethane, Liver	LOAEL: 619	<a href="#">Igwe et al. (1986c)</a> , Vapor, SR High  SD Rats – Male 7 hours/day, 5 days/week, 4 weeks: 0, 153, 304, 455 ppm; 619, 1,230, and 1,842 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Increased relative liver weight and 5'-NT. Absolute liver weight was not reported. No changes in hepatic GST activity, hepatic DNA content, or serum enzymes ALT or SDH were observed at any concentration.
1,2-Dichloroethane- Liver/ Reproductive/Metabolic/ Mortality	Immune: NOAEL: 1842  Reproductive: NOAEL: 1842  Liver: LOAEL: 619  Mortality, Metabolic: NOAEL: 619 LOAEL: 1230	<a href="#">Igwe et al. (1986c)</a> , Vapor, SR High  SD Rats – Male 7 hours/day, 5 days/week, 30 days: 0, 153, 304, 455 ppm; 619, 1,230, and 1,842 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Immune, Reproductive/Developmental: No effects on organ weight or histopathology.  Liver: Increased relative liver weight, absolute liver weight was not reported.  Mortality: Occurred in 1/12 and 2/12 animals in 1230 and 1842 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , respectively  Metabolic: Decreased body weight.  NOAEL/LOAEL higher than recommended endpoint. Not amenable to BMD modeling
1,2-Dichloroethane- Reproductive/ Developmental/ Maternal Toxicity	Reproductive/ Developmental NOAEL: 1200  Maternal Toxicity: NOAEL = 1000 LOAEL: 1200	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Vapor, SR High SD Rats – Both Sexes  Inhalation exposure for 2 weeks. GD 6-20. 6 hours/day 7 days/week, 0, 150, 200, 250, 300 ppm; 0, 610, 820, 1000, 1200 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Repro/Dev Toxicity: Pregnancy rate among females at 250 ppm was significantly lower, but not at 300 ppm; no other significant effects reported.  Maternal Toxicity: 2/26 dams died at 300 ppm (highest dose). Maternal body weight gain at GD 6-21 was significantly decreased at 300 ppm. No mention of food consumption.  NOAEL/LOAEL higher than recommended endpoint. Not amenable to BMD modeling.

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
1,2-Dichloroethane-Reproductive/Developmental; Maternal Toxicity	Reproductive/Developmental LOAEL: 405  Maternal Toxicity: NOAEL: 405 LOAEL: 1214	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats - Female  Inhalation exposure for 10 days. GD 6-15. 7 hours/day.0, 100, 300 ppm (0, 405, 1214 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Developmental Toxicity: A significant decrease in the incidence of bilobed thoracic centra was seen at 100 ppm however study essentially becomes a single dose study and not amenable to dose-response modeling due to the high maternal toxicity at 300 ppm (10/16 maternal rats died at 300 ppm). Therefore, this study is not acceptable for POD derivation.
1,2-Dichloroethane-Immunological/Streptococcal infection challenge	CD-1 Mice: NOAEL: 9.21  SD Rats: NOAEL: 400.6	<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a> , Vapor, SR High  CD-1 Mice – Female: 3 hour/day, 5 days/week, 5 days; 0, 2.3; 0, 9.21 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  SD Rats – Male: 5 hour/day, 5 days/week, 12 days; 0, 10, 20, 50, 100; 0, 40.1, 80.1, 200.3, 400.6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	CD-1 mice and SD rats showed no effects.
1,2-Dichloroethane-Liver/Metabolic	Liver: NOAEL: 350  Metabolic: NOAEL: 350 LOAEL: 700	<a href="#">Zeng et al. (2018)</a> , Aerosol, SR High  Swiss Mice: Male 6 hours/day, 7 days/week, 28 days 0, 350, 700 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Liver: Increased absolute and relative liver weight, increased liver concentrations of glycogen, triglycerides, and free fatty acids at all concentrations; increased ALT (1.9-fold) at 700 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ; increased serum AST (1.3-fold-1.7-fold) , triglycerides, and free fatty acids; decreased serum glucose at both exposure concentrations. Metabolic: Body weight was significantly reduced at 700 mg/m <sup>3</sup> .

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
1,2-Dichloroethane	Neurological, Reproductive, Immune/Hematological, Liver, Mortality, Metabolic, Kidney (Rat): Respiratory: NOAEL:809  Liver, Metabolic & Kidney (Guinea Pig): NOAEL: 405	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  Wistar Rats – Both sexes  7 hours/day 5 days/week 212 days*, (0, 100, 200, 400 ppm; 0, 405, 809, 1619 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) *Although all exposure groups were intended for chronic duration exposures, animals at the high exposure level died within 14 days (females) and 56 days (males).  Guinea Pigs – Both sexes  7 hours/day 5 days/week 248 days, (0, 100, 200, 400 ppm; 0, 405, 809, 1619 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Rats: High mortality at 400 ppm starting at 2 weeks; no other effects reported.  Guinea Pigs: High mortality at 400 ppm starting at 2 weeks; reductions in body weight starting at 100 ppm; increases in liver weight; possible liver histopathology and changes in kidney weight, but incidence not reported.

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#### 5.2.6.1.4 Non-cancer PODs for Chronic Exposures

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##### **Oral**

Table 5-46 shows the recommended chronic oral study and POD for 1,1-dichloroethane (using 1,2-dichloroethane data to read-across) followed by co-critical endpoints (PODs within the range of the recommended study) and other studies considered in support of the recommended POD.

No studies of chronic oral exposure in laboratory animals were considered suitable for POD determination (see Appendix M.2.5 for 1,1-dichloroethane and Appendix M.2.8 for 1,2-dichloroethane). Therefore, the short-term/subchronic POD identified in Section 5.2.6.1.2 was also used for chronic exposure. The short-term/subchronic continuous HED was 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day and the worker HED was 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day (see Appendix M.2.7). The benchmark MOE for this POD is 1,000 based on 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, 3 for the use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response), and 10 for extrapolating from a subchronic study duration to a chronic study duration for chronic exposures (Table 5-51).

##### **Inhalation**

Table 5-47 shows the recommended chronic inhalation study and POD for 1,1-dichloroethane (using 1,2-dichloroethane data to read-across) followed by co-critical endpoints (PODs within the range of the recommended study) and other studies considered in support of the recommended POD.

No chronic PODs were identified from studies for inhalation exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane. A duration extrapolation from the 10-day inhalation study by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) was not conducted due to the inherent uncertainties when extrapolating from a 10-day study to a chronic duration. Likewise, a route-to-route extrapolation from the 13-week subchronic oral study [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) was not conducted given the differences in absorption rates across routes, method of dosing effects on blood levels and hazards (*i.e.*, gavage bolus dose vs. slower inhalation dosing), the lack of a PBPK model, and the inherent uncertainties when performing oral-to-inhalation route extrapolations for a volatile solvent (*i.e.*, most of it is eliminated in expired air). Therefore, there is inadequate data to identify an inhalation POD for the chronic duration scenario using 1,1-dichloroethane (see Table 5-51). A 4-week short-term study in male mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) was thus used based on read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane. A duration extrapolation from the 4-week short-term/subchronic to a chronic duration was conducted in order to account for uncertainty. A subchronic to chronic UF of 10 was thus applied for extrapolating from a subchronic to chronic study duration. A BMCL5 and BMC5 of 6.6 ppm (26.7 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) and 5.24 ppm (21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>), were identified based on decreased sperm concentration. The short-term/subchronic inhalation HEC for occupational and continuous exposure of 22 ppm (89 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) and 5.2 ppm (21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>), respectively, with a benchmark MOE of 300, was used for risk assessment of chronic inhalation exposure. Although an uncertainty regarding study duration may have been reduced while performing read-across by use of the chronic [Nagano et al., 2006](#) study that evaluated 1,2-dichloroethane, the study did not adequately evaluate non-cancer effects, preventing the determination of a non-cancer chronic POD.

##### **Dermal**

No chronic studies on 1,1-dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloroethane via the dermal route were located. Therefore, the chronic oral HED for occupational and continuous exposures of 0.89 and 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively, was extrapolated for the dermal route, with a benchmark MOE of 1,000, and was used for risk assessment of chronic dermal exposure (see Table 5-51).

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**Table 5-46. Chronic Oral Non-cancer POD-Endpoint Selection Table**

Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
POD selected for non-cancer risk evaluation for chronic oral exposures			
1,2-Dichloroethane Decreased cell based immune response	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =4.9	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> , Gavage SR High CD1 Mice – Both sexes 14 days (0, 4.9, 49 mg/kg-day)	<a href="#">ATSDR (2022)</a> Report for 1,2-dichloroethane confirms that immunosuppression is the most sensitive human health protective endpoint, Other similar chlorinated solvents demonstrate immunotoxicity.
Co-critical endpoints			
1,2-Dichloroethane Decreased leukocytes	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =4.9	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> , Gavage SR High  CD1 Mice – Both sexes  14 days (0, 4.9, 49 mg/kg-day)	Supports cell-based immunosuppression endpoint
Other studies considered			
1,1-Dichloroethane Immunotoxicity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Humoral immune response to T-dependent and T-independent antigens</li> <li>• Antibody-dependent cell cytotoxicity</li> <li>• Delayed Hypersensitivity (DTH) reaction</li> </ul>	LOAEL= 930	<a href="#">Zabrodkii et al. (2004)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium  Random-Bred Albino Rat – Both sexes  Single Dose (0, 930 mg/kg-bw)	Qualitatively supports immunosuppression. A multi-day exposure produces more sensitive PODs for immune suppression than a single exposure study.  However, dose is close to LD <sub>50</sub> . Single acute exposure to one dose and monitored – various immune reactions and indices were evaluated 48 h and 5 days after exposure.
1,1-Dichloroethane Sedation	NOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =714	<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium  SD Rats – Male  13 weeks (0, 500, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day)	1,1-Dichloroethane Acute Oral LD <sub>50</sub> is 725 mg/kg (PubChem), the POD is near lethal doses, Narcosis is well-known to occur at high doses and is not considered a sensitive endpoint in the database. This is the only study that passed SR with a useable subchronic oral POD.  Would require a UF <sub>s</sub> of 10 for duration extrapolation from sub-chronic to chronic and a database uncertainty factor.
1,2-Dichloroethane Immune (Thymus)	NOAEL=240 mg/kg-day (males); 150 mg/kg-day (females)	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a> , Gavage, SR High (NTP 1991)  F344 Rats – Both sexes	Qualitatively supports immunosuppression. However, thymus necrosis occurs at dosages where mortality was also occurring therefore cannot be used as a POD.

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
	LOAEL= 480 mg/kg-day for thymus necrosis in males; 300 mg/kg-day for thymus necrosis in females	13 weeks (0, 30, 60, 120, 240, 480 mg/kg-day (males); 0, 18, 37, 75, 150, 300 mg/kg/day (females)	
1,2-Dichloroethane Kidney Weight	LOAEL=30 (males) LOAEL=75 (females)	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a> , Gavage, SR High  F344 Rats – Both sexes 13 weeks (0, 30, 60, 120, 240, 480 mg/kg-day (males); 0, 18, 37, 75, 150, 300 mg/kg/day (females)	Study was considered for POD selection but not selected as this is not the most sensitive endpoint compared to immunosuppression.
1,2-Dichloroethane Fetal Resorptions	NOAEL=160 LOAEL=200 (Data were not amenable to modeling)	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Gavage Pre-Natal Developmental, SR High  SD Rats – Female Dosing GD6-20 (0, 120, 160, 200, or 240 mg/kg)	The increases in non-implants and resorptions are difficult to interpret given the significant maternal toxicity at corresponding doses (30% and 49% at 200 and 240 mg/kg/day, respectively) consisting of decreases in maternal bw gain, and the fact that there was no effect on the number of live fetuses per litter despite the changes in non-surviving implants/litter and resorption sites/litter. Therefore, cannot be used as POD.
1,2-Dichloroethane Decreases in Maternal Body Weight Gain	NOAEL=160 LOAEL=200 (BMD = 99.1; BMDL = 41.8)	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Gavage Pre-Natal Developmental, SR High  SD Rats – Female Dosing GD6-20 (0, 120, 160, 200, or 240 mg/kg)	A dose-related reduction in adjusted (for gravid uterine weight) maternal bodyweight gain during treatment occurred, with statistical significance achieved at the two highest doses (30 and 49% reduction compared with controls, $p < 0.05$ ). However, this POD is not as sensitive (LOAEL = 200; BMDL = 41.8) as the Immunotoxicity Endpoint (LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> =4.9).
1,2-Dichloroethane Multigenerational/Reproductive Pup weight	LOAEL= 50	<a href="#">Lane et al. (1982)</a> , Drinking Water, SR High  ICR Mice – Both Sexes  Reproductive Toxicity (0, 5, 15 or 50 mg/kg-day)	Drinking water not measured to confirm actual dosage. Also, not as sensitive (LOAEL=50) as the Immunotoxicity Endpoint (LOAEL =4.9)  Pup weight was biologically significantly ( $\geq 5\%$ ) decreased at $\geq 0.09$ mg/ml (50mg/kg/day) in F1/B mice.
1,2-Dichloroethane 40-week chronic study	LOAEL = 150 (females)	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1995)</a> , Gavage, SR Medium	Minimal endpoints evaluated, only non-cancer endpoints were body weight and lymphoma at 150.



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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/kg/day)	Study Parameters	Comments
Body weight/lymphoma		ppG64 Mice – Both sexes 7 days/week for 40 weeks (0, 150, 300 mg/kg-day (female); 0, 100, 200 mg/kg/day (males)	Doses adjusted due to substantial mortality females at 300 mg/kg/day. Clear dose-response could not be assessed.
1,2-Dichloroethane Chronic 26-week dermal study	LOAEL= 6300 Decreased body weight in females; increased distal tubular mild karyomegaly (both sexes); renal karyomegaly & tubular degeneration (females)	<a href="#">Suguro et al. (2017)</a> , Dermal, SR High  CB6F1- Tg rasH2@Jcl (rasH2) mice – Both sexes 3 days/week 26 weeks (0, 126 mg; 0, 6,300 mg/kg-day	Single dosage using transgenic mice.

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**Table 5-47. Chronic Inhalation Non-cancer POD-Endpoint Selection Table**

Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
POD selected for non-cancer risk evaluation for chronic inhalation exposures			
1,2-Dichloroethane-Male Reproductive	BMDL <sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> NOAEL: 350 LOAEL: 700	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a> , 4 week morphological analysis of sperm parameters, SR High  Swiss Mice – Male 6 hours/day 7 days/week 4 weeks (0, 100, 350, 700 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Decreases in sperm concentration.
Co-critical endpoints			
1,2-Dichloroethane, Fetal Development	Reproductive/ Developmental  BMDL <sub>5</sub> = 25 Pup BW decreased at 613  BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup>  NOAEL: 305 LOAEL: 613	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Both sexes  Inhalation. Prior to mating, rats were exposed for 60 days (6 hours/day, 5 days/week). The rest of the time, exposed to 6 hours/day, 7 days/week, except from gestational day 21-post natal day 4 maternal exposure stopped to allow for delivery and rearing of the young). Two F1 generations were evaluated, 0,25,75,150 ppm; 0, 102, 305 or 613 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Decreased body weight of selected F1B male weanlings at 150 ppm.  Study used for co-critical endpoints with BMDL <sub>10</sub> very close to that from the recommended endpoint. Considering NOAELs/LOAELs, using the recommended endpoint will be protective of the decreases in pup body weight. Also, portal of entry effects can be considered more sensitive than systemic effects.
Other studies considered			
1,2-Dichloroethane	Reproductive/ Developmental NOAEL: 1,200  Maternal Toxicity: NOAEL = 1,000 LOAEL: 1,200	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a> , Vapor, SR High  SD Rats – Both Sexes  Inhalation exposure for 2 weeks. GD 6-20. 6 hours/day 7 days/week, 0, 150, 200, 250, 300 ppm; 0, 610, 820, 1,000, 1,200 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Repro/Dev Toxicity: Pregnancy rate among females at 250 ppm was significantly lower; not observed at the highest concentration of 300 ppm;no other significant effects reported.  Maternal Toxicity: 2/26 dams died at 300 ppm (highest dose). Maternal body weight gain at GD 6-21 was significantly decreased at 300 ppm. No mention of food consumption.  NOAEL/LOAEL higher than recommended endpoint. Not amenable to BMD modeling.

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
1,2-Dichloroethane	Reproductive/Developmental LOAEL: 405  Maternal Toxicity: NOAEL: 405 LOAEL: 1214	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Female Inhalation exposure for 10 days. GD 6–15. 7 hours/day. 0, 100, 300 ppm (0, 405, 1214 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Developmental Toxicity: A significant decrease in the incidence of bilobed thoracic centra was seen at 100 ppm however study essentially becomes a single dose study and not amenable to dose-response modeling due to the high maternal toxicity at 300 ppm (10/16 maternal rats died at 300 ppm). Therefore, this study is not acceptable for POD derivation.
1,2-Dichloroethane	Hematological: NOAEL: 202 LOAEL: 607  Liver: LOAEL: 20  Kidney: NOAEL: 202 LOAEL: 607	<a href="#">IRFMN (1978)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Both sexes 7 hours/day, 5 days/week for 12 months: 0, 5, 10, 50, 150 ppm; 0, 20, 40, 202, 607 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Hemoglobin levels were significantly decreased in both sexes at 150 ppm; changes in hematocrit (increases rather than decreases) were of questionable biological significance and did not show a dose-response; decreases in cholesterol and calcium levels at ≥10 ppm; clinical chemistry signs of liver toxicity but did not show a dose-response, kidney BUN increases at 150 ppm; other kidney changes were male rat-specific and not relevant to humans.
1,2-Dichloroethane	Reproductive/Developmental, Mortality & Metabolic: NOAEL: 204  Liver: LOAEL: 204	<a href="#">Cheever et al. (1990)</a> , Vapor, SR High  SD Rats – Both sexes  7 hours/day 5 days/week 104 weeks (0, 50 ppm; 0, 204 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Gross testicular lesions were found in higher frequency in exposed males (24%) compared to control (10%) (data not shown and gross pathologic observations were not evaluated statistically); mortality similar in both treatment and control groups, survival rate in exposed rats (60 and 64%) was similar to control (58 and 54%) in males and females, respectively; absolute and relative liver weights were not different from controls.
1,2-Dichloroethane	Immunological/Hematological, Liver, & Kidney: NOAEL: 809	<a href="#">IRFMN (1976)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Both sexes  7 hours/day 5 days/week 24 weeks, (0, 5, 10, 50, 150, 250 ppm; 0, 20, 40, 202, 607, 1,012 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )*  *Animals in the highest exposure group were exposed to 250 ppm for “a few weeks” and then the exposure concentration was reduced to 150 ppm due to acute toxicity. A reliable TWA	All observed hematological, serum chemistry, and urinalysis changes observed either did not reach statistical significance, showed no clear relation to exposure concentration, and/or were not biologically significant.

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
		<p>concentration cannot be determined based on the information available in this report, <a href="#">IRFMN (1978)</a> suggested that the change occurred after 12 weeks of exposure. If this is accurate, then the TWA exposure concentration for the high exposure group was 200 ppm.</p>	
1,2-Dichloroethane	<p>Immunological/Hematological, Liver, &amp; Kidney: NOAEL: 607</p>	<p><a href="#">IRFMN (1987)</a>, Vapor, SR Medium SD Rats – Both sexes  7 hours/day 5 days/week 78 weeks, (0, 5, 10, 50, 150, 250 ppm; 0, 20, 40, 202, 607, 1,012 mg/m<sup>3</sup>)*  *Animals in the highest exposure group were exposed to 250 ppm for "a few weeks" and then the exposure concentration was reduced to 150 ppm due to acute toxicity. A reliable TWA concentration cannot be determined based on the information available in this report, <a href="#">IRFMN (1978)</a> suggested that the change occurred after 12 weeks of exposure. If this is accurate, then the TWA exposure concentration for the high exposure group was 200 ppm.</p>	<p>Significant decrease in segmented neutrophils in the high exposure group in males; no other hematological changes were observed; serum liver and kidney chemistry changes either did not reach statistical significance, showed no clear relation to exposure, concentration, and/or were not biologically significant; no urinary changes were observed.</p>
1,2-Dichloroethane	<p>Mortality (Rats): NOAEL: 654  Mortality (Mice): NOAEL: 368</p>	<p><a href="#">Nagano et al. (2006)</a> F344 Rats – Both sexes  6 hours/day 5 days/week 104 weeks total, (0, 10, 40, 160 ppm; 0, 41, 164, or 654 mg/m<sup>3</sup>)  Crj:BDF1 Mice – Both sexes  6 hours/day 5 days/week 104 weeks total, (0, 10, 30, 90 ppm; 0, 41, 123, or 368 mg/m<sup>3</sup>)</p>	<p>Endpoints evaluated included mortality, clinical signs of toxicity, body weight, food consumption, hematology, blood biochemistry, urinalysis, organ weight, gross necropsy of organs &amp; histopathology. No significant effects reported.</p>

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
1,2-Dichloroethane	Immune/Hematological, Nutritional/Metabolic, Liver, Mortality & Kidney (Rats/Rabbits/Guinea Pigs/Cats): NOAEL: 405	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  SD Rats – Both sexes Bunte Rabbits – Both sexes Pirbright-White Guinea Pigs– Both sexes Cats – Both sexes  6 hours/day 5 days/week 17 weeks, (0, 100 ppm; 0, 405 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	The endpoints evaluated included mortality, body weights, hematological effects (blood counts, not further specified), liver effects (serum AST and ALT, liver weight, and liver histology), and renal effects (BUN and serum creatinine, urinary status – not further specified, kidney weight, and kidney histology); bromsulphthalein test in rabbits & cats does not indicate liver effects.  Rats, cats & guinea pigs: No significant effects reported.  One of 4 rabbits showed increased BUN and kidney histology (not further specified); the observation of these effects in 1 rabbit was not considered adverse (or of questionable adversity).
1,2-Dichloroethane	Neurological, Liver, & Mortality (Rabbits): Not determined  Hematological, Kidney, Liver, & Mortality (Monkeys): NOAEL: 405	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a> , Vapor, SR Medium  Rabbit – Both sexes  7 hours/day 5 days/week 248 days*, (0, 100, 400 ppm; 0, 405, 1,619 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) *The exact duration of exposure is unclear. At 400 ppm rabbits "tolerated" exposure for 232 days" and at 100 ppm, rabbits "tolerated" exposure for 248 days without signs of adverse effects; the time of termination is not specified.  Monkeys – Males 7 hours/day 5 days/week 212 days*, (0, 100, 400 ppm; 0, 405, 1,619 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) *At 400 ppm both Monkeys were killed in a moribund state after 8 and 12 exposures, respectively. The duration noted above applies only to the 100 ppm group.	No significant effects reported in rabbits; histopathological changes reported in the liver and kidney in monkeys; mortality observed in rats and guinea pigs; uncertain signs of body weight changes, and possible signs of liver and kidney toxicity in guinea pigs but the data either did not show dose-response, or quantal data for these endpoints or incidence values and a statement whether any control animals exhibited these changes were not included.

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Chemical-Endpoint	POD (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Study Parameters	Comments
		<p>Wistar Rats – Both sexes 7 hours/day 5 days/week 212 days*, (0, 100, 400 ppm; 0, 405, 1,619 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) *Although all exposure groups were intended for chronic duration exposures, animals at the high exposure level died within 14 days (females) and 56 days (males).</p> <p>Guinea Pigs – Both sexes 7 hours/day 5 days/week 248 days, (0, 100, 200, 400 ppm; 0, 405, 809, 1,619 mg/m<sup>3</sup>)</p>	

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### 5.2.6.2 Endpoint Derivation for Carcinogenic Dose-Response Assessment

#### 1,2-Dichloroethane IUR for Inhalation Exposures (Read-Across to 1,1-Dichloroethane)

In 1987, the IRIS program derived an IUR of  $2.6 \times 10^{-5}$  (per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) based on route-to-route extrapolation from the oral CSF derived at the same time. The inhalation cancer bioassay by [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) was not available at the time of the IRIS assessment.

IUR estimates based on the tumor data sets in [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) were calculated using the following equation (Equation 5-12):

#### Equation 5-12.

$$IUR = BMR/HEC$$

Where:

*BMR* = benchmark response

*HEC* = human equivalent concentration in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

A BMR of 10 percent extra risk was selected for all datasets. HECs were calculating using the ratio of blood:gas partition coefficients, as shown in Appendix M.1.2. [Gargas and Andersen \(1989\)](#) estimated blood:air partition coefficients for 1,2-dichloroethane of 19.5 and 30.4 in humans and rats, respectively. Because the rat partition coefficient is greater than the human partition coefficient, the default ratio of 1 is used in the calculation in accordance with [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance. A blood:air partition coefficient for mice was not available from the literature reviewed; thus, the default ratio of 1 was used to calculate HECs for data in mice.

Details of the BMD modeling are provided in *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Benchmark Dose Modeling (U.S. EPA, 2024c)* and the BMCL, HEC, and IUR estimate for each dataset is shown Table 5-48.

**Table 5-48. IUR Estimates for Tumor Data from [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) Study of 1,2-Dichloroethane Using Linear Low-Dose Extrapolation Approach**

Species and Sex	Tumor Type	Selected Model	BMCL10% (ppm)	BMCL10% ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	HEC ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	IUR Estimate ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) <sup>-1</sup>
Male rats	Subcutaneous fibroma	Multistage 1-degree	7	28,332	28,332	3.5E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas	Multistage 1-degree	17	68,807	68,807	1.5E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas and adenomas combined	Multistage 3-degree	15	60,712	60,712	1.6E-06
	Peritoneal mesothelioma	Multistage 3-degree	19	76,901	76,901	1.3E-06
	Combined mammary gland, subcutaneous, and peritoneum tumors	MS Combo	5	20,237	20,237	4.9E-06
Female rats	Subcutaneous fibroma	Multistage 1-degree	17	68,807	68,807	1.5E-06
	Mammary gland adenomas	Multistage 1-degree	9	36,427	36,427	2.7E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas	Multistage 1-degree	8	32,380	32,380	3.1E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas and adenomas combined	Multistage 1-degree	5	20,237	20,237	4.9E-06
	Mammary gland adenocarcinoma	Multistage 3-degree	23	93,091	93,091	1.1E-06

Species and Sex	Tumor Type	Selected Model	BMCL10% (ppm)	BMCL10% ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	HEC ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	IUR Estimate ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) <sup>-1</sup>
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas adenomas, and adenocarcinomas combined	Multistage 1-degree	4	16,190	16,190	6.2E-06
	Combined mammary gland and subcutaneous tumors	MS Combo	4	16,190	16,190	6.2E-06
Female mice	Bronchiolo-alveolar adenomas	Multistage 3-degree	9	36,427	36,427	2.7E-06
	Bronchiolo-alveolar carcinomas	Multistage 2-degree	14	56,664	56,664	1.8E-06
	Bronchiolo-alveolar adenomas and carcinomas combined	Multistage 2-degree	7	28,332	28,332	3.5E-06
	Mammary gland adenocarcinomas	Multistage 3-degree	10	40,474	40,474	2.5E-06
	Hepatocellular adenomas	Multistage 3-degree	11	44,522	44,522	2.2E-06
	Hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas combined	Multistage 2-degree	10	40,474	40,474	2.5E-06
	Combined lung, mammary gland, and liver tumors <sup>a</sup>	MS Combo	5	20,237	20,237	4.9E-06

<sup>a</sup> In addition to the tumor types shown in the table, EPA conducted BMD modeling on the combined incidence of lung, mammary gland, and liver tumors and endometrial stromal polyps to evaluate whether including the polyps would result in a lower BMCL10%. The BMCL10% for combined tumors with polyps was 5 ppm (20  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ), unchanged from the BMCL10% without the polyps.

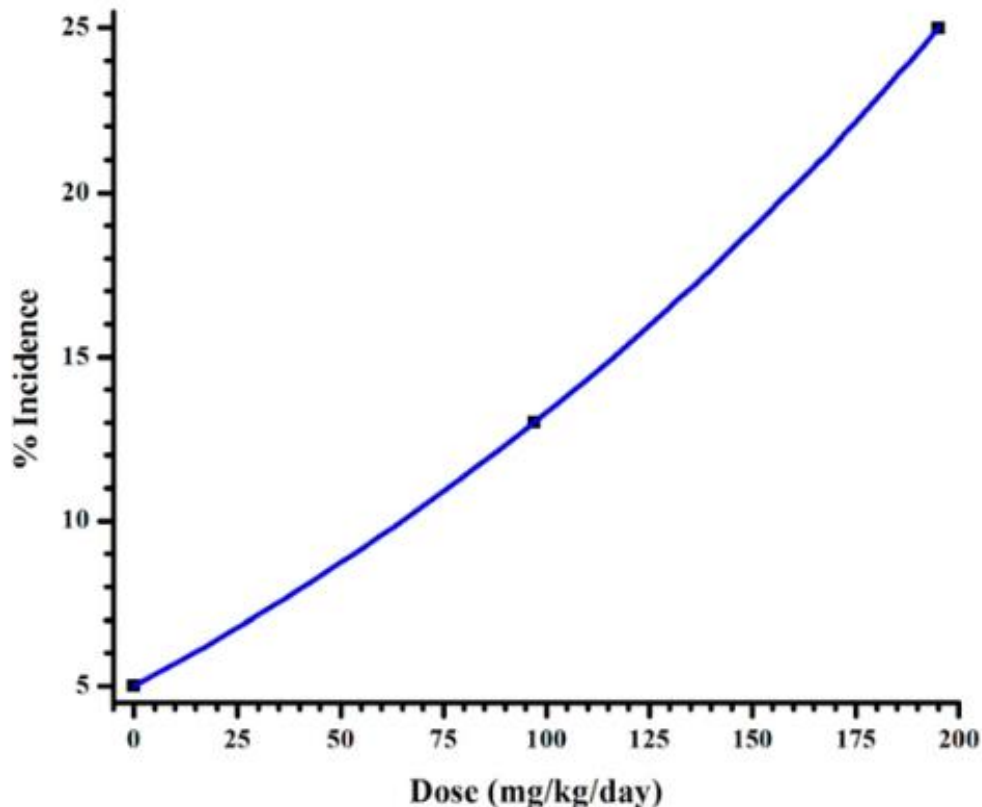
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The highest estimated IUR is  $6.2 \times 10^{-6}$  (per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) for combined mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and subcutaneous fibromas in female rats in the inhalation study by [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#).

**CSF for Oral Exposures**

The IRIS program derived an oral CSF of  $9.1 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) for 1,2-dichloroethane in 1987 based on the incidence of hemangiosarcomas in male rats in the chronic bioassay by [NTP \(1978\)](#), however, this study did not pass EPA systematic review. The oral CSF for male mice based on hepatocarcinomas was  $6.2 \times 10^{-3}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) in a reliable study [NTP \(1978\)](#). No oral cancer bioassays of 1,2-dichloroethane have been published since the IRIS assessment. The IRIS CSF was derived using time-to-tumor modeling to account for intercurrent mortality of the rats in the [NTP \(1978\)](#) study. No updates to the time-to-tumor modeling approach have been made since the 1987 assessment. Hemangiosarcomas in male rats were determined to be the most sensitive species, strain, and site, however this study was deemed unacceptable by EPA systematic review. Although CSF does not account for other tumor types induced by 1,2-dichloroethane in the male rat, there is currently no time-to-tumor modeling approach available that accounts for multiple tumor types. Therefore, the oral CSF for 1,2-dichloroethane from the reliable NTP mouse cancer study [NTP \(1978\)](#) was selected for use in assessment of cancer risks associated with exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane.

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7805 **Figure 5-7. Hepatocellular Carcinoma Dose Response in Mice for Oral Exposure to 1,2-**  
 7806 **Dichloroethane** [NTP \(1978\)](#)  
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7809 ***CSF for Dermal Exposures***

7810 There are no reliable dermal cancer studies of 1,2-dichloroethane; thus, the CSF for 1,2-dichloroethane  
 7811 was obtained from route-to-route extrapolation using oral data. There are uncertainties associated with  
 7812 extrapolation from both oral and inhalation. Use of an oral POD for dermal extrapolation may not be  
 7813 preferred for chemicals known to undergo extensive liver metabolism because the “first-pass effect” that  
 7814 directs intestinally absorbed chemicals directly to the liver applies only to oral ingestion. In contrast, the  
 7815 accuracy of extrapolation of inhalation toxicity data for dermal PODs is dependent on assumptions about  
 7816 inhalation exposure factors such as breathing rate and any associated dosimetric adjustments. Whole-body  
 7817 inhalation studies may also already be incorporating some level of dermal absorption. Given these competing  
 7818 uncertainties, in the absence of data to support selection of either the oral CSF or inhalation IUR, the method  
 7819 resulting in the most protective dermal CSF was selected. The value of the oral CSF is  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  (per  
 7820 mg/kg-bw/day). For comparison, a CSF of  $3.3 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) was obtained using route-to-  
 7821 route extrapolation from the IUR of  $6.0 \times 10^{-6}$  per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  ( $6.0 \times 10^{-3}$  per  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ ) as follows:  
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dermal CSF (per mg/kg-bw/day)} &= 6.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (per mg/m}^3\text{)} * (80 \text{ kg}/14.7 \text{ m}^3\text{/day)} \\ &= 3.3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ (per mg/kg-bw/day)} \end{aligned}$$

7826 The more protective value of  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  per mg/kg-bw/day based on the oral CSF was selected for the  
 7827 dermal CSF.  
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7829 **Oral Slope Factor**

7830 An oral cancer slope factor of  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  (mg/kg)/day was calculated from a well conducted 1,2-  
7831 dichloroethane mouse cancer study from data on hepatocellular carcinomas in male mice based on the  
7832 excellent dose response for 1,2-dichloroethane ([U.S. EPA, 1987a](#)). This cancer slope factor can also be  
7833 utilized for dermal exposures. Alkyl halides, such as 1,2-dichloroethane and 1,1-dichloroethane, are  
7834 considered to be direct acting alkylating agents. Thus, it is considered to be hypothetical the relevance of  
7835 metabolic saturation of liver metabolic capacity for the formation of oncogenic intermediates ([OECD,](#)  
7836 [2002](#)). OncoLogic software categorizes 1,2-dichloroethane as a moderate concern and 1,1-  
7837 dichloroethane as a low-moderate concern for carcinogenicity based on their potential as biological  
7838 alkylating agents. Geminal alkyl halides such as 1,1-dichloroethane are less chemically reactive than  
7839 vicinal alkyl halides such as 1,2-dichloroethane. Thus, the 1,2-dichloroethane mouse cancer study  
7840 provides human health protective analog data for the 1,1-dichloroethane cancer assessment.

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7842 The cancer database for 1,1-dichloroethane was inadequate for both the oral and inhalation routes. 1,1-  
7843 Dichloroethane presented data gaps for cancer slope factors so an analysis of other chlorinated solvents  
7844 as analogs for read-across data was performed. This analysis considered structural similarities, physical-  
7845 chemical properties and toxicological similarities which resulted overall that 1,2-dichloroethane was  
7846 selected as an analog based on these various parameters as described in Appendix J.

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7848 The data gap for 1,1-dichloroethane is based on the lack of a reliable cancer study. The 1,1-  
7849 dichloroethane results were compared to 1,2-dichloroethane results in the cancer studies. 1,2-  
7850 dichloroethane has several high-quality cancer studies available for data read-across. The chronic oral  
7851 cancer studies performed by [NTP \(1978\)](#) qualitatively resulted in the same tumor types or pre-cancerous  
7852 lesions as seen in the bioassays of its isomer 1,1-dichloroethane (*i.e.*, hepatocellular carcinomas,  
7853 endometrial polyps, hemangiosarcomas, etc). Thus, the oral cancer slope factor for the 1,2-  
7854 dichloroethane mouse study was selected for read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane ([NTP, 1978](#)). The  
7855 Nagano 2006 inhalation study provided a reliable cancer study for 1,2-dichloroethane to derive the IUR  
7856 value for read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane and produced similar tumor types as the oral NTP study on  
7857 1,2-dichloroethane ([Nagano et al., 2006](#)).

7858 **5.2.6.3 PODs for Non-cancer and Cancer Human Health Hazard Endpoints**

7859 Table 5-49, Table 5-50, and Table 5-51 list the non-cancer PODs and corresponding HECs, HEDs, and  
7860 UFs that EPA used in the draft 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation to estimate risks following acute,  
7861 short-term/subchronic, and chronic exposure, respectively. Table 5-52 provides the cancer PODs for  
7862 evaluating lifetime exposure.

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7864 Table 5-49. PODs and Toxicity Values Used to Estimate Non-cancer Risks for Acute Exposure Scenarios<sup>a</sup>

Target Organ/System <sup>a</sup>	Species/Gender	Duration/Route	Study POD/Type	Effect	Worker HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Continuous HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Worker HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Continuous HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Uncertainty Factors <sup>g</sup>	Total Uncertainty Factors	Reference	Data Quality
Renal	Mice (male)	<b>Oral 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 1-day oral gavage	BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 153 mg/kg BMD = 270 mg/kg	Increased kidney weight	N/A	N/A	19.9	19.9	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 1 UF <sub>S</sub> = 1 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	30 <sup>d</sup>	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	High
Neurological	Rats (males and females combined)	<b>Inhalation 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 8-hour inhalation	BMC <sub>10</sub> = 48.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 12.1 ppm	Degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory mucosa	10.14 ppm (41.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	2.42 ppm (9.78 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	N/A	N/A	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 1 UF <sub>S</sub> = 1 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	30 <sup>e</sup>	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a>	High
Renal	Mice (male)	<b>Dermal (extrapolated from oral) 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 1-day oral gavage	BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 153 mg/kg BMD=270 mg/kg	Increased kidney weight	N/A	N/A	19.9	19.9	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 1 UF <sub>S</sub> = 1 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	30 <sup>f</sup>	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	High

<sup>a</sup> See Section 5.2.1.2 for details.

<sup>b</sup> BMCL<sub>10</sub> of 48.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup> continuous adjusted × RGDR value (0.2) = 9.78 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for the HEC for continuous (adjusted for 24 hours). The HEC for the worker is the HEC<sub>cont</sub> × 4.2 (hours in a week divided by the # of working hours in a week; 168/40) = 60.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Both HEC worker and continuous were converted to ppm by dividing by a factor of 4.05 (based 24.45/MW).

<sup>c</sup> BMDL<sub>10</sub> of 153 × DAF (0.13 BW<sup>3/4</sup> for mice) = 20.3 mg/kg. All oral PODs were first adjusted to 7 days/week and inhalation PODs adjusted to 24 hours/day, 7 days/week (continuous exposure). All continuous oral PODs were then converted to HEDs using DAFs. Dermal PODs were set equal to the oral HED. It is often necessary to convert between ppm and mg/m<sup>3</sup> due to variation in concentration reporting in studies and the default units for different OPPT models. Therefore, EPA presents all inhalation PODs in equivalents of both units to avoid confusion and errors. PODs converted for use in worker exposure scenarios were adjusted to 8 hours/day, 5 days/week and converted to HECs.

<sup>d</sup> No PODs were identified from acute exposure by the **oral route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used to identify a POD. An acute-duration oral HED for both worker and continuous exposure of 19.9 mg/kg-bw/day was used for risk assessment of acute oral exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 30, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10 for human variability.

<sup>e</sup> No PODs were identified from acute exposure by the **inhalation route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used to identify a POD. An acute-duration inhalation HEC of 10.14 ppm for worker and 2.42 ppm for continuous exposures was used for risk assessment of acute inhalation exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 30, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10 for human variability.

<sup>f</sup> No PODs were identified from acute exposure by the **dermal route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, route-to-route extrapolation from the oral route was used to identify a POD. An acute-duration dermal HED for both worker and continuous exposure of 19.9 mg/kg-bw/day was used for risk assessment of acute dermal exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 30, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10 for human variability.

<sup>g</sup> UF = uncertainty factor; UF<sub>A</sub> = extrapolation from animal to human (interspecies); UF<sub>H</sub> = potential variation in sensitivity among members of the human population (intraspecies); UF<sub>L</sub> = use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL; UF<sub>S</sub> = use of a short-term study for long-term risk assessment; UF<sub>D</sub> = to account for the absence of key data (*i.e.*, lack of a critical study). A default value of 1 was applied for the UF<sub>D</sub> due to a complete database for 1,2-dichloroethane.

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**Table 5-50. PODs and Toxicity Values Used to Estimate Non-cancer Risks for Short-Term Exposure Scenarios<sup>a</sup>**

Target Organ System	Species	Duration/Route	Study POD/Type	Effect	Worker HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Continuous HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Worker HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Continuous HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Uncertainty Factors <sup>g</sup>	Total Uncertainty Factors	Reference	Data Quality
Immune System	Mice (male)	<b>Oral 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 14-days oral gavage	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg	Suppression of immune response (AFCs/spleen)	N/A	N/A	0.890	0.636	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 3 UF <sub>S</sub> = 1 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	100 <sup>d</sup>	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	High
Reproductive	Mice (male)	<b>Inhalation 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 4-week morphological analysis of sperm parameters/	BMCL <sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Decreases in sperm concentration	22.0 ppm (89.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	5.2 ppm (21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	N/A	N/A	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 1 UF <sub>S</sub> = 1 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	30 <sup>e</sup>	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a>	High
Immune System	Mice (male)	<b>Dermal (extrapolated from oral) 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 14-days oral gavage	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg	Suppression of immune response (AFCs/spleen)	N/A	N/A	0.890	0.636	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 3 UF <sub>S</sub> = 1 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	100 <sup>f</sup>	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	High



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Target Organ System	Species	Duration/Route	Study POD/Type	Effect	Worker HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Continuous HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Worker HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Continuous HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Uncertainty Factors <sup>g</sup>	Total Uncertainty Factors	Reference	Data Quality
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<sup>a</sup> See Section 5.2.1.2.1 for details.

<sup>b</sup> BMCL5 = 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> was adjusted to continuous adjusted (with no respiratory effects, there is no RGD; the blood:air ratio = 1, based on eq M-7 from Appendix M; therefore, the HEC<sub>cont</sub> is the same as the adjusted POD of 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The HEC worker is the HEC<sub>cont</sub> × 4.2 (hours in a week divided by the # of working hours in a week; 168/40) = 89.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Both HEC worker and continuous converted to ppm divided by a factor of 4.05 (based 24.45/MW).

<sup>c</sup> All oral PODs were first adjusted to 7 days/week. All continuous oral PODs were then converted to HEDs using DAFs. Dermal PODs were set equal to the oral HED. It is often necessary to convert between ppm and mg/m<sup>3</sup> due to variation in concentration reporting in studies and the default units for different OPPT models. Therefore, EPA presents all PODs in equivalents of both units to avoid confusion and errors. PODs converted for use in worker exposure scenarios were adjusted to 8 hours/day, 5 days/week and converted to HECs.

<sup>d</sup> No PODs were identified from short-term/subchronic exposure by the **oral route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used to identify a POD. A short-term/subchronic-duration oral HED for worker of 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day and a HED for continuous exposure of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day was used for risk assessment of short-term/subchronic oral exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 100, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, and 3 for use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response).

<sup>e</sup> No PODs were identified from short-term/subchronic exposure by the **inhalation route** to 1,1-dichloroethane. Therefore, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used to identify a POD. A short-term/subchronic-duration inhalation HEC for worker exposure of 89.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, and a HEC for continuous exposure of 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, was used for risk assessment of short-term/subchronic inhalation exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 30, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10 for human variability.

<sup>f</sup> No PODs were identified from short-term/subchronic exposure by the **dermal route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, route-to-route extrapolation from the oral route was used to identify a POD. A short-term/subchronic-duration dermal HED for worker of 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day and a HED for continuous exposure of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day was used for risk assessment of short-term/subchronic dermal exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 100, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, and 3 for use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response).

<sup>g</sup> UF = uncertainty factor; UF<sub>A</sub> = extrapolation from animal to human (interspecies); UF<sub>H</sub> = potential variation in sensitivity among members of the human population (intraspecies); UF<sub>L</sub> = use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL; UF<sub>S</sub> = use of a short-term study for long-term risk assessment; UF<sub>D</sub> = to account for the absence of key data (i.e., lack of a critical study). A default value of 1 was applied for the UF<sub>D</sub> due to a complete database for 1,2-dichloroethane.

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**Table 5-51. PODs and Toxicity Values Used to Estimate Non-cancer Risks for Chronic Exposure Scenarios<sup>a</sup>**

Target Organ System	Species	Duration/Route	Study POD/Type	Effect	Worker HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Continuous HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Worker HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Continuous HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Uncertainty Factors <sup>g</sup>	Total Uncertainty Factors	Reference	Data Quality
Immune System	Mice (male)	<b>Oral 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 14-days oral gavage	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg	Suppression of immune response (AFCs/spleen)	N/A	N/A	0.890	0.636	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 3 UF <sub>S</sub> = 10 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	1,000 <sup>d</sup>	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	High
Reproductive	Mice (male)	<b>Inhalation 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 4-week morphological analysis of sperm parameters/ inhalation	BMCL <sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Decreases in sperm concentration	22.0 ppm (89.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	5.2 ppm (21.2 g/m <sup>3</sup> )	N/A	N/A	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 1 UF <sub>S</sub> = 10 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	300 <sup>e</sup>	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a>	High
Immune System	Mice (male)	<b>Dermal (extrapolated from oral) 1,2-dichloroethane data</b> 14-days oral gavage	LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg	Suppression of immune response (AFCs/spleen)	N/A	N/A	0.890	0.636	UF <sub>A</sub> = 3 UF <sub>H</sub> = 10 UF <sub>L</sub> = 3 UF <sub>S</sub> = 10 UF <sub>D</sub> = 1	1,000 <sup>f</sup>	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	High

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Target Organ System	Species	Duration/Route	Study POD/Type	Effect	Worker HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Continuous HEC <sup>b</sup> (ppm) [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Worker HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Continuous HED <sup>c</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day)	Uncertainty Factors <sup>g</sup>	Total Uncertainty Factors	Reference	Data Quality
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<sup>a</sup> See Section 5.2.1.2.1 for details.

<sup>b</sup> BMCL5 = 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> was adjusted to continuous adjusted (with no respiratory effects, there is no RGD; the blood:air ratio = 1, based on eq M-7 from Appendix M; therefore, the HEC<sub>cont</sub> is the same as the adjusted POD of 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The HEC worker is the HEC<sub>cont</sub> × 4.2 (hours in a week divided by the # of working hours in a week; 168/40) = 89.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Both HEC worker and continuous converted to ppm divided by a factor of 4.05 (based 24.45/MW).

<sup>c</sup> All oral PODs were first adjusted to 7 days/week. All continuous oral PODs were then converted to HEDs using DAFs. Dermal PODs were set equal to the oral HED. It is often necessary to convert between ppm and mg/m<sup>3</sup> due to variation in concentration reporting in studies and the default units for different OPPT models. Therefore, EPA presents all PODs in equivalents of both units to avoid confusion and errors. PODs converted for use in worker exposure scenarios were adjusted to 8 hours/day, 5 days/week and converted to HECs.

<sup>d</sup> No PODs were identified from chronic exposure by the **oral route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used to identify a POD. A chronic-duration oral HED for worker of 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day and a HED for continuous exposure of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day was used for risk assessment of chronic oral exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 1000, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, 3 for the use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response), and 10 for extrapolating from a subchronic study duration to a chronic study duration.

<sup>e</sup> No PODs were identified from chronic exposure by the **inhalation route** to 1,1-dichloroethane. Therefore, read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane was used to identify a POD. The chronic-duration inhalation HEC for worker exposure of 89.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, and a HEC for continuous exposure of 21.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, was used for risk assessment of chronic inhalation exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 300, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, and 10 for extrapolating from a subchronic study duration to a chronic study duration.

<sup>f</sup> No PODs were identified from chronic exposure by the **dermal route** to 1,1-dichloroethane; therefore, route-to-route extrapolation from the oral route was used to identify a POD. A chronic-duration dermal HED for worker of 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day and a HED for continuous exposure of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day was used for risk assessment of chronic dermal exposure, with a total uncertainty factor of 1000, based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, 3 for the use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response), and 10 for extrapolating from a subchronic study duration to a chronic study duration.

<sup>g</sup> UF = uncertainty factor; UF<sub>A</sub> = extrapolation from animal to human (interspecies); UF<sub>H</sub> = potential variation in sensitivity among members of the human population (intraspecies); UF<sub>L</sub> = use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL; UF<sub>S</sub> = use of a short-term study for long-term risk assessment; UF<sub>DB</sub> = to account for the absence of key data (*i.e.*, lack of a critical study). A default value of 1 was applied for the UF<sub>D</sub> due to a complete database for 1,2-dichloroethane.

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7871**Table 5-52. Cancer PODs for 1,1-Dichloroethane Lifetime Exposure Scenarios – Read-Across from 1,2-Dichloroethane Data**

Exposure Assumption <sup>a</sup>	Oral Slope Factor <sup>b</sup>	Dermal Slope Factor <sup>b</sup>	Inhalation Unit Risk <sup>c</sup>	Drinking Water Unit Risk <sup>d</sup>	Extra Cancer Risk Benchmark
Continuous Exposure	0.062 per mg/kg/day	0.062 per mg/kg/day	7.1E-06 (per µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) 2.9E-2 (per ppm)	1.8E-06 per ug/L	1E-06 (general population)
Worker	0.062 per mg/kg/day	0.062 per mg/kg/day	2.4E-06 (per µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) 9.5E-3 (per ppm)	1.8E-06 per ug/L	1E-04 (occupational)

<sup>a</sup> Cancer slope factor and unit risk will be derived based on continuous exposure scenarios. Due to the exposure averaging time adjustments incorporated into lifetime exposure estimates, separate cancer hazard values for occupational scenarios are not required.

<sup>b</sup> The oral CSF for male mice based on hepatocarcinomas was 6.2E-02 (per mg/kg-bw/day) in a reliable study [NTP \(1978\)](#). Read-across using cancer PODs from 1,2-dichloroethane based on hepatocellular carcinomas in male mice [NTP \(1978\)](#). Due to scarcity of data, route-to-route extrapolation from the oral slope factor is used for the dermal route.

<sup>c</sup> Read-across using cancer inhalation PODs from 1,2-dichloroethane based on based on combined mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and subcutaneous fibromas in female rats ([Nagano et al., 2006](#)).

<sup>d</sup> Therefore, the oral CSF for 1,2-dichloroethane from the reliable NTP mouse cancer study [NTP \(1978\)](#) was selected for use in assessment of cancer risks associated with exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. This mouse CSF was used to calculate a drinking water unit risk of 1.8 E-06 per ug/L using a drinking water intake of 2 L/day and body weight of 70 kg.

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#### 5.2.6.4 Human Health Hazard Values Used by Other Agencies

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Historically, offices across EPA and other agencies (ATSDR), have developed their own assessments for 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane. A comparison of these assessments is outlined in Table 5-53 for non-cancer based on exposure duration and route.

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EPA first reviewed existing assessments of 1,1-and 1,2-dichloroethane conducted by regulatory and authoritative agencies such as [ATSDR \(2015\)](#) and [ATSDR \(2022\)](#), as well as several systematic reviews of studies of 1,2-dichloroethane published by U.S. EPA Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) program ([U.S. EPA, 1990, 1987b](#)) and U.S. EPA Provisional Peer-Reviewed Toxicity Values ([U.S. EPA, 2010, 2006b](#)).

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With regard to the U.S. EPA Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) program ([U.S. EPA, 1990, 1987b](#)) assessments for 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane, non-cancer exposure durations/routes were not assessed. Upon evaluation of the ([ATSDR, 2015](#)) *Toxicological Profile for 1,1-Dichloroethane* and U.S. EPA Provisional Peer-Reviewed Toxicity Values for 1,1-Dichloroethane [ATSDR \(2022\) Toxicological Profile for 1,2-Dichloroethane](#) and U.S. EPA Provisional Peer-Reviewed Toxicity Values for 1,1-Dichloroethane ([U.S. EPA, 2006b](#)) and U.S. EPA Provisional Peer-Reviewed Toxicity Values for 1,1-Dichloroethane ([U.S. EPA, 2010](#)), the studies identified for minimal risk level (MRL) and provisional values, respectively, by these assessment were evaluated by the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)). While there are many areas of agreement with these assessments, these assessments either did not derive values for exposure durations and/or routes, used studies that were not considered as “sensitive endpoints”, or used studies that were identified as “Uninformative” based on systematic review for the subchronic duration scenarios.

7898 For 1,1-dichloroethane, no provisional value was derived in ([U.S. EPA, 2006b](#)) for the acute duration for  
7899 any exposure route and the study by ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), based on sedation in male rats, was  
7900 identified for the oral subchronic and chronic duration. This study was not used as the POD based on a  
7901 NOAEL of 714 mg/kg/day in male rats with limited assessment of neurotoxicity.  
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7903 Furthermore, as the database for 1,1-dichloroethane contained data gaps and the use of the 1,2-  
7904 dichloroethane database was used to fill those gaps, a thorough evaluation for both [ATSDR \(2022\)](#) and  
7905 ([U.S. EPA, 2010](#)), that identified the 13-week study by ([NTP, 1991](#)), where male and female F344/N,  
7906 Sprague Dawley, and Osborne-Mendel rats as well as B6C3F1 mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane in  
7907 drinking water was used to derive their respective values. A significant dose-related increase in kidney  
7908 weight and the kidney-body-ratio of female F344 rats was identified at 58 mg/kg/day among the three  
7909 rat strains. This study was considered as a potential candidate for POD derivation, however, the daily  
7910 intake doses were estimated on a mg/kg body weight basis and not measured throughout the duration of  
7911 exposure. The means by which the dosage estimates were calculated was by dividing the mean water  
7912 consumption over the 13-week study by the initial and final body weights of ten animals. Additionally,  
7913 weight gain depression was seen in males and females in the two higher dose groups throughout the  
7914 study and was likely caused by dehydration due to poor palatability of the formulated drinking water.  
7915 The study also indicated that water consumption was substantially decreased with increasing dose.  
7916 According to the study, a decrease of as much as 60 percent in water intake was also seen in both male  
7917 and female Osborne-Mendel rats at the highest concentration of 8000 ppm (a range of 500 -725  
7918 mg/kg/day) that indicates that the dose received by all exposed animals was less than the target dose.  
7919 The authors indicate that as water intake was reduced at most exposure levels, equivalent exposure did  
7920 not, however, occur at different dose levels within a strain. Due to the uncertainty regarding the  
7921 delivered dose and the inherent volatility associated with 1,2-dichloroethane, it was not recommended  
7922 using this drinking water study for this dose-response assessment.  
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7924 ([NTP, 1991](#)), however, also included a 13-week gavage study that was rated high by systematic review  
7925 and considered for a POD for subchronic exposures based on kidney weight (30 mg/kg/day LOAEL  
7926 males; 75 mg/kg/day LOAEL females), however, the study had a higher POD via oral gavage, and was  
7927 not ultimately selected as the use of the most sensitive endpoint, immunosuppression from [Munson et al.](#)  
7928 ([1982](#)) (LOAEL 4.9 mg/kg-day), was considered instead. In support, the 1,2-dichloroethane [ATSDR](#)  
7929 ([2022](#)) authoritative document also concluded that “the immune system was the most sensitive target for  
7930 short-term exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane by both the inhalation and oral routes in mice.”  
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7932 With regard to identification of a subchronic provisional reference concentration (p-RfC) in ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
7933 [2010](#)) for 1,2-dichloroethane, the occupational [Kozik \(1957\)](#) study used identified in this assessment  
7934 was rated “Uninformative” by systematic review based on a number of limitations (poor data and test  
7935 method reporting, lack of description of the analytical methodology, limited quantitative data and  
7936 statistical analyses, unstated criteria for diagnosis of disease, limited number of study participants and no  
7937 matched control group, lack of control for potential confounding, lack of exposure duration  
7938 information). Furthermore, [Kozik \(1957\)](#) did not report any data that could be used for BMD modeling.  
7939 Additionally, PPRTV also commented on the confidence of the study as well as confidence in the  
7940 calculated p-RfC as being very low. This study was also used for the chronic p-RfC irrespective of this  
7941 low confidence with additional uncertainty factor of 10 for the duration adjustment.  
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7943 Therefore, studies only studies that received a rating of high and medium by systematic review were  
7944 considered for PODs as outlined in Appendix M.2 with study evaluation and selection rationale.

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**Table 5-53. Non-Cancer Human Health Hazard Values Used by Other Agencies and EPA Offices**

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Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
Acute	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,1-Dichloroethane human and animal data inadequate – endpoints for animal data near the limit dose. Used read-across to 1,2-dichloroethane animal data for more biologically relevant and sensitive PODs.	1,1-Dichloroethane human and animal data inadequate. Used read-across to 1,2-dichloroethane animal data for more biologically relevant and sensitive PODs.	No data by this route for 1,1-dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloroethane. Used route-to-route extrapolation from oral 1,2-dichloroethane data.	
	1,2-Dichloroethane	POD BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 153 mg/kg based on increased kidney weight via gavage ( <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a> ). UF = 30	POD BMC <sub>10</sub> = 48.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 12.1 ppm based on olfactory necrosis ( <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a> ). UF = 30	POD BMDL <sub>10</sub> = 153 mg/kg based on increased kidney weight ( <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a> ). UF = 30	
Subchronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,1-Dichloroethane human and animal data inadequate. Used read-across to 1,2-dichloroethane animal data for more biologically relevant and sensitive PODs.	1,1-Dichloroethane human and animal data inadequate. Used read-across to 1,2-dichloroethane animal data for more biologically relevant and sensitive PODs.	No data by this route for 1,1-dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloroethane. Used route-to-route extrapolation from oral 1,2-dichloroethane data.	
	1,2-Dichloroethane	POD = LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg based on immunosuppression in a 14-day gavage study ( <a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a> ). UF = 100	POD = BMCL <sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> based on decreases in sperm concentration ( <a href="#">Zhang et al., 2017</a> ). UF = 30	POD = LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg based on immunosuppression in a 14-day gavage study ( <a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a> ). UF = 100	( <a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a> ) identified immunosuppression as the most sensitive endpoint – however, ATSDR characterized the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> study as an acute study and therefore it was excluded from derivation of MRLs for subchronic and chronic exposures.
Chronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,1-Dichloroethane human and animal data inadequate. Used read-across to 1,2-dichloroethane animal data for more biologically relevant and sensitive PODs.	1,1-Dichloroethane human and animal data inadequate. Used read-across to 1,2-dichloroethane animal data for more biologically relevant and	No data by this route for 1,1-dichloroethane and inadequate data for 1,2-dichloroethane. Used route-to-route extrapolation from oral 1,2-dichloroethane data.	



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OPPT/ECRAD					
Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
Chronic			sensitive PODs.		
	1,2-Dichloroethane	POD = LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg based on immunosuppression in a 14-day gavage study ( <a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a> ). UF = 1,000 <sup>b</sup>	POD = BMCL <sub>5</sub> = 21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> based on decreases in sperm concentration ( <a href="#">Zhang et al., 2017</a> ). UF = 300	POD = LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 4.89 mg/kg based on immunosuppression in a 14-day gavage study ( <a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a> ). UF = 1,000	A standard default of a UF <sub>s</sub> of 10 was added for use of subchronic data for chronic duration. ( <a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a> ) identified immunosuppression as the most sensitive endpoint – however, ATSDR characterized the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> study as an acute study and therefore it was excluded from derivation of MRLs for subchronic and chronic exposures.
IRIS ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1990, 1987b</a> )					
Acute	1,1-Dichloroethane	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	
Subchronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	
Chronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	Not assessed under IRIS	
PPRTV ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2010, 2006b</a> )					
Acute	1,1-Dichloroethane	Did not derive a provisional value	Did not derive a provisional value	Did not derive a provisional value	Database considered inadequate
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Did not derive a provisional value	Did not derive a provisional value	Did not derive a provisional value	Database considered inadequate
	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,1-Dichloroethane animal data was used. Data base is	Available inhalation data in animals and humans considered inadequate	Did not derive a provisional value	OPPT/ECRAD did not use this study because the endpoint/POD was based on a NOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = 714 mg/kg/day, in male rats only, with limited

OPPT/ECRAD					
Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
		<p>lacking human data by the oral route.</p> <p>RfD = 2 mg/kg-day (by dividing the NOAEL<sub>adj</sub> of 714 mg/kg/day by the total UF of 300) based sedation (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>) for 13 weeks. UF = 300</p>	<p>for derivation of a RfC provisional.</p>		<p>assessments of neurotoxicity, very close to the limit dose of 1,000 mg/kg/day.</p> <p>OPPT/ECRAD used read-across data from 1,2-dichloroethane for this route and duration for a more biologically relevant, sensitive, and human health protective POD.</p> <p>PPRTV commented confidence in the study is medium (and a UF<sub>D</sub> of 3 was used in their total UF calculation), and overall confidence in the calculation of the provisional RfD is low.</p>
Subchronic	1,2-Dichloroethane	<p>1,2-Dichloroethane animal data was used. Database is lacking human data by the oral route.</p> <p>RfD = 0.02 mg/kg-day based on increased kidney weights (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>; <a href="#">Morgan et al., 1990</a>), 90-day drinking water (DW) UF = 3000</p> <p>In context, the OPPT MRL is 0.049 mg/kg/day based on the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> immunotoxicity POD of 4.89 mg/kg/day and a total UF of 100</p>	<p>1,2-Dichloroethane animal data was not used – human data was selected as the only feasible study for subchronic durations.</p> <p>RfC = 0.07 mg/m<sup>3</sup> based on neurobehavioral impairment (<a href="#">Kozik, 1957</a>) UF = 300</p> <p>In context, based on decreased sperm count in the <a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a> study with the UF of 30, the OPPT RfC = 0.71 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p>	<p>Did not derive a provisional value</p>	<p>For the oral route: PPRTV used a UF<sub>D</sub> of 3 to account for database inadequacies. OPPT/ECRAD did not use the (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>)/(<a href="#">Morgan et al., 1990</a>) DW study as it rated “Uninformative” in our SR due to a reported 59% decrease in dose at the end of each day, as well as noted dehydration due to decreased water consumption. Kidney effects could be due to dehydration and not direct result of chemical exposure. PPRTV made no mention of the limitations of the DW study.</p> <p>PPRTV makes no mention of the gavage portion of the (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>)/ (<a href="#">Morgan et al., 1990</a>).</p> <p>Note: OPPT/ECRAD <sup>c</sup></p> <p>PPRTV commented <sup>d</sup></p> <p>For the inhalation route: OPPT/ECRAD did not use the <a href="#">Kozik (1957)</a> study because it rated as “Uninformative” in our SR based on a number of limitations (poor data and test method reporting, lack of description of the analytical methodology, limited quantitative data and statistical</p>
Subchronic					

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OPPT/ECRAD					
Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
					analyses, unstated criteria for diagnosis of disease, limited number of study participants and no matched control group, lack of control for potential confounding, lack of exposure duration information). <a href="#">Kozik (1957)</a> did not report any data that could be used for BMD modeling.  PPRTV commented <sup>e</sup>
Chronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,1-Dichloroethane animal was used. Data base is lacking human data by the oral route.  RfD = 0.2 mg/kg-day (by dividing the NOAEL <sub>adj</sub> of 714 mg/kg/day divided by the total UF) based sedation ( <a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a> ) for 13 weeks. UF = 3,000	Available inhalation data in animals and humans considered inadequate for derivation of a RfC provisional value.	Did not derive a provisional value	Same study and conclusions as for the subchronic duration only added an additional UF of 10 for use of subchronic study for chronic duration to yield a total UF = 3,000.
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Did not derive a provisional value.	RfC = 0.007 mg/m <sup>3</sup> based on neurobehavioral impairment ( <a href="#">Kozik, 1957</a> ) UF = 3,000  In context, based on decreased sperm count in the <a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a> study with the UF of 300, the OPPT RfC = 0.071 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Did not derive a provisional value	<u>For the RfD:</u> PPRTV commented <sup>f</sup> :  <u>For the RfC:</u> Same study and conclusions as for the subchronic duration only added an additional UF of 10 for use of subchronic study for chronic duration to yield a total UF = 3,000.
ATSDR ( <a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a> , <a href="#">2015</a> )					

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Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
Acute	1,1-Dichloroethane	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	Database was considered inadequate
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Did not derive an MRL	0.3 ppm based on Degeneration, with necrosis, olfactory epithelium in rats ( <a href="#">Hotchkiss et al., 2010</a> ; <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a> ); BMCL <sub>10</sub> = 57 (BMCL <sub>HEC</sub> = 9.2) UF = 30  In context, OPPT determined an MRL of 0.3 ppm	Did not derive an MRL	ATSDR did not use the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> gavage study because of a difference in classification of acute and subchronic between ATSDR and EPA. ATSDR classifies a 14-day study as “acute,” and therefore it was not used by them for subchronic or chronic POD derivation.

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Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
Subchronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL.	Database was considered inadequate
	1,2-Dichloroethane	0.2 mg/kg/day based on kidney weight in rats ( <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a> )/ ( <a href="#">Morgan et al., 1990</a> ), 90-day drinking water (DW) LOAEL = 58 UF = 300  In context, the OPPT MRL is 0.049 mg/kg/day based on the Munson immunotoxicity POD of 4.89 mg/kg/day and a total UF of 100	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	OPPT/ECRAD did not use the drinking water portion of either the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> or ( <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a> )/( <a href="#">Morgan et al., 1990</a> ) studies for identification of a POD. The ( <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a> )/( <a href="#">Morgan et al., 1990</a> ) study identified kidney weight as a POD via DW (58 mg/kg). The DW portion of the study rated “Uninformative” in our SR. The rationale for that rating is based on up to a 59% loss of concentration at the end of each day, with a 60% decrease in water consumption which lead to dehydration and therefore the kidney effects could likely be artifacts of dehydration.
Chronic	1,1-Dichloroethane	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	Database was considered inadequate
	1,2-Dichloroethane	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	Did not derive an MRL	According to ATSDR, data were insufficient to derive an acute-duration provisional oral MRL due to uncertainty about the validity of results at the lowest effect level based on differences in effect between gavage doses and drinking water doses. Data were insufficient for the derivation of a chronic-duration provisional oral MRL as the most sensitive endpoint was represented by a serious effect (such as death). ATSDR concluded that the inhalation database was inadequate for derivation of intermediate- and chronic-duration inhalation MRLs.

OPPT/ECRAD					
Exposure	Solvent	Oral	Inhalation	Dermal	Comments
<p><sup>a</sup> OPPT/ECRAD: Following an analysis, 1,2-dichloroethane (a close analog and isomer of 1,1-dichloroethane) was identified as an analog to be used for read-across where toxicological data on 1,1-dichloroethane were inadequate or missing.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Per EPA RfC/RfD Guidance Document (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 2002b</a>), UF's of up to 3,000 are acceptable. In the case of the RfC, the maximum UF would be 3,000, whereas the maximum would be 10,000 for the RfD.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> OPPT/ECRAD used the gavage portion of the <a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a> study to derive an oral POD for subchronic duration, as opposed to the gavage portion of the <a href="#">(NTP, 1991)</a>/<a href="#">(Morgan et al., 1990)</a> study, as it represented a more biologically relevant and sensitive POD. PPRTV briefly mentions the Munson et al. (1982) study.</p> <p><sup>d</sup> PPRTV commented confidence in the study <a href="#">(NTP, 1991)</a>/<a href="#">(Morgan et al., 1990)</a> is medium (a UFD of 3 was used in their total UF calculation), and overall confidence in the calculation of the provisional RfD is medium.</p> <p><sup>e</sup> PPRTV commented confidence in the study <a href="#">(Kozik, 1957)</a> is very low (and a UFD of 3 was used in their total UF calculation), and overall confidence in the calculation of the provisional RfC is low.</p> <p><sup>f</sup> PPRTV commented "In the absence of suitable chronic data, the POD from the subchronic <a href="#">(NTP, 1991)</a> p-RfD could be used to derive the chronic p-RfD; however, the composite UF would include the additional UFs of 10 for applying data from a subchronic study to assess potential effects from chronic exposure. This would result in the large composite UF of greater than 3,000, thereby relegating this derivation of the chronic p-RfD to an appendix screening value."</p>					

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### 5.2.7 Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions for Human Health Hazard

The weight of scientific evidence supporting the human health hazard assessment is based on the strengths, limitations, and uncertainties associated with the hazard studies identified. The weight of scientific evidence is summarized using confidence descriptors: robust, moderate, slight, or indeterminate. This approach is consistent with the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b). When weighing and integrating evidence to estimate the potential that 1,1-dichloroethane may cause a given non-cancer or cancer health hazard endpoint (e.g., immune system, reproductive, hepatocarcinomas), EPA uses several factors adapted from Sir Bradford Hill (1965). These elements include consistency, dose-response relationship, strength of the association, temporal relationship, biological plausibility, and coherence among other considerations.

EPA considered evidence integration conclusions from Sections 5.2.3, 5.2.4, and 5.2.5 and additional factors when choosing studies for dose-response modeling and for each exposure scenario (acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic), as described in Section 5.2.5.3. Additional considerations pertinent to the overall hazard confidence levels include evidence integration conclusions from Appendix M, selection of the critical endpoint and study, relevance to the exposure scenario, dose-response considerations and PESS sensitivity. Section 5.2.7.1 presents a summary table of confidence for each hazard endpoint and exposure duration (see Table 5-54).

#### **Weight of Scientific Evidence Conclusions**

For reproductive/developmental toxicity, overall weight of scientific evidence conclusion based on integration of information across evidence streams suggests evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause reproductive/developmental toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances Table\_Apx M-26.

For renal toxicity, overall weight of scientific evidence conclusion based on integration of information across evidence streams suggests evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause renal toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances Table\_Apx M-27.

For hepatic toxicity, overall weight of scientific evidence conclusion based on integration of information across evidence streams suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes hepatic toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances Table\_Apx M-28.

For complete details on weight of scientific evidence conclusions for both within and across evidence streams, see the evidence profile tables for each organ domain in Appendix M.5M. For a more detailed description of the hazard database and weight of scientific evidence evaluation see *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b) for details on the process of evidence evaluation and integration.

Several limitations exist for the 1,1-dichloroethane database. First, the database for studies in humans and animals consisted of a small number of studies, with limited evaluations performed in many of these studies, thereby precluding the identification of target organs for 1,1-dichloroethane. Second, no acceptable toxicological data were available by the dermal or drinking water route, and PBPK/PD models that would facilitate route-to-route extrapolation to the dermal route have not been identified for 1,1-dichloroethane. However, in oral dosing, the dose is rapidly absorbed and over 80% is exhaled through the lungs unchanged. Dermal exposures have similar elimination through the lungs. Therefore, oral PODs were used for extrapolation via the dermal route. Third, no adequate data were available to identify non-cancer PODs for the inhalation route for either acute or short-term/subchronic exposure

7994 durations. Data for the identified analog for 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloroethane was used to read-  
7995 across and fill identified data gaps (Section 5.2.1.2).

7996  
7997 In the study by [Hofmann et al. \(1971a\)](#), a repeated 6-hour inhalation 13-week exposure to 500 ppm 1,1-  
7998 dichloroethane or 1,2-dichloroethane in rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits indicated toxicity only in animals  
7999 exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane. Although this study cannot be utilized quantitatively, qualitative  
8000 evaluation based on this comparison of equivalent concentrations for 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-  
8001 dichloroethane identifies 1,2-dichloroethane to possess greater toxicity among rats, guinea pigs and  
8002 rabbits. Rats, as the most sensitive species, displayed an onset of dyspnea and death within the first five  
8003 exposure sessions in contrast to the lack of any clinical or pathological changes in 1,1-dichloroethane  
8004 exposed animals through the duration of the study. Taking this in account, [Hofmann et al. \(1971a\)](#),  
8005 suggest that 1,2-dichloroethane is approximately 5 times more toxic than 1,1-dichloroethane via the  
8006 inhalation route based on this exposure scenario.

8007  
8008 Due to the lack of acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic studies for 1,1-dichloroethane via the  
8009 inhalation route, studies assessing the toxicological effects of 1,2-dichloroethane were identified as  
8010 potential study candidates to derive PODs as read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane. As indicated previously,  
8011 the 10-day inhalation study by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) was not used because the effects on developing  
8012 fetuses and/or offspring were limited and inconclusive and were considered inadequate for derivation of  
8013 an acute inhalation POD, and because the only effect reported were decreases in maternal body weight  
8014 which occurred following 10-days of exposure. The 4-week study by [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) was chosen for  
8015 read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane to 1,1-dichloroethane to derive a POD for short-term/subchronic  
8016 exposure via inhalation as other studies using 1,2-dichloroethane were deemed inadequate for this  
8017 determination due to study limitations. The study by [Payan et al., 1995](#), a 15-day study in female  
8018 Sprague-Dawley rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane for 6 hours/day identified no significant effects in  
8019 the body weight of dams nor pups in exposure groups up to 250 ppm. In addition, the pregnancy rate  
8020 among females at 250 ppm was significantly lower than controls; however, the effect was not seen in the  
8021 300 ppm group, so it was assumed not to be related to exposure. At the highest concentration of 300  
8022 ppm, a decrease of maternal body weight was the only effect observed, similarly to [Schwetz et al.](#)  
8023 [\(1974\)](#), but no significant morphological effects in pups were identified as compared to controls. In the  
8024 10-day teratogenicity study by [Rao et al., 1980](#), mated Sprague-Dawley rats (16–30/group) were  
8025 exposed to 0, 100, 300 ppm of 1,2-dichloroethane for 7 hours/day on gestational day 6 to 15 via whole  
8026 body inhalation. Dams were sacrificed on gestational day 21 and implantation resorption was evaluated  
8027 for each exposure group, however, one litter was identified for the 300 ppm exposure group, as only one  
8028 surviving female was pregnant at sacrifice in the 300 ppm exposure group. The embryotoxicity  
8029 considered was thus considered secondary to the maternal toxicity.

8030  
8031 In the reproduction study by [Rao et al., 1980](#), male and female Sprague-Dawley rats were exposed to  
8032 0, 25, 75, or 150 ppm of 1,2-dichloroethane via whole body inhalation for 60 days, 6 hours/day and 5  
8033 days/week. After 60 days of exposure F<sub>0</sub> male and females of each respective treatment group were bred  
8034 one-to-one to generate F<sub>1A</sub> generation. Seven days after F<sub>1A</sub> litter was sacrificed, F<sub>0</sub> rats were bred again  
8035 to produce a F<sub>1B</sub> generation. No exposure related effect in body weight, organ weights (liver and  
8036 kidney), or histology (liver, kidneys, ovaries, and testes) were seen in the F<sub>0</sub> rats. No significant  
8037 differences in fertility index, gestation days, sex ratio, neonatal body weight or growth of pups were  
8038 observed. Additionally, no exposure related change in liver or kidney weights or histology were seen in  
8039 the F<sub>1</sub> generations. The apparent body weight decrease in selected male F<sub>1B</sub> weanlings at 150 ppm was  
8040 based on only five male weanlings per group, which was not a statistically significant difference from  
8041 controls.

8043 An evaluation of the 2-year ([Nagano et al., 2006](#)) mouse study for read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane  
8044 to 1,1-dichloroethane was also considered for evaluation of the chronic non-cancer POD determination;  
8045 however, the study did not quantify non-cancer endpoints. The study was directed to identify cancer  
8046 endpoints at low doses and did not measure many non-cancer endpoints of concern. In mice, neither  
8047 growth rate nor food consumption was suppressed in any 1,2-dichloroethane exposure group of either  
8048 sex as compared with the respective control. The body weights of the 0, 10, 30 and 90 ppm 1,2-  
8049 dichloroethane exposure groups at the end of the 2-year exposure period were  $50.8 \pm 6.5$ ,  $51.7 \pm 6.1$ ,  
8050  $48.1 \pm 8.2$  and  $50.7 \pm 6.6$  g for males and  $36.6 \pm 5.2$ ,  $35.8 \pm 4.1$ ,  $37.4 \pm 4.9$  and  $34.1 \pm 4.0$  g for females,  
8051 respectively. No exposure related change in any hematological, blood biochemical, or urinary parameter  
8052 was found in any 1,2-dichloroethane-exposed group of either sex.

### 8053 **Cancer**

8054 The 1,1-dichloroethane cancer studies were unacceptable for risk evaluation by EPA systematic review.  
8055 The only available human study was confounded by co-exposure to vinyl chloride ([Garcia et al., 2015](#)).  
8056 Animal studies included a 78-week study in rats and mice exposed by gavage that was limited by  
8057 premature mortality in both species (due to pneumonia in rats, and with no cause of death identified for  
8058 mice) ([NCI, 1978](#)); a drinking water study in which animals were sacrificed after only 52 weeks  
8059 ([Klaunig et al., 1986](#)); and a 9-week study of GGT+ foci in partially hepatectomized rats ([Milman et al.,](#)  
8060 [1988](#)). In the absence of chemical-specific data, cancer risk assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane employed  
8061 read-across to the related compound 1,2-dichloroethane. For the oral and dermal routes, the 1,2-  
8062 dichloroethane oral study in mice provided a cancer slope factor of  $7.1 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) based  
8063 on hepatocarcinomas in male mice [NTP \(1978\)](#). For the inhalation route, the 1,2-dichloroethane  
8064 inhalation study in rats provided an inhalation unit risk of  $6.2 \times 10^{-6}$  (per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) based on combined  
8065 mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and subcutaneous fibromas in female  
8066 rats [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#).

### 8068 **PESS**

8069 *1,1-Dichloroethane*: Relevant data on lifestages and target organs were evaluated to identify potentially  
8070 susceptible subpopulations exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane; however, available data in humans and test  
8071 animals on lifestages and target organs are limited. An evaluation of the limited human health hazard  
8072 database in animals for 1,1-dichloroethane found only one study [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) with information  
8073 on lifestages following exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. The only effect reported was a decrease in  
8074 maternal body weight (LOAEL of 3,798 ppm), which could support the pregnant female as having  
8075 greater biological susceptibility. The reported delays in fetal ossification from this same study, however,  
8076 were more difficult to interpret as this effect also occurred in the two control groups. The only other  
8077 effect considered as a POD for 1,1-dichloroethane was from a 13-week repeated-dose toxicity study by  
8078 [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), with a NOAEL<sub>continuous</sub> and LOAEL<sub>continuous</sub> for CNS depression of 714 and  
8079 1,429 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively. This endpoint, however, was near lethal doses (Oral LD50 is 725  
8080 mg/kg (PubChem) and was therefore not considered a sensitive endpoint for assessing potential  
8081 biological susceptibility.

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8083  
8084 Although information on other considerations potentially impacting greater biological susceptibility  
8085 (such as pre-existing disease, lifestyle activities, sociodemographic factors, nutritional status, genetic  
8086 predispositions, or other chemical co-exposures and non-chemical stressors), was sparse, there is some  
8087 information on 1,1-dichloroethane as impacting greater biological susceptibility. For example, the  
8088 [ATSDR \(2015\)](#) does mention some factors that could impact greater susceptibility in the general  
8089 population. These factors include, individuals with skin disease because of the purported dermal irritant  
8090 effects induced by 1,1-dichloroethane; individuals with liver disease because of the role of this organ in  
8091 the biotransformation and detoxification of xenobiotics such as 1,1-dichloroethane; individuals with

8092 impaired renal function based on limited evidence that 1,1-dichloroethane is nephrotoxic in animals; and  
8093 individuals with chronic respiratory disease because of the purported respiratory irritant effects induced  
8094 by 1,1-dichloroethane. Additional potential populations that may be unusually susceptible to 1,1-  
8095 dichloroethane include children and the elderly because of immature or compromised metabolic  
8096 capabilities; phenobarbital or alcohol consumers because of the ability of these substances to alter the  
8097 activity of the cytochrome P-450 system; people with compromised immune systems may be  
8098 particularly susceptible to exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane based on the known general immunotoxicity of  
8099 various similar chlorinated solvents; and people with pre-existing heart conditions based on reports of  
8100 cardiac arrhythmias from the clinical use of 1,1-dichloroethane as an anesthetic. The anesthetic use of  
8101 1,1-dichloroethane was discontinued when discovered that it induced cardiac arrhythmias at anesthetic  
8102 doses ([Reid and Muianga, 2012](#)).

8103  
8104 *1,2-Dichloroethane:* As described in further detail in Section 5.2.1.2 and in Appendix J, an evaluation of  
8105 the limited human health hazard database for 1,1-dichloroethane concluded that the available  
8106 information was insufficient to derive PODs for use in quantitative risk estimates. As a result, a read-  
8107 across approach using available data from an identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane was used. Relevant  
8108 data on lifestages and target organs were evaluated to identify potentially susceptible subpopulations  
8109 exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane. An evaluation of 1,2-dichloroethane in animals identified non-cancer  
8110 effects such as (1) increased kidney weight (reported by [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#)); (2) degeneration with  
8111 necrosis of the olfactory mucosa (reported by [Dow Chemical \(2006b\)](#)); (3) suppression of immune  
8112 response (reported by [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#)); and (4) decreases in sperm concentrations (reported by  
8113 [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#)); and cancer effects such as (5) liver cancer (based on hepatocarcinomas in male  
8114 mice ([NTP, 1978](#)); and (4) combined mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas  
8115 and subcutaneous fibromas [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#). These effects were considered as representative of the  
8116 potential for greater biological susceptibility across subpopulations. In addition, significant decreases in  
8117 maternal body weight gain were observed in a prenatal developmental toxicity study by [Payan et al.](#)  
8118 [\(1995\)](#), which could support the pregnant female as having greater biological susceptibility.

8119  
8120 Although information on other considerations potentially impacting greater biological susceptibility  
8121 (such as pre-existing disease, lifestyle activities, sociodemographic factors, nutritional status, genetic  
8122 predispositions, or other chemical co-exposures and non-chemical stressors), was sparse, there is some  
8123 information on 1,2-dichloroethane as impacting greater biological susceptibility. For example,  
8124 individuals with impaired renal function based on evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane is nephrotoxic in  
8125 animals, people with compromised immune systems may be particularly susceptible to exposure to 1,1-  
8126 dichloroethane based on evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane is immunotoxic, individuals with chronic  
8127 respiratory disease because of the effects on the olfactory mucosa induced by 1,2-dichloroethane, and  
8128 finally, impacts on male reproduction based on evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane causes decreases in  
8129 sperm concentration in animals.

8130  
8131 For PESS, specifically susceptibility, across both chemical databases for 1,1- and 1,2-dichloroethane,  
8132 uncertainty exists based on limited number of studies, and the differences in results and  
8133 comprehensiveness of endpoints assessed towards specific health outcomes across studies.

#### 8134 **5.2.7.1 Overall Confidence – Strengths, Limitations, Assumptions, and Key Sources of** 8135 **Uncertainty in the Human Health Hazard Assessment**

8136 As discussed in Section 5.2.1.2, EPA identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane for non-cancer PODs  
8137 by the acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic oral, dermal, and inhalation routes; and cancer PODs  
8138 by the oral, inhalation, and dermal routes. A read-across approach was used to identify the best chemical  
8139 analog to fill those data gaps. The analyses resulted in the identification of 1,2-dichloroethane (an



8140 isomer of 1,1-dichloroethane) as the most appropriate analog to fill the identified data gaps for 1,1-  
8141 dichloroethane (See Section 5.2.1.3 and Appendix J.2). EPA has high confidence in the use of this  
8142 approach based on structural similarity (1,2-dichloroethane was consistently identified as structurally  
8143 similar with high scores (>0.5) across all tools used), physical-chemical properties (both 1,1-  
8144 dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane are reactive di-chloroethanes and isomers of each other with  
8145 identical molecular formulas and molecular weight), ADME (both have similar metabolic properties) and  
8146 non-cancer and cancer qualitative toxicological similarities (see Appendix J.2.4 and J.2.5). Each of these  
8147 lines of evidence were evaluated as described in Appendix J.2. Overall, based on the similarities in  
8148 chemical structure, metabolism and toxicological responses, EPA confirmed the choice of 1,2-  
8149 dichloroethane as the appropriate analog. EPA has high confidence that the 1,2-dichloroethane isomer  
8150 data accurately reflects the human health hazards of 1,1-dichloroethane where there are data gaps.  
8151

8152 In addition, 1,2-dichloroethane lacked adequate data by the dermal route for any exposure duration.  
8153 Therefore, EPA used a route-to-route extrapolation approach from the available 1,2-dichloroethane oral  
8154 data to fill in the dermal data gap. EPA also has high confidence in this approach. Since both oral and  
8155 dermal routes are similar metabolically and by-pass first pass metabolism through the liver, and since  
8156 oral ADME studies showed that most of the 1,1-dichloroethane oral dose was eliminated unchanged in  
8157 expired air, oral PODs were used for extrapolation via the dermal route.  
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8159 EPA has high confidence in the human health hazard database for 1,2-dichloroethane and in the  
8160 selection of the critical PODs. This is based on several reasons. First, all studies used to assess the  
8161 hazards for 1,2-dichloroethane were rated high to medium in SR. Second, critical non-cancer effects that  
8162 were ultimately selected as PODs for quantitative risk estimates (kidney toxicity, neurotoxicity,  
8163 immunotoxicity, and reproductive toxicity), were considered the most sensitive and biologically relevant  
8164 effects, supported by multiple lines of evidence that spanned across species, routes, and durations of  
8165 exposure (see Section 5.2.6.4 and endpoint selection tables: Table 5-42, Table 5-43, Table 5-44, Table  
8166 5-45, Table 5-46, and Table 5-47).  
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8168 While EPA has high confidence in the hazard identification of PODs used for quantitative risk estimates,  
8169 there are some uncertainties in the 1,2-dichloroethane database. For example, while there were several  
8170 studies via the chronic exposure duration for both oral and inhalation exposures, none of those studies  
8171 were selected for the chronic POD for a variety of reasons including the identified NOAELs/LOAELs  
8172 were higher than the recommended endpoint, or there were limited endpoints evaluated, or other  
8173 methodological issues (see endpoint selection tables: Table 5-46 and Table 5-47). As a result,  
8174 subchronic data was used for the chronic POD and an uncertainty factor (UF<sub>s</sub>) of 10× was applied to  
8175 account for the use of a short-term study for long-term (chronic) assessment.  
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8177 Table 5-54 presents a summary of confidence for each hazard endpoint and relevant exposure duration  
8178 based on critical human health hazards considered for the acute, short-term/intermediate, chronic, and  
8179 lifetime exposure scenarios used to calculate risks.  
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8181 EPA considered evidence integration conclusions from Sections 5.2.3, 5.2.4, and 5.2.5 and additional  
8182 factors listed below when choosing studies for dose-response modeling and for each relevant exposure  
8183 scenario (acute, short-term/intermediate, and chronic), as described in Section 5.2.6.4. Additional  
8184 considerations pertinent to the overall hazard confidence levels that are not addressed in previous  
8185 sections are described above (see Section 5.2.7.1).  
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8187 **Table 5-54. Confidence Summary for Human Health Hazard Assessment**

Hazard Domain	Evidence Integration Conclusion	Selection of Most Critical Endpoint and Study	Relevance to Exposure Scenario	Dose-Response Considerations	PESS Sensitivity	Overall Hazard Confidence
Acute non-cancer						
Oral						
Kidney	+++	+++	+++	++	++	Robust
Inhalation						
Neurotoxicity <sup>a</sup>	+++	+++	+++	++	+++	Robust
Short-term/intermediate non-cancer						
Oral						
Immunotoxicity	+++	+++	+++	++	+++	Robust
Inhalation						
Reproductive	+++	+++	+++	++	+++	Robust
Chronic non-cancer						
Oral						
Immunotoxicity	+++	+++	++	++	+++	Robust
Inhalation						
Reproductive	+++	+++	++	++	+++	Robust
Cancer						
<b>Cancer<sup>b c</sup></b>	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	Robust
<p>+++ Robust confidence suggests thorough understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the hazard estimate.</p> <p>++ Moderate confidence suggests some understanding of the scientific evidence and uncertainties. The supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably adequate to characterize hazard estimates.</p> <p>+ Slight confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be considered.</p> <p><sup>a</sup> Degeneration with necrosis of olfactory mucosa</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Oral based on combined mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and subcutaneous fibromas</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Inhalation based on hepatocellular carcinomas</p>						

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**5.2.7.2 Hazard Considerations for Aggregate Exposure**

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EPA has defined aggregate exposure as “the combined exposures from a chemical substance across multiple routes and across multiple pathways” (89 FR 37028, May 3, 2024, to be codified at 40 CFR 702.33). For use in this draft risk evaluation and assessing risks from other exposure routes, EPA conducted route-to-route extrapolation of the toxicity values from the oral studies for use in the dermal exposure routes and scenarios. Because the health outcomes are different for oral and inhalation studies, EPA did not consider it possible to aggregate risks across exposure routes for all exposure durations and endpoints for the selected PODs.



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## 5.3 Human Health Risk Characterization

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### 1,1-Dichloroethane – Human Health Risk Characterization (Section 5.3): Key Points

EPA evaluated all reasonably available information to support human health risk characterization. The key points of the human health risk characterization are summarized below:

#### Occupational – Inhalation

- Inhalation exposures contribute to risks to workers and ONUs in occupational settings.

#### Occupational – Dermal

- Dermal exposures contribute to risks to workers in occupational settings.

#### General Population

- Inhalation exposures contribute to risks to the general population.
- A land use analysis did not identify residential communities at locations where inhalation exposures are associated with risks greater than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ .
  - Inhalation acute and chronic non-cancer risks were not found beyond 30 m from a 1,1-dichloroethane releasing facility.
  - Inhalation cancer risks were not found beyond 1,000 m from a 1,1-dichloroethane releasing facility.

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### 5.3.1 Risk Characterization Approach

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The exposure scenarios, populations of interest, and toxicological endpoints used for evaluating risks from acute, short-term/intermediate, and chronic/lifetime exposures are summarized in Table 5-55.

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**Table 5-55. Exposure Scenarios, Populations of Interest, and Hazard Values**

<b>Populations of Interest and Exposure Scenarios</b>	<p><b>Workers</b> Male and female adolescents and adults (<math>\geq 16</math> years old) directly working with 1,1-dichloroethane under light activity (breathing rate of 1.25 m<sup>3</sup>/hour) <u>Exposure Durations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Acute</i> – 8 hours for a single work day (most OESs)</li> <li>• <i>Short-Term</i> – 8 hours per work day for 22 working days</li> <li>• <i>Chronic</i> – 8 hours per work day for 250 days per year for 31 or 40 working years</li> </ul> <p><u>Exposure Routes</u> – Inhalation and dermal</p>
	<p><b>Occupational Non-users</b> Male and female adolescents and adults (<math>\geq 16</math> years old) indirectly exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane within the same work area as workers (breathing rate of 1.25 m<sup>3</sup>/hour) <u>Exposure Durations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Acute, Short-Term, and Chronic</i> – Same as workers</li> </ul> <p><u>Exposure Route</u> – Inhalation</p>
	<p><b>General Population</b> Male and female infants, children and adults exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane through drinking water, ambient water, ambient air, soil, and fish ingestion <u>Exposure Durations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Acute</i> – Exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane continuously for a 24-hour period</li> <li>• <i>Chronic</i> – Exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane continuously up to 33 years</li> </ul> <p><u>Exposure Routes</u> – Inhalation, dermal, and oral (depending on exposure scenario)</p>
<b>Health Effects, Hazard Values, and Benchmarks</b>	<p><b><u>Non-cancer</u></b><sup>a</sup></p> <p>The <b>acute oral/dermal</b><sup>b</sup> endpoint is increased kidney weight.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HED (occupational) = 19.9 mg/kg; HED (continuous) = 19.9 mg/kg</li> <li>• Acute uncertainty factors (Benchmark MOE) = 30 for oral and dermal (UF<sub>A</sub> = 3; UF<sub>H</sub> = 10; UF<sub>L</sub> = 1; UF<sub>S</sub> = 1; UF<sub>D</sub> = 1)<sup>c</sup></li> </ul> <p>The <b>short-term/subchronic oral/dermal</b><sup>b</sup> endpoint is suppression of immune response (AFCs/spleen).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HED (occupational) = 0.890 mg/kg; HED (continuous) = 0.636 mg/kg</li> <li>• Short-term/subchronic uncertainty factors (benchmark MOE) = 100 for oral and dermal (UF<sub>A</sub> = 3; UF<sub>H</sub> = 10; UF<sub>L</sub> = 3; UF<sub>S</sub> = 1; UF<sub>D</sub> = 1)<sup>c</sup></li> </ul> <p>The <b>chronic oral/dermal</b><sup>b</sup> endpoint is suppression of immune response (AFCs/spleen).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HED (occupational) = 0.890 mg/kg; HED (continuous) = 0.636 mg/kg</li> <li>• Chronic uncertainty factors (benchmark MOE) = 1,000 for oral and dermal (UF<sub>A</sub> = 3; UF<sub>H</sub> = 10; UF<sub>L</sub> = 3; UF<sub>S</sub> = 10; UF<sub>D</sub> = 1)<sup>c</sup></li> </ul> <p>The <b>acute inhalation endpoint</b> is neurotoxicity – degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory mucosa.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HEC (occupational) = 41 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> or 10.14 ppm; HEC (continuous) = 9.78 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> or 2.42 ppm</li> <li>• Acute uncertainty factors (benchmark MOE) = 30 for inhalation (UF<sub>A</sub> = 3; UF<sub>H</sub> = 10; UF<sub>L</sub> = 1; UF<sub>S</sub> = 1; UF<sub>D</sub> = 1)<sup>c</sup></li> </ul> <p>The <b>short-term/subchronic inhalation endpoint</b> is decrease in sperm concentration.</p>

<p><b>Health Effects, Hazard Values, and Benchmarks</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HEC (occupational) = 89 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> or 22 ppm; HEC (continuous) = 21.2 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> or 5.2 ppm</li> <li>• Short-term/subchronic uncertainty factors (benchmark MOE) = 100 (UF<sub>A</sub> = 3; UF<sub>H</sub> = 10; UF<sub>L</sub> = 1; UF<sub>S</sub> = 3; UF<sub>D</sub> = 1) <sup>c</sup></li> </ul> <p>The <b>chronic inhalation endpoint</b> is decrease in sperm concentration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HEC (occupational) = 89 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> or 22 ppm; HEC (continuous) = 21.2 mg/cm<sup>3</sup> or 5.2 ppm</li> <li>• Chronic uncertainty factors (benchmark MOE) = 300 (UF<sub>A</sub> = 3; UF<sub>H</sub> = 10; UF<sub>L</sub> = 1; UF<sub>S</sub> = 10; UF<sub>D</sub> = 1) <sup>c</sup></li> </ul> <p><b>Cancer</b> <sup>a</sup></p> <p>The cancer endpoint is based on hepatocellular carcinomas in male mice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral/dermal cancer slope factor (continuous/worker) = 0.062 per mg/kg/day</li> <li>• Inhalation Unit Risk (IUR) (continuous) = 6E-06 per µg/m<sup>3</sup>, IUR (worker) = 2E-06 per µg/m<sup>3</sup></li> <li>• Drinking water (DW) unit risk (continuous/worker) = 1.8E-6 per µg/L</li> </ul>
<p><sup>a</sup> All non-cancer and cancer hazard values are based on data for 1,2-dichloroethane read directly across to 1,1-dichloroethane as an analog.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> The dermal HED and IUR are extrapolated from the oral HED or CSF and are assumed to be equal.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Uncertainty factors in the benchmark MOE (margin of exposure): UF<sub>A</sub> = interspecies (animal to human); UF<sub>H</sub>=intraspecies (human variability); UF<sub>L</sub> = LOAEC(L) to NOAEC(L), for PODs that rely on a LOAEC(L) ; UF<sub>S</sub> = subchronic to chronic; UF<sub>D</sub> = database uncertainty factor</p>	

**5.3.1.1 Estimation of Non-cancer Risks**

EPA used a margin of exposure (MOE) approach to estimate non-cancer risks. The MOE is the ratio of the non-cancer hazard value divided by a human exposure dose. Acute and chronic MOEs for non-cancer inhalation and dermal risks were calculated using Equation 5-13:

**Equation 5-13.**

$$MOE = (Noncancer\ Hazard\ Value\ (POD)) / (Human\ Exposure)$$

Where:

- MOE* = Margin of exposure for acute, short-term, or chronic risk comparison (unitless)
- Noncancer Hazard Value (POD)* = HEC (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) or HED (mg/kg-day)
- Human Exposure* = Exposure estimate (mg/m<sup>3</sup> or mg/kg-day)

MOE risk estimates may be interpreted in relation to benchmark MOEs. Benchmark MOEs are typically the total UF for each non-cancer hazard value. The MOE estimate is interpreted as a human health risk of concern if the MOE estimate is less than the benchmark MOE (i.e., the total UF). On the other hand, if the MOE estimate is equal to or exceeds the benchmark MOE, risk is not considered to be of concern and mitigation is not needed. Typically, the larger the MOE, the more unlikely it is that a non-cancer adverse effect occurs relative to the benchmark. When determining if a chemical substance presents unreasonable risk to human health or the environment, calculated risk estimates are not “bright-line” indicators of unreasonable risk, and EPA has discretion to consider other risk-related factors in addition to risks identified in risk characterization.

**5.3.1.2 Estimation of Cancer Risks**

Extra cancer risks for repeated exposures to a chemical were estimated using Equation 5-14 or Equation 5-15:

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**Equation 5-14.**

$$\text{Inhalation Cancer Risk} = \text{Human Exposure} \times \text{IUR}$$

Or

**Equation 5-15.**

$$\text{Dermal or Oral Cancer Risk} = \text{Human Exposure} \times \text{CSF}$$

Where:

<i>Risk</i>	=	Extra cancer risk (unitless)
<i>Human Exposure</i>	=	Exposure estimate (LADC in ppm)
<i>IUR</i>	=	Inhalation unit risk (risk per mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
<i>CSF</i>	=	Cancer slope factor (risk per mg/kg-day)

Estimates of extra cancer risks are interpreted as the incremental probability of an individual developing cancer over a lifetime following exposure (*i.e.*, incremental or extra individual lifetime cancer risk).

### **5.3.2 Risk Characterization for Potentially Exposed or Susceptible Subpopulations**

EPA considered PESS throughout the exposure assessment and throughout the hazard identification and dose-response analysis. EPA has identified several factors that may contribute to a group having increased exposure or biological susceptibility. Examples of these factors include lifestage, preexisting disease, occupational and certain consumer exposures, nutrition, and lifestyle activities.

For the 1,1-dichloroethane draft risk evaluation, EPA accounted for the following PESS groups: infants exposed to drinking water during formula bottle feeding, subsistence and Tribal fishers, pregnant women and people of reproductive age, individuals with compromised immune systems or neurological disorders, workers, people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation which is more likely in people of Asian descent, lifestyle factors such as smoking cigarettes or secondhand smoke, and communities who live near facilities that emit 1,1-dichloroethane.

Table 5-56 summarizes how PESS were incorporated into the risk evaluation and the remaining sources of uncertainty related to consideration of PESS.

Additional information on other factors that could possibly impact greater biological susceptibility following exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane—such as more comprehensive information on pre-existing diseases in humans, lifestyle activities, nutritional status, or other chemical co-exposures and non-chemical stressors—was completely lacking.

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**Table 5-56. Summary of PESS Categories in the Draft Risk Evaluation and Remaining Sources of Uncertainty**

PESS Categories	Potential Increased Exposures Incorporated into Exposure Assessment	Potential Sources of Biological Susceptibility Incorporated into Hazard Assessment
Lifestage	<p>Lifestage-specific exposure scenarios included infants exposed to drinking water during formula bottle feeding.</p> <p>Exposure factors by age group were applied to calculate exposure.</p> <p>Other scenarios of children swimming or playing in soil may be considered for dermal and oral exposure. It is unclear how relevant dermal and ingestion estimates from soil exposure are as 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to either volatilize or migrate from surface soils to groundwater. Other factors by age may be relevant.</p>	<p>Direct evidence of a reproductive/developmental effect was the basis for the chronic inhalation POD used for risk estimation. Other reproductive/developmental data was difficult to interpret across the chemical databases, including delayed fetal ossification (1,1-dichloroethane) and fetal resorptions (1,2-dichloroethane). However, the chronic inhalation POD selected was considered to be protective. The analog 1,2-dichloroethane partitions in the milk of women exposed dermally (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a>; <a href="#">Urusova, 1953</a>). The analog 1,2-dichloroethane partitions in the milk of women exposed dermally (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a>; <a href="#">Urusova, 1953</a>).</p> <p>Children in households that smoke cigarettes, receiving secondhand smoke, may be exposed to higher levels of 1,1-dichloroethane (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a>; <a href="#">Wang et al., 2012</a>). The increase in susceptibility due to secondhand smoke is not known and is a source of uncertainty in part reliant on proximity to the smoker, space ventilation, and frequency of smoking/number of cigarettes smoked.</p> <p>Evidence in mice revealed a statistically significant increase in benign uterine endometrial stromal polyps in high-dose analog 1,2-dichloroethane females which may have implications for women of childbearing age, or fertility challenges. Evidence also from mice showed changes in sperm parameters in decreases in sperm count following short-term exposures to the analog 1,2-dichloroethane. Potential susceptibility of older adults due to toxicokinetic differences was addressed through a 10× UF for human variability.</p>
Pre-existing Disease	<p>EPA did not identify pre-existing disease factors influencing exposure</p>	<p>Indirect evidence suggesting chronic liver disease may delay detoxification was addressed qualitatively and through the 10× UF for human variability. The 1,1-dichloroethane 2015 ATSDR Report (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2015</a>) cited concerns for individuals with skin disease, impaired kidney function, chronic respiratory disease, cancer, the young and elderly with altered metabolic capacity and interactions with phenobarbital/ethanol consumption. Its use as an anesthetic support potential susceptibility for individuals with cardiac and neurological disease. ATSDR indicates concern for individuals with compromised immune systems exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane.</p> <p>Observed impaired motor activity and CNS depression, from evidence in rats following 1,1-dichloroethane exposure, have potential implications for greater susceptibility in people with Parkinson’s Disease, other neurological disorders.</p>

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PESS Categories	Potential Increased Exposures Incorporated into Exposure Assessment	Potential Sources of Biological Susceptibility Incorporated into Hazard Assessment
		The increase in susceptibility due to pre-existing disease is not known and is a source of uncertainty.
Lifestyle Activities	EPA evaluated exposures resulting for subsistence and Tribal fishers and considered increased intake of fish in these populations.	People that smoke cigarettes may be exposed to higher levels of 1,1-dichloroethane. Emissions from smoking cigarettes can contain between 51 and 110 µg 1,1-dichloroethane/cigarette ( <a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a> ; <a href="#">Wang et al., 2012</a> ).
Occupational Exposures	EPA considered increased exposure specific to worker activities.	EPA did not identify occupational exposures that influence susceptibility.
Sociodemographic	EPA evaluated exposure differences between racial/ethnic groups and women of reproductive age based on location of exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient air.	EPA did not identify sociodemographic factors that influence susceptibility.
Geography and site-specific	Potential for increased exposures included children under 5 and 18 years old because childcare centers and public schools were observed near several of the AERMOD TRI release sites. See Section 5.3.4. There is some uncertainty associated with the modeled distances from each release point and the associated exposure concentrations to which residential communities proximal to releasing facilities may be exposed.	EPA did not specifically identify geography and/or site-specific factors that influence susceptibility.
Nutrition	EPA did not identify nutritional factors influencing exposure.	EPA did not identify nutritional factors that influence susceptibility.
Genetics/Epigenetics	EPA did not identify genetic factors influencing exposure.	Indirect evidence that genetic variants may increase susceptibility of the target organ was addressed through a 10× UF for human variability. However, a known metabolite of 1,1-dichloroethane is the reactive dichloroacetaldehyde supporting that a PESS group are people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation which is more likely in people of Asian descent which have a higher risk for several diseases affecting many organ systems, including a particularly high incidence relative to the general population of esophageal cancer, myocardial infarction, and osteoporosis due to decreased reactive aldehyde clearance <a href="#">Gross et al. (2015)</a> , which is not addressed by the UFH (~28-54% incidence in Asians, ~7 million in the U.S.). Cancer studies in animals with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 clearance enzyme mutation are not available to quantitatively assess this PESS group.



<b>PESS Categories</b>	<b>Potential Increased Exposures Incorporated into Exposure Assessment</b>	<b>Potential Sources of Biological Susceptibility Incorporated into Hazard Assessment</b>
Other Unique Activities	EPA did not identify unique activities that influence exposure.	EPA did not identify unique activities that influence susceptibility.
Aggregate Exposures	EPA assessed aggregate exposures to the general populations to the combined ambient air concentrations from several adjacent facility air releases. EPA did not aggregate routes of exposure as the endpoints are different and dependent on the corresponding route of exposure.	Not relevant to susceptibility.
Other Chemical and Nonchemical Stressors	EPA did not identify other chemical and non-chemical factors influencing exposure.	EPA did not identify other chemical and nonchemical stressors that influence susceptibility.

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### 5.3.3 Human Health Risk Characterization

#### 5.3.3.1 Risk Estimates for Workers and ONUs

For each condition of use, EPA assessed 1,1-dichloroethane inhalation exposures to workers and ONUs in occupational settings, presented as 8-hour (*i.e.*, full-shift) TWA described in Section 5.1.1. These estimated exposures were then used to calculate acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic (non-cancer and cancer) inhalation exposures and dermal doses. These calculations require additional parameter inputs such as years of exposure, exposure duration and frequency, and lifetime years. EPA used combinations of point estimates of each parameter to estimate a central tendency and high-end for each final exposure metric result. EPA documented the method and rationale for selecting parametric combinations to be representative of central tendency and high-end.

EPA also assessed 1,1-dichloroethane dermal exposures to workers in occupational settings, presented as a dermal APDR. The APDRs are then used to calculate acute retained doses (ARD), subchronic average daily doses (SCDD), chronic retained dose (CRD) for chronic non-cancer risks, and lifetime average daily doses (LADD) for chronic cancer risks.

The input parameter values in Table 5-57 are used to calculate each of the above acute, subchronic, and chronic exposure estimates. For additional details on the parameters, refer to *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

**Table 5-57. Parameter Values for Calculating Exposure Estimates**

Parameter Name	Symbol	Value	Unit
Exposure Duration	<i>ED</i>	8	h/day
Breathing Rate Ratio	<i>BR</i>	2.04 <sup>a</sup>	unitless
Exposure Frequency	<i>EF</i>	125–250 <sup>b</sup>	days/year
Exposure Frequency, subchronic	<i>EF<sub>sc</sub></i>	22	days
Days for Subchronic Duration	<i>SCD</i>	30	days
Working years	<i>WY</i>	31 (50th percentile) 40 (95th percentile)	years
Lifetime Years, Cancer	<i>LT</i>	78	years
Averaging Time, Subchronic	<i>AT<sub>sc</sub></i>	720	hours
Averaging Time, Non-cancer	<i>AT</i>	271,560 (central tendency) <sup>c</sup> 350,400 (high-end) <sup>d</sup>	hours
Averaging Time, Cancer	<i>AT<sub>c</sub></i>	683,280	hours
Body Weight	<i>BW</i>	80 (average adult worker) 72.4 (female of reproductive age)	kg

<sup>a</sup> EPA uses a breathing rate ratio, which is the ratio between the worker breathing rate and resting breathing rate, to account for the amount of air a worker breathes during exposure. The typical worker breathes about 10 m<sup>3</sup> of air in 8 hours, or 1.25 m<sup>3</sup>/hr ([U.S. EPA, 1991](#)) while the resting breathing rate is 0.6125 m<sup>3</sup>/hr ([U.S. EPA, 1991](#)). The ratio of these two values is equivalent to 2.04.

<sup>b</sup> Depending on OES; maximum number of exposure days was assumed to be 250 days per year.

<sup>c</sup> Calculated using the 95th percentile value for working years (WY).

<sup>d</sup> Calculated using the 50th percentile value for WY.

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**5.3.3.1.1 Acute Risk**

8292 Acute non-cancer (AC) is used to estimate workplace inhalation exposures for acute risks (*i.e.*, risks  
8293 occurring as a result of exposure for less than one day), per Equation 5-16:

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**Equation 5-16.**

$$8296 \quad AC = (C \times ED \times BR) / (AT_{acute})$$

8297 Where:

8298	<i>AC</i>	=	Acute exposure concentration
8299	<i>C</i>	=	Contaminant concentration in air (TWA)
8300	<i>ED</i>	=	Exposure duration (hr/day)
8301	<i>BR</i>	=	Breathing rate ratio (unitless)
8302	<i>AT<sub>acute</sub></i>	=	Acute averaging time (hr)

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8304 A sample calculation for the high-end acute inhalation exposure concentration ( $AC_{HE}$ ) for the  
8305 Manufacturing OES is demonstrated in Equation 5-17 below:

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**Equation 5-17.**

$$8308 \quad AC_{HE} = (C_{HE} \times ED \times BR) / (A_{acute})$$

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$$8310 \quad AC_{HE} = (1.1 \text{ ppm} \times 8 \text{ hr/day} \times 2.04) / (24 \text{ hr/day}) = 0.72 \text{ ppm}$$

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8312 Acute Retained Dose (ARD) is used to estimate workplace dermal exposures for acute risks and are  
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**Equation 5-18.**

$$8316 \quad ARD = APDR / BW$$

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8318	<i>ARD</i>	=	Acute retained dose (mg/kg-day)
8319	<i>APDR</i>	=	Acute potential dose rate (mg/day)
8320	<i>BW</i>	=	Body weight (kg)

8321 A sample calculation for the high-end acute retained dose for the Manufacturing OES is demonstrated in  
8322 Equation 5-19 below:

**Equation 5-19.**

$$8324 \quad ARD_{HE} = APDR_{HE} / BW$$

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$$8326 \quad ARD_{HE} = (6.7 \text{ mg/day}) / (80 \text{ kg}) = 0.08 \text{ mg} / (\text{kg} - \text{day})$$

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**5.3.3.1.2 Short-Term Subchronic Risk**

8328 Short-term, subchronic non-cancer (SADC) is used to estimate workplace inhalation exposures for  
8329 subchronic risks and is estimated in Equation 5-20 and Equation 5-21, as follows:

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**Equation 5-20.**

$$8332 \quad SADC = (C \times ED \times EF_{SC} \times BR) / AT_{SC}$$

**Equation 5-21.**

$$8334 \quad AT_{SC} = SCD \times 24 \text{ hr/day}$$

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8336 Where:

8337	$SADC$	=	Subchronic average daily concentration
8338	$EF_{SC}$	=	Subchronic exposure frequency
8339	$AT_{SC}$	=	Averaging time (hr) for subchronic exposure
8340	$SCD$	=	Days for subchronic duration (day)

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8342 A sample calculation for the high-end, short-term, subchronic exposure concentration ( $SADC_{HE}$ ) for the  
8343 Manufacturing OES is demonstrated in Equation 5-22 below:

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8345 **Equation 5-22.**

$$SADC = (C_{HE} \times ED \times EF_{SC} \times BR) / AT_{SC}$$

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$$SADC_{HE} = (1.1 \text{ ppm} \times 8 \text{ "hr"/day} \times 22 \text{ "days"/year} \times 2.04) / (24 \text{ "hr"/day} \times 30 \text{ "days"/year})$$

$$= 0.53 \text{ ppm}$$

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8351 Sub-chronic average daily dose (SCDD) is used to estimate workplace dermal exposures for subchronic  
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8355 **Equation 5-23.**

$$SCDD = (AD \times EF_{SC} \times WY) / AT_{SC}$$

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$SCDD$  = Sub-chronic average daily dose (mg/kg-day)

8359 A sample calculation for the high-end subchronic average daily dose for the Manufacturing OES is  
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8362 **Equation 5-24.**

$$SCDD_{HE} = (ARD_{HE} \times EF_{SC} \times WY_{HE}) / AT_{SC}$$

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$$SCDD_{HE} = (0.08 \text{ mg/(kg-day)} \times 22 \text{ "day"/yr} \times 40 \text{ "yr"}) / (30 \text{ "day"}) = 0.06 \text{ mg / (kg-day)}$$

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### 5.3.3.1.3 Chronic Non-cancer Risk

8367 The Average daily concentration (ADC) is used to estimate workplace inhalation exposures for non-  
8368 cancer risk. This exposure is estimated as follows in Equation 5-25 and Equation 5-26:

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8370 **Equation 5-25.**

$$ADC = (C \times ED \times EF \times WY \times BR) / AT$$

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Where:

8375  $ADC$  = Average daily concentration used for chronic non-cancer risk calculations

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$ED$  = Exposure duration (hr/day)

$EF$  = Exposure frequency (day/year)

$WY$  = Working years per lifetime (yr)

$AT$  = Averaging time (hr) for chronic, non-cancer risk

8381 A sample calculation for the high-end chronic non-cancer exposure concentration ( $ADC_{HE}$ ) for the  
8382 Manufacturing OES is demonstrated in Equation 5-27 below:

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8384 **Equation 5-27.**

$$ADC_{HE} = (C_{HE} \times ED \times EF \times WY \times BR) / AT$$

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8387  $ADC_{HE} = (1.1 \text{ ppm} \times 8 \text{ hr/day} \times 250 \text{ days/year} \times 40 \text{ years} \times 2.04) / (40 \text{ years} \times 365 \text{ days/yr}$   
8388  $\times 24 \text{ hr/day}) = 0.49 \text{ ppm}$

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8390 The chronic retained dose ( $CRD$ ) is used to estimate workplace dermal exposures for non-cancer risk  
8391 and is calculated using Equation 5-28:

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8393 **Equation 5-28.**

$$CRD = (ARD \times EF \times WY) / (AT_{chronic})$$

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8396 A sample calculation for the high-end chronic retained dose for the Manufacturing OES is demonstrated  
8397 in Equation 5-29 below:

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8399 **Equation 5-29.**

$$CRD_{HE} = (ARD_{HE} \times EF \times WY) / (AT_{chronic})$$

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8402  $CRD_{HE} = (0.08 \text{ mg}/(\text{kg} - \text{day}) \times 250 \text{ day/yr} \times 40 \text{ yr}) / (14,600 \text{ day}) = 0.06 \text{ (mg)} / (\text{kg} - \text{day})$   
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#### 8404 **5.3.3.1.4 Cancer Risk**

8405 Lifetime average daily concentration ( $LADC$ ) is used to estimate workplace inhalation exposures for  
8406 cancer risk. This exposure is estimated as follows in Equation 5-30 and Equation 5-31:

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8408 **Equation 5-30.**

$$LADC = (C \times ED \times EF \times WY \times BR) / AT_C$$

8410 **Equation 5-31.**

$$AT_C = LT \times 365 \text{ "day" / "yr"} \times 24 \text{ "hr" / "day"}$$

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8412 Where:

8413	$LADC$	=	Lifetime average daily concentration used for chronic cancer risk calculations
8414	$ED$	=	Exposure duration (hr/day)
8415	$EF$	=	Exposure frequency (day/year)
8416	$WY$	=	Working years per lifetime (yr)
8417	$AT_C$	=	Averaging time (hr) for cancer risk
8418	$LT$	=	Lifetime years (yr) for cancer risk

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8420 A sample calculation for the high-end chronic cancer exposure concentration ( $LADC_{HE}$ ) for the  
8421 Manufacturing OES is demonstrated in Equation 5-32 below:

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8423 **Equation 5-32.**

$$LADC_{HE} = (C_{HE} \times ED \times EF \times WY \times BR) / (AT_C)$$

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$$LADC_{HE} = (1.1 \text{ ppm} \times 8 \text{ hr/day} \times 250 \text{ days/year} \times 40 \text{ years} \times 2.04) / (78 \text{ years} \times 365 \text{ days} / \text{year} \times 24 \text{ hr/day}) = 0.25 \text{ ppm}$$

Lifetime chronic retained dose (*LCRD*) is used to estimate workplace dermal exposures for cancer risk and is estimated using Equation 5-33:

**Equation 5-33.**

$$LCRD = (ARD \times EF \times WY) / AT_C$$

$$LCRD = (0.08 \text{ mg}/(\text{kg} - \text{day}) \times 250 \text{ day/yr} \times 40 \text{ yr}) / (28,470 \text{ day}) = 0.03 \text{ mg} / (\text{kg} - \text{day})$$

**5.3.3.1.5 Occupational Exposure Summary by OES**

The occupational inhalation exposure metrics described in 5.3.3.1.1 through 5.3.3.1.4 are presented in Table 5-58, and the occupational dermal exposure metrics are presented in Table 5-59. EPA used the exposure metrics presented in Table 5-58 and Table 5-59 and the approach described in Sections 5.3.1.1 and 5.3.1.2 to develop risk estimates for each 1,1-dichloroethane exposure scenario. The risk estimates are presented below in Table 5-60. For additional details on the risk estimates, refer to *Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Risk Calculator for Occupational Exposure*.



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**Table 5-58. Summary of Occupational Inhalation Exposure Metrics**

OES	Category	8-Hour TWA Exposures		Acute, Non-cancer Exposures		Short Term/Subchronic, Non-cancer		Chronic, Non-cancer Exposures		Chronic, Cancer Exposures	
		8-hr TWA (ppm)		AC <sub>8-hr TWA</sub> (ppm)		ADC <sub>8-hr TWA</sub> (ppm)		ADC <sub>8-hr TWA</sub> (ppm)		LADC <sub>8-hr TWA</sub> (ppm)	
		High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency
Manufacturing (operator/process technician)	Worker	1.1	4.7E-03	0.72	3.2E-03	0.53	2.3E-03	0.49	2.2E-03	0.25	8.7E-04
Manufacturing (maintenance technician)	Worker	0.41	7.9E-02	0.28	5.4E-02	0.21	4.0E-02	0.19	3.7E-02	9.9E-02	1.5E-02
Manufacturing (laboratory technician)	Worker	2.4E-02	1.1E-03	1.6E-02	7.7E-04	1.2E-02	5.7E-04	1.1E-02	5.3E-04	5.6E-03	2.1E-04
Manufacturing	ONU	2.0E-02	3.2E-03	1.4E-02	2.2E-03	1.0E-02	1.6E-03	9.4E-03	1.5E-03	4.8E-03	5.9E-04
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Worker	1.1	7.9E-02	0.72	5.4E-02	0.53	4.0E-02	0.49	3.7E-02	0.25	1.5E-02
	ONU	2.0E-02	3.2E-03	1.4E-02	2.2E-03	1.0E-02	1.6E-03	9.4E-03	1.5E-03	4.8E-03	5.9E-04
Processing – repackaging	Worker	13	3.5	8.8	2.4	6.4	1.8	3.1	0.17	1.6	6.8E-02
	ONU	3.5	3.5	2.4	2.4	1.8	1.8	0.84	0.17	0.43	6.8E-02
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Worker	2.4E-02	1.1E-03	1.6E-02	7.7E-04	1.2E-02	5.7E-04	1.1E-02	3.7E-04	5.6E-03	1.5E-04
	ONU	1.1E-03	1.1E-03	1.1E-03	1.1E093	7.7E-04	7.7E-04	5.3E-04	3.7E-04	2.7E-04	1.5E-04
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Worker	10	0.30	7.1	0.20	5.2	0.15	4.9	0.14	2.5	5.5E-02
	ONU	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.20	0.15	0.15	0.14	0.14	7.1E-02	5.5E-02
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Worker	0.68	0.25	0.46	0.17	0.34	0.13	0.32	0.12	0.16	4.7E-02
	ONU	0.25	0.25	0.17	0.17	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.12	6.1E-02	4.7E-02

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8446 **Table 5-59. Summary of Occupational Dermal Exposure Metrics**

OES	Category	Acute Retained Dose		Short Term/Subchronic Retained Dose, Non-cancer		Chronic Retained Dose, Non-cancer		Chronic Retained Dose, Cancer	
		ARD (mg/kg-day)		SCRD (mg/kg-day)		CRD (mg/kg-day)		LCRD (mg/kg-day)	
		High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency	High-End	Central Tendency
Manufacturing (operator/process technician)	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
Manufacturing (maintenance technician)	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
Manufacturing (laboratory technician)	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
Processing – repackaging	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01
Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Worker	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01

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**Table 5-60. Occupational Risk Summary Table**

Life Cycle Stage/ Category	Subcategory	OES Scenario	Population	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario			
						Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 30; Inhalation = 30)	Short-Term/Subchronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 100 Inhalation = 30)	Chronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 1,000; Inhalation=300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 10E-4)
Manufacture/ Domestic Manufacturing	Domestic manufacture	Manufacturing	Operator / Process Technician	Inhalation	Central Tendency	3,175	9,394	1.0E04	8.3E-06
					High- End	<b>14</b>	42	<b>45</b>	<b>2.4E-03</b>
			Maintenance Technician	Inhalation	Central Tendency	188	555	595	<b>1.4E-04</b>
					High- End	36	107	<b>114</b>	<b>9.4E-04</b>
			Laboratory Technician	Inhalation	Central Tendency	1.3E04	3.9E04	4.2E04	2.0E-06
					High- End	631	1,866	1,998	5.4E-05
			Worker	Dermal	Central Tendency	709	<b>43</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>4.7E-04</b>
					High- End	236	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1.8E-03</b>
			ONU	Inhalation	Central Tendency	4,643	1.4E04	1.5E04	5.6E-06
					High- End	741	2,192	2,346	4.6E-05

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Life Cycle Stage/ Category	Subcategory	OES Scenario	Population	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario			
						Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 30; Inhalation = 30)	Short-Term/Subchronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 100; Inhalation = 30)	Chronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 1,000; Inhalation=300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 10E-4)
Processing	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing	Processing as a reactive intermediate	Worker	Inhalation	Central Tendency	188	555	595	1.4E-04
	High-End				14	42	45	2.4E-03	
	Dermal			Central Tendency	709	43	46	4.7E-04	
				High-End	236	14	15	1.8E-03	
	Recycling		ONU	Inhalation	Central Tendency	4,643	1.4E04	1.5E04	5.6E-06
					High-End	741	2,192	2,346	4.6E-05
	Processing – Repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Worker	Inhalation	Central Tendency	4.2	13	129	6.4E-04
					High-End	1.2	3.4	7.1	1.5E-02
				Dermal	Central Tendency	709	43	445	4.9E-05
					High-End	236	14	30	9.4E-04
			ONU	Inhalation	Central Tendency	4.2	13	129	6.4E-04
					High-End	4.2	13	26	4.1E-03

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Life Cycle Stage/ Category	Subcategory	OES Scenario	Population	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario			
						Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 30; Inhalation = 30)	Short-Term/Subchronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 100 Inhalation = 30)	Chronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 1,000; Inhalation=300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 10E-4)
Commercial Use/ Laboratory Chemicals	Laboratory Chemicals Reference Material	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Worker	Inhalation	Central Tendency	1.3E04	3.9E04	6.0E04	1.4E-06
					High-End	631	1,866	1,998	5.4E-05
				Dermal	Central Tendency	709	<b>43</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>3.3E-04</b>
					High-End	236	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1.8E-03</b>
			ONU	Inhalation	Central Tendency	1.3E04	3.9E04	6.0E04	1.4E-06
					High-End	1.3E04	3.9E04	4.2E04	2.6E-06
Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Worker	Inhalation	Central Tendency	50	149	<b>159</b>	<b>5.2E-04</b>
					High-End	<b>1.4</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>2.4E-02</b>
				Dermal	Central Tendency	709	<b>43</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>4.7E-04</b>
					High-End	236	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1.8E-03</b>
			ONU	Inhalation	Central Tendency	50	149	<b>159</b>	<b>5.2E-04</b>
					High-End	50	149	<b>159</b>	<b>6.7E-04</b>

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Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	OES Scenario	Population	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario			
						Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 30; Inhalation = 30)	Short-Term/Subchronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 100; Inhalation = 30)	Chronic, Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Dermal = 1,000; Inhalation=300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 10E-4)
Disposal/Disposal	Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Worker	Inhalation	Central Tendency	58	173	185	4.5E-04
					High-End	22	65	69	1.5E-03
				Dermal	Central Tendency	709	43	46	4.7E-04
					High-End	236	14	15	1.8E-03
			ONU	Inhalation	Central Tendency	58	173	185	4.5E-04
					High-End	58	173	185	5.8E-04

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### 5.3.3.2 Risk Estimates for the General Population

The following sections summarize the risk estimates and conclusions for inhalation, dermal and oral exposures for all general population exposure scenarios. Risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, MOEs less than the benchmark MOE or cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are highlighted by bolding the number. The general population exposure assessment is described in Section 5.1.2.

#### 5.3.3.2.1 Inhalation Exposure Risk

EPA estimated risks of general population exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane released to air, with a focus on exposures in general populations residing near 1,1-dichloroethane emitting facilities. Risks were evaluated for air releases from industrial and commercial COUs based on exposure estimates in Section 5.1.2.2 and human health hazard values (selected PODs) for chronic inhalation exposures in Section 5.2.6.3.

##### *Ambient Air*

Cancer and non-cancer risk estimates for general population exposures to ambient air within 10,000 m of industrial and commercial releases were calculated for the 10th, 50th, and 95th percentiles of modeled air concentrations estimated in Section 3.3.1.2. Risk estimates were highest within 1,000 m of the releasing facilities and lower at distances beyond 1,000 m. Risks were not indicated for any OESs/COUs beyond 1,000 m from a facility.

EPA found inhalation cancer risks greater than the benchmark for the 50th percentile air concentrations for manufacturing, processing, and disposal OESs/COUs at distances as far as 1,000 m from the releasing facility. EPA also found inhalation cancer risks greater than the benchmark for the 95th percentile air concentrations for manufacturing, processing, and disposal OESs/COUs at distances as far as 1,000 m from the releasing facility. No inhalation cancer risks were found for commercial use as a laboratory chemical OESs/COUs.

Table 5-61 and Table 5-62 summarize the cancer risks estimates for 95th percentile (high-end) exposure concentrations within 1,000 m of the facilities with the greatest risk in each OES, ranging from  $3.4 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $1.6 \times 10^{-3}$  and  $2.7 \times 10^{-10}$  to  $2.3 \times 10^{-4}$  based on TRI and NEI modeled exposure data, respectively. Table 5-41 and Table 5-42 summarize the cancer risks estimates for 50th percentile (central tendency) exposure concentrations within 1,000 m of the facilities with the greatest risk in each OES, ranging from  $4.6 \times 10^{-8}$  to  $1.2 \times 10^{-3}$  and  $1.0 \times 10^{-10}$  to  $1.8 \times 10^{-4}$ , based on TRI and NEI modeled exposure data, respectively. Cancer risk estimates ranges for the TRI modeled exposure concentrations are within three orders of magnitudes higher than the NEI cancer risk estimates. However, the maximum cancer risk estimates for both TRI and NEI modeled exposure concentrations are within one order of magnitude higher for high-end exposures, and within the same order of magnitude for central tendency exposures.

Table 5-63 and Table 5-64 summarize the cancer risks estimates per release type based on TRI and NEI modeled exposure data, respectively. As shown in Table 5-65., fugitive releases are driving exposures and associated risks at each distance evaluated for TRI releases. As discussed in Section 3.3.2.2, exposure estimates very near facilities (10 m) may be impacted by assumptions made for modeling around an area source (the assumption places the 10-meter modeled exposure point just off the release point). This, in combination with other factors like meteorological data, release heights, and plume characteristics can result in lower or higher exposures. Air concentrations from fugitive emissions tend to peak within 10 m of release sites while contributions from stack releases generally peak around 100

m, meaning that risks nearest to release sites are often driven by fugitive releases, as shown in Table 5-65. and Table 5-66.

Table 5-67 summarizes the cancer risks estimates for 95th percentile (high-end) exposure concentrations within 1,000 m of the release facility for the Commercial use as a laboratory chemical, and Processing – repackaging for laboratory chemicals OESs where there was no site-specific data available for modeling. Risk estimates are presented for high-end modeled releases, high-end meteorology (Lake Charles, Louisiana), and both rural and urban settings. Cancer risks estimates for 95th percentile exposure concentrations ranged from  $2.8 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $1.1 \times 10^{-5}$  for the Commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES, and from  $8.9 \times 10^{-8}$  to  $6.6 \times 10^{-6}$  for the Processing – repackaging for laboratory chemicals OES. As shown in Table 5-67, fugitive releases are driving exposures and associated risks at each distance evaluated for the Commercial use as a laboratory chemical OES. No inhalation acute and chronic non-cancer risks were found based on the 50th percentile air concentrations for either OES.

No inhalation acute and chronic non-cancer risks (not shown) were found based on the 50th percentile air concentrations—except for one TRI facility within the manufacturing OES/COU that shows chronic non-cancer risk at 10 m from the releasing facility. Acute non-cancer risk estimates (not shown) indicate risk relative to benchmark MOE based on the 95th percentile air concentrations for manufacturing OES/COU at 10 m from the releasing facility (for one TRI facility within the OES/COU). Chronic non-cancer risk estimates (not shown) indicate risk relative to benchmark MOE based on the 95th percentile air concentrations for manufacturing OES/COU at distances as far as 30 m from the releasing facility (for one TRI facility within the OES/COU).

Complete cancer and non-cancer risk results are provided in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024n](#)), *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD Generic Releases Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024l](#)), and in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD NEI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024m](#)).

### **Aggregate Risk**

Within the ambient air pathway, EPA also evaluated cancer and non-cancer risks from aggregate exposures from multiple neighboring facilities using a conservative screening methodology. The methodology for this analysis is consistent with what was previously described in the *Draft Supplement to the Risk Evaluation for 1,4-Dioxane* ([U.S. EPA, 2023b](#)). EPA identified four groups of two to six facilities reporting 1,1-dichloroethane releases in proximity to each other (*i.e.*, within 10 km).

Aggregating risks estimated for these groups of facilities were generally dominated by the facility with the greatest risk. This aggregate analysis did not identify locations with cancer risk greater than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  that did not already have cancer risk above that level from an individual facility. Details of the methods and results of this aggregate analysis are described in Appendix E.4.

### **Indoor Air**

Risks were evaluated for air releases from industrial and commercial COUs based on LADC exposure estimates in Section 5.1.2.2.2. Cancer and non-cancer risk estimates for general population exposures to indoor air within 1,000 m of industrial and commercial releases were calculated for the mean and high-end of modeled exposure concentrations estimated in Section 3.3.2.2. Table 5-68 and Table 5-69 summarizes the lifetime cancer risks estimates for the high-end and central tendency exposure concentrations within 1,000 m of the facilities within each OES category, respectively. The lifetime

8546 cancer estimates ranged from  $9.1 \times 10^{-8}$  to  $5.3 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $5.0 \times 10^{-8}$  to  $3.1 \times 10^{-5}$  based on TRI modeled  
8547 exposure data for high-end and central tendency, respectively.

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8549 Complete cancer and non-cancer risk results are provided in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
8550 *Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on HIOAC TRI Exposure*  
8551 *and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024p](#)).

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**Table 5-61. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of TRI Air Releases Based on 95th Percentile Modeled Ambient Air Exposure Concentrations**

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Facilities		Maximum 95th Percentile Cancer Risks Estimated within 10–1,000 m of Facilities <sup>b, c</sup>							Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	10 m	30 m	30–60 m	60 m	100 m	100–1,000 m	1,000 m	
Manufacturing	Manufacturing/ domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	9	7	<b>1.6E-03</b>	<b>6.4E-04</b>	<b>4.9E-04</b>	<b>2.6E-04</b>	<b>1.2E-04</b>	<b>1.7E-05</b>	<b>2.9E-06</b>	High
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing/ as a reactant, recycling	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing; Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; Recycling	6	2	<b>1.1E-04</b>	<b>4.5E-05</b>	<b>3.1E-05</b>	<b>1.8E-05</b>	<b>8.4E-06</b>	<b>1.2E-06</b>	1.9E-07	High
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	8	1	<b>1.4E-04</b>	<b>6.6E-05</b>	<b>4.3E-05</b>	<b>2.8E-05</b>	<b>1.4E-05</b>	<b>1.0E-06</b>	3.4E-07	High

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime.

<sup>b</sup> Cancer risks were also calculated at 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m from all facilities.

<sup>c</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are bolded.

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**Table 5-62. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of NEI Air Releases Based on 95th Percentile Modeled Ambient Air Exposure Concentrations**

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Facilities		Maximum 95th Percentile Cancer Risks Estimated within 1,000 m of Releases <sup>b c</sup>							Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Commercial use/ Other use	Laboratory chemicals	2	0	2.6E-07	8.2E-08	5.1E-08	3.0E-08	1.3E-08	1.4E-09	2.7E-10	Moderate
Manufacturing	Manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	9	4	<b>1.5E-04</b>	<b>4.3E-05</b>	<b>4.3E-05</b>	<b>4.3E-05</b>	<b>4.1E-05</b>	<b>7.2E-06</b>	8.6E-07	High
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing/ As a reactant; Recycling	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing; Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; Recycling	50	14	<b>2.3E-04</b>	<b>8.7E-05</b>	<b>5.9E-05</b>	<b>3.5E-05</b>	<b>1.6E-05</b>	<b>1.9E-06</b>	3.4E-07	High
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	102	48	<b>8.9E-05</b>	<b>5.9E-05</b>	<b>4.6E-05</b>	<b>2.9E-05</b>	<b>1.5E-05</b>	<b>1.5E-06</b>	3.7E-07	High
Facilities not mapped to an OES			59	12	<b>6.5E-05</b>	<b>2.6E-05</b>	<b>2.0E-05</b>	<b>1.1E-05</b>	<b>5.2E-06</b>	8.4E-07	1.2E-07	N/A

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime.  
<sup>b</sup> Cancer risks were also calculated at 2,500, 5,000 and 10,000 m from all facilities.  
<sup>c</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are bolded.

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**Table 5-63. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of TRI Air Releases Based on 50th Percentile Modeled Ambient Air Exposure Concentrations**

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Facilities		Maximum 50th Percentile Cancer Risks Estimated within 10–1,000 m of Facilities <sup>b c</sup>							Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	10 m	30 m	30–60 m	60 m	100 m	100–1,000 m	1,000 m	
Manufacturing	Manufacturing/ domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	9	7	<b>1.2E-03</b>	<b>4.7E-04</b>	<b>2.5E-04</b>	<b>1.9E-04</b>	<b>8.6E-05</b>	<b>3.2E-06</b>	<b>1.7E-06</b>	High
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing/ as a reactant, recycling	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing; Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; Recycling	6	2	<b>6.0E-05</b>	<b>2.4E-05</b>	<b>1.5E-05</b>	<b>9.8E-06</b>	<b>4.6E-06</b>	2.1E-07	1.0E-07	High
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Disposal/ disposal	Disposal	8	1	<b>3.7E-05</b>	<b>1.2E-05</b>	<b>7.5E-06</b>	<b>4.3E-06</b>	<b>2.0E-06</b>	1.1E-07	4.6E-08	High

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime.

<sup>b</sup> Cancer risks were also calculated at 2,500, 5,000 and 10,000 m from all facilities.

<sup>c</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are bolded.

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**Table 5-64. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of NEI Air Releases Based on 50th Percentile Modeled Ambient Air Exposure Concentrations**

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Releases		Maximum 50th Percentile Cancer Risks Estimated within 1,000 m of Releases <sup>b,c</sup>							Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Commercial use/ Other use	Laboratory chemicals	2	0	1.3E-07	3.6E-08	1.9E-08	1.3E-08	5.5E-09	2.0E-10	1.0E-10	High
Manufacturing	Manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	9	3	<b>9.2E-05</b>	<b>4.2E-05</b>	<b>4.1E-05</b>	<b>4.0E-05</b>	<b>3.4E-05</b>	8.9E-07	3.9E-07	High
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing/ As a reactant; Recycling	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing; Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; Recycling	50	14	<b>1.8E-04</b>	<b>5.7E-05</b>	<b>3.2E-05</b>	<b>2.2E-05</b>	<b>9.7E-06</b>	3.7E-07	2.0E-07	High
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	102	39	<b>4.8E-05</b>	<b>2.4E-05</b>	<b>1.3E-05</b>	<b>8.3E-06</b>	<b>3.6E-06</b>	1.9E-07	7.4E-08	High
Facilities not mapped to an OES			59	9	<b>5.1E-05</b>	<b>2.1E-05</b>	<b>1.2E-05</b>	<b>8.4E-06</b>	<b>4.0E-06</b>	1.6E-07	8.5E-08	N/A

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime.  
<sup>b</sup> Cancer risks were also calculated at 2,500, 5,000 and 10,000 m from all facilities.  
<sup>c</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are bolded.

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8570 **Table 5-65. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of TRI Air Releases**

OES	Cancer Risks above Benchmarks		Release Type–Risk Driver			Maximum Risk Estimate <sup>b c</sup>	Further Distance (m)
	Release Scenario		Fugitive	Stack	Both		
	50th	95th					
Manufacturing	Y	Y	X			<b>1.6E–03</b>	1,000
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Y	Y	X			<b>1.1E–04</b>	100–1,000
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Y	Y	X			<b>1.4E–04</b>	100–1,000

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime. Estimated cancer risks calculated using maximum concentration across facilities within OES by distance from the release point.  
<sup>b</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are highlighted by bolding the number.  
<sup>c</sup> Risk estimates based on 95th percentile modeled ambient air exposure concentrations.

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**Table 5-66. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of NEI Air Releases**

OES	Cancer Risks above Benchmarks		Release Type–Risk Driver			Maximum Risk Estimate <sup>b c</sup>	Further Distance (m)
	Release Scenario		Fugitive	Stack	Both		
	50th	95th					
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	N	N	X			2.6E–07	N/A
Manufacturing	Y	Y	X			<b>1.5E–04</b>	100–1,000
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Y	Y			X	<b>2.3E–04</b>	100–1,000
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Y	Y	X			<b>8.9E–05</b>	100–1,000
Facilities not mapped to an OES	Y	Y	X			<b>6.5E–05</b>	100

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime. Estimated cancer risks calculated using maximum concentration across facilities within OES by distance from the release point.  
<sup>b</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are highlighted by bolding the number.  
<sup>c</sup> Risk estimates based on 95th percentile modeled ambient air exposure concentrations.

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**Table 5-67. Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of Air Releases Based on 95th Percentile Modeled Exposure Concentrations for the Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical, and Processing – Repackaging for Laboratory Chemicals OESs**

OES	Meteorology	Source	Land	Maximum 95th Percentile Cancer Risks Estimated within 1,000 m of Releases <sup>b c</sup>						
				10 m	30 m	30 to 60 m	60 m	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m
Processing – repackaging	High	Stack and Fugitive	Urban	<b>6.6E-06</b>	<b>1.9E-06</b>	<b>1.4E-06</b>	8.7E-07	7.1E-07	2.4E-07	1.0E-07
	High	Stack and Fugitive	Rural	<b>6.6E-06</b>	<b>1.9E-06</b>	<b>1.5E-06</b>	<b>1.1E-06</b>	<b>1.0E-06</b>	2.7E-07	8.9E-08
Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	High	Stack and Fugitive	Urban	<b>1.1E-05</b>	<b>3.1E-06</b>	<b>2.5E-06</b>	<b>1.8E-06</b>	<b>1.7E-06</b>	6.4E-07	2.8E-07
	High	Stack and Fugitive	Rural	<b>1.1E-05</b>	<b>3.1E-06</b>	<b>2.8E-06</b>	<b>2.2E-06</b>	<b>2.5E-06</b>	7.2E-07	2.4E-07

<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime. Estimated cancer risks calculated using maximum concentration by distance from the release point.  
<sup>b</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark (*i.e.*, cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are highlighted by bolding the number.  
<sup>c</sup> Risk estimates based on 95th percentile modeled ambient air exposure concentrations.

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**Table 5-68. IIOAC Indoor Air Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of TRI Air Releases Based on 95th Percentile Modeled Exposure Concentrations**

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Facilities		Distance from Facility with (m) <sup>b c</sup>			Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	
Manufacturing	Manufacturing/Domestic Manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	9	3	<b>1.2E-04</b>	<b>1.5E-05</b>	<b>5.3E-06</b>	Medium
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing/As a Reactant, Recycling	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing; Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; Recycling	6	2	<b>6.7E-06</b>	7.3E-07	3.2E-07	Medium
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Disposal/Disposal	Disposal	8	1	<b>4.6E-06</b>	5.3E-07	2.1E-07	Medium

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Facilities		Distance from Facility with (m) <sup>b c</sup>			Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	100 m	100 to 1,000 m	1,000 m	
<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime. Estimated cancer risks calculated using maximum concentration across facilities within OES by distance from the release point. <sup>b</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark ( <i>i.e.</i> , cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are highlighted by bolding the number. <sup>c</sup> Risk estimates based on 95th percentile modeled ambient air exposure concentration.								

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**Table 5-69. IIOAC Indoor Air Inhalation Lifetime Cancer Risks<sup>a</sup> within 1 km of TRI Air Releases Based on 50th Percentile Modeled Exposure Concentrations**

OES	Corresponding COUs		# Facilities		Distance from Facility with (m) <sup>b c</sup>			Overall Confidence
	Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	Total	Risk >1E-06	100	100 to 1,000	1,000	
Manufacturing	Manufacturing/ Domestic Manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	9	3	<b>7.4E-05</b>	<b>8.4E-06</b>	<b>3.2E-06</b>	Medium
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing/As a Reactant, Recycling	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing; Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing; Recycling	6	2	<b>4.0E-06</b>	4.5E-07	1.7E-07	Medium
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Disposal/Disposal	Disposal	8	1	<b>2.7E-06</b>	3.1E-07	1.2E-07	Medium
<sup>a</sup> Lifetime cancer risks based on 78 years of continuous inhalation exposure averaged over a 78-year lifetime. Estimated cancer risks calculated using maximum concentration across facilities within OES by distance from the release point. <sup>b</sup> Cancer risk estimates that exceed the benchmark ( <i>i.e.</i> , cancer risks greater than the cancer risk benchmark) are highlighted by bolding the number. <sup>c</sup> Risk estimates based on 95th percentile modeled ambient air exposure concentration.								

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#### 5.3.3.2.2 Land Use Analysis

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8591 For locations where lifetime cancer risk would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  (10 of the 23 GIS-mapped TRI facilities),  
8592 EPA evaluated land use patterns to determine residential or industrial/commercial businesses or other  
8593 public spaces relative to facilities emitting 1,1-dichloroethane and whether general population  
8594 community risks may be reasonably anticipated. A detailed discussion of the methodology used, and the  
8595 results of this analysis are provided in Appendix E.3. In summary, EPA determined whether residential,  
8596 industrial/ commercial businesses, or other public spaces are present within the radial distances where  
8597 cancer risk would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  from each releasing facility based on exposures to the 95th percentile  
8598 modeled air concentrations. As shown in Table\_Apx E-8, EPA's land use analysis did not identify any  
8599 residential, industrial/commercial businesses, or other public spaces within those 1,000 m where risk  
8600 would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . Based on this characterization of land use patterns and expected risk estimates,  
8601 EPA does not expect exposure and therefore does not expect a risk to the general population resulting  
8602 from 1,1-dichloroethane releases via the ambient air pathway. As stated in Appendix E.4, additional land  
8603 use analysis was not warranted for aggregate analysis. Also, EPA did not consider possible future  
8604 residential use of areas.

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#### 5.3.3.2.3 Dermal Exposures

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8606 No acute, chronic, nor cancer dermal risks were identified from the various exposure scenarios outlined  
8607 in Section 5.1.2.2.3. Detailed calculations and results are presented in the supplemental file,  
8608 *Supplemental Information File: Surface Water Concentration and Fish Ingestion and Swimming High-*  
8609 *End Exposure Estimates* ([U.S. EPA, 2024r](#)).

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#### 5.3.3.2.4 Oral Exposures

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8611 EPA estimated the possibility of risks associated with oral exposures from drinking water consumption.  
8612 Facilities were identified with releases of 1,1-dichloroethane resulting in either the median (central  
8613 tendency) or maximum exposures (see Section 5.1.2.4.1). None of the drinking water general population  
8614 oral exposures were estimated to result in either acute, chronic or cancer risks (see Table 5-70).

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8616 Oral exposures from fish ingestion did not result in acute or chronic risks but there were several  
8617 conditions of use/OES exposures that resulted in cancer risks (Table 5-70). Specifically, the adult high-  
8618 end/subsistence fisher exposures for Manufacturing, Processing as a reactant intermediate, Waste  
8619 handling (POTW), Waste Handling/Remediation and unknown COU/OES. This Remediation COU/OES  
8620 also had estimates of oral cancer risk resulting from 50th percentile fish ingestion rate exposures.

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8622 EPA assumed that subsistence fishing is a likely scenario in receiving waters associated with the above  
8623 listed COUs/OES. That is, it is common to fish in the bayous of Louisiana where the manufacturing  
8624 facility releases occur and likely in the Navajo Nation in Arizona where the POTW releases occur. The  
8625 high-end surface water concentrations are estimated in Arizona because the receiving waterbody, the  
8626 Chinle Wash, may be intermittent, so that the effluent would in essence be the dominant source of  
8627 surface water. Additional areas of exposure resulting in fish ingestion risk include a small tributary to  
8628 San Jacinto Bay in Texas (associated with Processing as a reactant COU), Spring Creek in Ohio  
8629 (Unknown COU) and South Fork of Arroyo Conejo Creek in California (Waste handling/remediation  
8630 COU).

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8632 As presented in Sections 5.1.2.4.3, 5.1.2.4.4 and 5.1.2.4.5, the estimated oral exposures of 1,1-  
8633 dichloroethane from incidental ingestion of surface water during swimming, ingestion of soil from  
8634 biosolids land application or ingestion of soil containing 1,1-dichloroethane from air deposition are low

8635 compared to oral hazard values. Non-cancer risks below the benchmark MOE from these acute/chronic  
8636 oral exposures are not expected.

8637 **5.3.3.2.5 Summary of Risk Estimates for General Population**

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8638 Table 5-70 below presents a summary of the risk estimates for the three main exposure scenarios  
8639 associated with facility releases: ambient air inhalation, indoor air inhalation, drinking water ingestion  
8640 (surface water), and fish ingestion.

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8642 Ambient air inhalation risk values in Table 5-70 are presented and correlated to the distance from the  
8643 emitting facility. For example, for the manufacturing COU, the highest chronic risk is found at  
8644 exposures at 10m from the facility releasing 1,1-dichloroethane. Exposures beyond 10 m will not result  
8645 in chronic inhalation risk. Likewise, cancer risk for the manufacturing COU is estimated to be greater  
8646 than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  only for locations within 1,000 m of the emitting facility. However, as stated in Section  
8647 5.3.3.2.2, no general population residential communities were identified within the 1,000 m distance.  
8648 Therefore, no general population non-cancer nor cancer inhalation risks are anticipated. Since indoor air  
8649 inhalation risks are directly correlated and calculated from ambient air concentrations, no general  
8650 population risks are anticipated for indoor air since, again, there are no residential populations within  
8651 1,000 m. Lastly, no general population risks were identified for drinking water ingestion or fish  
8652 ingestion.



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**Table 5-70. General Population Risk Summary**

Life Cycle Stage/Category	Subcategory	OES	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario <sup>c</sup>		
					Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 100; Inhalation = 30)	Chronic Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 1,000; Inhalation = 300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 1.0E10 <sup>-6</sup> )
Manufacture/ Domestic Manufacturing	Domestic manufacture	Manufacturing	Ambient Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	1.4E02	1.2E02 (Risk at 10 m)	5.3E-04 (Risk at 10-1,000 m)
				High-End	1.7E01 (Risk at 10 m)	9.1E1 (Risk at 30 m)	7.0E-04 (Risk at 10-1,000 m)
			Indoor Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	5.2E06	1.1E07	3.1E-05 (Risk at 100-1,000 m)
				High-End	3.1E06	6.7E06	5.3E-05 (Risk at 100-1,000 m)
			Drinking Water Ingestion <sup>a</sup>	Central Tendency	N/A	N/A	N/A
				High-End	N/A	N/A	N/A
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	6.3E06	1.7E09	2.7E-09
				High-End	2.2E05	5.8E07	7.7E-08
Processing/As a Reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing / Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing / Recycling	Processing as a reactive intermediate	Ambient Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	2.2E03	2.5E03	2.5E-05 (Risk at 10- 100 m)
				High-End	2.8E02	1.4E03	4.6E-05 (Risk at 10- 100 m)
			Indoor Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	7.3E07	1.6E08	1.7E-06 (Risk at 100 m)
				High-End	4.1E07	9.0E07	2.9E-06 (Risk at 100 m)
			Drinking Water Ingestion	Central Tendency	5.7E08	7.8E10	3.0E-13
				High-End	6.5E06	7.7E08	2.2E-11
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	4.0E07	1.0E10	4.3E-10
				High-End	1.4E06	3.7E08	1.2E-08

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Life Cycle Stage/ Category	Subcategory	OES	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario <sup>c</sup>		
					Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 100; Inhalation = 30)	Chronic Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 1,000; Inhalation = 300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 1.0E10-6)
Processing/ Processing Repackaging	Processing – Repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Ambient Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	N/A	2.42E+08	1.4E-06 (Risk at 10 m)
				High-End	3.43E+06	1.60E+08	2.8E-06 (Risk at 10 m)
			Indoor Air Inhalation <sup>b</sup>	Central Tendency	N/A	N/A	N/A
				High-End	N/A	N/A	N/A
			Drinking Water Ingestion	Central Tendency	3.7E09	3.7E11	4.5E-14
				High-End	2.6E07	2.3E09	7.3E-12
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	7.8E08	2.0E11	2.2E-11
				High-End	2.7E07	7.1E09	6.3E-10
Commercial Use/Other use	Laboratory Chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory Chemical	Ambient Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	2.79E+14	8.68E+07	2.6E-06 (Risk at 10– 30 m)
				High-End	1.48E+06	5.87E+07	4.6E-06 (Risk at 10– 100 m)
			Indoor Air Inhalation <sup>b</sup>	Central Tendency	N/A	N/A	N/A
				High-End	N/A	N/A	N/A
			Drinking Water Ingestion <sup>a</sup>	Central Tendency	N/A	N/A	N/A
				High-End	N/A	N/A	N/A
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	8.5E08	2.2E11	2.0E-11
				High-End	3.0E07	7.8E09	5.7E-10

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Life Cycle Stage/ Category	Subcategory	OES	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario <sup>c</sup>		
					Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 100; Inhalation = 30)	Chronic Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 1,000; Inhalation = 300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 1.0E10-6)
Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Ambient Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	5.8E03	4.1E03	1.6E-05 (Risk at 1-60 m)
				High-End	3.1E02	3.1E03	5.8E-05 (Risk at 1-100 m)
			Indoor Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	2.9E10	6.3E10	1.1E-06 (Risk at 100 m)
				High-End	1.7E10	3.6E10	1.9E-06 (Risk at 100 m)
			Drinking Water Ingestion	Central Tendency	1.1E08	1.0E10	1.6E-12
				High-End	2.0E06	8.4E07	2.0E-10
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	3.0E07	7.8E09	5.7E-10
				High-End	1.1E06	2.8E08	1.6E-08
Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Drinking Water Ingestion	Central Tendency	2.5E09	1.6E11	1.1E-13
				High- End	4.1E06	1.7E08	9.6E-11
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	6.7E07	1.7E10	2.6E-10
				High- End	2.4E06	6.1E08	7.3E-09
Disposal/ Disposal	Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	Drinking Water Ingestion	Central Tendency	1.9E09	1.7E11	9.6E-14
				High-End	4.0E07	3.7E09	4.5E-12
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	4.9E06	1.3E09	3.5E-09
				High-End	1.7E05	4.5E07	1.0E-07

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Life Cycle Stage/ Category	Subcategory	OES	Exposure Route and Duration	Exposure Level	Risk Estimates for Each Exposure Scenario <sup>c</sup>		
					Acute Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 100; Inhalation = 30)	Chronic Non-cancer (Benchmark MOE: Oral = 1,000; Inhalation = 300)	Cancer (Benchmark = 1.0E10-6)
Facilities not mapped to an OES/Facilities not mapped to an OES	Facilities not mapped to an OES	Facilities not mapped to an OES	Ambient Air Inhalation	Central Tendency	7.5E09	7.7E07	2.1E-05 (Risk at 10-100 m)
				High-End	5.6E06	5.2E07	2.8E-05 (Risk at 10-100 m)
			Drinking Water Ingestion	Central Tendency	9.6E08	1.0E11	1.7E-13
				High-End	1.4E07	6.0E08	2.8E-11
			Fish Ingestion	Central Tendency	2.6E07	6.9E09	6.5E-10
				High-End	9.4E05	2.4E08	1.8E-08
<sup>a</sup> Drinking water risks were not assessed for this COU. Drinking water intakes were not identified downstream of the largest releasing facility within the COU. <sup>b</sup> Indoor air inhalation risks were not assessed for this COU. Indoor air inhalation risks were assessed only for TRI facilities using EPA's IIOAC model. <sup>c</sup> Ambient and indoor air inhalation risk shown is the maximum risk value estimated from TRI and NEI air releases at any distance between 10 and 10,000 meters. Distance range shown corresponds to distances where risk is exceeding benchmark. N/A – not applicable – modeled concentrations were zero and resulted in indeterminate (invalid) risk. N/A – not applicable – not assessed.							

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### 8657 **5.3.4 Risk Characterization of Aggregate and Sentinel Exposures**

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8658 As stated in Section 5.1.4, EPA considered sentinel exposures by considering risks to populations who  
8659 may have upper bound exposures; for example, workers and ONUs who perform activities with higher  
8660 exposure potential, or certain physical factors like body weight or skin surface area exposed. EPA  
8661 characterized high-end exposures in evaluating exposure using both monitoring data and modeling  
8662 approaches. Where statistical data are reasonably available, EPA typically uses the 95th percentile value  
8663 of the reasonably available dataset to characterize high-end exposure for a given condition of use. In  
8664 cases where sentinel exposures result in MOEs greater than the benchmark or cancer risk lower than the  
8665 benchmark (*i.e.*, risks were not identified), EPA did no further analysis because sentinel exposures  
8666 represent the worst-case scenario.

8667 EPA aggregated ambient air concentrations to estimate inhalation risks from co-located facilities (see  
8668 Section 5.1.3). EPA aggregated oral and dermal risks for the swimming scenario ([U.S. EPA, 2024r](#))  
8669 since endpoints for the selected PODs are the same. However, EPA did not aggregate risks across  
8670 exposure routes for all exposure durations as the health outcomes (endpoints for the selected PODs)  
8671 were different for oral/dermal and inhalation studies. EPA did not aggregate inhalation risks for workers  
8672 and general population because there is no general population at risk residing near facilities (see Section  
8673 5.3.3.2.2).  
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### 8675 **5.3.5 Overall Confidence and Remaining Uncertainties in Human Health Risk**

#### 8676 **Characterization**

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8677 EPA took fate, exposure (occupational, and general population), and human health hazard  
8678 considerations into account when characterizing the human health risks of 1,1-dichloroethane. Human  
8679 health risk characterization evaluated confidence from occupational and general population exposures  
8680 and human health hazards. Hazard confidence and uncertainty is represented by health outcome and  
8681 exposure duration as reported in Section 5.2.7, which presents the confidence, uncertainties, and  
8682 limitations of the human health hazards for 1,1-dichloroethane using 1,2-dichloroethane toxicity data as  
8683 an analog for read-across. Confidence in the exposure assessment has been synthesized in the respective  
8684 weight of scientific evidence conclusion sections for occupational exposures (see Section 5.3.5.1) and  
8685 general population exposures (see Section 5.3.5.2). Table 5-71 provides a summary of confidence for  
8686 exposures and hazards for non-cancer endpoints for the COUs that resulted in any non-cancer risks;  
8687 Table 5-72 provides a confidence summary for cancer for the COUs that resulted in cancer risks.

#### 8688 **5.3.5.1 Occupational Risk Estimates**

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8689 Uncertainties associated with the occupational exposure assessment are assessed in consideration of the  
8690 following:

- 8691 1. Release data for 1,1-dichloroethane are reported from databases such as TRI, NEI, DMR, and  
8692 more recently, CDR.
- 8693 2. Breathing zone monitoring data are available for 1,1-dichloroethane for several COUs from a  
8694 completed test order and represent measurements of exposures during manufacturing and are  
8695 representative of industries and workplace practices.
- 8696 3. Dermal absorption measurements for 1,1-dichloroethane are available from a completed test  
8697 order and are representative of exposures for workers in the manufacturing and processing of  
8698 1,1-dichloroethane in the workplace.

#### 8699 **5.3.5.2 General Population Risk Estimates**

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8700 Section 5.3.5.2 illustrates the confidence in the assessment of the general population exposure scenarios.

**8701 Air Pathway**

8702 Overall confidence in risk estimates is high for OESs/COUs that rely primarily on release data reported  
8703 to TRI and NEI (based on high levels of confidence in underlying release information used to estimate  
8704 exposures). Overall confidence in risk estimates is medium for OESs/COUs for which release estimates  
8705 are based on modeled information.

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8707 As described in Section 3.3.5.1, EPA has high confidence in the air concentrations estimated from TRI  
8708 and NEI release data using AERMOD. As described in Section 5.1.2.5.1 the overall confidence in  
8709 exposure estimates varies due to variable levels of confidence in underlying release information used to  
8710 the support the analysis (high levels of confidence for release data reported to TRI and NEI and medium  
8711 levels of confidence for modeled release estimates).

8712  
8713 EPA identified cancer risks relative to the benchmark for 10 of the 23 TRI facilities representing three of  
8714 the five COUs. Based on characterization of land use patterns, fenceline community exposures are not  
8715 anticipated for any of the GIS located facilities with risk for all three of the COUs that rely on release  
8716 data reported to TRI.

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8718 EPA identified cancer risks relative to the benchmark for two of the COUs for which release estimates  
8719 are based on modeled information. Due to the lack of site-specific information, the exposures  
8720 assessment relied on assumptions for location specific model inputs. This lack of data results in  
8721 uncertainties surrounding these location specific parameters (e.g., flow parameters and meteorological  
8722 data). Additionally, as discussed in Appendix E.3, EPA review of land use patterns was limited to those  
8723 facilities with GIS locations that showed risk. Because estimated releases do not have a physical location  
8724 associated with a facility, EPA was unable to visually examine land use patterns around the theoretical  
8725 facility. Therefore, EPA was unable to conduct such analysis for alternative release estimates showing  
8726 risk.

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**8728 Distance Where Risk Identified**

8729 IIOAC and AERMOD provided exposure concentrations at discrete distances from air releases. EPA  
8730 calculated risk at modeled discrete distances. Therefore, there is uncertainty of risk between the two  
8731 distances modeled. For example, if risk was found risk at 1,000 m and not at 2,500 m, EPA is uncertain  
8732 if there is risk at 1,001 to 2,499 m. To not underestimate risk beyond the risk showing distance (e.g., at  
8733 1,001 meters), or overestimate risk closer to the distance where risk was not found (e.g., at 2,499  
8734 meters), remodeling may be required to determine exposure concentrations, and thus calculating risk  
8735 between the two discrete distances previously modeled. Additionally, reported TRI facility's location  
8736 data (latitude/longitude) may not represent the actual location of the releasing source (e.g., a processes  
8737 stack).

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8739 However, for 1,1-dichloroethane, fenceline community exposures are not at levels of 1,1-dichloroethane  
8740 concentrations that present risk. That is, the fenceline community locations are beyond the location of  
8741 non-cancer or cancer risk relative to the benchmark. EPA has high confidence in the estimate of general  
8742 population exposures as a basis for confidence in the absence of risk to the general population. General  
8743 population risk is therefore not included in either Table 5-71 or Table 5-72.

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8745 Uncertainties associated with the general population exposures assessment included the lack of site-  
8746 specific information, the incongruence between the modeled concentrations and doses with the  
8747 monitoring data, and the complexity of the assessed exposure scenarios.



### 5.3.5.3 Hazard Values

8748  
8749 Based on the similarities in chemical structure, metabolism and toxicological responses, EPA confirmed  
8750 the choice of 1,2-dichloroethane as the appropriate analog. EPA has high confidence that the 1,2-  
8751 dichloroethane isomer data accurately reflects the human health hazards of 1,1-dichloroethane where  
8752 there are data gaps. In addition, 1,2-dichloroethane lacked adequate data by the dermal route for any  
8753 exposure duration. Therefore, EPA used a route-to-route extrapolation approach from the available 1,2-  
8754 dichloroethane oral data to fill in the dermal data gap. EPA also has high confidence in this approach.  
8755 However, in oral dosing, the dose is rapidly absorbed and over 80 percent is exhaled through the lungs  
8756 unchanged. Dermal exposures have similar elimination through the lungs. Therefore, oral PODs were  
8757 used for extrapolation via the dermal route.

8758  
8759 EPA has high confidence in the human health hazard database for 1,2-dichloroethane and in the  
8760 selection of the critical PODs. This is based on several reasons. First, all studies used to assess the  
8761 hazards for 1,2-dichloroethane were rated high to medium in SR. Second, critical non-cancer effects that  
8762 were ultimately selected as PODs for quantitative risk estimates (kidney toxicity, neurotoxicity,  
8763 immunotoxicity, and reproductive toxicity), were considered the most sensitive and biologically relevant  
8764 effects, supported by multiple lines of evidence that spanned across species, routes, and durations of  
8765 exposure (see Section 5.2.6.4 and endpoint selection tables: Table 5-42, Table 5-43, Table 5-44, Table  
8766 5-45, Table 5-46, and Table 5-47).

8767  
8768 While EPA has high confidence in the hazard identification of PODs used for quantitative risk estimates,  
8769 there are some uncertainties in the 1,2-dichloroethane database. For example, while there were several  
8770 studies via the chronic exposure duration for both oral and inhalation exposures, none of those studies  
8771 were selected for the chronic POD for a variety of reasons including the identified NOAELs/LOAELs  
8772 were higher than the recommended endpoint, or there were limited endpoints evaluated, or other  
8773 methodological issues (see endpoint selection tables: Table 5-46 and Table 5-47). As a result,  
8774 subchronic data was used for the chronic POD and an uncertainty factor ( $UF_s$ ) of 10 $\times$  was applied to  
8775 account for the use of a short-term study for long-term (chronic) assessment.  
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**Table 5-71. Overall Confidence for Acute, Short-Term, and Chronic Human Health Non-cancer Risk Characterization for COUs Resulting in Risks<sup>a b</sup>**

COU			Exposure Route/Exposed Group	Exposure Confidence	Hazard Confidence	Risk Characterization Confidence
Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory				
Occupational						
Manufacturing/ Domestic Manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	Inhalation/Worker (operator/process technician)	+++	+++	+++
			Inhalation/Worker (maintenance technician)	+++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	+++	+++	+++
Processing/ As a Reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing/recycling	Processing as reactive intermediate	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	++	+++
Processing/ Processing – Repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Inhalation/ONU	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	++	+++
Commercial Use/Laboratory Chemicals	Laboratory chemicals reference material	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Dermal/Worker	++	++	+++
Disposal	Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	++	+++
Disposal	Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (WWT)	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	++	+++

<sup>a</sup> This table identifies COUs that have any non-cancer risk (acute, short-term, or chronic) and the route associated with the risk.

<sup>b</sup> Short-term risks were evaluated for workers only and not the general population.

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**Table 5-72. Overall Confidence for Lifetime Human Health Cancer Risk Characterization for COUs Resulting in Risks**

COUs			Exposure Route/Exposed Group	Exposure Confidence	Hazard Confidence	Risk Characterization Confidence
Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory				
Occupational						
Manufacturing/ Domestic Manufacturing	Domestic Manufacturing	Manufacturing	Inhalation/Worker (operator/process technician)	+++	+++	+++
			Inhalation/Worker (maintenance technician)	+++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	+++	+++	+++
Processing/ As a Reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing/recycling	Processing as reactive intermediate	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	+++	+++
Processing/ Processing – Repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Inhalation/ONU	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	+++	+++
Commercial Use/Laboratory Chemicals	Laboratory chemicals reference material	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	Dermal/Worker	++	+++	+++
Disposal	Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	+++	+++
Disposal	Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (WWT)	Inhalation/Worker	++	+++	+++
			Dermal/Worker	++	+++	+++

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## 6 UNREASONABLE RISK DETERMINATION

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TSCA section 6(b)(4) requires EPA to conduct a risk evaluation to determine whether a chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, without consideration of costs or other non-risk factors, including an unreasonable risk to a potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation identified by EPA as relevant to the risk evaluation, under the conditions of use (COUs).

EPA has preliminarily determined that 1,1-dichloroethane presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health and the environment under the COUs. 1,1-Dichloroethane is a highly volatile organic compound mainly used as an industrial processing chemical to manufacture 1,1,1-trichloroethane (CASRN 71-55-6) and other chlorinated solvents, including 1,2-dichloroethane currently undergoing risk evaluation as well. There are no commercial or consumer applications besides laboratory research. Exposure is generally isolated to a few regions with no risks of injury to fence-line communities that would contribute to the unreasonable risk determination for 1,1-dichloroethane. This draft unreasonable risk determination is based on the information in previous sections of this draft risk evaluation and the appendices and supporting documents in accordance with TSCA section 6(b), as well as TSCA's best available science (TSCA section 26(h)) and weight of scientific evidence standards (TSCA section 26(i)), and relevant implementing regulations in 40 CFR part 702.

Eight COUs were evaluated for 1,1-dichloroethane and are listed in Table 1-1. In this preliminary determination EPA is concluding that the following COUs contribute to the unreasonable risk:

- Manufacture (domestic manufacture);
- Processing as a reactant as an intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing;
- Processing as a reactant as an intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation; manufacturing
- Processing: repackaging;
- Processing: recycling;
- Commercial use in laboratory chemicals; and
- Disposal.

EPA has preliminarily determined that the following COU does not contribute to the unreasonable risk: Distribution in commerce.

Whether EPA makes a determination of unreasonable risk for a particular chemical substance under amended TSCA depends upon risk-related factors beyond exceedance of benchmarks, such as the endpoint under consideration, the reversibility of effect, exposure-related considerations (*e.g.*, duration, magnitude, or frequency of exposure, or population exposed), and the confidence in the information used to inform the hazard and exposure values. In this draft risk evaluation, the Agency describes the strength of the scientific evidence supporting the exposure assessment as robust, moderate, slight, or indeterminate. The Agency generally has a moderate or robust degree of confidence in its characterization of risk where the scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is robust enough to characterize hazards, exposures, and risk estimates, as well as where the uncertainties inherent in all risk estimates do not undermine EPA's confidence in its risk characterization. This draft risk evaluation discusses important assumptions and key sources of uncertainty in the risk characterization, and these are described in more detail in the respective weight of scientific evidence conclusions sections for fate and transport (Section 2.2.3), environmental release (Section 3.2.2), environmental exposures (Section 4.1.5), environmental hazards (Section 4.2.4), and human health hazards (Section 5.2.6.4). It also includes overall confidence and remaining uncertainties sections for human health (Section 5.3.5) and environmental risk characterizations (Section 4.3.5).

8829 In the 1,1-dichloroethane draft unreasonable risk determination, EPA considered risk estimates with an  
8830 overall confidence rating of slight, moderate, robust, or indeterminate. In general, the Agency makes an  
8831 unreasonable risk determination based on risk estimates that have an overall confidence rating of  
8832 moderate or robust, since those confidence ratings indicate the scientific evidence is adequate to  
8833 characterize risk estimates despite uncertainties or is such that it is unlikely the uncertainties could have  
8834 a significant effect on the risk estimates (see Appendix K.2.3.1 and Appendix M).  
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8836 If in the final risk evaluation for 1,1-dichloroethane EPA determines that 1,1-dichloroethane presents an  
8837 unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment under the COUs, EPA will initiate risk  
8838 management rulemaking for 1,1-dichloroethane by applying one or more of the requirements under  
8839 TSCA section 6(a) to the extent necessary so that 1,1-dichloroethane no longer presents an unreasonable  
8840 risk. Under TSCA section 6(a), EPA is not limited to regulating the specific activities found to  
8841 contribute to unreasonable risk and may select from among a suite of risk management options related to  
8842 manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, commercial use, and disposal to address the  
8843 unreasonable risk. For instance, EPA may regulate upstream activities (*e.g.*, processing, distribution in  
8844 commerce) to address downstream activities that contribute to unreasonable risk (*e.g.*, use)—even if the  
8845 upstream activities do not contribute to unreasonable risk. EPA would also consider whether such risk  
8846 may be prevented or reduced to a sufficient extent by action taken under another Federal law, such that  
8847 referral to another agency under TSCA section 9(a) or use of another EPA-administered authority to  
8848 protect against such risk pursuant to TSCA section 9(b) may be appropriate.

## 8849 **6.1 Unreasonable Risk to Human Health**

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8850 Calculated risk estimates (MOEs or cancer risk estimates) can provide a risk profile of 1,1-  
8851 dichloroethane by presenting a range of estimates for different health effects for different COUs. When  
8852 characterizing the risk to human health from occupational exposures during risk evaluation under TSCA,  
8853 EPA conducts baseline assessments of risk and makes its determination of unreasonable risk from a  
8854 baseline scenario that does not assume use of respiratory protection or other PPE.<sup>15</sup> Making  
8855 unreasonable risk determinations based on the baseline scenario should not be viewed as an indication  
8856 that EPA believes there are no occupational safety protections in place at any location, or that there is  
8857 widespread noncompliance with existing regulations that may be applicable to 1,1-dichloroethane. A  
8858 calculated MOE that is less than the benchmark MOE is a starting point for supporting a determination  
8859 of unreasonable risk of injury to health, based on non-cancer effects. Similarly, a calculated cancer risk  
8860 estimate that is greater than the cancer benchmark is a starting point for supporting a determination of  
8861 unreasonable risk of injury to health from cancer. It is important to emphasize that these calculated risk  
8862 estimates alone are not “bright-line” indicators of unreasonable risk, and factors must be considered  
8863 other than whether a risk estimate exceeds a benchmark.

### 8864 **6.1.1 Populations and Exposures EPA Assessed to Determine Unreasonable Risk to** 8865 **Human Health**

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8866 EPA evaluated exposures to workers, including ONUs, and the general population using reasonably  
8867 available monitoring and modeling data for inhalation and dermal exposures, as applicable. EPA  
8868 evaluated risk from inhalation and dermal exposure of 1,1-dichloroethane to workers as well as  
8869 inhalation exposures to ONUs. Because the Agency did not identify any consumer uses for 1,1-  
8870 dichloroethane, exposures to consumers were not evaluated. For the general population, EPA evaluated  
8871 risk from (1) inhalation exposure; (2) dermal exposures to swimmers; and (3) oral exposures via

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<sup>15</sup> It should be noted that, in some cases, baseline conditions may reflect certain mitigation measures, such as engineering controls, in instances where exposure estimates are based on monitoring data at facilities that have engineering controls in place.

8872 drinking water, fish ingestion, and incidental oral ingestions from swimming and activities with soil.  
8873 Descriptions of the data used for human health exposure and human health hazards are provided in  
8874 Sections 5.1 and 5.2 of this draft risk evaluation. Uncertainties for overall exposures and hazards are  
8875 presented in Section 5.3.5 and are summarized in Table 5-19 in Section 5.1.1.3 for occupational  
8876 exposures, Table 5-34 in Section 5.1.2.5 for general population exposures, and Appendix M—all are  
8877 considered in the preliminary unreasonable risk determination. Note that Table 5-47 of this draft risk  
8878 evaluation presents 1,1-dichloroethane exposure durations by population.

### 8879 **6.1.2 Summary of Unreasonable Risks to Human Health**

8880 EPA is preliminarily determining that the unreasonable risks to human health presented by 1,1-  
8881 dichloroethane are due to

- 8882 • Risk of non-cancer effects and cancer in workers from dermal and inhalation exposures; and
- 8883 • Risk of non-cancer effects and cancer in ONUs from inhalation exposures.

8884 With respect to health endpoints upon which EPA is basing this unreasonable risk determination, the  
8885 Agency has moderate to robust overall confidence in the following PODs for: (1) increased kidney  
8886 weight from acute oral/dermal exposure and degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory mucosa from  
8887 acute inhalation exposure; (2) immune response suppression (antibody-forming cells [AFCs] and spleen)  
8888 from short-term oral/dermal exposure and decrease in sperm concentration from short-term inhalation  
8889 exposure; (3) non-cancer immune response suppression (AFCs and spleen) from chronic oral/dermal  
8890 exposure and a non-cancer effect of decrease in sperm concentration from chronic inhalation exposure;  
8891 and (4) hepatocellular carcinomas from chronic oral/dermal exposure and combined carcinogenic  
8892 mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and subcutaneous fibromas from  
8893 inhalation exposure. EPA's exposure and overall risk characterization confidence levels again varied  
8894 from moderate to high and are summarized in Table 5-19 in Section 5.1.1.3, Sections 5.2.6.4, 5.3.5, and  
8895 Appendix M.

8896  
8897 For general population exposures, risk estimates are provided in Section 5.3.3.2 of this draft risk  
8898 evaluation only when margins of exposure (MOEs) were smaller than benchmark MOEs for non-cancer  
8899 effects or when cancer risks exceeded benchmark risk levels. A complete list of health risk estimates for  
8900 the general population is in the following supplemental files of the draft risk evaluation (see also  
8901 Appendix C): *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File:  
8902 Data Quality Evaluation Information for General Population, Consumer, and Environmental Exposure*  
8903 and *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data  
8904 Extraction Information for General Population, Consumer, and Environmental Exposure*.

### 8905 **6.1.3 Basis for EPA's Determination of Unreasonable Risk to Human Health**

8906 In developing the exposure and hazard assessments for 1,1-dichloroethane, EPA analyzed reasonably  
8907 available information to ascertain whether some human populations may have greater exposure and/or  
8908 susceptibility than the general population to the hazard posed by 1,1-dichloroethane. For the 1,1-  
8909 dichloroethane draft risk evaluation, EPA accounted for the following PESS groups: infants exposed to  
8910 drinking water during formula bottle feeding, subsistence and Tribal fishers, pregnant women and  
8911 people of reproductive age, individuals with compromised immune systems or neurological disorders,  
8912 workers, people with the aldehyde dehydrogenase-2 mutation that is more likely in people of Asian  
8913 descent, lifestyle factors such as smoking cigarettes or secondhand smoke, and fenceline communities  
8914 who live near facilities that emit 1,1-dichloroethane (see Section 5.3.2, Table 5-48)

8915  
8916 Risk estimates based on high-end exposure levels (e.g., 95th percentile) are generally intended to cover  
8917 individuals with sentinel exposure levels whereas risk estimates at the central tendency exposure are



8918 generally estimates of average or typical exposure. EPA applied various uncertainty factors (UFs) for  
8919 each route (oral, inhalation, and dermal) and exposure duration (acute, short-term/subchronic, chronic)  
8920 to account for human variability, deficiencies, and the overall lack of comprehensive toxicological  
8921 information in the 1,1-dichloroethane database, as described in Section 5.2.5.3. Additionally, 1,2-  
8922 dichloroethane studies were utilized for read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane for all non-cancer PODs and  
8923 cancer slope factors to account for data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane as described in Section 5.2.5.3. In  
8924 general, 1,2-dichloroethane is more toxic compared to 1,1-dichloroethane so the read-across approach is  
8925 human health protective. EPA also generally relies on high-end exposure levels to make an unreasonable  
8926 risk determination to capture populations that are expected to have higher exposures. The non-cancer  
8927 PODs represent the potential for greater biological susceptibility across subpopulations.

8928  
8929 For cancer, although there is likely to be variability in susceptibility across the human population, EPA  
8930 did not identify specific human groups that are expected to be more susceptible to cancer following 1,1-  
8931 dichloroethane exposure. More information on how EPA characterized sentinel and aggregate risks is  
8932 provided in Section 5.3.4. Cancer risk estimates represent the incremental increase in probability of an  
8933 individual in an exposed population developing cancer over a lifetime (excess lifetime cancer risk  
8934 [ELCR]) following exposure to the chemical. Standard cancer benchmarks used by EPA and other  
8935 regulatory agencies are an increased cancer risk above benchmarks ranging from 1 in 1,000,000 to 1 in  
8936 10,000 (*i.e.*,  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$ ) depending on the subpopulation exposed. EPA considers the range of  
8937  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  as the appropriate benchmark for increased cancer risk for the general population,  
8938 including fenceline communities. These benchmarks are not bright lines and EPA has discretion to  
8939 consider other factors in making an unreasonable risk determination for the chemical substance.  
8940 Additional information regarding the cancer benchmark is provided in Section 5.3.1.2.

#### 8941 **6.1.4 Unreasonable Risk in Occupational Settings**

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8942 Based on the occupational risk estimates and related risk factors, EPA is preliminarily determining  
8943 cancer and non-cancer inhalation risks from acute, short-term/subchronic, and chronic worker exposure  
8944 to 1,1-dichloroethane from the manufacturing, processing, and disposal COUs at many of the central  
8945 tendency and high-end exposures, as depicted in Table 6-1 contribute to the unreasonable risk. EPA is  
8946 preliminarily determining cancer and non-cancer risks from ONU inhalation exposure to 1,1-  
8947 dichloroethane in two COUs, processing - repackaging and disposal, contribute to the unreasonable risk  
8948 based on central tendency. However, considering the many conservative considerations in the risk  
8949 characterization resulting in the extreme range in MOEs between the high-end (e.g., 45) and the central  
8950 tendency (e.g., 10,000), EPA may determine in the final risk determination that it is more appropriate to  
8951 determine whether inhalation exposure for workers contributes to unreasonable risk based on the central  
8952 tendency rather than based on the high-end.

8953  
8954 EPA has a high level of certainty in the contribution of inhalation exposures to the unreasonable risk for  
8955 workers; however, EPA has less confidence in dermal exposure for short-term/subchronic and chronic  
8956 cancer and non-cancer risk contributing to the unreasonable risk for workers due to the number of  
8957 uncertainties particularly for short-term/subchronic and chronic cancer and non-cancer where the  
8958 composite factor is nearing excessive uncertainty as well as an expected low dermal absorption. EPA is  
8959 preliminarily determining that cancer and non-cancer dermal risks from short-term/subchronic and  
8960 chronic worker exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane in occupational settings for all COUs except distribution  
8961 in commerce contribute to unreasonable risk from 1,1-dichloroethane. Due to the uncertainties identified  
8962 in this Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-dichloroethane for short-term/subchronic and chronic cancer and  
8963 non-cancer dermal risk, EPA may determine in the final risk determination that it is not plausible for that  
8964 risk to contribute to the unreasonable risk. Cancer and non-cancer inhalation risks from the commercial

8965 use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a laboratory chemical do not contribute to unreasonable risk. More  
8966 information on occupational risk estimates is in Section 5.3.3.1 of this draft risk evaluation.  
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8968 The Agency used accepted approaches to estimate inhalation exposures in occupational settings as  
8969 explained in Section 5.1.1. EPA's inhalation exposure scenarios for 1,1-dichloroethane are based on  
8970 robust reasonably available information. These include specific inhalation monitoring data from test  
8971 orders and other inhalation monitoring, both from 1,1-dichloroethane and from the surrogate  
8972 chemicals—including 1,2-dichloroethane as well as other volatile liquids assessed in previous EPA risk  
8973 evaluations. For the Repackaging COU EPA did not identify any inhalation exposure monitoring data  
8974 for 1,1-dichloroethane or surrogate data from other chemicals and estimated inhalation exposures using  
8975 a Monte Carlo simulation and applied the EPA Mass Balance Inhalation Model. EPA estimated the  
8976 time-weighted average inhalation exposure for a full 8-hour work-shift. Where EPA was not able to  
8977 estimate ONU inhalation exposure from monitoring data or models, the ONU exposure was assumed to  
8978 be equivalent to the central tendency experience by workers for the corresponding COU.  
8979

8980 EPA is using the EPA Dermal Exposure to Volatile Liquids Model to calculate dermal exposure to 1,1-  
8981 dichloroethane in occupational settings. This model assumes one dermal exposure event per work day of  
8982 a fraction of neat 1,1-dichloroethane; however, the model does not address variability in exposure  
8983 duration and frequency. Even with these uncertainties and limitations, EPA still considers the weight of  
8984 scientific evidence for dermal risk estimates generated by the model to be sufficient for determining  
8985 whether a COU contributes to unreasonable risk.  
8986

8987 More information on EPA's confidence in these risk estimates and the uncertainties associated with  
8988 them can be found in Section 5.1.1.3 of this draft risk evaluation.

### 8989 **6.1.5 Unreasonable Risk to the General Population**

8990 Based on the risk estimates calculated using releases from manufacturing, processing, and commercial  
8991 uses of 1,1-dichloroethane, and related risk factors, EPA is preliminarily determining that exposures to  
8992 the general population from cancer and non-cancer risks do not contribute to the unreasonable risk of  
8993 1,1-dichloroethane from any routes of exposure. EPA identified the following exposure routes for 1,1-  
8994 dichloroethane that are described in the sections that follow.  
8995

#### 8996 ***Ambient Air Inhalation***

8997 EPA estimated risks from fence-line exposures that could occur in communities immediately neighboring  
8998 releases from COUs by modeling facility-specific chemical releases reported to TRI and NEI. Cancer  
8999 and non-cancer risk estimates for fence-line exposures within 10,000 m of industrial releases were  
9000 calculated for the modeled exposure concentrations. Overall confidence is high for the facility specific  
9001 industrial releases and AERMOD modeling methodology for non-cancer and cancer risk estimates.  
9002

9003 Descriptions of the ambient air inhalation risk estimates are in Table 5-61 to Table 5-64, and these data  
9004 are summarized in Table 5-70, and supplemental files listed in Section 5.3.3.2.1. Non-cancer risk  
9005 estimates did not exceed the benchmark MOE for any COUs as close as 100m. Cancer risk estimates for  
9006 all but one COU did not exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  at 1,000 m, and risk estimates for one COU, domestic  
9007 manufacturing, fell within the  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  risk range at 1,000 m. EPA considers risk estimates at  
9008 various distances from the facility to determine whether fence-line exposures are anticipated. In general,  
9009 non-cancer risk estimates did not indicate risk for any COUs at 100m and cancer risk estimates fell  
9010 within  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  and  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  for all COUs at 100 m. A review of land use patterns (D.3) around few  
9011 facilities where cancer risk exceeded  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  was conducted to determine residential locations relative to  
9012 facilities emitting 1,1-dichloroethane and, therefore, whether fence-line community exposures are

9013 reasonably anticipated. Based on the land use analysis no fence-line communities are reasonably  
9014 anticipated within that distance. EPA determined that ambient air inhalation does not contribute to  
9015 unreasonable risk to the general population.

9016  
9017 Additionally, EPA notes that concentrations from fugitive emissions tend to peak within 10 m of release  
9018 sites while contributions from stack releases generally peak around 100 m, meaning that risks nearest to  
9019 release sites are often driven by fugitive releases and therefore EPA does not expect risks to be higher at  
9020 greater distances. Cancer inhalation risks are presented in Table 5-67.

#### 9021 ***Indoor Air Inhalation***

9022 EPA estimates that cancer risk estimates exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  up to 1,000 m for one COU—Domestic  
9023 manufacturing. EPA conducted a review of land use patterns (D.3) around the facilities where cancer  
9024 risk estimates exceeded  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to determine if EPA can reasonably expect an exposure to fence-line  
9025 communities, including to general population. These facilities did not have fence-line communities  
9026 surrounding them. EPA preliminarily determined that indoor air inhalation does not contribute to  
9027 unreasonable risk to the general population. EPA's confidence in inhalation risk estimates is high. A  
9028 summary of indoor air lifetime risk estimates is presented in Table 5-68 and Table 5-69 of this draft risk  
9029 evaluation, and supplemental files listed in Section 5.3.3.2.1.

#### 9030 ***Incidental Dermal from Swimming***

9031  
9032 Incidental dermal exposure from swimming in surface waters affected by 1,1-dichloroethane  
9033 contamination were estimated to be very low compared to the dermal hazard values and preliminarily do  
9034 not contribute to unreasonable risk to the general population. Acute and average daily doses from dermal  
9035 exposure while swimming were modeled for a worst-case scenario in which the annual release occurred  
9036 in one day. Exposure estimates for swimming for adults (adults  $\geq 21$ ), youth (11–15 years), and children  
9037 (6–10 years) are provided in Table 5-28 of this draft risk evaluation.

#### 9038 ***Drinking Water Exposure***

9039  
9040 Ingestion of drinking water (diluted) or drinking water from groundwater contaminated with 1,1-  
9041 dichloroethane leaching from landfills risk estimates are in Table 5-62, and do not exceed the non-  
9042 cancer or cancer benchmarks and preliminarily do not contribute to unreasonable risk to the general  
9043 population. Oral acute and chronic non-cancer and cancer risk exposures for drinking water for adults  
9044 (adults  $\geq 21$ ) and infants (birth to  $< 1$  year) are presented in Table 5-29 of this draft risk evaluation.

#### 9045 ***Fish Ingestion***

9046  
9047 Oral exposure from consumption of fish contaminated with 1,1-dichloroethane among the general  
9048 population and subsistence fishers and fishers who are members of tribes whose habits and practices  
9049 may result in higher exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane from fish consumption. EPA preliminarily  
9050 determined that fish consumption does not contribute to unreasonable risk to the general population.  
9051 Oral acute and chronic non-cancer and cancer risk exposures for fish consumption for adults ( $\geq 21$  years,  
9052 including subsistence fish ingestion) and small children (1–2 years, including high-end 90th percentile  
9053 ingestion rate) are presented in Table 5-28, and risk estimates to the general population in Table 5-62 of  
9054 this draft risk evaluation.

#### 9055 ***Incidental Oral Ingestion from Swimming***

9056  
9057 Incidental oral ingestion exposure during swimming in surface waters affected by 1,1-dichloroethane  
9058 contamination was estimated to be very low compared to the oral hazard values and preliminarily do not  
9059 contribute to unreasonable risk to the general population. Incidental oral ingestion from swimming acute  
9060

9061 and chronic non-cancer and cancer exposure estimates for adults (adults  $\geq 21$ ), youth (11–15 years), and  
9062 children (6–10 years) are presented in Table 5-31 5-29 of this draft risk evaluation.

### 9063 **Soil Ingestion**

9064 Incidental oral ingestion from soil (biosolids) was estimated to be very low compared to the oral hazard  
9065 values and preliminarily do not contribute to unreasonable risk to the general population. Average  
9066 exposures for children (3–6 years) playing with and ingesting soil (receiving biosolids with 1,1-  
9067 dichloroethane contamination) were calculated in Table 5-30. Incidental oral ingestion from soil (air  
9068 deposition) of 1,1-dichloroethane was estimated to result in low exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane for any  
9069 COU. Average exposures for children (3–6 years) were calculated in Table 5-31.

## 9071 **6.2 Unreasonable Risk to the Environment**

9072 Calculated risk quotients (RQs) can provide a risk profile by presenting a range of estimates for different  
9073 environmental hazard effects for different COUs. An RQ equal to 1 indicates that the exposures are the  
9074 same as the concentration that causes effects. An RQ less than 1, when the exposure is less than the  
9075 effect concentration, generally indicates that there is not risk of injury to the environment that would  
9076 support a determination of unreasonable risk for the chemical substance. An RQ greater than 1, when the  
9077 exposure is greater than the effect concentration, generally indicates that there is risk of injury to the  
9078 environment that would support a determination of unreasonable risk for the chemical substance.

9079 Additionally, if an RQ is 1 or greater, the Agency evaluates whether the RQ is 1 or greater for the days  
9080 of exceedance before making a determination of unreasonable risk. EPA evaluated days of exceedance  
9081 in two scenarios, at or above the total number of operating days, or at or above a range of days as  
9082 described in Section 4.3.1. These are 21 or more days in surface water, 4 or more days in surface water  
9083 algal, 15 or more days in benthic pore water, and 35 or more days in sediment.

### 9084 **6.2.1 Populations and Exposures EPA Assessed to Determine Unreasonable Risk to the** 9085 **Environment**

9086 For aquatic organisms, EPA evaluated exposures via surface water and sediment (including benthic pore  
9087 water). For terrestrial organisms, EPA evaluated exposures via soil, air, surface water, and sediment.  
9088 The Agency did not directly assess terrestrial organism exposures from air due to soil and terrestrial  
9089 food web being the driver of exposures to terrestrial organisms; however, EPA assessed terrestrial  
9090 organism exposures from air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil. Additionally, EPA estimated  
9091 terrestrial organism exposures from trophic transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane from soil and surface water.

### 9092 **6.2.2 Summary of Unreasonable Risks to the Environment**

9093 EPA quantitatively and qualitatively assessed risk for 1,1-dichloroethane and determined that five COUs  
9094 contribute to the unreasonable risk to the environment presented by 1,1-dichloroethane in surface water  
9095 due to

- 9096 • Risk of chronic reproductive effects to *Daphnia magna* aquatic invertebrates; and
- 9097 • Risk of growth and developmental effects to algae.

9098 EPA is preliminarily determining that risks to terrestrial organisms and risks from soil pore water and  
9099 trophic transfer (soil and soil pore water, water, sediment) do not contribute to the unreasonable risk to  
9100 the environment presented by 1,1-dichloroethane.

### 9101 **6.2.3 Basis for EPA's Determination of Unreasonable Risk of Injury to the Environment**

9102 Consistent with EPA's approach to benchmarks associated with human health risks, the RQ is not  
9103 treated as a bright-line for environmental risks and other risk-based factors may be considered (*e.g.*,



9104 confidence in the hazard and exposure characterization, duration, magnitude, uncertainty) for purposes  
9105 of making an unreasonable risk determination. 1,1-Dichloroethane is a volatile liquid that evaporates  
9106 readily at ambient temperature and environmental releases of the chlorinated solvent are expected to  
9107 partition primarily to air with lesser amounts to water, sediment and soil. 1,1-Dichloroethane does not  
9108 meet the criteria to be classified as persistent and bioaccumulative.

9109  
9110 EPA has moderate and robust confidence in the chronic aquatic hazards and exposures contributing to  
9111 unreasonable risk. Additionally, the Agency has slight and moderate confidence in the terrestrial hazards  
9112 and exposures, which do not support EPA's determining that this pathway contributes to unreasonable  
9113 risk. Due to chemical and physical properties, and the low amounts of 1,1-dichloroethane undergoing  
9114 wastewater treatment, land application of biosolids from 1,1-dichloroethane wastewater treatment is not  
9115 expected to be a significant exposure pathway, and EPA does not expect exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane  
9116 from wastewater treatment to contribute to unreasonable risk to terrestrial organisms. Similarly, EPA  
9117 does not expect exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane via biosolids to contribute to unreasonable risk to the  
9118 environment. The Agency's overall environmental risk characterization confidence levels were varied  
9119 and are summarized in Table 4-20 through Table 4-22.

9120  
9121 EPA had limited data available and was not able to quantify risks to the environment for distribution in  
9122 commerce.

### 9123 **6.3 Additional Information Regarding the Basis for the Unreasonable Risk** 9124 **Determination**

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9125 Table 6-1 and Table 6-2 summarize the basis for this draft unreasonable risk determination of injury to  
9126 human health and the environment presented in this draft 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation. In these  
9127 tables, a checkmark (ü) indicates how the COU contributes to the unreasonable risk by identifying the  
9128 type of effect (*e.g.*, non-cancer and cancer for human health; acute or chronic environmental effects) and  
9129 the exposure route to the population or receptor that results in such contribution. Not all COUs, exposure  
9130 routes, or populations or receptors evaluated are included in the tables. The tables only include the  
9131 relevant exposure route, or the population or receptor that supports the conclusion that the COU  
9132 contributes to the 1,1-dichloroethane unreasonable risk determination. As explained in Section 1, for this  
9133 draft unreasonable risk determination, EPA considered the effects of 1,1-dichloroethane to human health  
9134 at the central tendency and high-end, as well as effects of 1,1-dichloroethane to human health and the  
9135 environment from the exposures associated from the condition of use, risk estimates, and uncertainties in  
9136 the analysis. See Section 5.3.3 of this draft risk evaluation for a summary of risk estimates.

#### 9137 **6.3.1 Additional Information about COUs Characterized Qualitatively**

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9138 As explained earlier in this section, EPA did not have enough data to calculate risk estimates for all  
9139 COUs, and EPA characterized the risk by integrating limited amounts of reasonably available  
9140 information in a qualitative characterization. While the Agency is concluding that 1,1-dichloroethane, as  
9141 a whole chemical, presents unreasonable risk to human health and the environment, at this time, (1) EPA  
9142 does not have enough information to quantify with enough weight of scientific evidence how much of  
9143 the unreasonable risk of 1,1-dichloroethane may be contributed by some COUs, or (2) EPA does not  
9144 expect some COUs to contribute to the unreasonable risk of 1,1-dichloroethane due to negligible  
9145 environmental releases or negligible human exposures. EPA has summarized the basis for its conclusion  
9146 about these COUs below.

9147  
9148 EPA characterized distribution in commerce qualitatively since the Agency had limited data about  
9149 exposures from this COU besides those exposures from other COUs already quantified with release

9150 estimates. Although EPA cannot calculate risk estimates for distribution in commerce separately from  
9151 the risk related to loading and unloading from transport vehicles already estimated for other relevant  
9152 COUs, the Agency has preliminarily concluded that distribution in commerce does not contribute to 1,1-  
9153 dichloroethane's unreasonable risk.

9154  
9155 For Processing – repackaging, and the Commercial use – laboratory chemicals, EPA does not expect  
9156 significant releases to the environment for terrestrial receptors from air deposition to soil to occur and  
9157 does not expect these COUs to preliminarily contribute to the unreasonable risk of 1,1-dichloroethane to  
9158 the environment (see Section 4.3.4).



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**Table 6-1. Supporting Basis for the Draft Unreasonable Risk Determination for Human Health**

COU			Population	Exposure Route	Human Health Effects			
Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory			Acute Non-cancer	Short-Term/subchronic Non-cancer	Chronic Non-cancer	Lifetime Cancer
Manufacturing	Domestic manufacture	Domestic manufacture	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker – Operator/ Process Technician	Inhalation	ü <sup>b</sup>		ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>b</sup>
			Worker – Maintenance Technician	Inhalation			ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker – Laboratory Technician	Inhalation				
			ONU	Inhalation				
Processing	Processing as a reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacturing	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation	ü <sup>b</sup>		ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			ONU	Inhalation				
	Processing as a reactant	Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation	ü <sup>b</sup>		ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			ONU	Inhalation				
	Repackaging	Repackaging	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			ONU	Inhalation	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
	Recycling	Recycling	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation	ü <sup>b</sup>		ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			ONU	Inhalation				
Commercial Use	Other uses	Laboratory chemicals	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation				
			ONU	Inhalation				
Disposal	Disposal	General Waste Handling, Treatment, and Disposal	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation	ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>b</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			ONU	Inhalation			ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
Disposal	Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Worker	Dermal		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			Worker	Inhalation	ü <sup>b</sup>		ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>
			ONU	Inhalation			ü <sup>a</sup>	ü <sup>a</sup>

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COU			Population	Exposure Route	Human Health Effects			
Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory			Acute Non-cancer	Short-Term/subchronic Non-cancer	Chronic Non-cancer	Lifetime Cancer
<sup>a</sup> The risk estimate exceeded the benchmark for both the central tendency and the high-end. <sup>b</sup> The risk estimate exceeded the benchmark for the high-end only.								

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**Table 6-2. Supporting Basis for the Draft Unreasonable Risk Determination for the Environment**

COU			Population/ Receptor	Compartment	Environmental Effects		
Life Cycle Stage	Category	Subcategory			Acute	Chronic	Algal
Manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	Domestic manufacturing	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	ü
Processing	Processing as a reactant	Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	
Processing	Processing as a reactant	Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	
Processing	Recycling	Recycling	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	
Disposal	Disposal	Disposal (general waste handling, treatment, and disposal)	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	
		Disposal (waste handling, treatment, and disposal [POTW])	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	
		Disposal (waste handling, treatment, and disposal [remediation])	Aquatic	Surface water		ü	

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## APPENDICES

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### Appendix A ABBREVIATIONS, ACRONYMS, AND GLOSSARY OF SELECT TERMS

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#### A.1 Key Abbreviations and Acronyms

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10494	7Q10	Lowest 7-day average flow occurring in a 10-year period
10495	30Q5	Lowest 30-day average flow occurring in a 5-year period
10496	ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
10497	ACS	American Community Survey
10498	ADME	Absorption, distribution, metabolism, and elimination
10499	AF	Assessment factor
10500	AIM	Analog Identification Methodology
10501	AMTIC	Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center
10502	ATSDR	Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry
10503	BAF	Bioaccumulation factor
10504	BCF	Bioconcentration factor
10505	BMC	Benchmark concentration
10506	BMD	Benchmark dose
10507	BMR	Benchmark response
10508	CAA	Clean Air Act
10509	CAP	Criteria Air Pollutants
10510	CASRN	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
10511	CBI	Confidential Business Information
10512	CDR	Chemical Data Reporting
10513	CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
10514	CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
10515	CHRIP	Chemical Risk Information Platform
10516	ChV	Chronic Value
10517	COC	Concentration(s) of concern
10518	CR	Cancer risk
10519	CRD	Chronic retained dose
10520	CSATAM	Community-Scale Air Toxics Ambient Monitoring
10521	CSCL	Chemical Substances Control Law
10522	CWA	Clean Water Act
10523	CWS	Community water systems
10524	CYP	Cytochrome P450
10525	DMR	Discharge Monitoring Report
10526	DOT	Department of Transportation
10527	ECEL	Existing chemical exposure limit
10528	ECHA	European Chemicals Agency
10529	ECHO	Enforcement and Compliance History Online
10530	EC <sub>x</sub>	Effect concentration at which x percent of test organisms exhibit an effect
10531	EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
10532	EPCRA	Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act
10533	ERS	Environmental release scenario(s)
10534	ESD	Emission Scenario Document

10535	EU	European Union
10536	GD	Gestation day
10537	GS	Generic Scenario(s)
10538	GSH	Glutathione
10539	HAP	Hazardous Air Pollutant
10540	HC05	Hazardous concentration for 5 percent of species
10541	HEC	Human Equivalent Concentration
10542	HED	Human Equivalent Dose
10543	HERO	Health and Environmental Research Online (Database)
10544	HM	Harmonic Mean
10545	HMTA	Hazardous Materials Transportation Act
10546	HSDB	Hazardous Substances Data Bank
10547	ICIS	Integrated Compliance Information System
10548	IMAP	Inventory Multi-Tiered Assessment and Prioritisation
10549	IRIS	Integrated Risk Information System
10550	ISHA	Industrial Safety and Health Act
10551	IUR	Inhalation Unit Risk
10552	K <sub>oc</sub>	Organic carbon: water partition coefficient
10553	K <sub>ow</sub>	Octanol: water partition coefficient
10554	LADC	Lifetime average daily concentration
10555	LADD	Lifetime average daily dose
10556	LCRD	Lifetime chronic retained dose
10557	LC <sub>x</sub>	Lethal concentration at which x percent of test organisms die
10558	LD <sub>x</sub>	Lethal dose at which x percent of test organisms die
10559	LOD	Limit of detection
10560	LOAEL	Lowest-observed-adverse-effect-level (LOAEL)
10561	LOEC	Lowest-observed-effect-concentration
10562	MACT	Maximum Achievable Control Technology
10563	MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level
10564	MSW	Municipal solid waste
10565	NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standard
10566	NAC	National Advisory Committee
10567	NAICS	North American Industry Classification System
10568	NATA	National Scale Air-Toxics Assessment
10569	NCR	Non-cancer risk
10570	ND	Non-detect
10571	NEI	National Emissions Inventory
10572	NESHAP	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
10573	NHD	National Hydrography Dataset
10574	NICNAS	National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme
10575	NIH	National Institutes of Health
10576	NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
10577	NITE	National Institute of Technology and Evaluation
10578	NOAEL	No-observed-adverse-effect-level
10579	NOEC	No-observed-effect-concentration
10580	NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
10581	NPDWR	National Primary Drinking Water Regulation
10582	NRC	National Response Center
10583	NSSS	National Sewage Sludge Survey

10584	NTP	National Toxicology Program
10585	OCSPP	Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention
10586	OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
10587	OEHHA	Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
10588	OEL	Occupational exposure limit
10589	OES	Occupational exposure scenario
10590	ONU	Occupational non-user
10591	OPPT	Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics
10592	ORD	Office of Research and Development
10593	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
10594	PBPD	Physiologically based pharmacodynamic
10595	PBPK	Physiologically based pharmacokinetic
10596	PBZ	Personal breathing zone
10597	PECO	Population, exposure, comparator, and outcome
10598	PEL	Permissible exposure limit
10599	POD	Point of departure
10600	POTW	Publicly owned treatment works
10601	PPE	Personal protective equipment
10602	PSC	Point Source Calculator
10603	PV	Production volume
10604	PWS	Public Water Systems
10605	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
10606	REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (European Union)
10607	REL	Recommended exposure limit
10608	RfD	Reference Dose
10609	RQ	Reportable Quantity OR Risk Quotient
10610	RTR	Risk and technology review
10611	SADC	Subchronic average daily concentration
10612	SCDD	Subchronic average daily dose
10613	SDS	Safety data sheet
10614	SDWA	Safe Drinking Water Act
10615	SR	Systematic review
10616	SSD	Species Sensitivity Distribution
10617	STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
10618	TGD	European Commission Technical Guidance Document
10619	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
10620	TRI	Toxics Release Inventory
10621	TRV	Toxicity reference value
10622	TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
10623	TWA	Time-weighted average
10624	UCMR3	Third Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule
10625	UF	Uncertainty factor
10626	U.S.	United States
10627	USGS	United States Geological Survey
10628	VOC	Volatile organic compound
10629	WHO	World Health Organization
10630	WQP	Water Quality Portal

## A.2 Glossary of Select Terms

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10631  
10632 **Aggregate exposure** ([40 CFR 702.33](#)): “means the combined exposures from a chemical substance  
10633 across multiple routes and across multiple pathways.”  
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10635 **Aggregate risk** ([U.S. EPA, 2003](#)): “The risk resulting from aggregate exposure to a single agent or  
10636 stressor.”  
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10638 **Biomonitoring** ([U.S. EPA, 2019](#)): “measures the amount of a stressor in biological matrices.”  
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10640 **Chemical substance** ([15 U.S.C. § 2602\(2\)](#)): “means any organic or inorganic substance of a particular  
10641 molecular identity, including—(i) any combination of such substances occurring in whole or in part as a  
10642 result of a chemical reaction or occurring in nature, and (ii) any element or uncombined radical. Such  
10643 term does not include—(i) any mixture, (ii) any pesticide (as defined in the Federal Insecticide,  
10644 Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act [7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.]) when manufactured, processed, or distributed in  
10645 commerce for use as a pesticide, (iii) tobacco or any tobacco product, (iv) any source material, special  
10646 nuclear material, or byproduct material (as such terms are defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 [42  
10647 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.] and regulations issued under such Act), (v) any article the sale of which is subject  
10648 to the tax imposed by section 4181 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 [26 U.S.C. 4181] (determined  
10649 without regard to any exemptions from such tax provided by section 4182 or 4221 or any other  
10650 provision of such Code) and any component of such an article (limited to shot shells, cartridges, and  
10651 components of shot shells and cartridges), and (vi) any food, food additive, drug, cosmetic, or device (as  
10652 such terms are defined in section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act [21 U.S.C. 321])  
10653 when manufactured, processed, or distributed in commerce for use as a food, food additive, drug,  
10654 cosmetic, or device.”  
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10656 **Conditions of use (COUs)** ([15 U.S.C. § 2602\(4\)](#)): “means the circumstances, as determined by the  
10657 Administrator, under which a chemical substance is intended, known, or reasonably foreseen to be  
10658 manufactured, processed, distributed in commerce, used, or disposed of.”  
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10660 **Consumer exposure** ([40 CFR § 711.3](#)): Human exposure resulting from consumer use. This exposure  
10661 includes passive exposure to consumer bystanders.  
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10663 **Consumer use** ([40 CFR § 711.3](#)): “means the use of a chemical substance or a mixture containing a  
10664 chemical substance (including as part of an article) when sold to or made available to consumers for  
10665 their use.”  
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10667 **Fenceline exposure**: General population exposures occurring in communities near facilities that emit or  
10668 release chemicals to air, water, or land with which they may come into contact.  
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10670 **General population**: The human population potentially exposed to chemicals released into the  
10671 environment.  
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10673 **Margin of exposure (MOE)** ([U.S. EPA, 2002a](#)): “a numerical value that characterizes the amount of  
10674 safety to a toxic chemical—a ratio of a toxicological endpoint (usually a NOAEL [no observed adverse  
10675 effect level]) to exposure. The MOE is a measure of how closely the exposure comes to the NOAEL.”  
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10677 **Mode of action (MOA)** ([U.S. EPA, 2000b](#)): “a series of key events and processes starting with  
10678 interaction of an agent with a cell, and proceeding through operational and anatomical changes causing  
10679 disease formation.”

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10681 **Non-chemical stressors** ([U.S. EPA, 2022b](#)): “Non-chemical stressors are factors found in the built,  
10682 natural, and social environments including physical factors such as noise, temperature, and humidity and  
10683 psychosocial factors (e.g., poor diet, smoking, and illicit drug use).”

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10685 **Occupational exposure**: Exposure to a chemical substance by industrial or commercial workers.

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10687 **Occupational non-users (ONU)**: Employed persons who do not directly handle the chemical substance  
10688 but may be indirectly exposed to it as part of their employment due to their proximity to the substance.

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10690 **Pathways** ([40 CFR § 702.33](#)): “means the physical course a chemical substance takes from the source to  
10691 the organism exposed.”

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10693 **Point of departure (POD)** ([U.S. EPA, 2002a](#)): “dose that can be considered to be in the range of  
10694 observed responses, without significant extrapolation. A POD can be a data point or an estimated point  
10695 that is derived from observed dose-response data. A POD is used to mark the beginning of extrapolation  
10696 to determine risk associated with lower environmentally relevant human exposures.”

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10698 **Potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation (PESS)** ([15 U.S.C. § 2602\(12\)](#)): “means a group of  
10699 individuals within the general population identified by the Agency who, due to either greater  
10700 susceptibility or greater exposure, may be at greater risk than the general population of adverse health  
10701 effects from exposure to a chemical substance or mixture, such as infants, children, pregnant women,  
10702 workers, or the elderly.”

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10704 **Reasonably available information** ([40 CFR 702.33](#)): “means information that EPA possesses or can  
10705 reasonably generate, obtain, and synthesize for use in risk evaluations, considering the deadlines  
10706 specified in TSCA section 6(b)(4)(G) for completing such evaluation. Information that meets the terms  
10707 of the preceding sentence is reasonably available information whether or not the information is  
10708 confidential business information (CBI), that is protected from public disclosure under TSCA section  
10709 14.”

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10711 **Routes** ([40 CFR 702.33](#)): “means the ways a chemical substance enters an organism after contact, e.g.,  
10712 by ingestion, inhalation, or dermal absorption.”

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10714 **Sentinel exposure** ([40 CFR 702.33](#)): “means the exposure from a chemical substance that represents the  
10715 plausible upper bound of exposure relative to all other exposures within a broad category of similar or  
10716 related exposures.”

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10718 **Stressor** ([U.S. EPA, 2019b](#)): “Any chemical, physical or biological entity that induces an adverse  
10719 response.”

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10721 **Appendix B REGULATORY AND ASSESSMENT HISTORY**

10722 **B.1 Federal Laws and Regulations**

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**Table\_Apx B-1. Federal Laws and Regulations**

Statutes/Regulations	Description of Authority/Regulation	Description of Regulation
EPA statutes/regulations		
Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) – Section 6(b)	EPA is directed to identify high-priority chemical substances for risk evaluation; and conduct risk evaluations on at least 20 high priority substances no later than three and one-half years after the date of enactment of the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act.	1,1-dichloroethane is one of the 20 chemicals EPA designated as a High-Priority Substance for risk evaluation under TSCA ( <a href="#">84 FR 71924</a> , December 30, 2019).  Designation of 1,1-dichloroethane as a high-priority substance constitutes the initiation of the risk evaluation on the chemical.
Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) – Section 8(a)	The TSCA section 8(a) CDR Rule requires manufacturers (including importers) to give EPA basic exposure-related information on the types, quantities, and uses of chemical substances produced domestically and imported into the United States.	1,1-dichloroethane manufacturing (including importing), processing and use information is reported under the CDR rule ( <a href="#">85 FR 20122</a> , April 2, 2020).
Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) – Section 8(e)	Manufacturers (including importers), processors, and distributors must immediately notify EPA if they obtain information that supports the conclusion that a chemical substance or mixture presents a substantial risk of injury to health or the environment.	One substantial risk report received for 1,1-dichloroethane (1993: 2991004) (U.S. EPA, <a href="#">ChemView</a> . Accessed April 3, 2019.)
Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) – Section 4	Provides EPA with authority to issue rules and orders requiring manufacturers (including importers) and processors to test chemical substances and mixtures.	Eight chemical data submissions from test rules and enforceable consent agreements were received for 1,1-dichloroethane: Persistence (3), Physical and chemical properties (5). (U.S. EPA, <a href="#">ChemView</a> . Accessed April 11, 2019).

Statutes/Regulations	Description of Authority/Regulation	Description of Regulation
Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) – Section 313	Requires annual reporting from facilities in specific industry sectors that employ 10 or more full-time equivalent employees and that manufacture, process or otherwise use a TRI-listed chemical in quantities above threshold levels. A facility that meets reporting requirements must submit a reporting form for each chemical for which it triggered reporting, providing data across a variety of categories, including activities and uses of the chemical, releases and other waste management (e.g., quantities recycled, treated, combusted) and pollution prevention activities (under section 6607 of the Pollution Prevention Act). These data include on- and off-site data as well as multimedia data (i.e., air, land, and water).	1,1-dichloroethane (Ethylidene Dichloride) is a listed substance subject to reporting requirements under <a href="#">40 CFR 372.65</a> effective as of January 1, 1994.
Clean Air Act (CAA) – Section 112(b)	Defines the original list of 189 HAPs. Under 112(c) of the CAA, EPA must identify and list source categories that emit HAP and then set emission standards for those listed source categories under CAA section 112(d). CAA section 112(b)(3)(A) specifies that any person may petition the Administrator to modify the list of HAP by adding or deleting a substance. Since 1990, EPA has removed two pollutants from the original list leaving 187 at present.	1,1-dichloroethane is listed as a HAP (42 <a href="#">U.S. Code Section 7412</a> ).
Clean Air Act (CAA) – Section 112(d)	Directs EPA to establish, by rule, NESHAPs for each category or subcategory of listed major sources and area sources of HAPs (listed pursuant to section 112(c)). The standards must require the maximum degree of emission reduction that EPA determines is achievable by each particular source category. This is generally referred to as maximum achievable control technology (MACT).	EPA has established <a href="#">NESHAP</a> for a number of source categories that emit 1,1-dichloroethane to air.
Clean Air Act (CAA) – Sections 112(d) and 112(f)	Risk and technology review (RTR) of section 112(d) national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP). Section 112(f)(2) requires EPA to conduct risk assessments for each source category subject to section 112(d) NESHAP that require maximum achievable control technology (MACT), and to determine if additional standards are needed to reduce remaining risks. Section 112(d)(6) requires EPA to review and revise the emission standards, as necessary, taking into account developments in practices, processes, and control technologies.	EPA has promulgated a number of <a href="#">RTR NESHAP</a> and will do so, as required, for the remaining source categories with NESHAP.

Statutes/Regulations	Description of Authority/Regulation	Description of Regulation
Clean Water Act (CWA) – Sections 301, 304, 306, 307 and 402	Clean Water Act Section 307(a) establishes a list of toxic pollutants or combination of pollutants under the CWA. The statute specifies a list of families of toxic pollutants also listed in the Code of Federal Regulations at 40 CFR Part 401.15. The “priority pollutants” specified by those families are listed in 40 CFR Part 423 Appendix A. These are pollutants for which best available technology effluent limitations must be established on either a national basis through rules (Sections 301(b), 304(b), 307(b), 306) or on a case-by-case best professional judgement basis in NPDES permits, see Section 402(a)(1)(B). EPA identifies the best available technology that is economically achievable for that industry after considering statutorily prescribed factors and sets regulatory requirements based on the performance of that technology.	1,1-Dichloroethane is designated as a priority pollutant under Section 307(a)(1) of the CWA and as such is subject to effluent limitations.  Under CWA Section 304, 1,1-dichloroethane is included in the list of total toxic organics (TTO) ( <a href="#">40 CFR 413.02(i)</a> ).
Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) – Section 1412(b)	Every 5 years, EPA must publish a list of contaminants that: (1) are not subject to any proposed or promulgated national primary drinking water regulations, (2) are known or anticipated to occur in public water systems (PWSs) and (3) may require regulation under SDWA. EPA must make determinations of whether or not to regulate at least five contaminants from the list every 5 years. Contaminant Candidate List (CCL) <a href="#">63 FR 10274</a> , March 2, 1998; <a href="#">70 FR 9071</a> , February 24, 2005; <a href="#">74 FR 51850</a> , October 8, 2009; <a href="#">81 FR 81099</a> , November 17, 2016; <a href="#">87 FR 68060</a> , November 11, 2022 Final Regulatory Determination 4 (RD4) <a href="#">86 FR 12272</a> , March 3, 2021.	1,1-Dichloroethane was identified on CCL1 (1998), CCL2 (2005), CCL3 (2016), and CCL4 (2016). Contaminant Candidate List (CCL) <a href="#">63 FR 10274</a> , March 2, 1998; <a href="#">70 FR 9071</a> , February 24, 2005; <a href="#">74 FR 51850</a> , October 8, 2009; <a href="#">81 FR 81099</a> , November 17, 2016.
Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) – Section 1445(a)	Every 5 years, EPA must issue a new list of no more than 30 unregulated contaminants to be monitored by PWSs. The data obtained must be entered into the National Drinking Water Contaminant Occurrence Database.	1,1-Dichloroethane was identified in the third Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR3), issued in 2012 ( <a href="#">77 FR 26071</a> , May 2, 2012).
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) – Section 3001	Directs EPA to develop and promulgate criteria for identifying the characteristics of hazardous waste, and for listing hazardous waste, taking into account toxicity, persistence, and degradability in nature, potential for accumulation in tissue and other related factors such as flammability, corrosiveness, and other hazardous characteristics.	1,1-Dichloroethane is included on the list of hazardous wastes pursuant to RCRA 3001. RCRA Hazardous Waste Code: U076 ( <a href="#">40 CFR 261.33</a> ).

Statutes/Regulations	Description of Authority/Regulation	Description of Regulation
Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) – Sections 102(a) and 103	<p>Authorizes EPA to promulgate regulations designating as hazardous substances those substances which, when released into the environment, may present substantial danger to the public health or welfare or the environment. EPA must also promulgate regulations establishing the quantity of any hazardous substance the release of which must be reported under section 103. Section 103 requires persons in charge of vessels or facilities to report to the National Response Center if they have knowledge of a release of a hazardous substance above the reportable quantity threshold.</p>	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane is a hazardous substance under CERCLA. Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane in excess of 1,000 lbs must be reported (<a href="#">40 CFR 302.4</a>).</p>
Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA)	<p>Requires the Agency to revise the hazardous ranking system and update the National Priorities List of hazardous waste sites, increases state and citizen involvement in the superfund program and provides new enforcement authorities and settlement tools.</p>	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane is listed on <a href="#">SARA</a>, an amendment to CERCLA and the CERCLA Priority List of Hazardous Substances. This list includes substances most commonly found at facilities on the CERCLA National Priorities List (NPL) that have been deemed to pose the greatest threat to public health.</p>
<b>Other federal statutes/regulations</b>		
Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA)	<p>Requires employers to provide their workers with a place of employment free from recognized hazards to safety and health, such as exposure to toxic chemicals, excessive noise levels, mechanical dangers, heat or cold stress or unsanitary conditions (29 U.S.C section 651 et seq.). Under the Act, OSHA can issue occupational safety and health standards including such provisions as PEL, exposure monitoring, engineering and administrative control measures, and respiratory protection.</p>	<p>In 1993, OSHA issued occupational safety and health standards for 1,1-dichloroethane that included a PEL of 100 ppm TWA, exposure monitoring, control measures and respiratory protection (<a href="#">29 CFR 1910.1000</a>).</p> <p>OSHA Annotated Table Z-1, Accessed April 16, 2019.</p>
Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (HMTA)	<p>Section 5103 of the Act directs the Secretary of Transportation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designate material (including an explosive, radioactive material, infectious substance, flammable or combustible liquid, solid or gas, toxic, oxidizing or corrosive material, and compressed gas) as hazardous when the Secretary determines that transporting the material in commerce may pose an unreasonable risk to health and safety or property.</li> <li>• Issue regulations for the safe transportation, including security, of hazardous material in intrastate, interstate, and foreign commerce.</li> </ul>	<p>1,1-Dichloroethane is listed as a hazardous material with regard to transportation and is subject to regulations prescribing requirements applicable to the shipment and transportation of listed hazardous materials (<a href="#">70 FR 34381</a>, June 14, 2005).</p>

Statutes/Regulations	Description of Authority/Regulation	Description of Regulation
Department of Energy	Protective Action Criteria	<a href="#">PAC</a> listed for 1,1-dichloroethane.

## B.2 State Laws and Regulations

Table\_Apx B-2. State Laws and Regulations

State Actions	Description of Action
State Air Regulations	Allowable Ambient Levels: New Hampshire 2037 24-hour AAL ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) 1358 Annual AALB ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) ( <a href="#">Env-A 1400: Regulated Toxic Air Pollutants</a> ). Rhode Island 0.6 Annual ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) ( <a href="#">Air Pollution Regulation No. 22</a> ).
State Drinking Water Standards and Guidelines	California (Cal Code Regs. <a href="#">Title 26, § 22-64444</a> ), Connecticut - **A MCL has not been established for this chemical (Conn. Agencies Regs. <a href="#">§ 19-13-B102</a> ), Florida (Fla. <a href="#">Admin. Code R. Chap. 62-550</a> ), Massachusetts (310 Code Mass. Regs. <a href="#">§ 22.00</a> ), Michigan (Mich. Admin. <a href="#">Code r.299.44 and r.299.49</a> , 2017), Minnesota (Minn R. <a href="#">Chap. 4720</a> ), New Jersey (7:10 N.J <a href="#">Admin. Code § 5.2</a> ).
State Water Pollution Discharge Programs	Illinois has adopted water pollution discharge programs which categorize 1,1-dichloroethane as an “halogenated organic chemical,” as applicable to the process wastewater discharges resulting from the manufacture of bulk organic chemicals ( <a href="#">35 Ill. Adm. Code 307-2406</a> ).
State PELs	California (PEL of 110 ppm (Cal Code Regs. <a href="#">Title 8, § 5155</a> ) Hawaii PEL: 100 ppm ( <a href="#">Hawaii Administrative Rules Section 12-60-50</a> ).
State Right-to-Know Acts	Massachusetts ( <a href="#">105 Code Mass. Regs. § 670.000 Appendix A</a> ), New Jersey (N.J.A.C. 7:1G) and Pennsylvania (P.L. 734, No. 159 and <a href="#">34 Pa. Code § 323</a> ).
Chemicals of High Concern to Children	Several states have adopted reporting laws for chemicals in children’s products containing 1,1-dichloroethane, including Maine’s list of Chemical of Concern ( <a href="#">38 MRSA Chapter 16-D</a> ), Minnesota ( <a href="#">Toxic Free Kids Act Minn. Stat. 116.9401 to 116.9407</a> ).
Other	<p>California listed 1,1-dichloroethane on Proposition 65 in 1990 due to cancer risk (<a href="#">Cal Code Regs. Title 27, § 27001</a>).</p> <p>1,1-Dichloroethane is listed as a Candidate Chemical under California’s Safer Consumer Products Program established under Health and Safety Code § 25252 and 25253 (<a href="#">California, Candidate Chemicals List</a>. Accessed April 18, 2019) (CDTSC, 2017).</p> <p>California lists 1,1-dichloroethane as a designated priority chemical for biomonitoring under criteria established by <a href="#">California SB 1379</a> (CDPH, 2015) (Accessed February 2019).</p> <p>1,1-Dichloroethane is on the MA Toxic Use Reduction Act (TURA) list of 1994 (<a href="#">301 Code Mass. Regs. § 41.03</a>).</p>

### B.3 International Laws and Regulations

Table\_Apx B-3. International Laws and Regulations

Country/ Organization	Requirements and Restrictions
Canada	Canada requires notification for 1,1-dichloroethane under the New Substances Notification Regulations (Chemicals and Polymers) so that health and ecological risks can be assessed before the substance is manufactured or imported into Canada above threshold quantities, however they are subject to fewer information requirements. <a href="#">Canada Gazette Part I, Vol. 142, No. 25</a> , June 21, 2008.
European Union	1,1-Dichloroethane is registered for use in the EU. (European Chemicals Agency ( <a href="#">ECHA</a> ) database, Accessed April 17, 2019.)
Australia	1,1-Dichloroethane can be manufactured or imported into Australia for commercial purposes without notifying the Australian government, provided that the Australian importer/manufacture is currently registered with the Australian government.  1,1-Dichloroethane was assessed under Human Health Tier II of the Inventory Multi-Tiered Assessment and Prioritisation (IMAP). No specific Australian use, import, or manufacturing information has been identified. ( <a href="#">NICNAS</a> , Ethane, 1,1-dichloro-: Human health tier II assessment, Accessed April 17, 2019).
Japan	1,1-Dichloroethane is regulated in Japan under the following legislation: Act on the Evaluation of Chemical Substances and Regulation of Their Manufacture, <i>etc.</i> (Chemical Substances Control Law; CSCL) Industrial Safety and Health Act (ISHA) (National Institute of Technology and Evaluation [NITE] Chemical Risk Information Platform [ <a href="#">CHRIP</a> ], Accessed April 17, 2019).
Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, European Union, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Turkey, United Kingdom	Occupational exposure limits for 1,1-dichloroethane ( <a href="#">GESTIS</a> International limit values for chemical agents (Occupational exposure limits, OELs) database, Accessed April 18, 2019).

### B.4 Assessment History

Table\_Apx B-4. Assessment History of 1,1-Dichloroethane

Authoring Organization	Publication
EPA publications	
U.S. EPA, Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)	<a href="#">IRIS Summary. 1,1-Dichloroethane</a> ; CASRN 75-34-3



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Authoring Organization	Publication
U.S. EPA, National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP)	<a href="#">Exposure and Risk Assessment {for} Dichloroethanes 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloroethane</a>
U.S. EPA, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP)	<a href="#">Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3 (2020)</a>
U.S. EPA, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT)	<a href="#">Chemview</a> (TSCA submissions – chemical test rule data and substantial risk reports)
U.S.EPA, Superfund Health Risk Technical Support Center, National Center for Environmental Assessment, Office of Research and Development	<a href="#">Provisional Peer Reviewed Toxicity Values for 1,1-Dichloroethane (CASRN 75-34-3)</a>
Other U.S.-based organizations	
Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)	<a href="#">Toxicological Profile for 1,1-Dichloroethane CAS#: 75-34-3, August 2015</a>
Centers for Disease Control (CDC)	<a href="#">2015. Fourth National Report on Human Exposure to Environmental Chemicals</a>
National Cancer Institute (NCI)	National Cancer Institute (NCI) 1978. Bioassay of 1,1-Dichloroethane for Possible Carcinogenicity (CAS No. 75-34-3). Technical Report Series No. 66 ( <a href="#">NCI-CG-TR-66</a> ). U.S. Department of Health, Education, And Welfare.
National Cancer Institute (NCI)	National Cancer Institute (NCI) 1977. Bioassay of 1,1-dichloroethane for possible carcinogenicity. Bethesda, MD: National Cancer Institute. NIH publication No. 78-1316
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)	<a href="#">Current Intelligence Bulletin 27: Chloroethanes Review of Toxicity</a>
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)	Occupational health guidelines for 1,1-dichloroethane. Occupational health guidelines for chemical hazards. Washington, DC: US Department of Labor, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, 1–4. 1978.
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)	<a href="#">1,1-Dichloroethane. NIOSH Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards</a> . Atlanta, GA: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2015.
National Toxicology Program (NTP), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)	<a href="#">1,1-Dichloroethane: Target Organs and Levels of Evidence for TR-066</a>
Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)	Occupational Exposure to Methylene Chloride ( <a href="#">OSHA, 1997</a> )
International	
ECHA European Union Risk Assessment Report	<a href="https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals/information-from-existing-substances-regulation">https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals/information-from-existing-substances-regulation</a>

Authoring Organization	Publication
Government of Canada, Environment Canada, Health Canada	<a href="#">Chemicals at a Glance (fact sheets) International Resources Assessment or Related Document</a>

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## Appendix C LIST OF SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

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This appendix includes a list and citations for all supplemental documents included in the Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane. See Docket <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPPT-2024-0114> for all publicly released files associated with this draft risk evaluation package and peer review and public comments.

### Associated Systematic Review Protocol and Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction

Documents – Provide additional detail and information on systematic review methodologies used as well as the data quality evaluations and extractions criteria and results.

*Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol (U.S. EPA, 2024t) –* In lieu of an update to the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances*, also referred to as the “2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol” (U.S. EPA, 2021b), this systematic review protocol for the Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane describes some clarifications and different approaches that were implemented than those described in the 2021 Draft Systematic Review Protocol in response to (1) SACC comments, (2) public comments, or (3) to reflect chemical-specific risk evaluation needs. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Systematic Review Protocol.”

*Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Physical and Chemical Properties (U.S. EPA, 2024z) –* Provides a compilation of tables for the data extraction and data quality evaluation information for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element that was extracted and evaluated from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation of physical and chemical properties. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Physical and Chemical Properties.”

*Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Environmental Fate and Transport (U.S. EPA, 2024x) –* Provides a compilation of tables for the data extraction and data quality evaluation information for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element that was extracted and evaluated from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation for Environmental Fate and Transport. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Environmental Fate and Transport.”

*Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Environmental Release and Occupational Exposure (U.S. EPA, 2024y) –* Provides a compilation of tables for the data extraction and data quality evaluation information for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element that was extracted and evaluated from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation of environmental release and occupational exposure. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Environmental Release and Occupational Exposure.”

10785 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10786 *Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Dermal Absorption* ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
10787 [2024w](#)) – Provides a compilation of tables for the data extraction and data quality evaluation  
10788 information for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element  
10789 that was extracted and evaluated from a data source that has information relevant for the  
10790 evaluation for Dermal Absorption. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-  
10791 Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation and Data Extraction Information for Dermal  
10792 Absorption.”

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10794 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10795 *Quality Evaluation Information for General Population, Consumer, and Environmental*  
10796 *Exposure.* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ab](#)) – Provides a compilation of tables for the data quality evaluation  
10797 information for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element  
10798 that was evaluated from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation of general  
10799 population, consumer and environmental exposure. This supplemental file may also be referred  
10800 to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation Information for General Population,  
10801 Consumer, and Environmental Exposure.”

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10803 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10804 *Extraction Information for General Population, Consumer, and Environmental Exposure* ([U.S.](#)  
10805 [EPA, 2024v](#)) – Provides a compilation of tables for the data extraction for 1,1-dichloroethane.  
10806 Each table shows the data point, set, or information element that was extracted from a data  
10807 source that has information relevant for the evaluation of general population, consumer, and  
10808 environmental exposure. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-  
10809 Dichloroethane Data Extraction Information for General Population, Consumer, and  
10810 Environmental Exposure.”

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10812 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10813 *Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024ad](#)) –  
10814 Provides a compilation of tables for the data quality evaluation information for 1,1-  
10815 dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element that was evaluated  
10816 from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation of epidemiological  
10817 information. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data  
10818 Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Epidemiology.”

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10820 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10821 *Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology* ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
10822 [2024ac](#)) – Provides a compilation of tables for the data quality evaluation information for 1,1-  
10823 dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element that was evaluated  
10824 from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation of human health hazard  
10825 animal toxicity information. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-  
10826 Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation Information for Human Health Hazard Animal  
10827 Toxicology.”

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10829 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10830 *Quality Evaluation Information for Environmental Hazard* ([U.S. EPA, 2024aa](#)) – Provides a  
10831 compilation of tables for the data quality evaluation information for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each  
10832 table shows the data point, set, or information element that was evaluated from a data source that  
10833 has information relevant for the evaluation of environmental hazard toxicity information. This

10834 supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data Quality Evaluation  
10835 Information for Environmental Hazard.”

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10837 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Supplemental File: Data*  
10838 *Extraction Information for Environmental Hazard and Human Health Hazard Animal*  
10839 *Toxicology and Epidemiology* ([U.S. EPA, 2024u](#)) – Provides a compilation of tables for the data  
10840 extraction for 1,1-dichloroethane. Each table shows the data point, set, or information element  
10841 that was extracted from a data source that has information relevant for the evaluation of  
10842 environmental hazard and human health hazard animal toxicology and epidemiology  
10843 information. This supplemental file may also be referred to as the “1,1-Dichloroethane Data  
10844 Extraction Information for Environmental Hazard and Human Health Hazard Animal Toxicology  
10845 and Epidemiology.”

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10847 Associated **Supplemental Information Documents** – Provide additional details and information on  
10848 fate, exposure, hazard, and risk assessments.

10849  
10850 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Environmental*  
10851 *Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024e](#)).

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10853 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Risk Calculator*  
10854 *for Occupational Exposure* ([U.S. EPA, 2024k](#)).

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10856 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Laboratory*  
10857 *Chemical Occupational Exposure and Environmental Release Modeling Results* ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
10858 [2024h](#)).

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10860 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Repackaging*  
10861 *Occupational Exposure and Environmental Release Modeling Results* ([U.S. EPA, 2024j](#)).

10862  
10863 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Occupational*  
10864 *Exposure Scenario Mapping Results* ([U.S. EPA, 2024i](#)).

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10866 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental*  
10867 *Information on AERMOD TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024n](#)).

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10869 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental*  
10870 *Information on AERMOD Generic Releases Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024l](#)).

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10872 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental*  
10873 *Information on AERMOD NEI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024m](#)).

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10875 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental*  
10876 *Information on Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC), 1,1-*  
10877 *Dichloroethane Monitoring Data 2015 to 2020* ([U.S. EPA, 2024b](#)).

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10879 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental*  
10880 *Information on IIOAC TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024p](#)).

10882 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: AERMOD Input*  
10883 *Specifications* ([U.S. EPA, 2024a](#)).

10884  
10885 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Surface Water*  
10886 *Concentration and Fish Ingestion and Swimming Central Tendency Exposure Estimates* ([U.S.](#)  
10887 [EPA, 2024q](#))

10888  
10889 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Surface Water*  
10890 *Concentration and Fish Ingestion and Swimming High-End Exposure Estimates* ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
10891 [2024r](#))

10892  
10893 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Drinking Water*  
10894 *Exposure Estimates* ([U.S. EPA, 2024d](#))

10895  
10896 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: TRV Calculator*  
10897 ([U.S. EPA, 2024s](#)).

10898  
10899 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Benchmark*  
10900 *Dose Modeling* ([U.S. EPA, 2024c](#)).

10901  
10902 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental*  
10903 *Information on EPI Suite Modeling Results in the Fate Assessment* ([U.S. EPA, 2024o](#)).

10904  
10905 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: in vitro Dermal*  
10906 *Absorption Study Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024f](#))

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10908 *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: in vitro Dermal*  
10909 *Absorption Study Calculation Sheet* ([U.S. EPA, 2024g](#))  
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## Appendix D PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES AND FATE AND TRANSPORT DETAILS

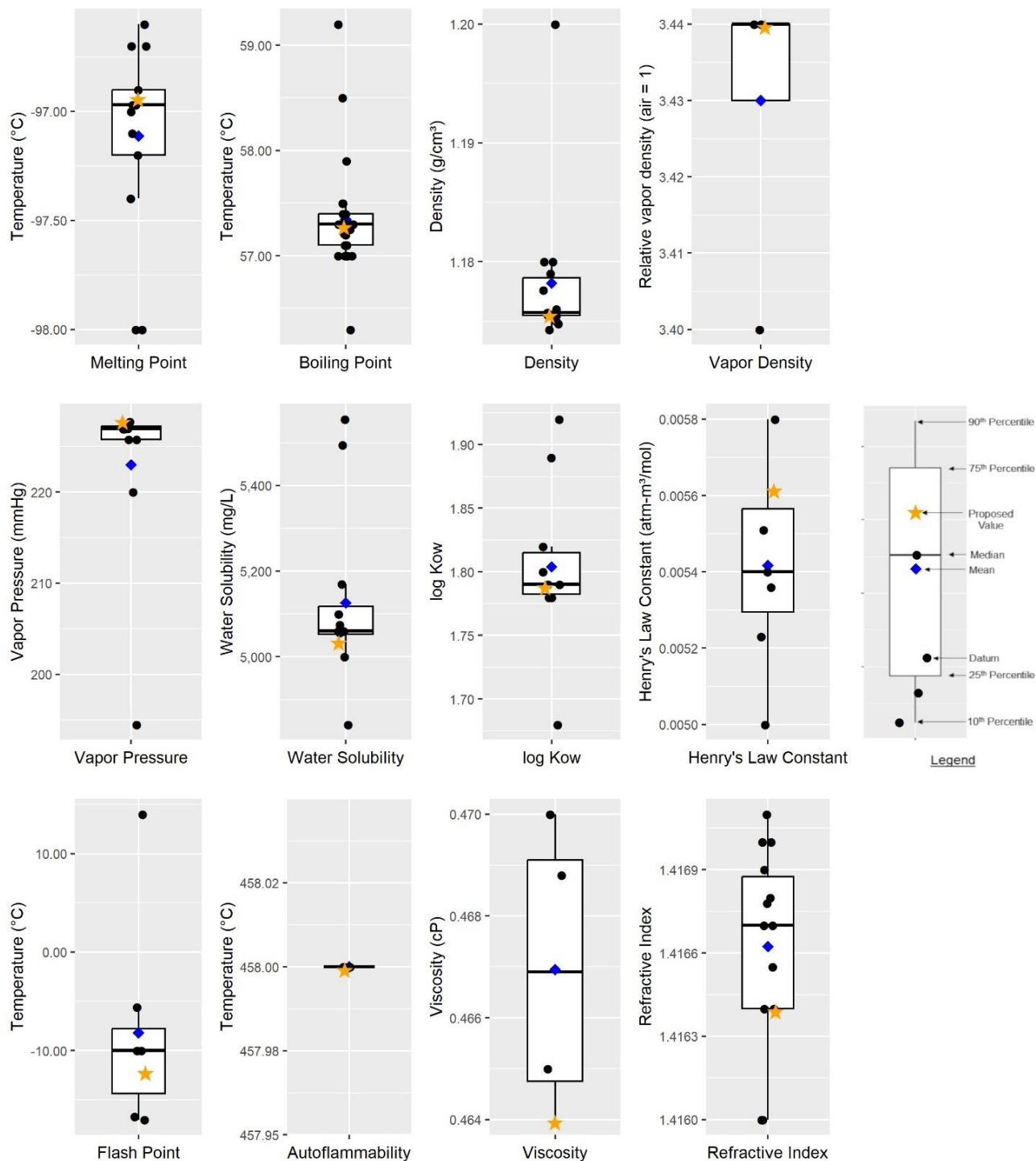
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### D.1 Physical and Chemical Properties

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#### *Selection of a Physical-Chemical Property Value from Multiple High-Quality Sources*

The systematic review process identified multiple data with the same quality rating for many physical-chemical properties discussed in this document. Some of these data were duplicates that were initially extracted more than once (*e.g.*, when multiple databases cite the same study), but were later removed during data curation before any further analysis. Much of the remaining data were collected under standard environmental conditions (*i.e.*, 20–25 °C and 760 mm Hg). These data are presented in box and whisker plots (Figure\_Apx D-1), which also include descriptive statistics such as the mean and median. Data that were collected under non-standard conditions are also presented in scatter plots, where appropriate, to provide a clear visualization of the temperature- or pressure-dependence of the physical-chemical parameters. It is important to visualize this dependence to illustrate that high data variance may be due to measurements across different experimental conditions, and not necessarily high uncertainty in the data. Such visualizations may also allow for the identification of trends that can approximate the parameter under other environmental conditions. Finally, a data point measured under non-standard conditions could better simulate a given scenario for fate assessments or other modeling purposes (*e.g.*, when a temperature other than approximately 25 °C would be more relevant for a particular chemical and assessment scenario).



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10932 **Figure\_Apx D-1. Physical-Chemical Property Data for 1,1-Dichloroethane under Standard**  
10933 **Conditions**

10934 Standard conditions are 20 to 25 °C and 760 mm Hg. Data collected through systematic review.

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10936 When a specific data point is cited for a given physical-chemical parameter, priority is given to data  
10937 from expert-curated, peer-reviewed databases that have been identified as “trusted sources” ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
10938 [2021b](#)). If no data are available from trusted databases, second preference is given to measured data  
10939 from studies that implement experimental measurements according to established test guidelines or

10940 which are conducted according to scientific principles with sufficient documentation. Finally, estimated,  
10941 or calculated data are only presented in the instance that no measured data is available.  
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### 10943 ***Key Sources of Uncertainty of Physical-Chemical Property Values***

10944 The physical-chemical property data discussed in this document were the product of a systematic review  
10945 of reasonably available information. The data analyses, therefore, consider only a subset of all physical-  
10946 chemical data, not an exhaustive acquisition of all potential data. Due to cross-referencing between  
10947 many of the databases identified and assessed through the systematic review process, there is potential  
10948 for data from one primary source to be collected multiple times resulting in duplication within the  
10949 dataset. This duplication should be considered as a potential source of uncertainty in the data analyses;  
10950 however, data-collection procedures and expert judgement were used to minimize this possibility  
10951 whenever possible.  
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10953 Overall, there is little uncertainty in the physical-chemical data and analyses presented. The analyses  
10954 below present the average and standard deviation of all data collected through the systematic review  
10955 process for each physical-chemical parameter. The standard deviation is reported as uncertainty in the  
10956 form of tolerance limits ( $\pm$  range) on the average value. Data extracted as a range of values were  
10957 excluded from the calculations unless expert judgement could identify precise data points within the  
10958 range. These statistical analyses may be indicative of the amount of uncertainty related to different  
10959 instrumental techniques or other experimental differences between the studies used to generate the data.  
10960 Additional sources of uncertainty in these reported physical-chemical values may be inherent to the  
10961 measurement of the data point itself (*e.g.*, sources of uncertainty or measurement error related to the  
10962 instrumental method, precision with which a data point is measured and reported in the data source).  
10963 Finally, all data were assumed to be collected under standard environmental conditions (*i.e.*, 20 to 25 °C  
10964 and 760 mm Hg) unless otherwise specified. Additional discussions of uncertainty are included within  
10965 the appropriate subsections below, when necessary.  
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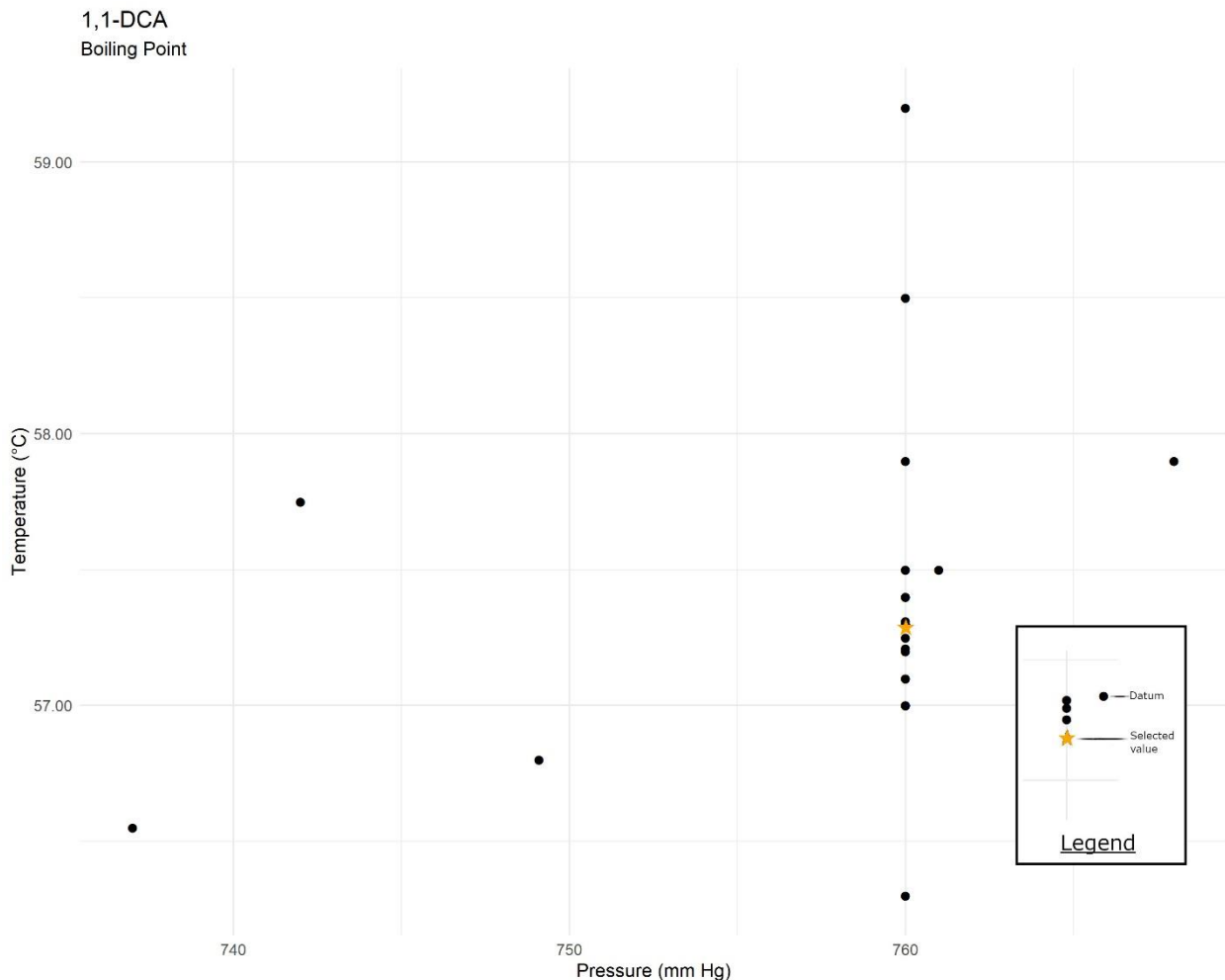
10967 ***Molecular Formula:*** By definition, the molecular formula of 1,1-dichloroethane is C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. This  
10968 parameter was not obtained by systematic review and there is no uncertainty in this value.  
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10970 ***Molecular Weight:*** By definition, the molecular weight of 1,1-dichloroethane is 98.95 g/mol. This value  
10971 was not obtained by systematic review, but rather is calculated from the known molecular formula. The  
10972 uncertainty in this value inherent to molecular weight determination from atomic masses is negligible  
10973 for the purpose of this risk evaluation.  
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10975 ***Physical Form:*** 1,1-Dichloroethane is a liquid under ambient conditions (*i.e.*, at approximately 20 °C  
10976 and 760 mm Hg) ([Government of Canada, 2021](#)). It is qualitatively described as being colorless, oily,  
10977 and having a chloroform- or ether-like odor ([NLM, 2018](#); [NIOSH, 2007](#)). These descriptions agree with  
10978 the qualitative descriptions identified in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane*  
10979 *CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)).  
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10981 ***Melting Point:*** Systematic review identified 13 melting point data that cover the range -98 to -96.6°C.  
10982 The average melting point of the 13 data was  $-97.1 \pm 0.4$  °C. The value -96.93 °C ([NLM, 2018](#)) was  
10983 selected as the melting point of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close  
10984 agreement with the average of all data identified, has a high level of precision, was independently  
10985 reported in multiple high-quality experimental studies, and aligns with the value reported in the final  
10986 scope. The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating that the value of this  
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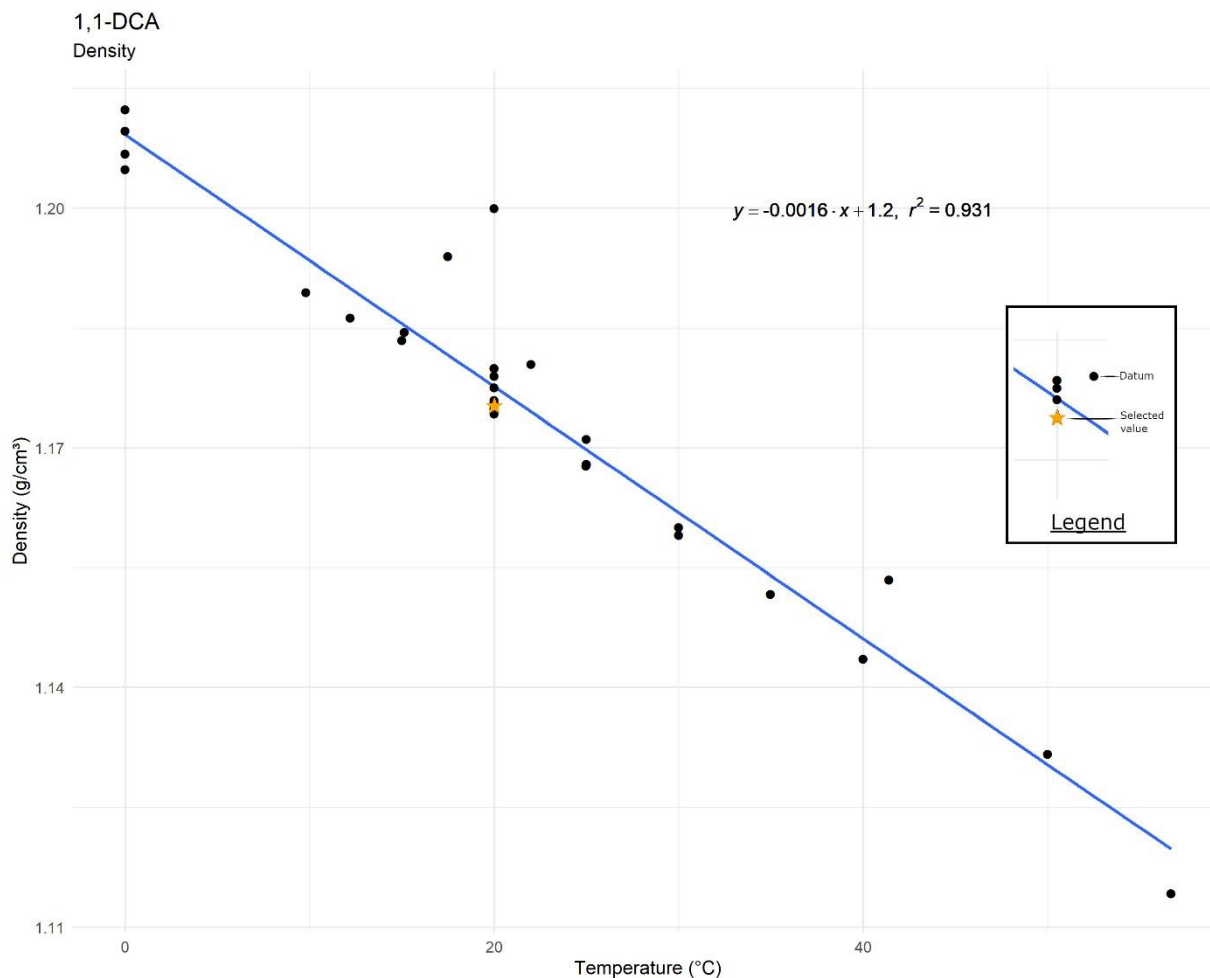
10989 *Boiling Point:* Systematic review identified 34 boiling point data, including 29 data collected at 760 mm  
10990 Hg. The data collected under standard conditions cover the range 56.3 to 83.6 °C. Excluding statistical  
10991 outliers, the range condenses to 28 data covering 56.3 to 59.2 °C. The average boiling point of the 28  
10992 data was  $57.3 \pm 0.5$  °C. The variation of boiling point as a function of pressure is visualized in  
10993 Figure\_Apx D-2. The value 57.3°C (O'Neil, 2013) was selected as the boiling point of 1,1-  
10994 dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close agreement with the average of all the data  
10995 identified and it was independently reported in multiple high-quality studies. The selected value differs  
10996 minimally from the value reported in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichlorethane*  
10997 *CASRN 75-34-3* (U.S. EPA, 2020b). The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low,  
10998 indicating that the value of this parameter is well-defined.  
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11001 **Figure\_Apx D-2. Boiling Point of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Pressure**  
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11003 *Density:* Systematic review identified 37 density data, including 14 data collected at 20 °C. The data  
11004 collected under standard conditions cover the range 1.1743 to 1.2 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (specific gravity and density  
11005 were assumed to be equal). The average density of the 14 data was  $1.1782 \pm 0.0066$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>. The variation  
11006 of density as a function of temperature is visualized in Figure\_Apx D-3. The value 1.1757 g/cm<sup>3</sup> at 20  
11007 °C (O'Neil, 2013) was selected as the density of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is  
11008 in close agreement with the average of the data identified, it has a high level of precision, and it was  
11009 independently reported in multiple high-quality experimental studies. The selected value differs slightly  
11010 from the value reported in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichlorethane CASRN 75-34-3*

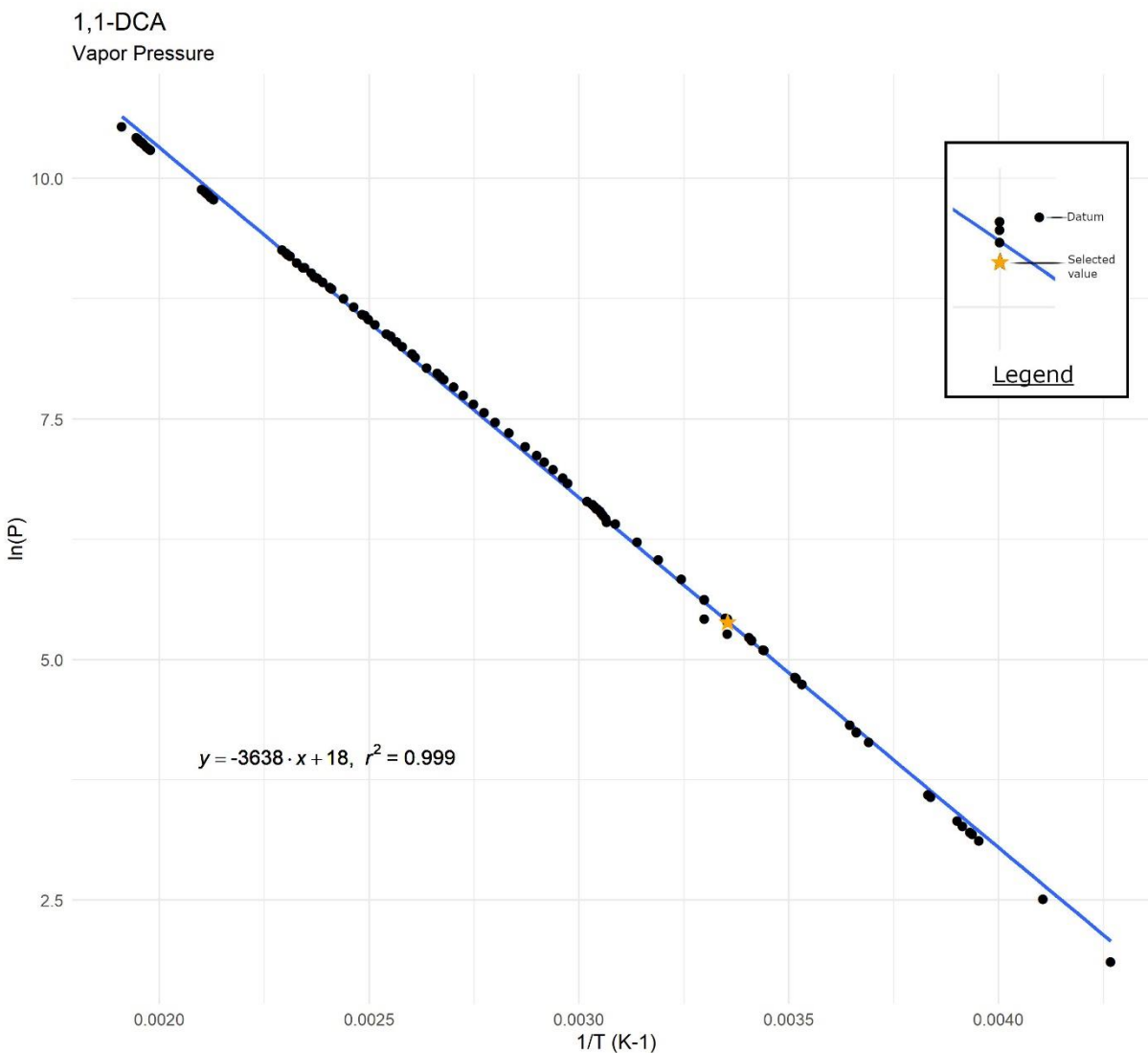
11011 ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)). The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating that the  
11012 value of this parameter is well-defined.  
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11015 **Figure\_Apx D-3. Density of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Temperature**

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11017 *Vapor Pressure:* Systematic review identified 108 vapor pressure data, including 10 data collected at 25  
11018 °C. The data collected under standard conditions cover the range 194.49-228 mm Hg at 25 °C. The  
11019 average vapor pressure of the 10 data was 223 ± 10.3 mm Hg at 25 °C. The variation of vapor pressure  
11020 as a function of temperature, which is governed by the Clausius-Clapeyron relationship, is visualized in  
11021 Figure\_Apx D-4. The value 228 mm Hg at 25 °C ([Rumble, 2018b](#)) was selected as the vapor pressure of  
11022 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close agreement with this analysis, and it was  
11023 independently reported in multiple high-quality studies. The selected value differs minimally from the  
11024 value reported in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S.  
11025 EPA, 2020b](#)). The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating that the value of  
11026 this parameter is well-defined. Additionally, the vapor pressure at non-standard temperatures can be  
11027 determined using the results of the systematic review and Figure\_Apx D-4, although there is increasing  
11028 uncertainty at high temperatures and data should not be extrapolated outside of -50 to 250 °C.  
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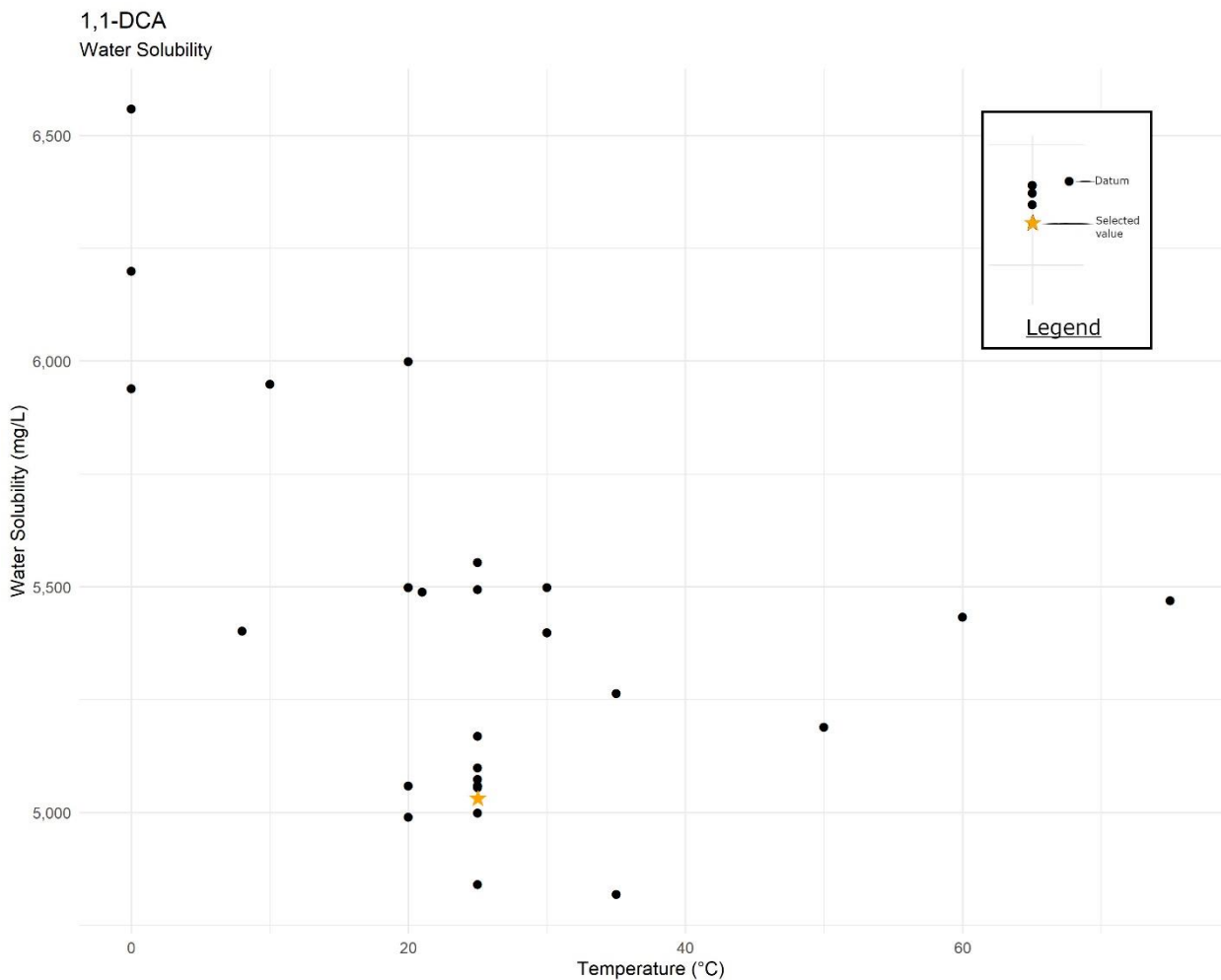
**Figure\_Apx D-4. Vapor Pressure of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Temperature**

*Vapor Density:* Systematic review identified four vapor density data that cover the range 3.4-3.44 (relative to air = 1 g/cm<sup>3</sup>). The average vapor density of the four data was 3.43 ± 0.02. The value 3.44 (NCBI, 2020b) was selected as the vapor density of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close agreement with the average of all the data identified, it has a high level of precision, it was independently reported in multiple high-quality studies, and it aligns with the value reported in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation of 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* (U.S. EPA, 2020b). The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating that the value of this parameter is well-defined.

*Water Solubility:* Systematic review identified 32 water solubility data, including 12 data collected at 25 °C. The data collected under standard conditions cover the range 4,842 to 5,555 mg/L at 25 °C. The average water solubility of the 12 data was 5,126 ± 202 mg/L at 25 °C. The variation of water solubility as a function of temperature is visualized in Figure\_Apx D-5. The value 5,040 mg/L at 25 °C (NLM, 2018) was selected as the water solubility of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in rough agreement with the mean and median of all the date identified, it has a high level of precision, it was independently reported in multiple high-quality studies and it aligns with the value reported in the

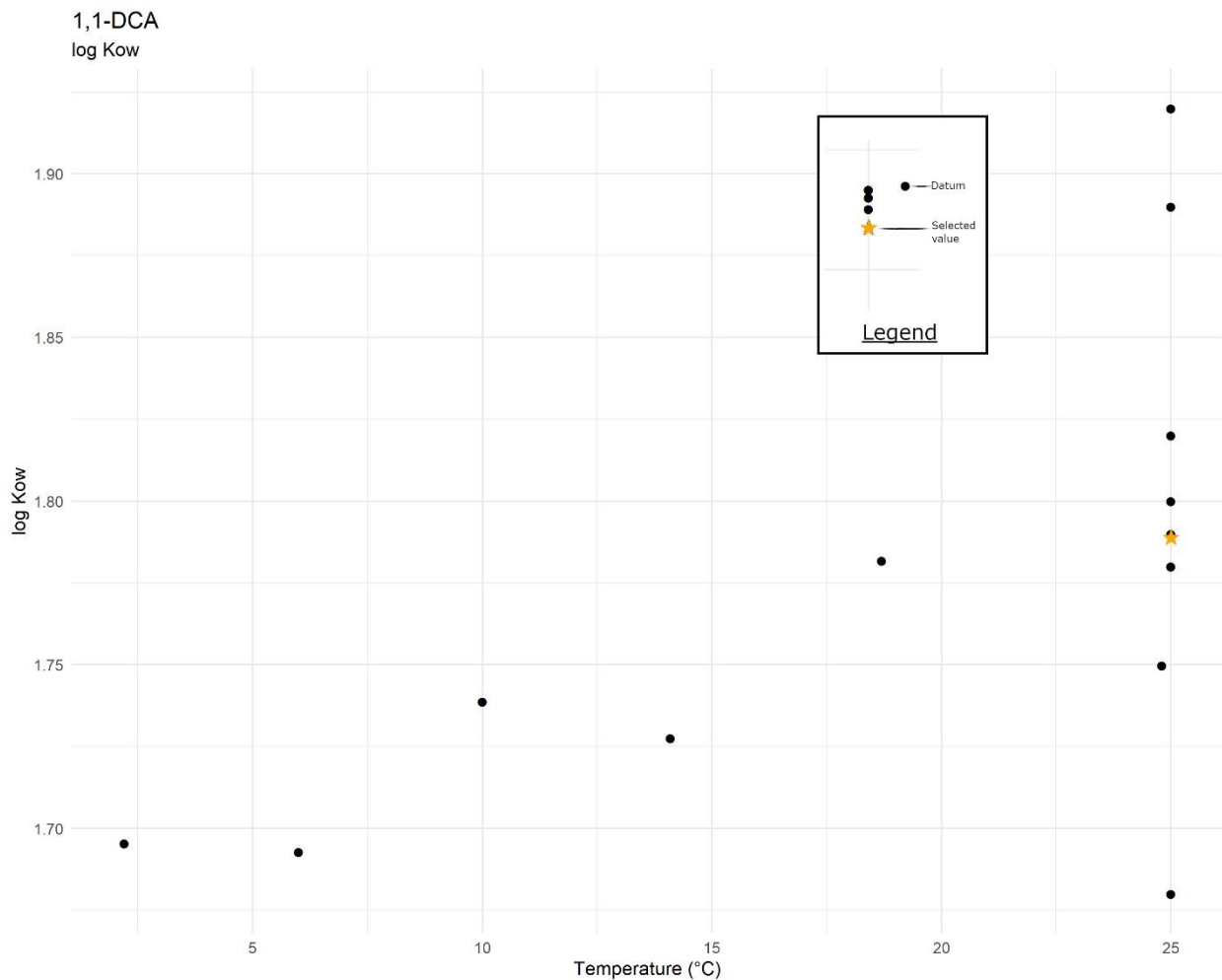


11049 *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation of 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3 (U.S. EPA, 2020b).*  
11050 However, due to the spread of the data identified and the inconsistencies between data reported at the  
11051 same temperature, there is non-negligible uncertainty in this selected value. Alternative water solubility  
11052 values could be appropriate at environmentally relevant conditions.  
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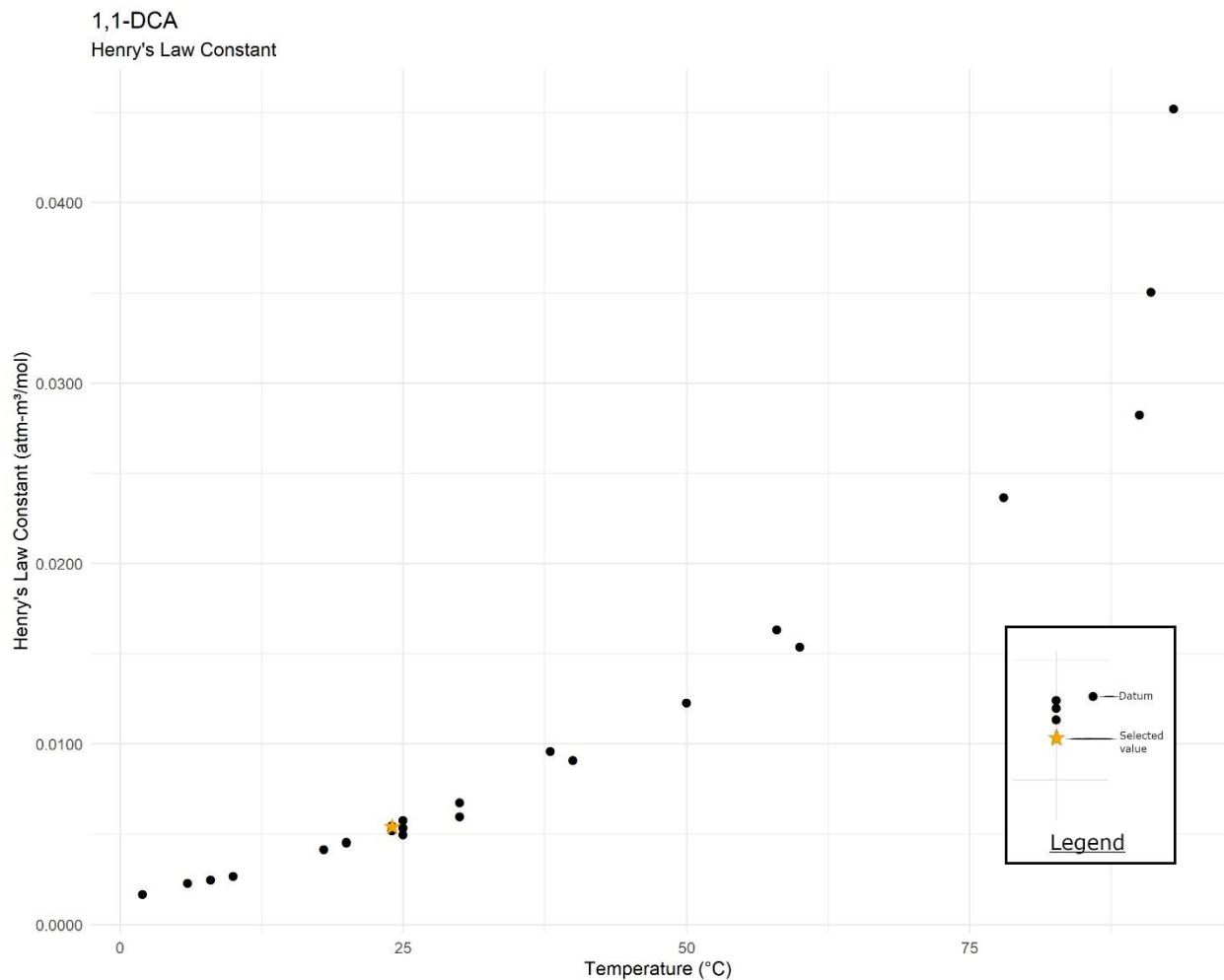
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11055 **Figure\_Apx D-5. Water Solubility of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Temperature**  
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11057 *Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient (log K<sub>OW</sub>):* Systematic review identified 16 log K<sub>OW</sub> data, including  
11058 10 data collected at 25 °C. The data collected under standard conditions cover the range of 1.68-1.92 at  
11059 25 °C. The average log K<sub>OW</sub> of the 10 data was 1.80 ± 0.07 at 25 °C. The variation of low K<sub>OW</sub> as a  
11060 function of temperature is visualized in Figure\_Apx D-6. The value 1.79 at 25 °C (Elsevier, 2019) was  
11061 selected as the log K<sub>OW</sub> of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close agreement  
11062 with the data identified, it was independently reported in multiple high-quality studies, and it aligns with  
11063 the value reported in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation of 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3*  
11064 (U.S. EPA, 2020b). The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating this  
11065 parameter is well-defined.  
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**Figure\_Apx D-6. Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient (log Kow) of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Temperature**

Henry's Law Constant: Systematic review identified 25 Henry's law constant data, including seven data collected at 24 to 25 °C. The data collected under standard conditions cover the range 0.005 to 0.0058 at 24 to 25 °C. The average Henry's law constant of the seven data was  $0.00542 \pm 0.00026$  at 24-25 °C. The variation of Henry's law constant as a function of temperature is visualized in Figure\_Apx D-7. The value  $0.00562 \text{ atm m}^3/\text{mol}$  at 24 °C (NLM, 2018) was selected as the Henry's law constant of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close agreement with this analysis, it was independently reported in multiple high-quality studies, and it aligns with the value reported in the *Final Scope for the Risk Evaluation of 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* (U.S. EPA, 2020b). The standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating that the value of this parameter is well-defined. Additionally, the Henry's law constant at non-standard temperatures can be determined using the results of the systematic review and Figure\_Apx D-7, although there is increasing uncertainty at high temperatures and data should not be extrapolated outside of 0 to 100 °C.

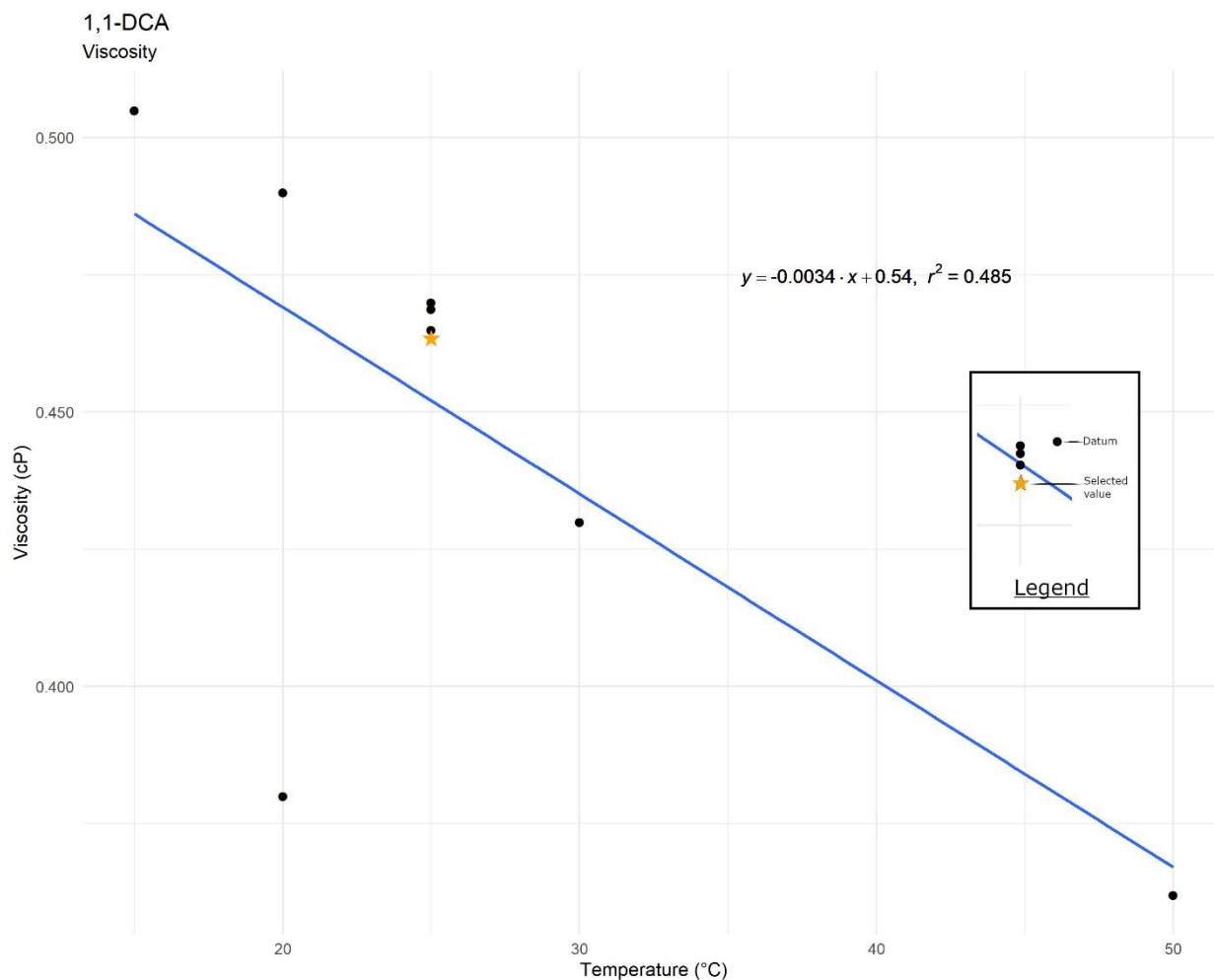


**Figure\_Apx D-7. Henry's Law Constant of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Temperature**

*Flash Point:* Systematic review identified seven flash point data that cover the range -17 to 14 °C. The flash point data collected include values measured using both closed cup and open cup techniques, with some sources reporting values for both techniques, and some sources not indicating the technique used. Closed and open cup measurement techniques generally result in a different value for flash point, and so for each reported value it is important to note the measurement technique used. The average flash point of the seven data was  $-8.2 \pm 10.6$  °C. The value -12 °C ([Dreher et al., 2014](#)) was selected as the flash point of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in rough agreement with the data identified and was independently reported in multiple high-quality studies. Due to the multiple experimental methods for quantifying flash point (*e.g.*, open cup and closed cup), there is considerable variance in the data collected.

*Autoflammability:* Systematic review identified four autoflammability data. All four data were equal at 458 °C. The value 458 °C ([Rumble, 2018b](#)) was selected as the autoflammability of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in absolute agreement with all identified data, it is reported in multiple high-quality studies, and it aligns with the value reported in the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)).

11105 *Viscosity:* Systematic review identified nine viscosity data, including four data collected at 25°C. The  
11106 data collected under standard conditions cover the range 0.464-0.47 cP at 25 °C. The average viscosity  
11107 of the four data was  $0.467 \pm 0.003$  cP at 25 °C. The variation of viscosity as a function of temperature is  
11108 visualized in Figure\_Apx D-8. The value 0.464 cP at 25 °C ([Rumble, 2018c](#)) was selected as the  
11109 viscosity of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in close agreement with the  
11110 identified data, it is reported in multiple high-quality studies, and it aligns with the value reported in the  
11111 *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)). The  
11112 standard deviation of the collected data is relatively low, indicating that this parameter is well-defined.  
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11115 **Figure\_Apx D-8. Viscosity of 1,1-Dichloroethane as a Function of Temperature**  
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11117 *Refractive Index:* Systematic review identified 14 refractive index data that cover the range 1.416-  
11118 1.4171. The average refractive index of the 14 data was  $1.4166 \pm 0.0003$ . The value 1.4164 ([Rumble,](#)  
11119 [2018a](#)) was selected as the refractive index of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation because it is in  
11120 close agreement with the average of all data identified, it was independently reported in multiple high-  
11121 quality experimental studies, and it aligns with the value reported in the *Final Scope for the Risk*  
11122 *Evaluation of 1,1-Dichloroethane CASRN 75-34-3* ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)). The standard deviation of the  
11123 collected data is relatively low, indicating that the value of this parameter is well-defined.  
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11125 *Other Physical-Chemical Properties:* Systematic review identified other physical-chemical properties  
11126 for 1,1-dichloroethane of relevance for this risk evaluation. The following values were selected for the

11127 indicated physical-chemical property of 1,1-dichloroethane for this risk evaluation; however, there is  
11128 potential uncertainty for these selected values because systematic review did not identify a significant  
11129 amount of data for these properties:

- 11130 • Dielectric constant: 10.9 at 20 °C ([NLM, 2018](#); [Dreher et al., 2014](#)) (N = 2); and
- 11131 • Heat of evaporation: 30.8 kJ/mol at 25 °C ([Dreher et al., 2014](#)) (N = 1)

## 11132 **D.2 Fate and Transport**

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### 11133 **D.2.1 Approach and Methodology**

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11134 EPA conducted a Tier I assessment to identify the environmental compartments (*i.e.*, surface water,  
11135 sediment, biosolids, soil, groundwater, air) of major and minor relevance to the fate and transport of 1,1-  
11136 dichloroethane. EPA then conducted a Tier II assessment to identify the fate pathways and media most  
11137 likely to cause exposure as a result of environmental releases. Media-specific fate analyses were  
11138 performed as described in Section 2.2.

#### 11139 **D.2.1.1 EPI Suite™ Model Inputs**

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11140 Measured values for bioconcentration and bioaccumulation factors for 1,1-dichloroethane were not  
11141 found in the literature. As an alternative, these values were estimated using the BCF/BAF model in  
11142 EPISuite™. To set up EPI Suite™ for estimating these properties, the “Search CAS” function was  
11143 used. The octanol-water partition coefficient ( $K_{ow}$ ) used to estimate BCF and BAF was the  
11144 recommended value in Table 2-1 in the physical and chemical properties section of the Risk Evaluation  
11145 to conduct Level III fugacity modeling discussed in Appendix D.2.1.2 below, EPI Suite™ was run using  
11146 default settings (*i.e.*, no other parameters were changed or input), with the following exceptions:  
11147 measured  $K_{oc}$ , half-lives estimated from literature values, and emission rates from the Toxics Release  
11148 Inventory reporting year 2020.

#### 11149 **D.2.1.2 Fugacity Modeling**

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11150 To inform how environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane partition between environmental  
11151 compartments (air, water, sediment, and soil) the approach described by ([Mackay et al., 1996](#)) using the  
11152 Level III fugacity model in EPISuite™ was employed. The model predicts the partitioning of a  
11153 substance released to an evaluative environment between air, water, soil, and sediment and identifies  
11154 important intermedia transfer processes. The Level III Fugacity model is described as a steady-state,  
11155 non-equilibrium model that includes the processes of degradation, advection (flow out of the evaluative  
11156 environment) and intermedia transfer. The Level III Fugacity model requires fate assessor input for 1,1-  
11157 dichloroethane physical-chemical properties, releases to each compartment of the evaluative  
11158 environment, and half-lives in each compartment. Physical and chemical properties were taken directly  
11159 from Table 2-1. Environmental degradation half-lives were taken from acceptable studies identified  
11160 through systematic review as well as additional studies identified after the completion of systematic  
11161 review. Where environmental degradation half-lives could not be found, they were estimated using EPI  
11162 Suite™. All other input variables were left at their default settings. Release information was collected  
11163 from the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) and the National Emissions Inventory (NEI) for the year 2020.

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11165 Table\_Apx D-1 below lists release and half-life inputs for the Level III Fugacity model runs.  
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**Table\_Apx D-1. Inputs and Results or Level III Fugacity Modeling for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Environmental Releases (kg/yr TRI 2020)		Compartment Half-Lives (hours)	Data Source	Level III Results Percent Mass Distribution
Air	15,813	936	<a href="#">(U.S. EPA, 2012c)</a>	85
Water	961	2,760 <sup>a</sup>	<a href="#">(Washington and Cameron, 2001)</a>	15
Soil	1	2,760	<a href="#">(Washington and Cameron, 2001)</a>	<1
Sediment	N/A	2,760	<a href="#">(Washington and Cameron, 2001)</a>	<1

<sup>a</sup> V acquired through modeling of a mixed contaminant plume under sulfate reducing conditions at a landfill.

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The results of the Level III Fugacity model using the reported releases indicate that emissions of 1,1-dichloroethane will primarily partition to air (85 percent) and water (15 percent) with less than 1 percent partitioning to soil and sediment. Thus, air and to a lesser extent water are expected to be important environmental compartments for 1,1-dichloroethane released to the environment.

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**D.2.1.3 Evidence Integration**

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The *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) states that during evidence integration, a determination of confidence in the range of fate endpoint(s) are made based on the study quality of contributing data point. The evaluations of the available studies of fate endpoints inform interpretations about the extent to which the data support a conclusion as interpreted from relevant fate and transport parameters determined from systematic review. Interpretations of the strength of a study, model, or data point that contributes to a fate endpoint for a chemical are judged and considered together. This culminates in a final conclusion about the extent to which the available evidence supports the environmental fate endpoint. The following summarizes the data availability, data quality, and data gap filling methods used to address environmental fate endpoints for evidence integration.

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***Fate in Air***

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No measured data on 1,1-dichloroethane atmospheric OH radical oxidation rates, overall environmental persistence, long range transport or partitioning between environmental compartments were found in the literature search conducted as part of Systematic Review. Because no high quality measured data were available for these endpoints, EPA relied on high quality physical-chemical properties data described in Section 2.1 of the draft risk evaluation (HLC, VP, WS), EPISuite<sup>TM</sup>, and the OECD LRTP Pov models to estimate key fate parameters used to assess the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in air. EPISuite<sup>TM</sup> has undergone peer review by the EPA Science Advisory Board ([SAB, 2007](#)).

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***Fate in Aquatic Environments (Surface Water, Sediments)***

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No data directly applicable to the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface water were found in the literature search conducted as part of Systematic Review for the chemical. Because no high quality measured data were available, EPA relied on high quality physical-chemical properties data described in Sections 2.1 and 0 of this draft risk evaluation (e.g., HLC, VP, WS, K<sub>ow</sub>, K<sub>oc</sub>), EPISuite<sup>TM</sup> and the PSC models (discussed further in the Section 3.3.3.2.3.) to inform 1,1-dichloroethane partitioning to sediments and volatilization from water. EPISuite<sup>TM</sup> has undergone peer review by the EPA Science Advisory Board ([SAB, 2007](#)). Conclusions on the biodegradation rates of 1,1-dichloroethane in aquatic environments (aerobic surface water and anaerobic sediments) were informed by the results of OECD Ready Biodegradability tests conducted on analogous chlorinated ethanes, propanes and butanes as well as



11204 aerobic groundwater biodegradation studies, the majority of which demonstrated slow biodegradation of  
11205 1,1-dichloroethane in aerobic aquatic environments. A single high quality aerobic biodegradation study  
11206 ([Tabak et al., 1981](#)) showing rapid biodegradation in the presence of added amendments was considered  
11207 an outlier and not directly used in the assessment. Two microcosm studies of 1,1-dichloroethane  
11208 biodegradation in anaerobic sediments collected from contaminated sites were identified after  
11209 Systematic Review was completed and informed conclusions on aquatic sediment half-lives for 1,1-  
11210 dichloroethane.

### 11211 *Fate in Terrestrial Environments*

11213 Limited data directly applicable to the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil were found in the literature  
11214 search conducted as part of Systematic Review. High and medium quality studies on the sorption of 1,1-  
11215 dichloroethane to soil and sediment were used in combination with high quality physical-chemical  
11216 properties data described in Sections 2.1 and 0 of this draft risk evaluation (*e.g.*, HLC, VP, WS,  $K_{OW}$ ),  
11217 EPISuiteTMTM, and the Hazardous Waste Delisting Risk Assessment Software (DRAS) to inform the  
11218 fate assessment of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil. EPISuiteTMTM has undergone peer review by the EPA  
11219 Science Advisory Board ([SAB, 2007](#)).

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11221 Conclusions on the biodegradation rates of 1,1-dichloroethane in aerobic and anaerobic soils were  
11222 informed by studies identified after Systematic Review. Because data on the biodegradation of 1,1-  
11223 dichloroethane in surface soils were not found, studies on the biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane  
11224 conducted in laboratory groundwater systems and sediments were used to inform the potential rates of  
11225 biodegradation in soils. The majority of the studies demonstrated slow biodegradation of 1,1-  
11226 dichloroethane in anaerobic groundwater and sediment environments. Assumptions were therefore made  
11227 that the rates of 1,1-dichloroethane biodegradation in soil will be similar. The groundwater and sediment  
11228 biodegradation studies are discussed further in Appendices D.2.4.2 and D.2.3.2.

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11230 Conclusions on the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane drew from multiple studies identified after the completion  
11231 of the Systematic Review literature search. These consisted of studies that determined biodegradation  
11232 rates in groundwater from field studies, laboratory microcosm studies, and groundwater monitoring  
11233 studies. The majority of the studies demonstrated slow biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
11234 groundwater. The groundwater biodegradation studies are discussed further in Appendix D.2.4.2 of the  
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11237 Limited data directly applicable to the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfills and landfill leachate plumes  
11238 were found in the literature search conducted as part of Systematic Review. High and medium quality  
11239 studies on the sorption of 1,1-dichloroethane to soil and sediment were used in combination with high  
11240 quality physical-chemical properties data described in Sections 2.1 and 0 of the risk evaluation (*e.g.*,  
11241 HLC, VP, WS,  $K_{OW}$ ,  $K_{OC}$ ), and the Hazardous Waste Delisting Risk Assessment Software (DRAS) to  
11242 inform the fate assessment of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfills, landfill leachate plumes and potential  
11243 impacts on groundwater. Conclusions on the biodegradation rates of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfills and  
11244 landfill leachate plumes were further informed by studies identified after Systematic Review. Because  
11245 data on the biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfills and landfill leachate plumes were not  
11246 found, studies on the biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane conducted in sediments and laboratory  
11247 groundwater systems were used to inform the potential rates of biodegradation. The studies are  
11248 discussed further in Appendices D.2.4.1, D.2.4.2, and D.2.4.3 below. The majority of the studies  
11249 demonstrated slow biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane. Assumptions were therefore made that the  
11250 rates of 1,1-dichloroethane biodegradation in landfills and landfill leachate plumes will be similar.  
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11252 No data directly applicable to the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in biosolids were found in the literature  
11253 search conducted as part of Systematic Review for the chemical. Because no high quality measured data  
11254 were available, EPA relied on high quality physical-chemical properties data described in Sections 2.1  
11255 and 0 of the draft risk evaluation (e.g., HLC, VP, WS, K<sub>OW</sub>, K<sub>OC</sub>), and the Office of Water Biosolids  
11256 Tool to inform the fate and transport of 1,1-dichloroethane in land applied biosolids and potential  
11257 impacts on groundwater. The use of the Biosolids Tool is discussed further in Section 3.3.4.5.  
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### 11259 ***Environmental Persistence***

11260 EPA integrated the results of studies identified and evaluated during and after the Systematic Review to  
11261 assess the environmental persistence of 1,1-dichloroethane. The studies are discussed in Appendix D  
11262 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4.  
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### 11264 ***Removal in Wastewater Treatment***

11265 A high-quality study was used to inform the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in Publicly Owned Treatment  
11266 Works (POTWs). The study was conducted by EPA and monitored the fate of Priority Pollutants in 40  
11267 representative wastewater treatment plants across the US. The results from 11 POTWs with data showed  
11268 a wide range of removal of 1,1-dichloroethane but most values indicated greater than 50 percent  
11269 removal. The evidence was supplemented with wastewater treatment plant monitoring studies for 1,1-  
11270 dichloroethane identified after completion of Systematic Review that showed higher values and  
11271 estimated removal rates from the Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) model in EPISuiteTMTM.  
11272 EPISuiteTMTM has undergone peer review by the EPA Science Advisory Board ([SAB, 2007](#)). This  
11273 information further informed conclusions regarding a range of removal of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
11274 POTWs. The studies are discussed further in Appendix D.2.5.2.  
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### 11276 ***Bioconcentration/Bioaccumulation***

11277 No data were found on the bioaccumulation/bioconcentration potential of 1,1-dichloroethane. In the  
11278 absence of data, EPA relied on high quality physical-chemical properties data described in Section 2.1  
11279 of the draft risk evaluation (K<sub>OW</sub>), EPISuiteTMTM, and the Office of Water BCF/BAF estimation  
11280 methodology described in *Ambient Water Quality for the Protection of Human Health* ([U.S. EPA,  
11281 2003c](#)) to estimate the values. Estimated BCF/BAF values were compared to available measured values  
11282 for similar halogenated ethanes and propanes to inform the reliability of the estimated values for 1,1-  
11283 dichloroethane. EPISuiteTMTM has undergone peer review by the EPA Science Advisory Board ([SAB,  
11284 2007](#)). The selection of BCF and BAF values for 1,1-dichloroethane is discussed in Appendix D.2.6.

## 11285 **D.2.2 Air and Atmosphere**

11286 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to undergo significant direct photolysis because it does not absorb  
11287 radiation in the environmentally available region of the electromagnetic spectrum that has the potential  
11288 to cause molecular degradation ([HSDB, 2008](#)). 1,1-Dichloroethane in the vapor phase will be degraded  
11289 by reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals in the atmosphere. A half-life of 39 days  
11290 was calculated from an estimated rate constant of  $2.74 \times 10^{-13}$  cm<sup>3</sup>/molecules-second at 25 °C, assuming  
11291 an atmospheric hydroxyl radical concentration of  $1.5 \times 10^6$  molecules/cm<sup>3</sup> and a 12-hour day ([U.S. EPA,  
11292 2012c](#)). Based on an estimated octanol air partition coefficient (K<sub>oa</sub>) of 269, 1,1-dichloroethane is not  
11293 expected to associate strongly with airborne particulates. The results of the Level III Fugacity Model in  
11294 EPISuite™ using environmental releases of 1,1-dichloroethane reported in the 2020 Toxics Release  
11295 Inventory discussed in Appendix D.2.1.2 indicate that at steady state, greater than 75 percent of the mass  
11296 of 1,1-dichloroethane released to the environment will partition to the air compartment.  
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11298 With an expected atmospheric half-life of 39 days, significant vapor pressure (227 mm Hg at 25C, and  
11299 reported releases to air, the potential for long range transport was assessed using the OECD Pov and

11300 LRTP Screening Tool. The tool includes features that are recommended by the OECD expert group on  
11301 multimedia modeling. It incorporates a fugacity based steady state multimedia mass balance model of a  
11302 global evaluative environment representing soil, water and the troposphere. In addition to calculating  
11303 overall environmental persistence (Pov) the model provides two other indicators of long range transport  
11304 potential, characteristic travel distance (CTD) and transfer efficiency (TE). CTD is the distance from the  
11305 point of release of the chemical to the point at which the concentration of the chemical has dropped to  
11306  $1/e$  or about 37 percent of its initial value. CTDs are calculated for emissions to air and water and only  
11307 transport in the medium that receives the release is considered. Because soil is not considered mobile, no  
11308 CTD is calculated for emissions to soil. The tool considers multiple emission modes to air, water and  
11309 soil and reports maximum values for Pov, CTD (with the exception of soil) and TE. Transfer efficiency  
11310 (TE) is the ratio of the mass flux of a substance into an environmental compartment and the emissions  
11311 mass flux. TE is calculated for emissions to air, water, and soil. The TE is an indicator of how much of  
11312 an emission reaches a distant target.

11313  
11314 The 1,1-dichloroethane chemical properties required as input for the model were taken from Table 2-1,  
11315 and media specific half-lives were derived after consideration of the range of half-life values reported in  
11316 the respective environmental fate discussions for the medium. The tool estimated an overall  
11317 environmental persistence of 129 days, a characteristic travel distance of 19,031 km and a transfer  
11318 efficiency of 1.9 percent. These results suggest 1,1-dichloroethane may travel long distances, but a low  
11319 percentage of the release will reach a distant target. Relative to the Pov and LRTP of 10 reference POP  
11320 chemicals in the tool's database, 1,1-dichloroethane has lower overall environmental persistence and  
11321 characteristic travel distance.

#### 11322 **D.2.2.1 Key Sources of Uncertainty in the Fate Assessment for Air and the Atmosphere**

11323 The assessment of the fate of 1,1-dichloroethane in air relied on estimated OH radical oxidation half  
11324 lives from the AOP model and the Level III Fugacity model in EPISuite™. The assumptions,  
11325 applicability domain and accuracy of the AOP model are discussed in the EPISuite™ help menus.  
11326 Accurate inputs are critical for fugacity modeling. Inputs to the level III fugacity model include half  
11327 lives in various media, physical chemical properties, and emissions to air, water and soil. Model results  
11328 are significantly impacted by emissions assumptions. Thus, for optimal use of the model, accurate  
11329 emissions data and, if possible, complete emissions inventories should be used.

#### 11330 **D.2.3 Aquatic Environments**

11331 1,1-dichloroethane has a hydrolysis half-life of approximately 61 years ([Jeffers et al., 1989](#)), therefore  
11332 hydrolysis is not expected to be an important fate process for 1,1-dichloroethane in aquatic  
11333 environments. Based on a measured  $K_{OC}$  of 31 ([Poole and Poole, 1999](#)), partitioning from the water  
11334 column to suspended and benthic sediments is not expected to be an important process for 1,1-  
11335 dichloroethane. A Henry's Law constant of 0.00562 atm·m<sup>3</sup>/mol at 25 °C, calculated based on a vapor  
11336 pressure of 227 mm Hg at 25 °C and a water solubility of 5040 mg/L, indicates that 1,1-dichloroethane  
11337 may volatilize from water surfaces. Biodegradation in water is not expected to be an important loss  
11338 process for 1,1-dichloroethane. based on aerobic aquatic biodegradation studies on 1,1-dichloroethane  
11339 and other chlorinated ethanes, propanes and butanes. Overall evidence suggests that biodegradation of  
11340 1,1-dichloroethane in the water column may be possible, but rates are expected to be slow and  
11341 volatilization from water will occur more rapidly than biodegradation.

#### 11342 **D.2.3.1 Surface Water**

11343 1,1-Dichloroethane released to surface water will be subject to loss primarily via volatilization to air.  
11344 Biodegradation and sorption to suspended and benthic sediments will be minor removal processes. A  
11345 half-life for the volatilization from a model river was estimated using the WVol Model in EPI Suite™

11346 ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)) which follows a two-film concept for estimating the flux of volatiles across the air-  
11347 water interface ([Liss and Slater, 1974](#)). For a model river 1 m deep with a current velocity of 1 meter per  
11348 second and wind velocity of 5 m per second, a volatilization half-life of approximately 1 hour was  
11349 calculated. Although volatilization is expected to be rapid, some of the substance will remain in water  
11350 due to its water solubility (5,040 mg/L) and depending on where its continuous releases to water are  
11351 occurring. Biodegradation in water is not expected to be an important loss process for 1,1-  
11352 dichloroethane based on a single aerobic aquatic biodegradation study on 1,1-dichloroethane as well as  
11353 Ready Biodegradability studies on other chlorinated ethanes and chlorinated propanes and chlorinated  
11354 butanes. A study using multiple inoculum subculture transfers promoting acclimation resulted in up to  
11355 91 percent biodegradation with loss by volatilization also observed ([Tabak et al., 1981](#)). However, these  
11356 results appear to be an outlier. The Japanese National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)  
11357 collected OECD method 301C Ready Biodegradability data for several chlorinated ethanes  
11358 (chloroethane ([NITE, 2023g](#)), 1,2-dichloroethane ([NITE, 2023b](#)), chloropropanes (2-chloropropane  
11359 ([NITE, 2023f](#)), 1,2-dichloropropane ([NITE, 2023c](#)), 1,2,3-trichloropropane ([NITE, 2023d](#))) and  
11360 chlorobutanes (1-chlorobutane ([NITE, 2023a](#)), 1,4-dichlorobutane ([NITE, 2023e](#))). The study results  
11361 indicated that 0 to 8 percent biodegradation occurred in up to four weeks. Overall, these studies suggest  
11362 that aerobic biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in the water column may be possible, but rates are  
11363 expected to be slow and volatilization from water will occur more rapidly than biodegradation.  
11364

11365 Based on a measured  $K_{OC}$  value of 31 ([Poole and Poole, 1999](#)), 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to  
11366 bind strongly to sediment or suspended organic matter in the water column.

#### 11367 **D.2.3.2 Sediments**

11368 1,1-Dichloroethane released to water is not expected to significantly partition to organic matter in  
11369 suspended and benthic sediments based on its measured  $K_{OC}$  of 31 ([Poole and Poole, 1999](#)).  $K_{OC}$   
11370 represents the ratio of the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane sorbed to organic carbon in sediment or  
11371 soil to the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in the overlying water at equilibrium. For comparison,  
11372 highly hydrophobic chemicals known to partition to and accumulate in sediments such as PCBs have  
11373 measured  $K_{OC}$  values of in the range of 10,000 to 100,000 or greater. Biodegradation of 1,1-  
11374 dichloroethane has been shown to occur in freshwater sediment microcosms isolated from contaminated  
11375 sites. ([Hamonts et al., 2009](#)) constructed anaerobic microcosms from sediments collected from Zenne  
11376 River near Brussels, Belgium with a history of chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbon exposure. The source  
11377 of exposure was the infiltration of contaminated groundwater into the river. Reduction of 1,1-  
11378 dichloroethane within 13 to 46 days was observed for 9 of the 12 sampling sites with conversion from  
11379 1,1-dichloroethane to chloroethane and ethane. High organic matter content of the sediments was  
11380 associated with the most rapid biodegradation with the organic matter perhaps serving as an electron  
11381 donor for the dechlorination of 1,1-dichloroethane. ([Simsir et al., 2017](#)) observed biodegradation of 1,1-  
11382 dichloroethane in microcosms using contaminated anaerobic sediment samples collected from the  
11383 interface of contaminated groundwater from a fractured bedrock aquifer and surface water in Third  
11384 Creek, a Tennessee River tributary in Knoxville, Tennessee. 1,1-Dichloroethane and lactate were added  
11385 to the microcosms which were then incubated. After 20 months, 75 to 100 percent of the added 1,1-  
11386 dichloroethane had been converted to chloroethane. Analysis of the microbial populations present  
11387 showed a relatively uniform distribution over the 300m site. It was noted that at some sites, members of  
11388 the bacteria family *Methylococcaceae* were found in low abundance, suggesting the possibility of  
11389 aerobic cometabolic biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane at the aerobic-anaerobic transition zone. The  
11390 distribution of microorganisms capable of aerobic cometabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane is uncertain.  
11391 ([Kuhn et al., 2009](#)) used compound stable isotope analysis for *cis*-dichloroethylene and vinyl chloride to  
11392 confirm the occurrence and determine the extent of biodegradation of the compounds in the  
11393 contaminated aquifer and river sediments of the Zenne River in Belgium also studied by ([Hamonts et al.,](#)



11394 2009). The study identified some zones where indigenous microorganisms biodegraded the substances  
11395 and other zones where significant biodegradation did not occur. This suggests that even at a relatively  
11396 small scale, biodegradation of chlorinated alkanes and alkenes may not be uniformly distributed and  
11397 may or may not occur.

### 11398 **D.2.3.3 Key Sources of Uncertainty in the Fate Assessment for Aquatic Environments**

11399 Uncertainty in rates of biodegradation and volatilization are key sources of uncertainty in the fate  
11400 assessment for aquatic environments. There is limited evidence on the aerobic and anaerobic  
11401 biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in uncontaminated aquatic environments under environmental  
11402 conditions. The majority of the studies consist of laboratory microcosm studies or field studies with  
11403 microbial populations which have developed and acclimated to biodegrade 1,1-dichloroethane through  
11404 addition of electron donors and/or acceptors over extended periods of exposure. As such, extrapolating  
11405 rates of biodegradation observed in the laboratory study to environmental biodegradation rates  
11406 introduces uncertainty. The Volatilization from Water (WVol) Model in EPISuite™ is a screening level  
11407 model that estimates the rate of volatilization of a chemical from a model river and lake. The program's  
11408 default parameters for a model river were selected to yield a half-life that may be indicative of relatively  
11409 fast volatilization from environmental waters due to default current velocity, river depth, and wind  
11410 velocity. The default parameters for the lake yield a much slower volatilization rate. The low wind  
11411 velocity and current speed are indicative of a pond (or very shallow lake) under relatively calm  
11412 conditions. These default parameters were selected to specifically model a body of water under calm  
11413 conditions. Although physical chemical properties of the modeled substance and wind speed, water flow  
11414 velocity and water depth can be modified by the user, the model does not employ all site specific  
11415 environmental parameters that effect the rates of volatilization. Therefore, rates of volatilization at a  
11416 specific location under specific environmental conditions could be over or underestimated by the model.

### 11417 **D.2.4 Terrestrial Environments**

11418 The measured organic carbon partition coefficient of 31 (Poole and Poole, 1999) for 1,1-dichloroethane  
11419 indicates it will have a low affinity for organic matter in terrestrial environments and thus be subject to  
11420 transport processes including migration with water through surface soil and unlined landfills to  
11421 groundwater. 1,1-Dichloroethane releases to soil surfaces may also be subject to volatilization based on  
11422 its vapor pressure (229 mm Hg at 25 C) and Henry's Law constant (0.00526 atm·m<sup>3</sup>/mol). 1,1-  
11423 Dichloroethane is expected to be bioavailable in soil porewater and groundwater due to its water  
11424 solubility of 5040 mg/L. 1,1-Dichloroethane has been detected in groundwater and landfill leachate,  
11425 however because 1,1-dichloroethane can be formed from the anaerobic biodegradation of 1,1,1-  
11426 trichloroethane (1,1,1-trichloroethane), there is uncertainty whether its presence results from the release  
11427 and anaerobic biodegradation of 1,1,1- trichloroethane or the release of 1,1-dichloroethane itself.

#### 11428 **D.2.4.1 Soil**

11429 When released to land, 1,1-dichloroethane may migrate from the surface downward due to its density  
11430 and relatively low affinity for soil organic matter. Volatilization from soil surfaces may also occur. Once  
11431 below the soil surface. The zone between land surface and the water table within which the moisture  
11432 content is less than saturation contains soil pore space which typically contains air or other gases. 1,1-  
11433 Dichloroethane will partition between four phases in the unsaturated (vadose) zone, soil solids, soil  
11434 water, interstitial air, and if present at sufficiently high concentrations, nonaqueous phase liquid.  
11435

11436 If released to land in sufficient quantities, 1,1-dichloroethane could be present and persist as a non-  
11437 aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) and more specifically as a dense non-aqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) due  
11438 to its greater density relative to water. 1,1-Dichloroethane as DNAPL may migrate through the vadose  
11439 zone under the influence of gravity and then vertically downward through groundwater until it reaches

11440 an impermeable layer where it subsequently becomes a continuous source of contamination in the  
11441 aquifer ([Poulsen and Kueper, 1992](#)). However, at the concentrations expected to result from releases to  
11442 soil from the COUs under consideration, 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to be present as DNAPL but  
11443 rather in the dissolved phase only. Dissolved 1,1-dichloroethane moves with soil water; however, the  
11444 rate at which it moves may be slower than soil water due to its sorptive interaction with soil and other  
11445 factors. Although 1,1-dichloroethane has a relatively low organic carbon: water partition coefficient  
11446 ( $K_{oc} = 31$ ), some will be partitioned into organic matter on soil particle surfaces in the vadose zone and  
11447 in groundwater. Particulate-bound 1,1-dichloroethane generally has a lower potential to migrate to  
11448 groundwater because particles may be retained in soil due to a physical filtering effect. 1,1-  
11449 Dichloroethane has a relatively high vapor pressure (227 mmHg at 25 °C) and may exist as a vapor in  
11450 subsurface voids. This vapor is mobile and can spread through diffusion. Vapor phase transport can also  
11451 result in releases from the subsurface to the atmosphere.

11452  
11453 Biotic and abiotic processes have been shown to degrade 1,1-dichloroethane in soil; however, a number  
11454 of environmental conditions appear to be necessary for degradation to occur. For biotic degradation  
11455 (biodegradation) to occur, the presence of microorganisms with the capability of degrading the  
11456 compound is required as well as favorable environmental conditions that impact biodegradation  
11457 including temperature, pH, salinity and water content, redox potential, and availability of nutrients.  
11458 Where high concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane or other contaminants exhibit toxicity to  
11459 microorganisms, or 1,1-dichloroethane is present at concentrations too low to induce degradative  
11460 enzymes, biodegradation may not occur.

11461  
11462 1,1-Dichloroethane has been shown to biodegrade slowly in soil under both aerobic and anaerobic  
11463 conditions but by different microbial populations and different mechanisms. 1,1-Dichloroethane can be  
11464 biodegraded under aerobic conditions by means of co-metabolic transformation reactions. These are  
11465 reactions that are catalyzed by microbial oxygenase enzymes, molecular oxygen, and a source of  
11466 reducing equivalents and that yield no carbon or energy benefits to the biodegrading microorganisms  
11467 ([Alvarez-Cohen and Speitel, 2001](#); [Horvath, 1972](#)). The chlorinated solvent oxidation products of the  
11468 oxygenase reaction may react and be further degraded to CO<sub>2</sub> by microorganisms. These reactions can  
11469 be carried out by a wide range of oxygenase-expressing microorganisms including those that utilize a  
11470 range of nonchlorinated aliphatics and some aromatics, as energy and/or carbon source. ([Alvarez-Cohen  
11471 and Speitel, 2001](#)).

11472  
11473 Soils may become anaerobic as microorganisms consume oxygen as a terminal electron acceptor to  
11474 biodegrade soil organic matter and when soil is saturated or flooded. Whether anaerobic biodegradation  
11475 occurs, and the rate and extent of anaerobic biodegradation, are influenced primarily by the  
11476 microorganisms present and the oxidation-reduction (redox) reactions that occur. As oxygen in soils  
11477 becomes depleted and the soil becomes anaerobic, microbial processes shift generally in a sequence  
11478 from aerobic respiration to nitrate reduction (denitrification), manganese reduction, iron (III) reduction,  
11479 sulfate reduction, and finally methanogenesis. Several of these processes may occur at the same time in  
11480 close proximity, or one process may be relatively dominant. The anaerobic biodegradation of 1,1-  
11481 dichloroethane is carried out by microorganisms mediating oxidation-reduction reactions where soil  
11482 organic matter or organic contaminants act as electron donors and 1,1-dichloroethane acts as an electron  
11483 acceptor. This process is known as reductive dechlorination and is an important biodegradation pathway  
11484 for 1,1-dichloroethane. Generally, the reduction involves the replacement of a chlorine substituents by  
11485 hydrogen (hydrogenolysis).

11486  
11487 No studies were found on the anaerobic biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface soils (upper soil  
11488 horizons). However, anaerobic biodegradation pathways may be similar for anaerobic soil, aquifers and



11489 sediments, as well as anaerobic digestion waste treatment where similar microbial populations and  
11490 conditions are present. Studies on the anaerobic biodegradation on 1,1,1-trichloroethane are useful in  
11491 informing the pathway for 1,1-dichloroethane anaerobic biodegradation as it is known is known to  
11492 undergo reductive dehalogenation to 1,1-dichloroethane where degradation pathways converge.  
11493

11494 A critical review of anaerobic degradation of 1,1,1-trichloroethane and its degradation products  
11495 identified several studies demonstrating the microbially mediated sequential reductive dechlorination of  
11496 1,1,1-trichloroethane to 1,1-dichloroethane and chloroethane ([Scheutz et al., 2011](#)). The process has  
11497 been observed in laboratory experiments with marine sediments, methanogenic biofilm reactors, pure  
11498 cultures, in batch reactors, and aquifer microcosms. In some of these studies, 1,1-dichloroethane was the  
11499 primary product of trichloroethane dechlorination, while in other studies chloroethane was the observed  
11500 terminal dechlorination product presumably forming as a result of sequential dechlorination from 1,1,1-  
11501 trichloroethane to 1,1-dichloroethane to chloroethane.  
11502

11503 Overall, the results of these studies show that (1) biological reductive dechlorination of trichloroethane  
11504 to chloroethane occurs in anaerobic systems; (2) dechlorination of 1,1-dichloroethane occurs more  
11505 slowly than dechlorination of trichloroethane; and (3) 1,1-dichloroethane or chloroethane may form as  
11506 terminal products of the dechlorination reaction, depending on the microbiology and/or redox chemistry  
11507 of the system.  
11508

11509 [Vogel and McCarty \(1987\)](#) studied the biotic and abiotic transformations  $^{14}\text{C}$  1,1,1-trichloroethane and  
11510 related compounds including  $^{14}\text{C}$  1,1-dichloroethane under methanogenic conditions.  $^{14}\text{C}$  1,1-  
11511 dichloroethane was incubated with a mixed methanogenic culture and the addition of acetate as a  
11512 primary substrate (electron donor) in a small, fixed film reactor with a liquid detention time of 4 days.  
11513 The reactor had been previously dosed with  $^{14}\text{C}$  1,1,1-trichloroethane.  $^{14}\text{C}$  1,1-dichloroethane was also  
11514 added to anaerobic batch fermenters containing an inoculum from an anaerobic column and sampled for  
11515  $^{14}\text{CO}_2$  over time. 1,1-Dichloroethane fed to the small, fixed film reactors was partially mineralized to  
11516  $^{14}\text{CO}_2$ . About 20 percent mineralization of 1,1-dichloroethane also occurred in the batch fermenters over  
11517 84 days.  
11518

11519 [Sun et al. \(2002\)](#) observed the reductive dechlorination of 1,1-dichloroethane by a microorganism  
11520 isolated from a sediment microcosm capable of dechlorinating trichloroethane. Sequential  
11521 dechlorination from trichloroethane to 1,1-dichloroethane was observed, with some accumulation,  
11522 followed by conversion to chloroethane. Acetate, trichloroethane and hydrogen or formate were required  
11523 for growth. When the microorganism was added to anoxic aquifer sediments from sites contaminated  
11524 with PCE, trichloroethane, and dichloroethane, trichloroethane was completely converted to  
11525 chloroethane within 2 months, presumably via sequential dechlorination involving transient 1,1-  
11526 dichloroethane.  
11527

11528 [Grostern and Edwards \(2006\)](#) followed the biodegradation of 1,1,1-trichloroethane, and 1,1-  
11529 dichloroethane by a mixed anaerobic microbial culture derived from the groundwater and solids of a  
11530 1,1,1-trichloroethane contaminated site. In part of the experiment, anaerobic microcosms were  
11531 established with the cultures. Methanol, ethanol, acetate, and lactate were added as the electron donors  
11532 and 1,1-dichloroethane as the electron acceptor. Dechlorination in the 1,1-dichloroethane treatment  
11533 bottles started with no lag and was complete in 12 days. Methanogenesis occurred throughout 1,1-  
11534 dichloroethane degradation.  
11535

11536 [U.S. EPA \(2013a\)](#) compiled first order biodegradation rate constants for 1,1-dichloroethane from the  
11537 literature. Most of the data were collected from contaminated sites. The type of study, biogeochemical  
11538 conditions, rate constant statistics for multiple values were reported.  
11539

11540 **Table\_Apx D-2. First Order Biodegradation Rate Constants for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Type of Study	Biogeochemical Conditions	First Order Rate Constants (day <sup>-1</sup> )						Number of Studies	Reference
		Min	25th	Median	75th	Max	Mean		
Field	Reductive dechlorination	0.0005	0.0005	0.0008	0.0019	0.0033	0.0014	3	( <a href="#">Aziz et al., 2000</a> )
Lab	Not Specified	0.0044				0.0096			( <a href="#">Aziz et al., 2000</a> )
Lab and Field	All studies	0	0	0.001	0.014	0.131	0.017	25	( <a href="#">Suarez and Rifai, 1999</a> )
Lab	Aerobic cometabolism	0.014	0.019	0.047	0.123	0.131	0.067	5	( <a href="#">Suarez and Rifai, 1999</a> )
Field	Reductive dechlorination	0				0.011	0.002	16	( <a href="#">Suarez and Rifai, 1999</a> )
Lab	Reductive dechlorination	0.028				0.044	0.036	2	( <a href="#">Suarez and Rifai, 1999</a> )
Field	Reductive dechlorination: sulfate-reducing	0	0	0	0.001	0.028	0.003	13	( <a href="#">Suarez and Rifai, 1999</a> )
Field	Reductive dechlorination: methanogenesis						0.006	3	( <a href="#">Suarez and Rifai, 1999</a> )

11541  
11542 When converted to 1,1-dichloroethane, biodegradation half-lives assuming first order kinetics with the  
11543 reported rate constants span from 72 days to 3.8 years.

#### 11544 **D.2.4.2 Groundwater**

11545 Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land (*e.g.*, landfills without adequate leachate controls or land  
11546 application of contaminated biosolids) may migrate through soil and reach groundwater. The measured  
11547 organic carbon partition coefficient of 31 for 1,1-dichloroethane indicates it will have a low affinity for  
11548 organic matter and will not significantly sorb to suspended solids in groundwater. At the groundwater  
11549 concentrations expected to result from releases of 1,1-dichloroethane COUs, 1,1-dichloroethane will  
11550 likely behave as a freely soluble substance. 1,1-Dichloroethane has a hydrolysis half-life of  
11551 approximately 61 years ([Jeffers et al., 1989](#)). Therefore, losses of 1,1-dichloroethane from groundwater  
11552 are most likely due to biodegradation, which is expected to be slow. A single study was found on the  
11553 rates of biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater. ([Washington and Cameron, 2001](#))  
11554 developed an analytical solution for first-order degradation coupled with advective losses and adsorption  
11555 to solve for degradation constants for perchloroethene, trichloroethene, 1,1,1-trichloroethane, 1,1-  
11556 dichloroethane, and chloroethane under sulfate reducing conditions at a landfill field site in southeastern  
11557 Pennsylvania. Samples were collected 4 times yearly from 13 monitoring wells that were spaced to  
11558 include water from the upper watershed boundary to the most down-gradient discharge location. A  
11559 degradation half-life of 115 days was calculated for 1,1-dichloroethane. It is important to note that  
11560 conditions at the site modeled were much more conducive to biodegradation of 1,1-dichloroethane  
11561 relative to other more aerobic and less contaminated sites. At less contaminated sites, where reducing  
11562 conditions may not exist or where organic electron donors may not be adequately present, 1,1-

11563 dichloroethane biodegradation half-lives may be on the order of years. ([Huff et al., 2000](#)) calculated  
11564 first-order decay constants using the BIOCHLOR model and changes in 1,1-dichloroethane  
11565 concentrations up gradient and down gradient from monitoring wells along an apparent groundwater  
11566 path at a contaminated petrochemical reclamation site in Texas. Redox conditions ranged from sulfate  
11567 reducing to methanogenic as indicated by the presence of methane in ground water and the range of  
11568 molecular hydrogen concentrations. An increased ratio of 1,2-dichloroethane to 1,1,2-trichloroethane  
11569 downgradient from the assumed contaminant source area supported the conclusion that reductive  
11570 dechlorination was occurring. Reductive dechlorination of chlorinated ethanes apparently occurred to a  
11571 lesser extent than chlorinated ethenes, indicating relatively less potential for natural attenuation of  
11572 chlorinated ethanes. Apparent first-order decay constants, which gave simulated concentrations in best  
11573 agreement with observed changes in concentrations along the segments of the approximate groundwater  
11574 flowpath were slightly greater than literature values and gave half-lives ranging from 1.5 to 6.9 years.  
11575

11576 The possible groundwater concentrations resulting from releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land under the  
11577 COUs are discussed in detail in Section 3.3.4.1.

#### 11578 **D.2.4.3 Landfills**

11579 Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to land via disposal to landfills (TRI 2015–2020 average 1 kg/year, EPA  
11580 estimated <22,682 kg/year to RCRA Subtitle C Hazardous Waste Landfills) may occur across as many  
11581 as 138 sites under the TSCA COUs. The required design and operating procedures of Subtitle C landfills  
11582 minimize the movement of leachate from the landfill. The combination of the expected waste  
11583 management practices and the relatively low and disperse quantity of 1,1-dichloroethane disposed of in  
11584 landfill suggests that the contamination of groundwater by 1,1-dichloroethane released to Subtitle C  
11585 landfill will not be an important pathway. However, releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to landfills without  
11586 adequate leachate controls may migrate through soil and reach groundwater.  
11587

11588 Two studies which measured the concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in landfill leachate in the United  
11589 States were found through systematic review. Concentrations ranged from not detected to 46,000 ng/L  
11590 from 11 samples collected between 1984 and 1993. 1,1-Dichloroethane is a dense liquid with a low  
11591 affinity for soil organic carbon and water solubility of approximately 5,040 mg/L. Landfill leachate is  
11592 generated by excess rainwater percolating through the waste layers of a landfill. Pollutants such as 1,1-  
11593 dichloroethane can be transferred from the landfilled waste material to the percolating leachate through  
11594 combined physical, chemical, and microbial processes ([Christensen et al., 2001](#)). Compounds in leachate  
11595 entering an aquifer will be subject to dilution as the leachate mixes with the groundwater. 1,1-  
11596 Dichloroethane does not appreciably bind to aquifer suspended solids and biodegradation may be slow;  
11597 thus, dilution may be the only attenuating factor. Due in part to slow groundwater flow rates and  
11598 complex (tortuous) flow paths, contaminants such as 1,1-dichloroethane may form plumes.  
11599 Concentrations in a plume may vary but are generally highest in the center of the plume and closest to  
11600 the source and decrease with distance from the source.  
11601

11602 When a landfill leachate plume reaches groundwater, its dissolved organic carbon can significantly  
11603 impact the native groundwater microbial communities and may lead to an increase in microbial  
11604 populations and activity. Microorganisms capable of carrying out a variety of processes, mostly  
11605 reductive (denitrification, Mn, Fe, and sulfate reduction, methanogenesis) have been found in leachate  
11606 plumes ([L et al., 1999](#); [Beeman and Sufliata, 1990, 1987](#)) and under some conditions may be able to  
11607 partially biodegrade 1,1-dichloroethane to chloroethane. However, the rates of biodegradation are  
11608 expected to be slow.  
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11610 Migration of 1,1-dichloroethane disposed of in landfills under the COUs to groundwater is not expected  
11611 to be a significant exposure pathway. To support this conclusion, range-finding estimates were made  
11612 using the Hazardous Waste Delisting Risk Assessment Software (DRAS) ([U.S. EPA, 2020h](#)). DRAS  
11613 performs a multi-pathway and multi-chemical risk assessment to evaluate the acceptability of a  
11614 petitioned waste to be disposed in a Subtitle D landfill or surface impoundment instead of under RCRA  
11615 Subtitle C requirements. For landfills, DRAS models a mismanagement scenario at an unlined Subtitle  
11616 D landfill where releases to groundwater are not controlled and 30 days of waste is always left  
11617 uncovered at the surface and subject to air emission and runoff. DRAS uses leachate analysis of the  
11618 waste to model exposure of nearby residents to impacted groundwater via ingestion, shower-inhalation,  
11619 and dermal exposure. Using totals analysis of the waste, DRAS models exposure of nearby residents to  
11620 surface water and fish ingestion impacted by runoff, inhalation of particulate and volatile emissions  
11621 from the uncovered waste, and incidental ingestion of residential soil contaminated by settled particulate  
11622 emissions from the waste.

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11624 For the assessment of 1,1-dichloroethane, EPA used the estimated 1,1-dichloroethane groundwater  
11625 concentrations resulting from leachate contamination to make an initial determination of the importance  
11626 of the landfill leachate groundwater exposure pathway. Further discussion and details of the modeling  
11627 are provided in Section 3.3.4.3.

#### 11628 **D.2.4.4 Biosolids**

11629 Chemical substances in wastewater undergoing biological wastewater treatment may be removed from  
11630 the wastewater by processes including biodegradation, sorption to wastewater solids, and volatilization.  
11631 As discussed in Section D.2.5.2, 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to be removed in wastewater treatment  
11632 primarily by volatilization with little removal by biodegradation or sorption to solids. Chemicals  
11633 removed by sorption to sewage sludge may enter the environment when sewage sludge is land applied  
11634 following treatment to meet standards. The treated solids are known as biosolids.

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11636 The removal of a nonbiodegradable neutral organic chemical present in WWTP influent via sorption to  
11637 sludge is evaluated by considering its partitioning to the organic carbon in suspended solids. Because  
11638 organic substances predominantly partition to organic carbon, the measured sorption coefficient is  
11639 normalized to the fraction of organic carbon ( $f_{OC}$ ) present in the solid to yield the chemical's organic-  
11640 carbon:water partition coefficient ( $K_{OC}$ ).

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11642 The organic carbon:water partition coefficient is expressed as :

$$11643 \quad K_{OC} = K_d / f_{OC}$$

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11647 Where:

11648  $K_d$  = solids:water partition coefficient

11649  $f_{OC}$  = fraction of organic carbon

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11651 As the organic-carbon:water partition coefficient ( $K_{OC}$ ) increases, more of the chemical will be found  
11652 associated with the suspended solids.

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11654 Based on its  $K_{OC}$  value of 31, 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to significantly partition to sewage  
11655 sludge. Based on the amounts of 1,1-dichloroethane undergoing wastewater treatment (insert value) land  
11656 application of biosolids from 1,1-dichloroethane wastewater treatment is not expected to be a significant  
11657 exposure pathway.

Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act requires EPA to promulgate regulations for pollutants that may be present in sewage sludge to protect public health and the environment. In 1996 EPA published Technical Support for the Round Two Sewage Sludge Pollutants. This report provides information on how both the candidate list and the final list of pollutants for the Round Two sewage sludge regulation were derived. Candidates for Round Two were chosen that were frequently detected in sewage sludge in the 1988 National Sewage Sludge Survey. The NSSS sampled 208 representative POTWs. The survey pollutants with a frequency of detection of less than 10 percent were dropped from further consideration. 1,1-Dichloroethane had a zero percent detection frequency in the National Sludge Survey and not considered further.

To assess soil concentrations resulting from biosolid applications, EPA relied upon modeling work conducted in Canada ([EC/HC, 2011](#)), which used Equation 60 of the *European Commission Technical Guidance Document (TGD)* ([ECB, 2003](#)). The equation in the TGD is as follows:

**Equation\_Apx D-1.**

$$PEC_{soil} = (C_{sludge} \times AR_{sludge}) / (D_{soil} \times BD_{soil})$$

Where:

- $PEC_{soil}$  = Predicted environmental concentration (PEC) for soil (mg/kg)
- $C_{sludge}$  = Concentration in sludge (mg/kg)
- $AR_{sludge}$  = Application rate to sludge amended soils (kg/m<sup>2</sup>/year); default = 0.5 from Table A-11 of TGD
- $D_{soil}$  = Depth of soil tillage (m); default = 0.2 m in agricultural soil and 0.1 m in pastureland from Table A-11 of TGD
- $BD_{soil}$  = Bulk density of soil (kg/m<sup>3</sup>); default = 1,700 kg/m<sup>3</sup> from Section 2.3.4 of TGD

The concentration in sludge was set to 20 mg/kg dry weight based on the combined sludge concentration estimated by SimpleTreat 4.0. Using these assumptions, the estimated 1,1-dichloroethane soil concentrations after the first year of biosolids application were 29.4 ug/kg in tilled agricultural soil and 58.8 ug/kg in pastureland. See Section 3.3.4.5 for discussion of the estimation of biosolids concentrations.

The method assumes complete mixing of the chemical in the volume of soil it is applied to as well as no losses from transformation, degradation, volatilization, erosion, or leaching to lower soil layers. Additionally, it is assumed there is no input of 1,1-dichloroethane from atmospheric deposition and there are no background 1,1-dichloroethane accumulations in the soil.

To estimate soil pore water concentrations for 1,1-dichloroethane in soil receiving biosolids for ecological species' exposures, EPA used a modified version of the equilibrium partitioning (EqP) equation developed for weakly adsorbing chemicals such as 1,1-dichloroethane and other VOCs. The modified equation accounts for the contribution of dissolved chemical to the total chemical concentration in soil or sediment (Fuchsman, 2002). The equation assumes that the adsorption of chemical to the mineral components of sediment particles is negligible:

**Equation\_Apx D-2.**

$$C_{total} = C_{dissolved} \times \left[ (f_{oc} \times K_{oc}) + \frac{1 - f_{solids}}{f_{solids}} \right]$$



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Where:

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 $C_{total}$  = Total chemical concentration in soil [ $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ ]

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 $C_{dissolved}$  = Chemical concentration dissolved in pore water [ $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ ]

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 $f_{OC}$  = Fraction of sediment present as organic carbon

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 $K_{OC}$  = Organic carbon-water partition coefficient

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 $f_{solids}$  = Fraction of soil solids

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Using Equation\_Apx D-1 and estimating  $C_{dissolved}$  from the  $K_{OC}$  for 1,1-dichloroethane assuming a soil

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organic carbon fraction ( $f_{OC}$ ) of 0.02, and a soil solids fraction of 0.5, the estimated pore water

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concentrations are 18.2  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$  in tilled agricultural soil and 36.6  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$  in pastureland.

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#### **D.2.4.5 Key Sources of Uncertainty in the Fate Assessment for Terrestrial**

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##### **Environments**

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Uncertainty in rates of biodegradation and volatilization are key sources of uncertainty in the fate

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assessment for terrestrial environments. The majority of the studies consist of laboratory microcosm

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studies or field studies with microbial populations that have acclimated to biodegrade 1,1-dichloroethane

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during long periods of exposure. Therefore, extrapolating biodegradation rates observed in laboratory

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studies to environmental biodegradation rates introduces uncertainty. Volatilization of 1,1-

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dichloroethane from soil, landfills, and land applied biosolids is a complex process. Although the

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importance of the process is qualitatively addressed, quantitative estimates were not made. As a result,

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there is uncertainty regarding the estimated concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in terrestrial

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environments; values may have been overestimated because volatilization was not quantitatively

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addressed.

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#### **D.2.5 Persistence Potential**

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Based on the studies described in Appendix D.2.2, 1,1-dichloroethane is expected to be persistent in air

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based on its atmospheric oxidation half-life of 39 days. It is likely to be persistent in soil, surface water

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and groundwater, where biodegradation half-lives of months to years are expected depending on

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environmental conditions.

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##### **D.2.5.1 Destruction and Removal Efficiency**

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Disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane may include incineration of up to 1,200 kg/year. Environmental Release

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Scenarios include Processing – repackaging for laboratory chemicals and Commercial Use as a

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laboratory chemical (see Section 3.2.1.2 for details). Incineration of 1,1-dichloroethane from these

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activities is expected to occur at hazardous waste incinerators at a Destruction and Removal Efficiency

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(DRE) of greater or equal to 99.99 percent.

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The Clean Air Act 40CFR Part 63, Subpart EEE—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air

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Pollutants from Hazardous Waste Combustors requires all hazardous waste combustors—hazardous

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waste incinerators, hazardous waste cement kilns, hazardous waste lightweight aggregate kilns,

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hazardous waste solid fuel boilers, hazardous waste liquid fuel boilers, and hazardous waste

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hydrochloric acid production furnaces—to achieve a destruction and removal efficiency (DRE) of 99.99

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percent for each principle organic hazardous constituent (POHC). Organic constituents which represent

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the greatest degree of difficulty of incineration will be those most likely to be designated as POHCs. If

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the dioxin-listed hazardous wastes F020, F021, F022, F023, F026, or F027 are burned 99.9999 percent

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DRE is required.



### **D.2.5.2 Removal in Wastewater Treatment**

1,1-Dichloroethane is a volatile liquid with a vapor pressure of 227 mm Hg at 25 °C, water solubility of 5040 mg/L, log octanol/water partition coefficient of 1.79, and a Henry's law constant of 0.00562 atm·m<sup>3</sup>/mol. 1,1-Dichloroethane is not readily biodegradable and biodegrades slowly in most aerobic biodegradation studies identified through systematic review.

Based on these properties the removal of 1,1-dichloroethane in activated sludge wastewater treatment is expected to be by volatilization due to its high vapor pressure and Henry's law constant. However, 1,1-dichloroethane also has appreciable water solubility. Therefore, although volatilization from wastewater will occur, a portion of 1,1-dichloroethane may remain in the wastewater and be discharged with the effluent.

The removal of 1,1-dichloroethane from wastewater was measured in eleven wastewater treatment plants using activated sludge treatment in the EPA 40 POTW study ([U.S. EPA, 1982](#)). The minimum observed removal was 33 percent, maximum 100 percent and the median was 64 percent. ([Hannah et al., 1986](#)) compared the removal of 1,1-dichloroethane across four pilot scale biological treatment system types acclimated for 30 days prior to measurement of removal of the chemical. Activated sludge wastewater treatment, commonly used to treat wastewater in the United States, achieved 94 percent removal of 1,1-dichloroethane.

For comparison, the Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) model in EPI Suite ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)) was run using the physical and chemical properties reported in Section 2.1 of this risk evaluation and assuming no biodegradation of the chemical during treatment. The model predicted 69 percent overall removal with 68 percent attributable to volatilization and less than one percent by sorption to activated sludge and biodegradation.

Based on its K<sub>OC</sub> value of 31, 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to significantly partition to sewage sludge. Releases of 1,1-dichloroethane to wastewater treatment are expected to be low and disperse across many sites, therefore, land application of biosolids containing 1,1-dichloroethane is not expected to be a significant exposure pathway. To support this conclusion, range-finding estimates were made to evaluate the concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in biosolids, in soil receiving biosolids, and soil pore water concentrations resulting from biosolids application.

### **D.2.5.3 Key Sources of Uncertainty in the Persistence Assessment**

A high quality study indicated 1,1-dichloroethane has a long hydrolysis half-life of approximately 60 years under environmental conditions. 1,1-Dichloroethane biodegradation has been shown to occur slowly in under most environmental conditions with reported half-lives on the order of months or greater. Although other degradation processes may occur, they are not considered to be important in the overall environmental degradation of 1,1-dichloroethane. Thus, uncertainty regarding the environmental persistence of 1,1-dichloroethane is considered to be low.

### **D.2.6 Bioaccumulation Potential**

No data were found on the bioaccumulation/bioconcentration potential of 1,1-dichloroethane. In the absence of data, the EPISuite™ BCF/BAF model (Version 4.1) ([U.S. EPA, 2012c](#)) was used to estimate bioaccumulation and bioconcentration factors. A full discussion of the performance of the BCF/BAF estimation methods used in EPISuite™ is available in the help files. Based on estimated BCF and BAF values of 7 and 6.8, respectively, bioaccumulation and bioconcentration in aquatic and terrestrial organisms are not expected to be major environmental processes for 1,1-dichloroethane.

11788 An alternative to estimating BCF and BAF values with EPISuite™ is the use of the Office of Water  
11789 methodology for deriving bioaccumulation factors intended to develop BAFs for setting national water  
11790 quality criteria ([U.S. EPA, 2003c](#)). Procedure #3 for chemicals classified in the Office of Water  
11791 methodology as nonionic organic chemicals with low hydrophobicity ( $\log K_{OW} < 4$ ) and low metabolism  
11792 was used to calculate BAF values for upper trophic level fish of 2.6 L/kg tissue. This value is in general  
11793 agreement with the EPISuite™ predicted BAF value of 6.8 and suggests low concern for  
11794 bioaccumulation of 1,1-dichloroethane. The differences are due, in part, to consideration of particulate  
11795 and dissolved organic carbon levels in water (which impact the bioavailability), and the octanol water  
11796 partition coefficient ( $K_{OW}$ ) used in the Office of Water methodology to derive the upper trophic level  
11797 (TL 4) BAF.

#### 11798 **D.2.6.1 Key Sources of Uncertainty in the Bioaccumulation Assessment**

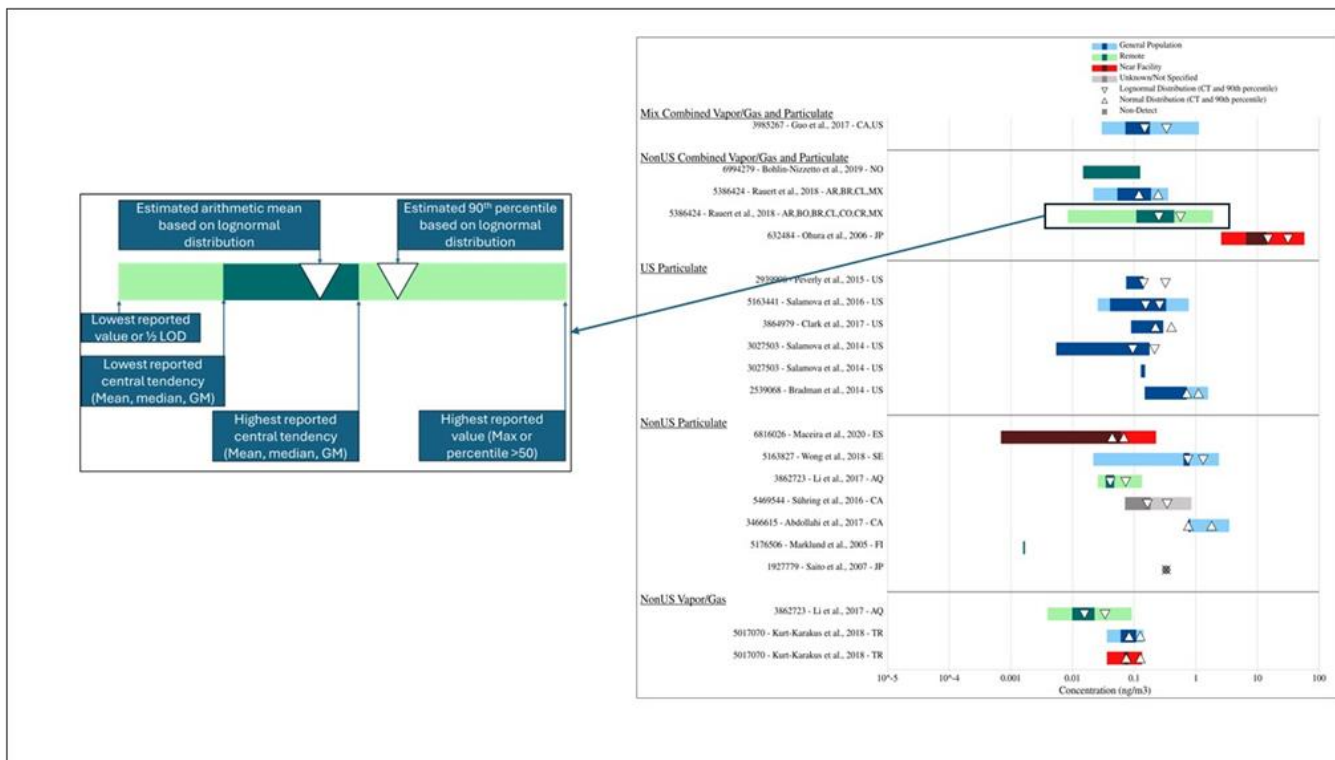
11799 There is uncertainty associated with the EPISuite™ BCF/BAF model estimates of BCF and BAF values  
11800 for 1,1-dichloroethane. To address the uncertainty in the estimated BCF values, EPA compared  
11801 measured BCF values for a series of halogenated ethanes and propanes and EPI Suite estimated BCF  
11802 values. Log BCFs for the chemicals ranged from 0.7 to 1.1. The BCF/BAF model overestimated all BCF  
11803 values and the largest observed error for BCF estimation was 1.5 log units. Thus, even if the log BCF  
11804 estimate for 1,1-dichloroethane of 0.85 was subject to the maximum observed error, its log BCF would  
11805 not be expected to exceed 2.3, indicating low bioconcentration potential ( $BCF < 1,000$ ).

### 11806 **D.3 Measured Data in Literature for Environmental Media**

11807 A literature search was conducted to identify peer-reviewed or gray sources of 1,1-dichloroethane  
11808 measured and reported modeled data. A summary of the measured and reported modeled data for the  
11809 various environmental media is provided below. Detail information can also be found in the *Draft Risk*  
11810 *Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Systematic Review Protocol* ([U.S. EPA, 2024t](#)).

#### 11811 **D.3.1 Example Tornado Plot**

11812 EPA used tornado plots to display exposure data from studies identified during EPA's systematic  
11813 review. An example is provided in Figure\_Apx D-9 below. The plots provide the range of media  
11814 concentrations in monitoring various studies. The plots show U.S. and non-U.S. data, fraction (*e.g.*,  
11815 vapor, gas, particle, and the studies are ordered from top to bottom from newer to older data. The plots  
11816 are colored to indicate general population, remote, near facility, and unknown population information.  
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11819 **Figure\_Apx D-9. Example Tornado Plot**

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11821 Exposure data is classified into a variety of location type as follows:

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11823 ***Near Facility***

11824 Near facility samples are not strictly contaminated sites and may be site-specific or not site-specific.

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11826 ***General Population***

11827 General population exposures are ambient measurements taken in areas near residential populations with  
11828 no known near facility sources nearby. The data often represents widely distributed releases to the  
11829 environment.

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11831 ***Remote***

11832 Remote exposures are measurements taken in areas away from residential and industrial activity and  
11833 have no known sources of contamination beyond long-range transport. Examples of remote exposures  
11834 include samples collected from polar regions, samples from oceans (not including ports), and sample  
11835 locations specifically described as remote.

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11837 ***Indoor Media***

11838 Indoor air and dust samples will have indications in the legend based on sampling location such as  
11839 commercial buildings, residential homes, public buildings, and vehicles. If studies report more than one  
11840 of these micro-environments, then they are classified as mixed use.

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11842 ***Wastewater***

11843 Wastewater samples will indicate their sampling location at the wastewater processing facility.

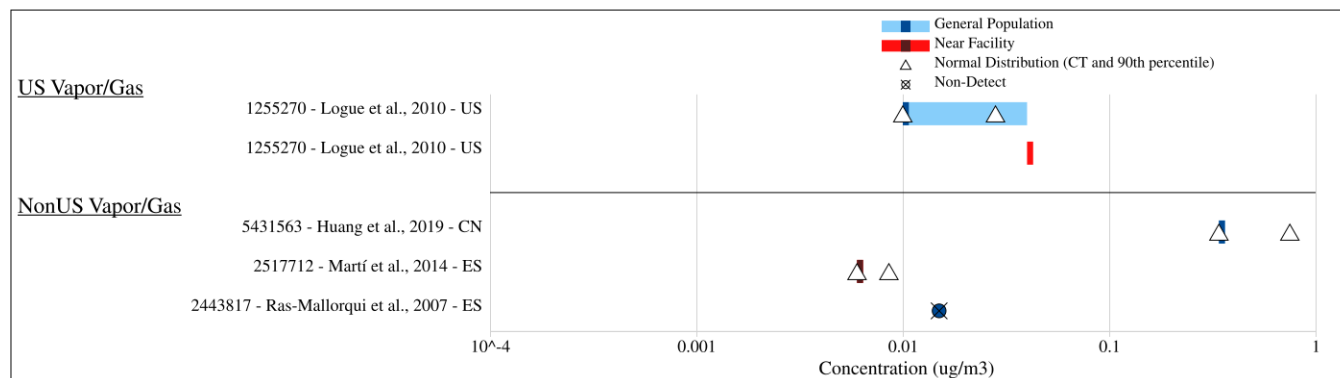
There is one tornado plot for every media type where chemical concentrations are plotted on a logarithmic scale. The y-axis of the tornado plot is a list of each study representing a media sampled in a similar micro-environment and location and reported on the same unit/weight basis. A study may have more than one representation. For example, if a study reports exposure data collected at two different locations, the data would be plotted as two separate entries.

Each study on the y-axis is reported with its HERO ID, a short citation, and the country abbreviation of data collection. Additional details on tissue type or metabolite might also be reported. The studies are grouped by US, combined with US, or non-US data by unit/weight basis, and sorted in descending order by latest data collection year. Every study has a colored bar stretching across the x-axis. The color of the bar corresponds to the location type of the exposure data. The lighter bar represents the range of the reported concentrations, and the darker bar represents the range of reported central tendencies. A study with only dark bars indicates that the only data reported was a measure of central tendency.

Using the reported exposure data, EPA represent the arithmetic mean and 90th percentile. If sufficient central tendency and variance data were reported, the mean and 90th percentile were calculated directly from the study values assuming data were normally or lognormally distributed. When at least a central tendency and percentile value were provided, they were estimated by fitting the data to a lognormal distribution to all available data within the study aggregate. When fitting a lognormal distribution was not possible, a normal distribution was fit. The central tendency and 90th percentile of each distribution are plotted as triangles. Lognormal values are shown as upside-down triangles, while normal values are shown as right-side up. A study with no triangles indicates that there was insufficient data to fit a distribution. A study may not have reported concentrations because all data is below the limit of detection. In these circumstances, the plot will show a circle with an X at half the reported limit of detection. The color of the symbol will correspond to the color of the data's location type such as near facility, general population, wastewater.

### D.3.2 Ambient Air

Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in ambient air extracted from four studies are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-10 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-3. Overall, concentrations ranged from not detected to 0.34  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  from 472 samples collected between 2005 and 2017 in three countries (Canada, Spain, and United States). Location types were categorized as "General Population" and "Near Facility". Detection frequencies ranged from 0 to not reported.



**Figure\_Apx D-10. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) in the Vapor/Gas Fraction of Ambient Air from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 2005–2017**

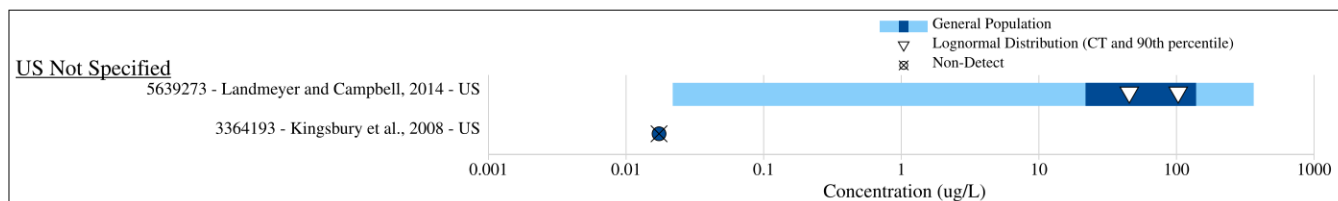
11882 **Table\_Apx D-3. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )**  
 11883 **Levels in the Vapor/Gas Fraction of Ambient Air from U.S.-Based and International Studies,**  
 11884 **2005–2017**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Year(s)	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Logue et al. (2010)</a>	US	General Population	2006–2008	244 (N/R)	N/R	High
<a href="#">Logue et al. (2010)</a>	US	Near Facility	2006–2008	122 (N/R)	N/R	High
<a href="#">Huang et al. (2019)</a>	CN	General Population	2016–2017	37 (N/R)	N/R	High
<a href="#">Martí et al. (2014)</a>	ES	Near Facility	2014	36 (N/R)	N/R	Medium
<a href="#">Ras-Mallorqui et al. (2007)</a>	ES	General Population (Background)	2005–2006	33 (0)	30	High

CN = Canada; ES = Spain; US = United States

11885 **D.3.3 Drinking Water**

11886 Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water extracted from two studies are  
 11887 summarized in Figure\_Apx D-11 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-4). Overall,  
 11888 concentrations ranged from not detected to 367  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$  from 170 samples collected between 2002 and  
 11889 2012 in United States. Location types were categorized as “General Population.” Reported detection  
 11890 frequency ranged from 0 to 0.17.  
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11892 **Figure\_Apx D-11. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{L}$ ) in Drinking Water from a U.S.-**  
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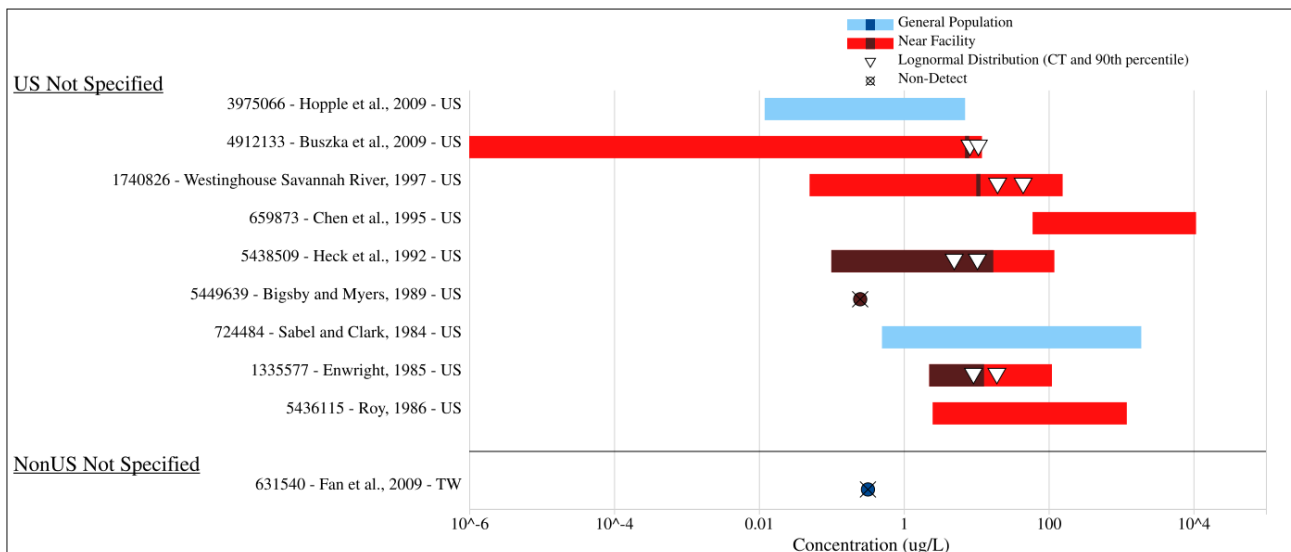
**Table\_Apx D-4. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) Levels in Drinking Water from a U.S.-Based Study, 2002–2012**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Years	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit (µg/L)	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Landmeyer and Campbell (2014)</a>	US	General Population	2010–2012	23 (0.17)	44	High
<a href="#">Kingsbury et al. (2008)</a>	US	General Population	2002–2004	147 (0)	35	High

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**D.3.4 Groundwater**

Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in groundwater extracted from nine studies are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-12 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-5. Overall, concentrations ranged from not detected to 10,800 µg/L from 497 samples collected between 1984 and 2005 in Taiwan and United States. Location types were categorized as “General Population” and “Near Facility.” Reported detection frequency ranged from 0 to 0.86.



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**Figure\_Apx D-12. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µ/L) in Groundwater from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1984–2005**



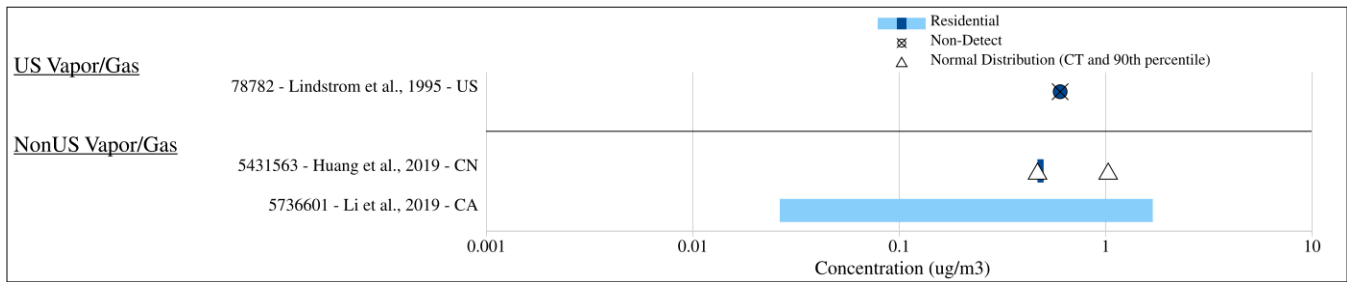
Table\_Apx D-5. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) Levels in Groundwater from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1984–2005

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Year(s)	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit (µg/L)	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Hopple et al. (2009)</a>	US	General Population	2002–2005	292 (0.07)	24	High
<a href="#">Buszka et al. (2009)</a>	US	Near Facility	2000–2002	7 (0.86)	N/R	Medium
<a href="#">Westinghouse Savannah River Company (1997)</a>	US	Near Facility	1995–1996	136 (0.19)	20,000	Medium
<a href="#">Chen and Zoltek (1995)</a>	US	Near Facility	1989–1993	8 (0.62)	N/R	Medium
<a href="#">Heck et al. (1992)</a>	US	Near Facility	1990	13 (0.23)	200	Medium
<a href="#">Bigsby and Myers (1989)</a>	US	Near Facility	1988	7 (0)	500	Medium
<a href="#">Sabel and Clark (1984)</a>	US	General Population	1984	20 (0.35)	N/R	Medium
<a href="#">Roy F. Weston Inc (1986)</a>	US	Near Facility	1984	8 (0.25)	5000	Medium
<a href="#">Fan et al. (2009)</a>	TW	Near Facility	2005	6 (0.83)	640	Medium

TW = Taiwan; US = United States

### D.3.5 Indoor Air

Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in indoor air extracted from three studies are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-13 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-6. Overall, concentrations ranged from not detected to 1.700 from 3,602 µg/m<sup>3</sup> samples collected between 1992 and 2017 in three countries (Canada, China, and United States). Location types were categorized as “Residential”. Reported detection frequency was 0.



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**Figure Apx D-13. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) in the Vapor/Gas Fraction in Indoor Air, from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1992–2017**

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**Table Apx D-6. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) Levels in the Vapor/Gas Fraction in Indoor Air, from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1992–2017**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Years	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Lindstrom et al. (1995)</a>	US	Residential	1992–1993	34 (0)	1,210	Medium
<a href="#">Huang et al. (2019)</a>	CN	Residential	2016–2017	44 (N/R)	N/R	High
<a href="#">Li et al. (2019)</a>	CA	Residential	2012–2013	3,524 (0)	53	High

CA = China; CN = Canada; US = United States

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### D.3.6 Soil and Soil-Water Leachate

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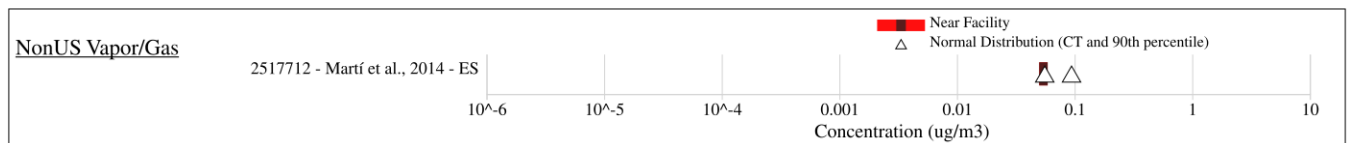
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Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil extracted from one study are summarized in Figure Apx D-14 and supplemental information is provided in Table Apx D-7. Overall, concentrations ranged from 0.050 to 0.060  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  from seven samples collected between 2012 and 2014 in Spain. Location types were categorized as “Near Facility.” Reported detection frequency was not reported.



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**Figure Apx D-14. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) in the Vapor/Gas Fraction of Soil, from International Studies, 2012–2014**

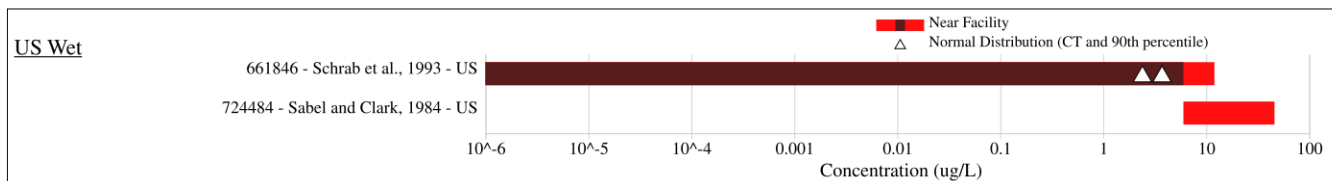
**Table Apx D-7. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) Levels in the Vapor/Gas Fraction of Soil, from International Studies, 2012–2014**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Years	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Martí et al. (2014)</a>	ES	Near Facility	2012–2014	7 (N/R)	0.0011	Medium

ES = Spain

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Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil-water leachate extracted from two sources are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-15 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-8. Overall, concentrations ranged from not detected to 46 µg/L from 11 samples collected between 1984 and 1993 in the United States. Location types were categorized as Near Facility. Reported detection frequency ranged from 0.2 to 0.83.



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**Figure\_Apx D-15. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) in the Soil-Water Leachate from U.S.-Based Studies for Locations near Facility Releases, 1984–1993**

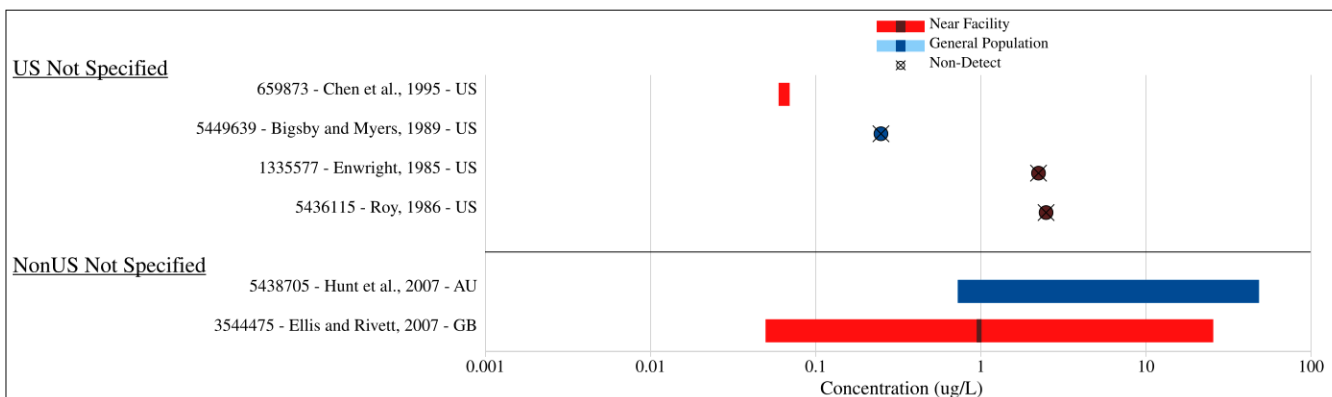
**Table\_Apx D-8. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) Levels in the Soil-Water Leachate from U.S.-Based Studies for Locations near Facility Releases, 1984–1993**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Year	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit (µg/L)	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Schrab et al. (1993)</a>	US	Near Facility	1993	5 (0.20)	N/R	Medium
<a href="#">Sabel and Clark (1984)</a>	US	Near Facility	1984	6 (0.83)	N/R	Medium

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**D.3.7 Surface Water**

Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in surface water extracted from six studies are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-16 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-9. Overall, concentrations ranged from not detected to 48.7 µg/L from 155 samples collected between 1984 and 2005 in three countries (Australia, Great Britain, and United States). Location types were categorized as “General Population” and “Near Facility”. Reported detection frequency ranged from 0 to 0.5.



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**Figure\_Apx D-16. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µ/L) in Surface Water from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1984–2005**

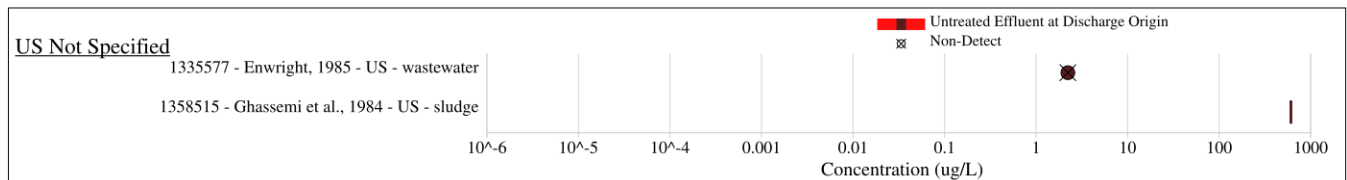
**Table\_Apx D-9. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) Levels in Surface Water from U.S.-Based and International Studies, 1984–2005**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Year(s)	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit (µg/L)	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Chen and Zoltek (1995)</a>	US	Near Facility	1989–1993	12 (0.50)	N/R	Medium
<a href="#">Biggsby and Myers (1989)</a>	US	General Population	1988	3 (0)	500	Medium
<a href="#">Enwright Associates (1985)</a>	US	Near Facility	1984	6 (0)	4,500	Medium
<a href="#">Roy F. Weston Inc (1986)</a>	US	Near Facility	1984	6 (0)	5,000	Medium
<a href="#">Hunt et al. (2007)</a>	AU	General Population	2004–2005	93 (N/R)	N/R	High
<a href="#">Ellis and Rivett (2007)</a>	GB	Near Facility	2001	35 (0.37)	100	Medium

AU = Australia; GB = Great Britain; US = United States

**D.3.8 Wastewater**

Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in wastewater untreated effluent extracted from two sources are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-17 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-10. Overall, concentrations ranged from not detected to 594 µg/L from 29 samples collected between 1981 and 1984 in U.S. Location types were categorized as “Untreated Effluent” at “Discharge Origin”. Reported detection frequency ranged from 0 to 0.25.



**Figure\_Apx D-17. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) in Wastewater Untreated Effluent from U.S.-Based Studies, 1981–1984**

**Table\_Apx D-10. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/L) Levels in Wastewater Untreated Effluent from U.S.-Based Studies, 1981–1984**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Year(s)	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit (µg/L)	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Enwright Associates (1985)</a>	US	Untreated Effluent at Discharge Origin	1984	21 (0)	4,500	Medium
<a href="#">Ghassemi et al. (1984)</a>	US	Untreated Effluent at Discharge Origin	1981–1983	8 (0.25)	N/R	Low

Measured concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane in wastewater row influent extracted from one source are summarized in Figure\_Apx D-18 and supplemental information is provided in Table\_Apx D-11.

Overall, concentrations were not detected from eight samples collected in 1993 in California (CA), U.S. Location types were categorized as “Raw Influent.” Reported detection frequency was not reported.



**Figure\_Apx D-18. Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/m<sup>3</sup>) in Wastewater in Raw Influent U.S.-Based Study in 1993**

**Table\_Apx D-11. Summary of Peer-Reviewed Literature that Measured 1,1-Dichloroethane (µg/m<sup>3</sup>) Levels in Wastewater in Raw Influent U.S.-Based Study in 1993**

Citation	Country	Location Type	Sampling Year	Sample Size (Frequency of Detection)	Detection Limit (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Overall Quality Level
<a href="#">Bell et al. (1993)</a>	US/CA	Raw Influent	1993	8 (N/R)	1,000	Medium

US/CA = United States, California

## Appendix E AIR EXPOSURE PATHWAY

### E.1 Modeling Approach for Estimating Concentrations of 1,1-Dichloroethane in Air and Deposition to Land and Water

EPA applied a tiered approach to estimate ambient air concentrations and exposures for members of the general population that are in proximity (between 10 to 10,000 m) to emissions sources, emitting the chemical being evaluated to the ambient air (Figure\_Apx E-1.). All exposures were assessed for the inhalation route only.

#### Ambient Air: Multi-year Analysis Methodology IIOAC

Methodology is facility and scenario specific. Analysis evaluates ambient and indoor air concentrations and associated exposures/risks resulting from facility-specific releases at three pre-defined distances (100, 100 to 1,000, and 1,000 m) from a releasing facility. Utilizes multiple years of release data reported to TRI.

#### Ambient Air: Multi-year Analysis Methodology AERMOD TRI

Methodology is facility and scenario specific. Analysis evaluates ambient air concentrations, associated exposures/risks, populations exposed, and deposition concentrations to land and water, resulting from facility-specific releases at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m) and two area distances (30 to 60 m and 100 to 1,000 m) from each releasing facility. Utilizes multiple years of release data reported to TRI.

#### Ambient Air: Multi-year Analysis Methodology AERMOD NEI

Methodology is process level, site and scenario specific. Analysis evaluates ambient air concentrations, associated exposures/risks, populations exposed, and deposition concentrations to land and water, resulting from facility-specific releases at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m) and two area distances (30 to 60 m, and 100 to 1,000 m) from each process within a releasing facility. Utilizes multiple years of release data reported to NEI. Includes source specific parameter values used in modeling.

**Figure\_Apx E-1. Brief Description of Methodologies and Analyses Used to Estimate Air Concentrations and Exposures**

#### E.1.1 Multi-year Analysis Methodology IIOAC

The Multi-year Analysis Methodology IIOAC identifies, at a high level, if there are inhalation exposures to select populations from a chemical undergoing risk evaluation which indicates a potential risk. This methodology inherently includes both estimates of exposures as well as estimates of risks to inform the need, or potential need, for further analysis. If findings from the Multi-year Analysis Methodology IIOAC indicate any potential risk (acute non-cancer, chronic non-cancer, or cancer) for a given chemical above (or below as applicable) typical Agency benchmarks, EPA generally will conduct a higher tier analysis of exposures and associated risks for that chemical. If findings from the Multi-year Analysis



12009 Methodology IIOAC do not indicate any potential risks for a given chemical above (or below as  
12010 applicable) typical agency benchmarks, EPA would not expect a risk would be identified with higher tier  
12011 analyses, but may still conduct a limited higher tier analysis at select distances to ensure potential risks  
12012 are not missed (for example at distances less than 100 m to ensure risks don't appear very near a facility  
12013 where human populations may be exposed).

#### 12014 **E.1.1.1 Model**

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12015 The Multi-year Analysis Methodology IIOAC utilizes EPA's Integrated Indoor/Outdoor Air Calculator  
12016 (IIOAC) model<sup>16</sup> to estimate high-end and central tendency (mean) exposures for members of the  
12017 general population at three pre-defined distances from a facility releasing a chemical to the ambient air  
12018 (100, 100 to 1,000, and 1,000 m). IIOAC is an Excel-based tool that estimates indoor and outdoor air  
12019 concentrations using pre-run results from a suite of dispersion scenarios run in a variety of  
12020 meteorological and land-use settings within EPA's American Meteorological Society/Environmental  
12021 Protection Agency Regulatory Model (AERMOD). As such, IIOAC is limited by the parameterizations  
12022 utilized for the pre-run scenarios within AERMOD (meteorologic data, stack heights, distances, etc.)  
12023 and any additional or new parameterization would require revisions to the model itself. Readers can  
12024 learn more about the IIOAC model, equations within the model, detailed input and output parameters,  
12025 pre-defined scenarios, default values used, and supporting documentation by reviewing the IIOAC users  
12026 guide ([U.S. EPA, 2019d](#)).

#### 12027 **E.1.1.2 Releases**

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12028 EPA modeled exposures using the release data developed as described in Section 3.2. Release data was  
12029 provided (and modeled) on a facility-by-facility basis using facility-specific chemical releases (fugitive  
12030 and stack releases) as reported to the TRI.

#### 12031 **E.1.1.3 Exposure Scenarios**

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12032 EPA evaluated the most "conservative exposure scenario" of the 16 scenarios evaluated in the [Draft](#)  
12033 [TSCA Screening Level Approach for Assessing Ambient Air and Water Exposures to Fenceline](#)  
12034 [Communities](#) referred to here as the 2022 Fenceline Report.<sup>17</sup> This most conservative exposure scenario  
12035 consists of a facility that operates year-round (365 days per year, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week), a  
12036 South Coastal meteorologic region, and a rural topography setting.

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12038 EPA selected 1 of the 14 climate regions to represent a high-end (South [Coastal]) climate region. This  
12039 climate regions selected represents the meteorological data set that tended to provide high-end  
12040 concentration estimates relative to the other stations within IIOAC. The meteorological data within the  
12041 IIOAC model are from years 2011 to 2015 as that is the meteorological data utilized in the suite of pre-  
12042 run AERMOD exposure scenarios during development of the IIOAC model (see IIOAC users guide  
12043 ([U.S. EPA, 2019d](#))). While this is older meteorological data, sensitivity analyses related to different  
12044 years of meteorological data found that although the data does vary, the variation is minimal across  
12045 years so the impacts to the model outcomes remain relatively unaffected.

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12047 For complete input parameters, including release scenarios, refer to the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-*  
12048 *Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on IIOAC TRI Exposure*  
12049 *and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024p](#)).

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<sup>16</sup> The IIOAC website is available at <https://www.epa.gov/tsca-screening-tools/iioac-integrated-indoor-outdoor-air-calculator>.

<sup>17</sup> The 2022 Fenceline Report is available at <https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/tsca-screening-level-approach-assessing-ambient-air-and>.

### **E.1.2 Multi-year Analysis Methodology AERMOD (TRI or NEI)**

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The Multi-year Methodology AERMOD (TRI or NEI) was developed to allow EPA to conduct a higher-tier analysis of releases, exposures, and associated risks to members of the general population around releasing facilities at multiple finite distances and area distances when EPA has site-specific data like reported releases, facility locations (for local meteorological data), and source attribution. This methodology can incorporate additional process level, site- and scenario-specific information like stack parameters (stack height, stack temperature, plume velocity, etc.), building characteristics, release patterns, different terrains, and other parameters when reasonably available. The Multi-year Methodology AERMOD can be performed independent of the Multi-year Analysis Methodology HIOAC described above, can include wet and dry deposition estimates, and with process level-, site-, and scenario-specific information, provides a more refined analysis that allows EPA to fully characterize risks for chemicals undergoing risk evaluation.

#### **E.1.2.1 Model**

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The Multi-year Methodology AERMOD (TRI or NEI) utilizes EPA's AERMOD to estimate exposures to members of the general population at multiple finite distances and area distances from a facility releasing a chemical to the ambient air. AERMOD is a steady-state Gaussian plume dispersion model that incorporates air dispersion based on planetary boundary layer turbulence structure and scaling concepts, including treatment of both surface and elevated sources and both simple and complex terrain. AERMOD can incorporate a variety of emission source characteristics, chemical deposition properties, complex terrain, and site-specific hourly meteorology to estimate air concentrations and deposition amounts at user-specified receptor distances and at a variety of averaging times. Readers can learn more about AERMOD, equations within the model, detailed input and output parameters, and supporting documentation by reviewing the AERMOD users guide ([U.S. EPA, 2018b](#)).

#### **E.1.2.2 Releases**

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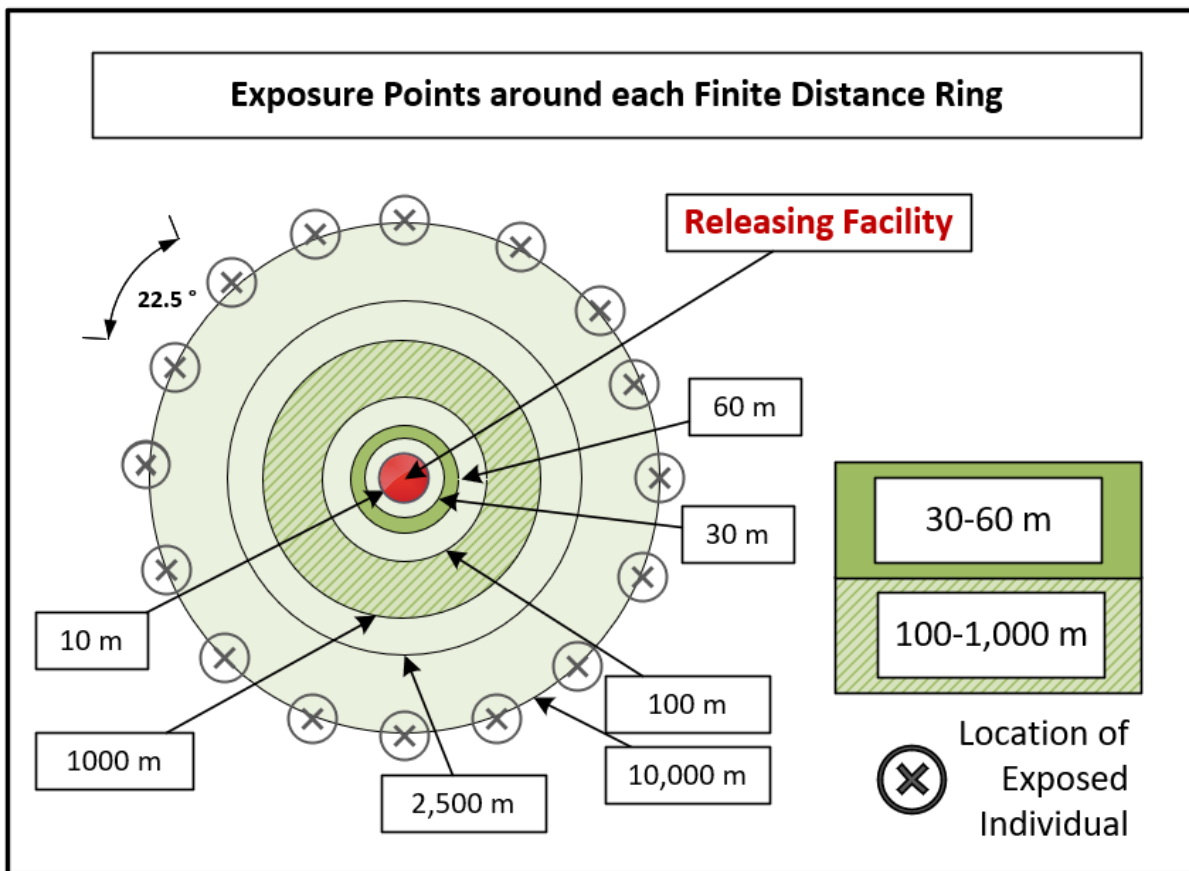
EPA modeled exposures using the release data developed as described in Section 3.2 and summarized below. Release data was provided (and modeled) on a facility-by-facility basis:

1. Facility-specific chemical releases (fugitive and stack releases) as reported to the TRI or NEI, where available.
2. Alternative release estimates where facility specific data were not available.

#### **E.1.2.3 Exposure Scenarios**

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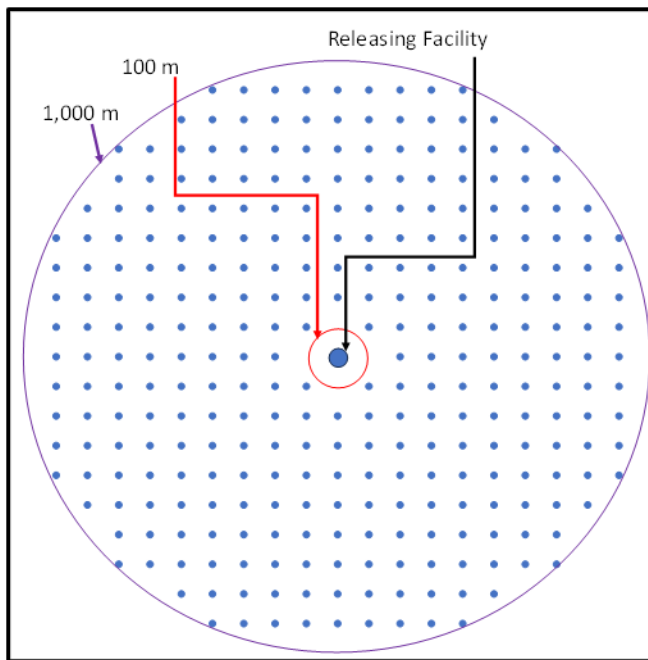
The Multi-year Methodology AERMOD (TRI or NEI) evaluated exposures to members of the general population at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m) and two area distances (30 to 60 m and 100 to 1,000 m) from each TRI or NEI releasing facility for each OES (or generic facility for alternative release estimates). Human populations for each of the eight finite distances were placed in a polar grid every 22.5 degrees around the respective distance ring. This results in a total of 16 modeled exposure points around each finite distance ring for which exposures are modeled. Figure\_Apx E-2 provides a visual depiction of the placement of exposure points around a finite distance ring. Although the visual depiction only shows exposure point locations around a single finite distance ring, the same placement occurred for all eight finite distance rings.



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12090 **Figure\_Apx E-2. Modeled Exposure Points for Finite Distance Rings for Ambient Air Modeling**  
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12093 Modeled exposure points for the area distance 30 to 60 m evaluated were placed in a cartesian grid at  
12094 equal distances between 30 and 60 m around each releasing facility. Exposure points were placed at 10-  
12095 meter increments. This results in a total of 80 points for which exposures are modeled. Modeled  
12096 exposure points for the area distance 100 to 1,000 m evaluated were placed in a cartesian grid at equal  
12097 distances between 100 and 1,000 m around each releasing facility. Exposure points were placed at 100-  
12098 meter increments. This results in a total of 300 points for which exposures are modeled.

12099 Figure\_Apx E-3 provides a visual depiction of the placement of exposure points (each dot) around the  
12100 100 to 1,000 m area distance ring. All exposure points were at 1.8 m above ground, as a proximation for  
12101 breathing height for ambient air concentration estimations. A duplicate set of exposure points was at  
12102 ground level (0 m) for deposition estimations.  
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12107 **Figure\_Apx E-3. Modeled Exposure Point Locations for Area Distance for Ambient Air Modeling (AERMOD)**

12108 **E.1.2.4 Meteorological Data**

12109 Meteorological data for TRI reporting facilities was obtained using the same AERMOD-ready  
12110 meteorological data that EPA’s Risk and Technology Review (RTR) program uses for multimedia,  
12111 multipathway-risk modeling in review of National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants  
12112 (NESHAP). The 2019 meteorological data<sup>18</sup> that the RTR program currently uses, includes 838 hourly  
12113 stations with data mostly from the year 2019. For 47 stations (mainly in Alaska and West Virginia),  
12114 EPA utilized data from 2016, 2017, or 2018 to fill notable spatial gaps. The 2016 meteorological data  
12115 (no longer available for download from the EPA website) covers 824 hourly stations in the 50 states,  
12116 District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The 2019 meteorological data was used to model 2018, 2019,  
12117 and 2020 air emission releases. The 2016 meteorological data was used to model air emission releases  
12118 reported from 2014 through 2017. The 2016 meteorologic data was processed with version 16216 of  
12119 AERMOD’s meteorological preprocessor (AERMET) and the 2019 meteorologic data was processed  
12120 with version 19191 of AERMET. Following EPA guidance, all processing utilized sub-hourly wind  
12121 measurements (to calculate hourly-averaged wind speed and wind direction; see Section 8.4.2 of that  
12122 guidance). The processing for the 2016 and 2019 data also used the “ADJ\_U\*” option for mitigating  
12123 modeling issues during light-wind, stable conditions. Facility coordinates, in the form of  
12124 latitude/longitude coordinates, were used to match the facility to the closest available meteorological  
12125 station. All processing also used automatic substitutions for small gaps in data for cloud cover and  
12126 temperature. Each facility was matched to its closest surface meteorological station.

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12128 For NEI facilities, where the latitude/longitude can vary by individual source, EPA consolidated each  
12129 facility around a single latitude/longitude by averaging the individual source latitudes and longitudes.  
12130 The average latitude/longitude was used to determine the meteorological station closest to the NEI  
12131 facility, the urban/rural designation, and surrounding land cover setting for the deposition modeling.  
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<sup>18</sup> 2019 meteorological data: <https://www.epa.gov/fera/download-human-exposure-model-hem>.

12133 Meteorological data for the EPA estimated releases (two OESs where there was no site-specific data  
12134 available for modeling; Commercial use as a laboratory chemical, and Processing – repackaging for  
12135 laboratory chemicals) were modeled with two meteorological stations, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for  
12136 central-tendency meteorology, and Lake Charles, Louisiana, for higher-end meteorology. These two  
12137 meteorological stations represent meteorological datasets that tended to provide high-end and central  
12138 tendency concentration estimates relative to the other stations within IIOAC based on a sensitivity  
12139 analysis of the average concentration and deposition predictions conducted in support of IIOAC  
12140 development. These two meteorological stations are based on five years of data (2011 to 2015) and  
12141 provide high-end and central tendency exposure concentrations utilized for risk calculation purposes to  
12142 identify potential risks. All processing used sub-hourly wind measurements to calculate hourly-averaged  
12143 wind speed and wind direction. The “ADJ\_U\*” option was not used for the 2011 to 2015 data as this  
12144 could lead to model overpredictions of ambient concentrations during those conditions. All processing  
12145 also used automatic substitutions for small gaps in data for cloud cover and temperature.

#### 12146 **E.1.2.5 Urban/Rural Designations**

12147 Urban/rural designations of the area around a facility are relevant when considering possible boundary  
12148 layer effects on concentrations. Air emissions taking place in an urbanized area are subject to the effects  
12149 of urban heat islands, particularly at night. When sources are set as urban in AERMOD, the model will  
12150 modify the boundary layer to enhance nighttime turbulence, often leading to higher nighttime air  
12151 concentrations. AERMOD uses urban-area population as a proxy for the intensity of this effect.

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12153 EPA utilized a population density analysis to identify facilities warranting an urban designation for the  
12154 AERMOD runs. Specifically, EPA considered a facility to be in an urban area if it had a population  
12155 density greater than 750 people per square kilometer (km<sup>2</sup>) within a 3-kilometer radius of the facility  
12156 (see Section 7.2.1.1 of the guidance referenced in footnote 19) and set the relevant inputs to urban within  
12157 AERMOD. For facilities set for urban modeling, AERMOD requires an estimate of the urban population  
12158 count. EPA estimated the urban-area population by identifying a proxy for the area of urbanization. The  
12159 urban-area proxy was the largest radius around the facility (out to a limit of 15 km) having a population  
12160 density greater than 750 people per km<sup>2</sup>. EPA identified the population within that radius and applied it  
12161 for modeling purposes. EPA used U.S. Census data at the level of block groups for these analyses (with  
12162 geographies from the 2019 census TIGER/Line shapefiles<sup>19</sup> and population counts from the American  
12163 Community Survey<sup>20</sup> 2015 to 2019 5-year estimates-detailed tables [table B01003]). For the NEI facility  
12164 mentioned earlier (EIS Facility ID 16206511) that did not have latitude/longitude, EPA assumed its  
12165 locations were not urban.

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12167 For the EPA estimated releases where TRI or city data were not available for a facility requiring  
12168 modeling (Commercial use as a laboratory chemical, and Processing – repackaging for laboratory  
12169 chemicals) EPA modeled each such facility once as urban and once as not urban.<sup>21</sup> There is no  
12170 recommended default urban population for AERMOD modeling, so for these facilities EPA assumed an  
12171 urban population of 1 million people, which is consistent with the estimated populations used with  
12172 IIOAC. Although slightly higher, the assumed urban population is close to the average of all the urban  
12173 populations used for the TRI reporting facilities (which was 847,906 people).

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<sup>19</sup> 2019 census TIGER/Line shapefiles page: <https://www.census.gov/geographies/mapping-files/timE-series/geo/tiger-linE-file.2019.html>.

<sup>20</sup> American Community Survey page: <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs>.

<sup>21</sup> Although this may be viewed as a potential double counting of these releases, EPA only utilized the highest estimated releases from a single exposure scenario from the suite of exposure scenarios modeled for surrogate/estimated facility releases as exposure estimates and for associated risk calculations.



### E.1.2.6 Physical Source Specifications for TRI Release Facilities and Alternative Release Estimates

Source-specific physical characteristics like actual release location, stack height, exit gas temperature, etc. are generally not reported as part of the TRI dataset but can affect the plume characteristics and associated dispersion of the plume. TRI release facilities and EPA estimated releases (where TRI or city data were not available) were modeled centering all emissions on one location and using IIOAC default physical parameters. Stack emissions were modeled from a point source at 10 m above ground from a 2-meter inside diameter, with an exit gas temperature of 300 Kelvin and an exit gas velocity of 5 m/sec (Table 6 of the IIOAC User Guide). Fugitive emissions were modeled at 3.05 m above ground from a square area source of 10 m on a side (Table 7 of the IIOAC User Guide).

### E.1.2.7 Temporal Emission Patterns

#### *TRI and NEI Release Facilities*

Temporal emission patterns are another factor that can affect the overall modeled concentration estimates. The release assessments for this work included information on temporal emission patterns—release duration (across the hours of a day, or intraday) and release pattern (across the days of a year, or inter-day)—stratified by OES. When release duration was “unknown,” EPA assumed releases occurred each hour of the day. EPA’s assumptions for intraday release duration are provided in Table\_Apx E-1. The hours shown conform to AERMOD’s notation scheme of using hours 1 to 24, where hour 1 is the hour ending at 1 a.m. and hour 24 is the final hour of the same day ending at midnight.

**Table\_Apx E-1. Assumptions for Intraday Emission-Release Duration**

Hours per Day of Emissions	Assumed Hours of the Day Emitting (Inclusive)
Unknown	All (hours 1–24)
1	Hour 13 (hour ending at 1 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 1 p.m.)
2	Hours 13–14 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 2 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 2 p.m.)
3	Hours 13–15 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 3 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 3 p.m.)
4	Hours 13–16 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 4 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 4 p.m.)
5	Hours 13–17 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 5 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 5 p.m.)
8	Hours 9–16 (hour ending at 9 a.m. through hour ending at 4 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
12	Hours 9–20 (hour ending at 9 a.m. through hour ending at 8 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.)
14	Hours 7–20 (hour ending at 7 a.m. through hour ending at 8 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

EPA’s assumptions for inter-day release pattern are provided in Table\_Apx E-2. EPA started with the assumption that emissions took place every day of the year. Next, EPA turned emissions off for certain days of the year as needed to achieve the desired number of emission days: assumptions such as no emissions on Saturday and Sunday, no emissions on the days around New Year’s Day, no emissions at regular patterns like the first Monday of every month, and so on.



12202 **Table\_Apx E-2. Assumptions for Inter-day Emission-Release Pattern**

Provided Language for Release Pattern	Implemented Release Pattern: Days When Emissions Are on (Format of Month Number/Day Number)
<u>Release pattern: 365 days/year</u> assumes year-round operations	All days
<u>Release pattern: 350 days/year</u> assumes emitting operations <b>7 days/week and 50 weeks/year</b>	All days except 1/1–1/4 and 12/21–12/31 (and 1/5 for years 2016 and 2020)
<u>Release pattern: 260 days/year</u>	All Monday through Friday, except 1/1 in years 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, and 2020, and except 12/25 in year 2020
<u>Release pattern: 258 days/year</u>	All Monday through Friday, except 12/24–12/26, and except 12/27 in years 2011, 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2020, and except 12/28 in 2015, 2016, and 2020, and except 12/29 in 2020
<u>Release pattern: 250 days/year</u> assumes emitting operations <b>5 days/week and 50 weeks/year</b>	All Monday through Friday, except 1/1–1/4 and 12/21–12/31 (and 1/5 for years 2016 and 2020)
<u>Release pattern: 235 days/year</u>	All Monday through Friday, except 1/1–1/8, 4/1–4/7, 7/1–7/7, 10/1–10/7, and 12/25–12/31, and except 12/24 in 2012 and 2020
<u>Release pattern: 129 days/year</u>	The first 10 days of each month, plus the 11th of January through September
<u>Release pattern: 26 days/year</u>	The first and 15th of each month, plus the 25th of June and December
Note: Some of the “Provided Language for Release Pattern” is specific to an OES.	

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12204 **Alternative Release Estimates**

12205 EPA’s assumptions for intraday release duration for the EPA estimated releases (Commercial use as a  
12206 laboratory chemical, and Processing – repackaging for laboratory chemicals) are provided in Table\_Apx  
12207 E-3. The hours shown conform to AERMOD’s notation scheme of using hours 1 to 24, where hour 1 is  
12208 the hour ending at 1 a.m. and hour 24 is the final hour of the same day ending at midnight.  
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12210 **Table\_Apx E-3. Assumptions for Intraday Emission-Release Duration**

Hours per Day of Emissions	Assumed Hours of the Day Emitting (Inclusive)
1	Hour 13 (hour ending at 1 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 1 p.m.)
2	Hours 13–14 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 2 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 2 p.m.)
4	Hours 13–16 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 4 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 4 p.m.)
5	Hours 13–17 (hour ending at 1 p.m. through hour ending at 5 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 12 to 5 p.m.)
8	Hours 9–16 (hour ending at 9 a.m. through hour ending at 4 p.m.; <i>i.e.</i> , 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
24	All hours

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12212 EPA’s assumptions for inter-day release frequency are provided in Table\_Apx E-4.

12213 **Table\_Apx E-4. Assumptions for Inter-day Emission-Release Pattern**

Days of Emissions per Year	Implemented Release Pattern: Days When Emissions Are on (Format of Month Number/Day Number)
28	All Monday through Friday, except 12/24–12/26, and except 12/27 in years 2011, 2014, and 2015, and except 12/28 in 2015
235	All Monday through Friday, except 1/1–1/8, and except 4/1–4/7, and 7/1–7/7, and 10/1–10/7, and 12/25–12/31, and 12/24 in 2012
129	The first 10 days of each month, plus the 11th of January through September
26	The first and 15th of each month, plus the 25th of June and December

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**E.1.2.8 Emission Rates**

12215 The release assessments included emission rates for each facility in pounds per year for TRI reporting  
 12216 facilities, tons per year for NEI reporting facilities, and kilograms per year for each scenario for the EPA  
 12217 estimated releases (Commercial use as a laboratory chemical, and Processing – repackaging for  
 12218 laboratory chemicals), for fugitive and stack sources as appropriate. Emission rates included in the  
 12219 release assessments were converted to units needed by AERMOD (g/s for stack sources; g/s/m<sup>2</sup> for  
 12220 fugitive sources). The conversion from per-hour to per-second utilized the number of emitting hours per  
 12221 year based on the assumed temporal release patterns (see Section E.1.2.7). The conversion to per m<sup>2</sup> for  
 12222 fugitive sources utilized length and width values outlined in Section E.1.2.6.

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**E.1.2.9 Deposition Parameters**

12224 AERMOD was used to model daily (g/m<sup>2</sup>/day) and annual (g/m<sup>2</sup>/year) deposition rates from air to land  
 12225 and water at eight finite distances (10, 30, 60, 100, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m) and two area  
 12226 distances (30 to 60 m, and 100 to 1,000 m) from each releasing facility. Concentrations of 1,1-  
 12227 dichloroethane in soil from total (wet and dry) air deposition was estimated to assess exposures of 1,1-  
 12228 dichloroethane to terrestrial species. AERMOD can model both gaseous and particle deposition. Based  
 12229 on physical and chemical properties of 1,1-dichloroethane (see Section 2.1), EPA considered only  
 12230 gaseous deposition. Input parameter values for AERMOD deposition modeling are shown in Table\_Apx  
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**Table\_Apx E-5. Settings for Gaseous Deposition**

Parameter	Value	Source(s)
Diffusivity in air	8.36E-02 cm <sup>2</sup> /s	
Diffusivity in water	1.06E-05 cm <sup>2</sup> /s	
Henry's Law constant	569.4 Pa m <sup>3</sup> /mol	Table 2-1
$r_{cl}$ : Cuticular resistance to uptake by lipids for individual leaves	1.82E05 s/cm	Based on Method 1: Approximation of $R_{cl}$ Value as a Function of Vapor Pressure ( <a href="#">Welke et al., 1998</a> ; <a href="#">Kerler and Schoenherr, 1988</a> ) (see below)
Seasons	DJF = winter with no snow; MAM = transitional spring with partial green coverage or short annuals; JJA = midsummer with lush vegetation; SON = autumn with unharvested cropland	Assumption
Land cover	Site-specific in 36 directions around the source, utilizing the 2019 version of the National Land Cover Database (supplemented with the 2011 version for Hawaii and 2001 version for Puerto Rico)	<a href="#">National Land Cover Database</a>
Pa = Pascal; mol = mole; log = logarithm base 10; $\mu\text{m}$ = micrometer; DJF = December–February; MAM = March–May; JJA = June–August; SON = September–November		

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**Cuticular Resistance**

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The cuticular resistance ( $r_{cl}$ ) value represents the resistance of a chemical to uptake by individual leaves in a vegetative canopy. For chemicals, for which the  $r_{cl}$  value is not readily available in literature, EPA developed three methods to estimate the  $r_{cl}$  value. For 1,1-dichloroethane, EPA used  $r_{cl}$  value estimated using Method 1, as described below. After additional review of information, EPA did identify a reported  $r_{cl}$  value of  $1.16 \times 10^5$  ([Wesely et al., 2002](#)). Due to the similarity between the two values, EPA is presenting results using the calculated  $r_{cl}$  value.

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*Method 1: Approximation of  $R_{cl}$  Value as a Function of Vapor Pressure:* Data from the literature indicate that  $r_{cl}$  value varies as a function of the vapor pressure ( $VP$ , units of Pa) of a chemical ([Welke et al., 1998](#); [Kerler and Schoenherr, 1988](#)). A high  $VP$  indicates that chemical has a high propensity for the vapor phase relative to the condensed phase, and therefore, would have high resistance to uptake from the atmosphere into leaves (*i.e.*, high  $r_{cl}$ ). Furthermore, [Wesely et al. \(2002\)](#) provides a large database of  $VP$  and  $r_{cl}$  values.

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Analysis of the Wesley *et al.* data reveals that there is a linear correlation between  $\log(VP)$  and  $\log(r_{cl})$ , as illustrated in Figure\_Apx E-4 and Equation\_Apx E-1 below. Linear regression yields  $r_{cl}$  as a function of  $VP$  ( $R^2 = 0.606$ ):

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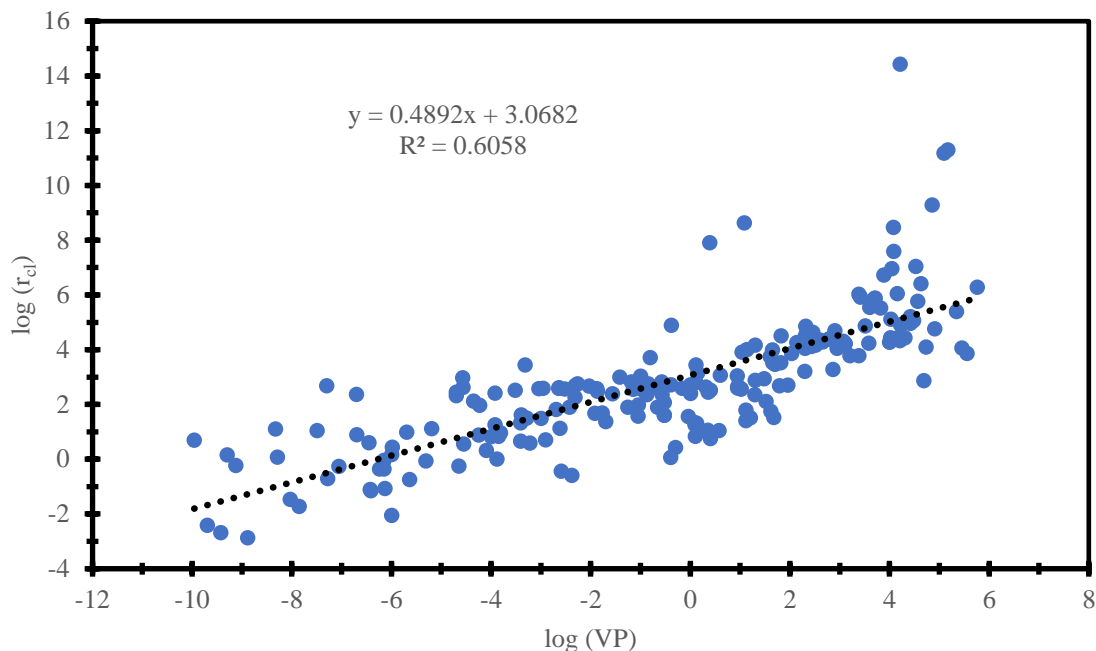
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**Equation\_Apx E-1.**

$$\log(r_{cl}) = 0.489 \log(VP) + 3.068$$

$$\therefore r_{cl} = 1170 [VP]^{0.498}$$



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12258 **Figure\_Apx E-4 Cuticular Resistance as a Function of Vapor Pressure**  
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12260 *Method 2: Empirical Calculation of Cuticular Resistance:* Method 2 estimates  $r_{cl}$  value using various  
12261 empirical equations found in literature. This method assumes the vapor pressure of the chemical at 20 to  
12262 25 °C is equal to the saturation vapor pressure. For VOCs, using the equations collectively provided  
12263 under equation below (Welke *et al.*,) the polymer matrix-air partition coefficient ( $K_{MXa}$ ) can be  
12264 calculated as follows:

$$12265 \log(K_{MXa}) = 6.290 - 0.892 \log \{VP\}$$

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12267 Next,  $K_{MXa}$  can be converted to the cuticular membrane-air partition coefficient,  $K_{Cma}$ :

$$12268 K_{Cma} = 0.77 K_{MXa}$$

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12270 Welke, *et al.* also provide an empirical relationship between the polymer matrix-water partition  
12271 coefficient and the air-water partition coefficient,  $K_{MXw}$ . Recognizing the air-water partition coefficient is  
12272 the Henry's law constant, HLC (unitless), yields:  
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$$12274 K_{MXw} = K_{MXa} HLC$$

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12276 This relationship can be generalized from the polymer matrix to the cuticular membrane:

$$12277 K_{CMw} = K_{Cma} HLC$$

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12279 In a separate study, [Kerler and Schoenherr \(1988\)](#) have developed an empirical relationship that equates  
12280  $K_{CMw}$  to the permeance coefficient for cuticular membranes,  $P_{CM}$ . However, this relationship was  
12281 developed using data for non-volatile chemicals. Consequently, applying it to volatile organic chemicals  
12282 introduces a large amount of uncertainty to the analysis and may not be scientifically justifiable.  
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$$12284 \log(P_{CM}) = 238 ((\log(K_{CMw}))/MV) - 12.48$$

12288 In the above equation,  $MV$  is the molecular volume of the chemical in question, which can be calculated  
12289 from the molar mass,  $m$  (units of g/mol), and density,  $d$  (units of g/cm<sup>3</sup>):

$$MV = m/d$$

12293 Finally,  $r_{cl}$  is understood to be the inverse of  $P_{CM}$ . The above relationships can be put together and  
12294 simplified to yield a single equation for  $r_{cl}$  as a function of vapor pressure, molar mass, and density:

$$r_{cl} = ((HLC \times 1.51 \times 10^6) / [\sqrt{VP}]^{0.892})^{(-238 d/m)} \times 10^{12.48}$$

12298 *Method 3: Read-Across of Cuticular Resistance from an Analog:* This method assumes that chemicals  
12299 that have structural similarity, physical and chemical similarity, and exhibit similar vapor pressures will  
12300 also exhibit similar  $r_{cl}$  values. Available data in literature ([Wesely et al., 2002](#)) can be used as a  
12301 crosswalk for read-across determination of  $r_{cl}$ . The unknown  $r_{cl}$  value is then assumed to be equal to the  
12302  $r_{cl}$  of the analog.

### 12303 **E.1.2.10 Other Model Settings**

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12304 EPA assumed flat terrain for all modeling scenarios.

### 12305 **E.1.2.11 Ambient Air Exposure Concentration Outputs**

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12306 Hourly-average air concentration and total (wet and dry) deposition rate outputs were provided from  
12307 AERMOD for each exposure point around each distance ring (*i.e.*, each of 16 exposure points around a  
12308 finite distance ring or each exposure point within the area distance ring). Daily and period averages were  
12309 then calculated from the modeled hourly data. Daily averages for the finite distance rings were  
12310 calculated as arithmetic averages of all hourly data for each day modeled for each exposure point around  
12311 each ring. Daily averages for the area distance ring were calculated as the arithmetic average of the  
12312 hourly data for each day modeled across all exposure points within the area distance ring. This results in  
12313 the following number of daily average concentrations at each distance modeled.

- 12314 1. Daily averages for TRI and NEI reporting facilities (using 2016 calendar year meteorological  
12315 data): One daily average concentration for each of 366 days for each of 16 exposure points  
12316 around each finite distance ring. This results in a total of 5,856 daily average concentration  
12317 values for each finite distance modeled ( $366 \times 16 = 5,856$ ).
- 12318 2. Daily averages for TRI reporting facilities (using 2019 calendar year meteorological data): One  
12319 daily average concentration for each of 365 days for each of 16 exposure points around each  
12320 finite distance ring. This results in a total of 5,840 daily average concentration values for each  
12321 finite distance modeled ( $365 \times 16 = 5,840$ ).

12322 Period averages were calculated by averaging all the hourly values at each exposure points for each  
12323 distance ring over 1 year. This results in a total of 16 period average concentration values for each finite  
12324 distance ring. Additionally, period averages across all years were calculated by averaging all hourly  
12325 values at each exposure points for each distance ring across all multiple years.

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12327 Daily and period average outputs were stratified by different source scenarios, such as urban/not urban  
12328 setting or emission-strengths where needed. Outputs from AERMOD are provided in units of  
12329 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) for ambient air concentrations and grams per square meter ( $\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ )  
12330 for deposition rates.

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12332 Post-processing scripts were used to extract and summarize the output concentrations for each facility,  
12333 release, and exposure scenario. The following statistics for daily- and period-average concentrations

12334 were extracted or calculated from the results for each of the modeled distances (*i.e.*, each ring or grid of  
12335 exposure points) and scenarios (also see Table\_Apx E-6):

- 12336 • minimum;
- 12337 • maximum;
- 12338 • average;
- 12339 • standard deviation; and
- 12340 • 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 95th percentiles.

12341 The above equations assume instantaneous mixing with no degradation or other means of chemical  
12342 reduction in soil over time and that 1,1-dichloroethane loading in soil is only from direct air-to-surface  
12343 deposition (*i.e.*, no runoff).

12344 **Table\_Apx E-6. Description of Daily or Period Average and Air Concentration Statistics**  
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Statistic	Description
Minimum	The minimum daily or period average concentration estimated across all exposure points at the modeled distance.
Maximum	The maximum daily or period average concentration estimated across all exposure points at the modeled distance.
Average	Arithmetic mean of all daily or period average concentrations estimated across all exposure points at the modeled distance. This incorporates lower values (from days when the receptor location largely was upwind from the facility) and higher values (from days when the receptor location largely was downwind from the facility).
Percentiles	The daily or period average concentration estimate representing the numerical percentile value across the entire distribution of all concentrations across all exposure points at the modeled distance. The 50th percentile represents the median of the daily or period average concentration across all concentration values for all receptor locations on any day at the modeled distance.

12346 Using the modeled 95th percentile maximum daily deposition rates described in Table 3-10, the  
12347 concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in soil was calculated using the following equations:  
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12349 **Equation\_Apx E-2.**

$$12350 \quad \text{Daily}_{Dep} = \text{Tot}_{Dep} \times Ar \times CF$$

12351 Where:

- 12352  $Ann_{Dep}$  = Total daily deposition to soil (µg)
- 12353  $Tot_{Dep}$  = Daily deposition flux to soil (g/m<sup>2</sup>)
- 12354  $Ar$  = Area of soil (m<sup>2</sup>)
- 12355  $CF$  = Conversion of grams to micrograms

12356 **Equation\_Apx E-3.**

$$12357 \quad \text{Soil}_{Conc} = \text{Daily}_{Dep} / (Ar \times Mix \times Dens)$$

12358 Where:

- 12359  $Soil_{Conc}$  = Daily-average concentration in soil (µg/kg)
- 12360  $Ann_{Dep}$  = Total daily deposition to soil (µg)
- 12361  $Mix$  = Mixing depth (m); default = 0.1 m from the European Commission



12367 Technical Guidance Document ([ECB, 2003](#))  
 12368 *Ar* = Area of soil (m<sup>2</sup>)  
 12369 *Dens* = Density of soil; default = 1,700 kg/m<sup>3</sup> from the European Commission  
 12370 Technical Guidance Document ([ECB, 2003](#))  
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12372 The above equations assume instantaneous mixing with no degradation or other means of chemical  
 12373 reduction in soil over time and that 1,1-dichloroethane loading in soil is only from direct air-to-surface  
 12374 deposition (*i.e.*, no runoff).

#### 12375 **E.1.2.12 Physical Source Specifications: NEI Release Facilities**

12376 EPA modeled each NEI emission source in its own model run, even for facilities with multiple sources.  
 12377 Site-specific parameter values were used in modeling, when available. When parameters were not  
 12378 available and/or values were reported outside of normal bounds, reported values were replaced using  
 12379 procedures that EPA uses in its AirToxScreen (see Section 2.1.3 of the AirToxScreen Technical Support  
 12380 Document<sup>22</sup> and Section E.1.2.6 herein). For some stack parameters, a default values based on the  
 12381 source classification code (SCC) of the emission source (as reported in the NEI) was used. If there was  
 12382 no default value for the source's SCC, a global default value was used.  
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12384 EPA used replacement values for release height, length, and width for most fugitive sources. For 2,453  
 12385 NEI fugitive sources which had release heights, length, and width values that were missing or reported  
 12386 as zero, EPA set their release heights to 3.048 m. For 62 NEI fugitive sources which had values above  
 12387 zero for length and width, but the release heights value that were missing or reported as zero, EPA set  
 12388 their release heights to 0 m. Values were missing or reported as 0 m for length for 2,641 sources and for  
 12389 width for 2,630 sources. EPA replaced these values with a value of 10 m. For any missing values of  
 12390 angle (1,584 sources), EPA replaced them with zero degrees. There were 6,889 regular vertical sources  
 12391 (modeled as "POINT" sources in AERMOD), while 129 were vertical sources with rain caps (modeled  
 12392 as "POINtrichloroethaneP"), 95 were horizontal sources (modeled as "POINTHOR"), and 9 were  
 12393 downward-facing vents (also modeled as "POINTHOR"). These source-type designations in AERMOD  
 12394 engage distinct algorithms regarding how the releases initially disperse when leaving the sources. SCCs  
 12395 were provided for each point source.  
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12397 EPA used the NEI-provided values for most point sources, but replacement values were needed for exit  
 12398 gas temperature and/or exit gas velocity for over 1,000 point sources. For 17 sources that had reported  
 12399 exit gas temperature of 0 °F, EPA replaced the value with the default values by SCC. One of the sources  
 12400 that was not in the SCC default file. EPA used a global default value of 295.4 K for the exit gas  
 12401 temperature. All point sources had in-bounds values for release heights and inside stack diameters, so no  
 12402 replacements were required for those parameters. Three sources that had exit gas velocity values slightly  
 12403 above the maximum bounding value of 1,000 feet per second (ft/s), were replaced with the maximum in-  
 12404 bounds value of 1,000 ft/s (304.8 m/s). For sources that had values for exit gas velocity that were  
 12405 missing or 0 (1,344 sources) the values of inside stack diameter and exit gas flow rate was used to  
 12406 calculate exit gas velocity as shown in Table\_Apx E-7. Minimum or maximum in-bounds values were  
 12407 used for those calculated exit gas velocity values that were out of bounds (15 sources).  
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<sup>22</sup> [Technical Support Document: EPA's Air Toxics Screening Assessment 2018 AirToxScreen TSD.](#)

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**Table\_Apx E-7. Procedures for Replacing Values Missing, Equal to Zero, or Out of Normal Bounds for Physical Source Parameters for NEI Sources**

Parameter	Bounds	Condition			
		Value Missing or 0			Value Out of Normal Bounds
		First Pass	Second Pass (First Pass Unsuccessful)	Third Pass (First Two Passes Unsuccessful)	
Stack height	1–1,300 ft (0.3048–396 m)	Use default value by SCC (pstk file)	Use global default: 3 m	N/A	Use the minimum or maximum in-bound value if below or above bounds, respectively
Stack inside diameter	0.001–300 ft (0.0003048–91.4 m)	Use default value by SCC (pstk file)	Use global default: 0.2 m	N/A	Use the minimum or maximum in-bound value if below or above bounds, respectively
Stack exit gas temperature <sup>a</sup>	>0–4,000 °F (>255.4–2,477.6 K)	Use default value by SCC (pstk file)	Use global default: 295.4 K	N/A	Use the minimum or maximum in-bound value if below or above bounds, respectively
Stack exit gas velocity	0.001–1,000 ft/s (0.0003048–304.8 m/s)	Calculate from existing exit gas flow rate and inside diameter: (4*flow) / (pi*diameter <sup>2</sup> )	Use default value by SCC (pstk file)	Use global default: 4 m/s	Use the minimum or maximum in-bound value if below or above bounds, respectively
Fugitive height	N/A	0 m if length and width are not missing and are above 0; 3.048 m if length or width are missing or 0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fugitive length	N/A	10 m	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fugitive width	N/A	10 m	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fugitive angle	N/A	0 deg	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>a</sup> For exit gas temperatures, AirToxScreen’s bounds were set so that values must exceed 0 °F.  
 Notes: pstk file = file of default stack parameters by source classification code (SCC) from EPA’s SMOKE emissions kernel: pstk\_13nov2018\_v1.txt, retrieved on 28 September 2022 from <https://cmasccenter.org/smoke/>.  
 K = Kelvin; SCC = source classification code

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**E.2 Inhalation Exposure Estimates for Fenceline Communities**

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Acute and chronic inhalation exposures were estimated based on air concentrations estimated in Section 3.3.1 using the methodologies described above. Acute and chronic inhalation exposures used to evaluate non-cancer risks are estimated as an Acute Concentration (AC) or Average Daily Concentration (ADC), respectively. Lifetime exposures used to evaluate cancer risks are estimated as a Lifetime Average Daily Concentration (LADC).

The equations used to calculate each of the exposure values provided below:

**Equation\_Apx E-4.**

$$AC = (DAC \times ET)/AT$$

$$ADC = (AAC \times ET \times EF \times ED)/AT$$

$$LADC = (AAC \times ET \times EF \times ED)/AT$$

Where:

AC	=	Acute concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
DAC	=	Daily Average Air Concentration, model output reflecting average concentrations over a 24-hour period ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
ET	=	Exposure time (24 hours/day)
AAC	=	Annual Average Air Concentration, model output reflecting average concentrations over a year ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
EF	=	Exposure frequency (365 days/year)
ED	=	Exposure duration (1 year for non-cancer ADC; 78 years for cancer LADC)
AT	=	Averaging time; averaging time for AC = 24 hours; averaging time for ADC = 24 hours/day $\times$ 365 days/year $\times$ 1 year; averaging time for LADC = 24 hours/day $\times$ 365 days/year $\times$ 78 years

For fenceline communities, all exposure estimates assume continuous exposure (24 hours/day) throughout the duration of exposure. The exposure duration used to calculate the LADC is based on the 95th percentile of the expected duration at a single residence, 78 years and the averaging time is based on a 78-year lifetime.

Detailed reporting of modeled air concentrations and corresponding AC, ADC, and LADC estimates are provided in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis (U.S. EPA, 2024n)*, *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD Generic Releases Exposure and Risk Analysis (U.S. EPA, 2024l)*, and in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD NEI Exposure and Risk Analysis (U.S. EPA, 2024m)*.

### **E.3 Land Use Analysis**

EPA conducted a review of land use patterns around TRI facilities where cancer risk would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . The methodology for this analysis is consistent with what was previously described in the [Draft TSCA Screening Level Approach for Assessment Ambient Air and Water Exposures to Fenceline Communities Version 1.0](#).<sup>23</sup> This review was limited to those facilities with real Global Information System (GIS) locations. The land use analysis does not include generic facilities where alternative release estimates were modeled to estimate exposures since there is no real location around which to conduct the land use analysis. The purpose of this review was to determine if EPA can reasonably expect exposures to the general population within the modeled distances where cancer risk would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . This detailed review consisted of visual analysis using aerial imagery and interpreting land use/zoning practices around the facility. More specifically, EPA used ESRI ArcGIS (Version 10.8) and Google maps to characterize land use patterns within the radial distances evaluated where cancer risk would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  for each facility based on the 95th percentile modeled air concentrations. For

<sup>23</sup> <https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/tsca-screening-level-approach-assessing-ambient-air-and>.

12466 locations where residential or industrial/commercial businesses or other public spaces are present within  
 12467 those radial distances indicating risk, EPA reasonably expects exposures and therefore associated  
 12468 potential risks to the general population. Where the radial distances showing an indication of risk occur  
 12469 within the boundaries of the facility or is limited to uninhabited areas, EPA does not reasonably expect  
 12470 exposures to the general population and therefore does not expect associated risks. EPA did not consider  
 12471 possible future residential use of areas. Also, as stated in Appendix E.4, additional land use analysis was  
 12472 not warranted for aggregate analysis.

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 12474 As show in Table\_Apx E-8, EPA's land use analysis did not identify any residential, industrial/  
 12475 commercial businesses, or other public spaces within those 1,000 m where risk estimates would exceed  
 12476  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . Based on this characterization of land use patterns and identified risk estimates, EPA does not  
 12477 expect exposures to the general population for any of the TRI facilities and aggregate groups (Appendix  
 12478 E.4) where cancer risk would exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  for the 95th percentile modeled air concentrations.  
 12479 Therefore, EPA does not expect a risk to the general population resulting from 1,1-dichloroethane  
 12480 releases via the ambient air pathway.

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 12482 **Table\_Apx E-8. Summary of the General Population Exposures Expected near Facilities Where**  
 12483 **TRI Modeled Air Concentrations Indicated Risk for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

OES	COU	Total Number of Facilities Evaluated	Number of Facilities with Risk Indicated	Number of Facilities with Risk Indicated and General Population Exposures Expected
Manufacturing	Manufacturing	9	7	0
Processing as a reactive intermediate	Processing as a reactant	6	2	0
General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	Waste handling, disposal, and treatment	8	1	0

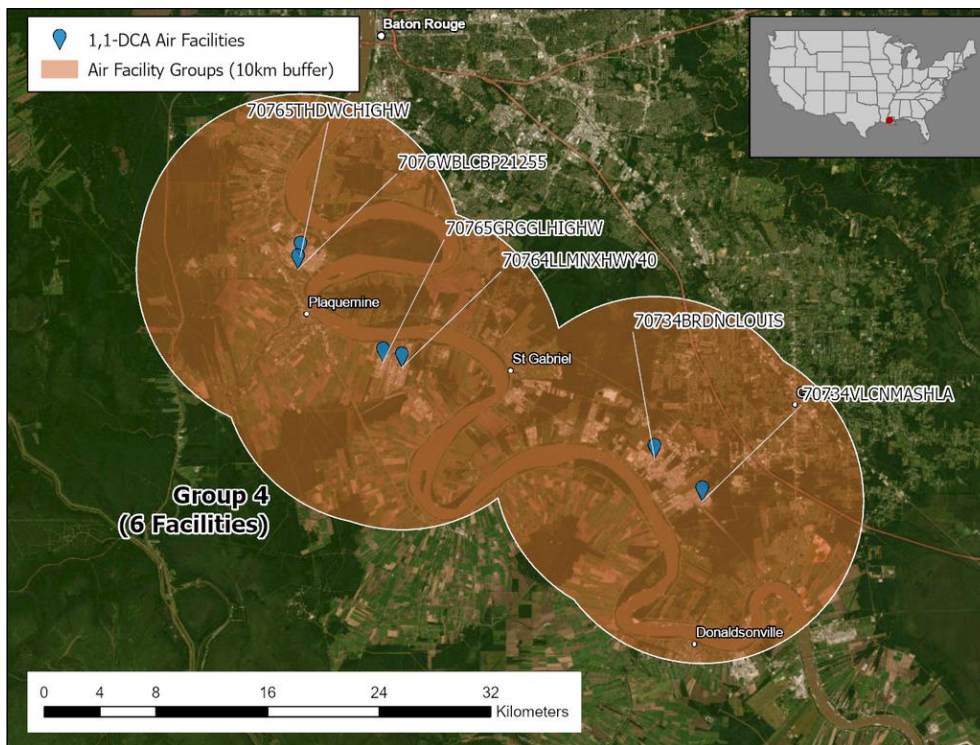
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 12485 Individual facility summaries are available in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
 12486 *Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD TRI Exposure and Risk*  
 12487 *Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024n](#)).

#### 12488 **E.4 Aggregate Analysis across TRI Facilities**

12489 A conservative screening method for aggregated risk within the air pathway is included to address  
 12490 whether the combined general population exposures to emissions from nearby facilities present any  
 12491 additional risk not represented by the individual facility analysis. By taking a conservative approach, this  
 12492 methodology can effectively screen out aggregate concerns where no additional air risk is identified, and  
 12493 flag groups of facilities that demonstrate the potential for additional aggregate air risk. The methodology  
 12494 for this analysis is consistent with what was previously described in the *Draft Supplement to the Risk*  
 12495 *Evaluation for 1,4-Dioxane* ([U.S. EPA, 2023b](#)).

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 12497 The aggregate air approach utilized the existing modeling results for individual facilities, which modeled  
 12498 releases out to 10 km from the point of release. Facilities with releases to air were mapped using  
 12499 location coordinates from the TRI database. A 10 km buffer was drawn around each facility, and groups  
 12500 of facilities were identified by any overlap between these buffers (*i.e.*, any facilities within 20 km of  
 12501 another facility, even if not all of the facilities have overlapping buffers) (Figure\_Apx E-5).  
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**Figure\_Apx E-5. Example of Group of Air Releasing Facilities with Overlapping 10 km Buffers for Aggregate Air Risk Screening**

EPA combined modeled air concentrations from each facility in the group to generate hypothetical “worst-case scenario” aggregate air concentrations for the facility group. Due to the modeling methodology for individual facilities producing resulting air concentrations at discrete distances from each facility, the aggregate screening analysis also assesses concentrations and risk at discrete distances. For this analysis, the facilities are treated as if they are all releasing from the same point. This is a conservative approach, since the facilities within each group all have some distance between them, and the air concentrations tend to decrease with greater distance from the source facility. Within each facility group, the 95th percentile total (stack and fugitive) air concentrations for each facility were summed for each modeled distance interval. Cancer risk levels were similarly added together for each modeled distance interval, due to their proportional relationship to concentration, and non-cancer MOE values were combined using Equation\_Apx E-5 below for each distance interval.

**Equation\_Apx E-5.**

$$MOE_{total} = 1/(1/(MOE_1) + 1/(MOE_2) + 1/(MOE_3) + \dots)$$

Where:

- $MOE_{total}$  = The aggregated MOE value for the group
- $MOE_{1,2,3 \dots}$  = The individual MOE values for each facility in the group

Aggregated risk values were then compared against cancer and non-cancer benchmarks to identify values indicating risk relative to benchmarks. For each facility included in an aggregated group, it was noted whether the individual risk calculation results indicated risk relative to cancer or non-cancer benchmarks before aggregating. Additionally, for each facility group the relative contribution of each facility to the 95th percentile cancer risk was calculated, by dividing the individual facility risk by the aggregated group risk, to determine whether the resulting numbers may be disproportionately due to

only one or more facilities. The resulting aggregate risk calculations were reviewed to determine where the numerical results suggested a concern for aggregate air risk that had not been represented by the individual facility risk analysis. Where this additional risk was flagged, the mapped locations of the facilities were then inspected to confirm that the distances between the facilities supported aggregating releases from the facilities at the flagged distance interval. The review of the aggregated results and facility locations was applied to characterize whether aggregate air risk relative to benchmarks is expected for each group. For example, if the aggregate risk calculations for a group of two facilities indicated cancer risk greater than 1 in 1 million ( $1 \times 10^{-6}$ ) at the 100 m distance, and the individual facilities only showed that level of risk up to 60 m, the map would be inspected. If the facilities were found to be located 1,000 m apart, the group would be characterized as not showing risk relative to a 1 in 1 million benchmark beyond what was captured by the individual analysis. However, if the facilities were located within 200 m of one another, such that their 100 m distance intervals would intersect, the group would be characterized as showing potential for aggregated air risk beyond what was captured by the individual analysis. If aggregate air risk relative to benchmarks is identified, then an additional land use check is performed to confirm the potential for a general population exposure at the new distance.

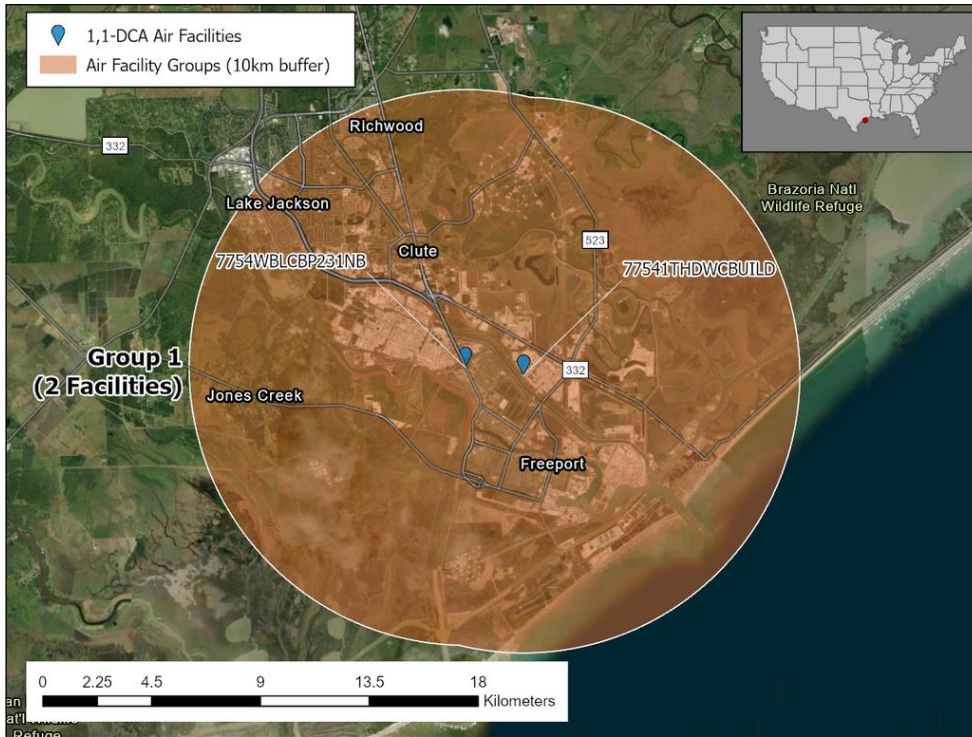
The grouping analysis for 1,1-dichloroethane resulted in four groups of nearby facilities, ranging from two to six facilities per group (Table\_Apx E-9). No additional aggregate air risk relative to benchmarks was identified for each of the four groups. For one of the groups (Group 2) there is an additional distance interval (100 m) showing risk from the aggregate calculation greater than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ , but not from the individual facilities. However, the inspection of the mapped locations of the facilities within Group 2 shows that the contributing facilities are greater than 1 km apart, so this aggregate scenario would not occur. Therefore, further inspection and additional land use analysis were not warranted for Group 2. While Groups 3 and 4 each contained one or more facilities showing risk out to some distance, there was no additional distance interval showing risk from the aggregate calculation greater than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . Although the proximity of the facilities may indicate a reality of greater localized air concentrations than are represented in the individual facility analysis, the aggregated concentrations did not result in noticeable increased risk estimates (*i.e.*, aggregation did not increase cancer risk levels beyond individual facility risk levels), so any determinations of risk are already accounted for by the individual facility analysis. No cancer risk estimates in Group 1 exceeded 1 in 1 million benchmark.

**Table\_Apx E-9. Summary of Aggregate Analysis for TRI Facilities**

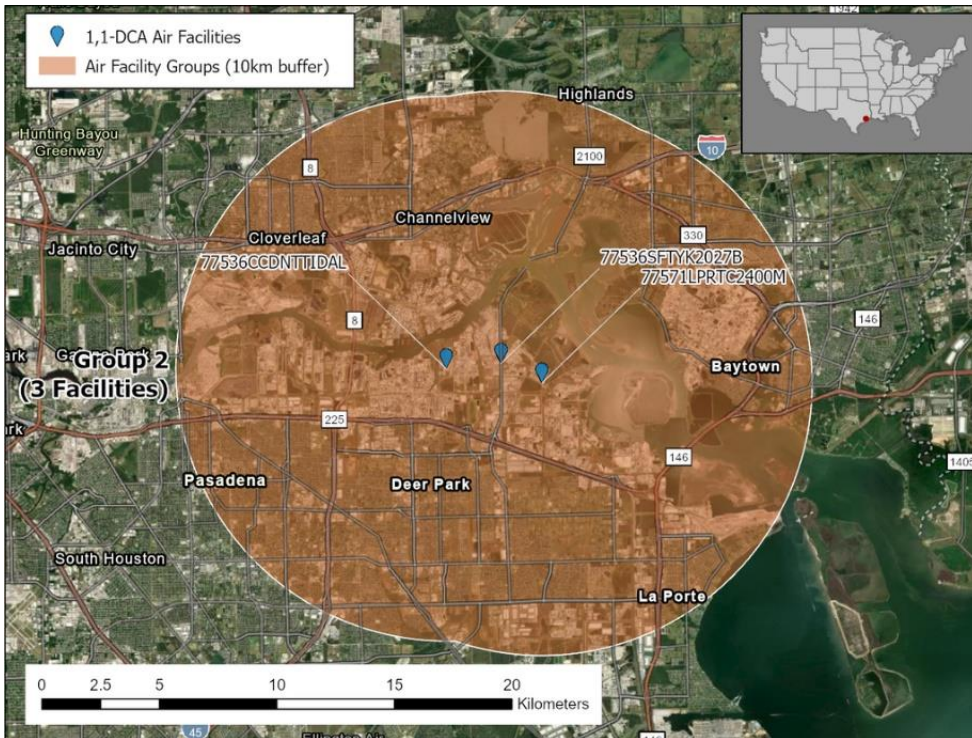
Total Air Facilities with TRI Release Data	Number of Facilities in Groups	Number of Groups	Number of Groups with Additional Aggregate Risk
23	13	4	0

Maps of the four facility groups with the 10 km buffers used to define them are provided below in Figure\_Apx E-6 through Figure\_Apx E-9. Results of the aggregate analysis are presented in the *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane — Supplemental Information File: Supplemental Information on AERMOD TRI Exposure and Risk Analysis* ([U.S. EPA, 2024n](#)).



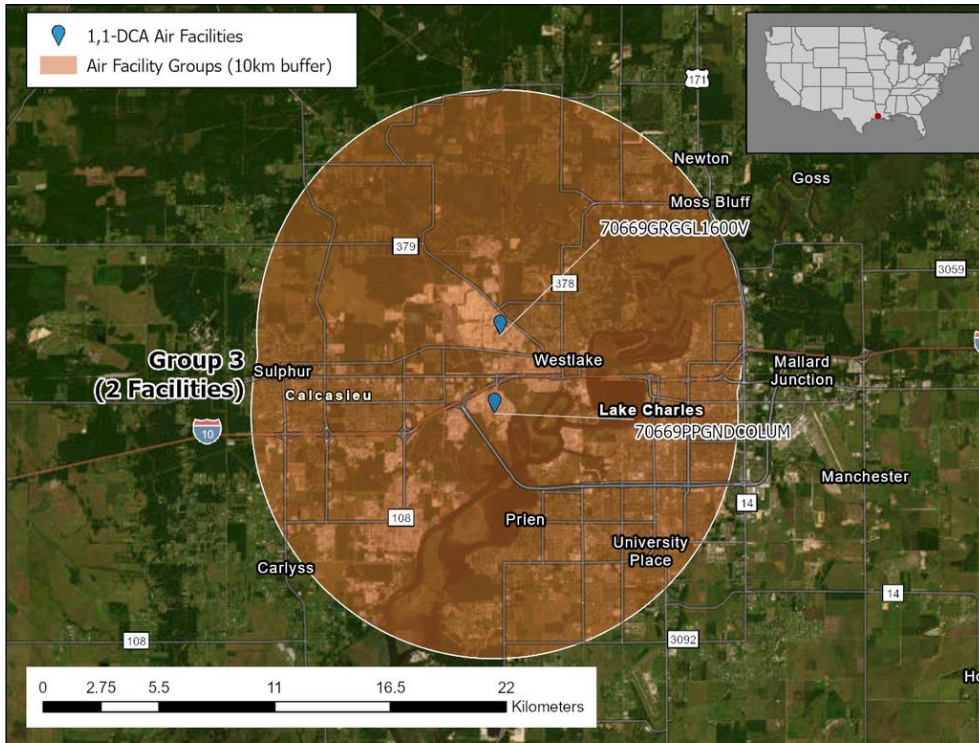


Figure\_Apx E-6. Map of Aggregated Air Facilities, Group 1

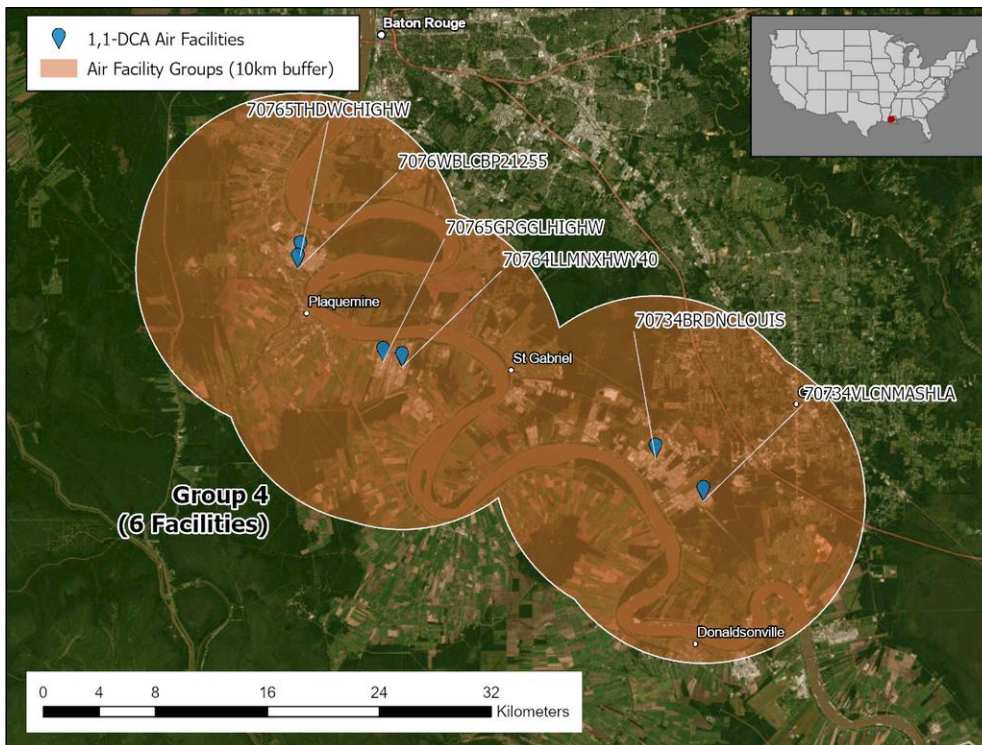


Figure\_Apx E-7. Map of Aggregated Air Facilities, Group 2





Figure\_Apx E-8. Map of Aggregated Air Facilities, Group 3



Figure\_Apx E-9. Map of Aggregated Air Facilities, Group 4

## E.5 Ambient Air Exposure to Population Evaluation

### TRI Population Evaluation

12586 This evaluation aimed to quantify population exposure around a subset of AERMOD TRI release sites  
12587 where estimates of non-cancer risk or cancer risk exceed minimum benchmarks for human health, and  
12588 thus reflect high-end exposures of 1,1-dichloroethane. The 95th percentile (p95) of AERMOD average  
12589 daily modeled results were used in order to remain conservative with the scenario modeled. Average  
12590 daily p95 air concentrations (ADC) and life-time average daily p95 concentrations (LADC) of 1,1-  
12591 dichloroethane were estimated prior to this evaluation. Cancer risk (CR) values were then estimated  
12592 from LADC values. Of the 23 TRI facility releases modeled using AERMOD, 10 resulted in CR values  
12593 that exceeded the minimum CR value of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  while none resulted in modeled air concentrations that  
12594 exceeded the minimum non-cancer risk (NCR), which would include a margin of exposure (MOE)  
12595 calculation below the benchmark of 300. These 10 AERMOD TRI release sites thus became the focus of  
12596 the population evaluation because of the ability to capture high-end exposures of 1,1-dichloroethane in  
12597 ambient air.

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12599 The goal of population evaluation was to quantify population density and percentages associated with  
12600 the general population, identified PESS groups, the race/ethnicity makeup of the general population, and  
12601 the poverty level of the general population. Nearby environments and community infrastructure of  
12602 interest were identified, and distances between the subset of ARMOD TRI air release sites and  
12603 population census blocks and community locations were estimated to understand the likelihood that  
12604 these populations experience high-end exposures of 1,1-dichloroethane.

#### 12605 *Analysis Assumptions and Uncertainties*

12606 There is an inherent uncertainty associated with the TRI coordinates that are meant to represent sites of  
12607 1,1-dichloroethane release to ambient air. For instance, in some cases the TRI coordinates may be  
12608 located at the edge of the facility complex, such as at an entrance to the facility, a mailbox address, or a  
12609 road leading up to the facility, which may not capture the actual site of emission. The accuracy of the  
12610 facility's release site coordinates is thus strictly tied to the accuracy of the AERMOD results at the  
12611 various distances modeled, and which were considered in this evaluation. This degree of uncertainty  
12612 should be considered when interpreting the population results.

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12615 The population metrics and distances estimated as a part of the analysis also relies on computed centroid  
12616 coordinates from the boundaries of U.S. census (polygon shapefile) blocks. Since the size of census  
12617 blocks is determined by population, rural areas tend to have larger census block polygons compared to  
12618 densely populated urban or suburban areas. This "centroid effect" is also a factor that affects the  
12619 distances estimated between facility release sites and the surrounding census blocks, and thus as with the  
12620 modeled AERMOD distances, the distances relative to census blocks and community infrastructure that  
12621 are being calculated should not be overinterpreted.

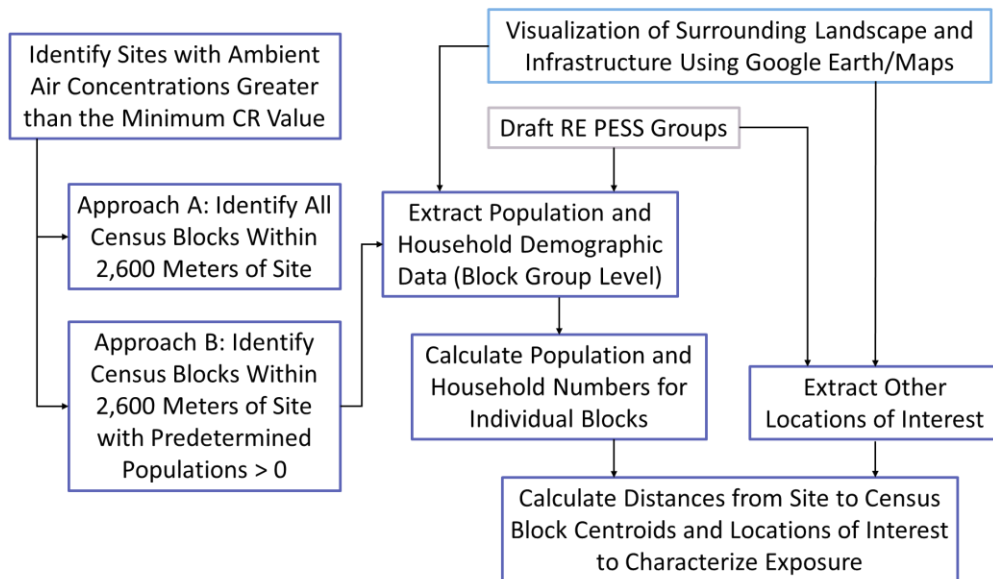
12622  
12623 In some cases, CR values greater than or equal to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  are found at 1,000 m, but not 2,500 m, so it  
12624 cannot be ruled out that CR does not exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  between 1,000 and 2,500 m away from the  
12625 AERMOD TRI release site. Since it is unlikely that populations beyond 2,500 m are exposed to CR  
12626 values  $> 1 \times 10^{-6}$ , only census block centroids within 2,600 m were considered for this evaluation. It is  
12627 important to note, however, that there is a possibility that census block areas exist within 2,600 m, but  
12628 are not included in this evaluation because their centroids are positioned just beyond 2,600 m.

#### 12629 *Methods*

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12631 *Overview of Approach:* After identifying which AERMOD TRI release sites to focus on for this  
12632 evaluation (*i.e.*, those with CR values  $> 1 \times 10^{-6}$  that reflect a high-end exposure), the next step involved a  
12633 visualization of the surrounding landscape and community infrastructure using Google Earth/Maps to  
12634 inform which kinds of population, household, and community location data to obtain and analyze. The

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12635 methodology for this analysis is consistent with what was previously described in the [Draft TSCA](#)  
 12636 [Screening Level Approach for Assessment Ambient Air and Water Exposures to Fenceline Communities](#)  
 12637 [Version 1.0](#).<sup>24</sup> However, radial distance measurements were not made in Google Earth since these  
 12638 measurements were made a later step with more precision. An internal decision framework document to  
 12639 aid in identifying PESS groups was used to help identify which environments and community  
 12640 infrastructure to examine. Specific population densities, environment and community locations of  
 12641 interest, and distances between the TRI release sites and census blocks and spatial boundaries of these  
 12642 environments/infrastructure were quantitated using GIS and R computing software. Input data was  
 12643 obtained from external sources and imported into R. New results generated as a part of this evaluation  
 12644 were compared with AERMOD results and their associated modeled distances to identify the likelihood  
 12645 that these populations experience high-end exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane. Figure\_Apx E-10 provides  
 12646 an overview of the conceptual design and approach taken as a part of this evaluation.  
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12648 **Figure\_Apx E-10. Flowchart Illustrating the Conceptual Design and Approach**  
 12649 **Taken for this Evaluation**  
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12652 *Site Selection and Visualization:* LADC results from all 23 AERMOD TRI release sites were used to  
 12653 estimate cancer risk values at the following discrete or areal modeled distances: 10, 30, 30 to 60, 60,  
 12654 100, 100 to 1,000, 1,000, 2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 m. Ten TRI facilities with LADC levels and  
 12655 calculated cancer risk values greater than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  were identified. Site characteristics of these 10 TRI  
 12656 facilities are included in Table\_Apx E-10.  
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<sup>24</sup> <https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/tsca-screening-level-approach-assessing-ambient-air-and>.



**Table\_Apx E-10. Facilities Reporting TRI Emission Included in General Population Characterization**

OES	Facility Name	City	State	TRI ID
Manufacturing	Occidental Chemical Holding Corp – Geismar Plant	Geismar	LA	70734VLCNMASHLA
	Oxy Vinyls LP La Porte VCM Plant	La Porte	TX	77571LPRTC2400M
Processing as a reactant	Westlake Vinyls Inc	Calvert City	KY	42029WSTLK2468I
	Westlake Lake Charles North	Westlake	LA	70669GRGGL1600V
	Eagle US 2 LLC	Westlake	LA	70669PPGNDCOLUM
	Shintech Plaquemine Plant	Plaquemine	LA	70764LLMNXHWY40
	Blue Cube Operations LLC – Plaquemine Site	Plaquemine	LA	7076WBLCBP21255
	Freeport_Olin BC	Freeport	TX	7754WBLCBP231NB
Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling	Axiall LLC	Plaquemine	LA	70765GRGGLHIGHW
	Ash Grove Cement	Foreman	AR	71836SHGRVPOBOX

Google Earth/Google Maps was used to conduct a preliminary (visual) analysis of the areas surrounding these 10 TRI facilities to identify residential neighborhoods and environments or community infrastructure of interest that may include a PESS group. For example, homes, parks, childcare centers, schools, places of worship, hospitals and clinics were among the types of environments and community infrastructure being considered and that were visually inspected.

#### ***Population and Household Data Selection***

Population data associated with census block groups was gathered from the American Community Survey (ACS) 2017 to 2021, which includes 5-year estimates for age, race, ethnicity, and household income. This data and the 2021 census block polygon (shapefile) dataset were obtained from [data.census.gov](https://data.census.gov) and [TIGER/Line Shapefile](#), respectively. Data for the locations of childcare centers, public schools, private schools, colleges and universities, places of worship, and healthcare facilities (hospitals, urgent cares, VA health facilities, and dialysis centers) were obtained from the Department of Homeland Security's [Homeland Infrastructure Foundation-Level Data Geoportal](#).

#### ***ACS Data Selection and Justification***

The following bullets for population data related to age, race, ethnicity, and household income provide a brief justification for the selection of the various metrics evaluated herein. This also includes the environments and community infrastructures identified in the visual inspection of the TRI release sites:

##### ***Population Age:***

- Children under 5 years old: childcare centers and public schools were observed near several of the facilities
- Children under 18 years old: public schools were observed near several of the facilities
- Females of reproductive age (15–49 years): pregnant females were indicated as a potential PESS group, so females of reproductive age were used as a proxy for pregnant females since the census does not explicitly provide data on pregnancy
- Population over 65 years old: indicated as a group of interest in the PESS framework document

12690 *Population Race:*

- 12691 • White alone
- 12692 • Black alone
- 12693 • Asian alone
- 12694 • American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) alone
- 12695 • Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (NH/PI) alone
- 12696 • Other race alone
- 12697 • Multiracial (2+ races)

12698 *Ethnicity Data:*

- 12699 • Total population identifying as Hispanic/Latino

12700 *Income Data:*

- 12701 • Population with income to poverty ratio under 1 (for population whose poverty status is determined)
- 12702
- 12703 ○ Total population whose poverty status is determined (for finding percentage of population in poverty)
- 12704
- 12705 • Median household income
- 12706 • Households in each of the income brackets used by the census

12707 *Environments and Community Infrastructure*

- 12708 • Childcare Centers: seen nearby several of the facilities during Google Earth analysis
- 12709 • Schools: observed nearby several of the facilities during Google Earth analysis
- 12710 ○ Separate datasets for public schools, private schools, and colleges/universities were used
- 12711 • Places of Worship: observed nearby several of the facilities during Google Earth analysis
- 12712 • Healthcare centers: draft RE identified people with liver cancer as a potential PESS group, and these subpopulations may visit/be admitted to healthcare centers more often
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- 12714 ○ Separate datasets for hospitals, urgent care centers, VA Health facilities, and dialysis clinics were used
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12716 *Data Pre-processing*

12717 Much of the data analysis in this evaluation was performed using R computing software. The census  
12718 block dataset contains over 8 million rows, which is an impractical size to perform complex geospatial  
12719 operations with. To make the dataset more manageable to work with in R, the census block dataset was  
12720 clipped to 2,600 m of the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites. The 2,600 m distance was chosen  
12721 because 1,000 m is the furthest distance in which a CR great or equal to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  was observed, but it  
12722 cannot be ruled out that CR does not exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  between 1,000 and 2,500 m in those instances. The  
12723 clipping area was extended an additional 100 m to account for small changes in the geospatial area that  
12724 can result when transforming spatial data from one projection system to another. Only census block  
12725 centroids within 2,600 m of the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites were included for the next steps in  
12726 the analysis.

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12728 The ACS database containing population and household-level information is available at the census  
12729 block group level, which may contain one of more individual census blocks. Our goal was to estimate  
12730 population and household metrics for each individual census block and then evaluate block-level results  
12731 at relevant distances to the subset of AERMOD TRI release sites. Thus, it was necessary to downscale  
12732 the ACS population and household data from the census block group level to the level of individual  
12733 blocks. To do this, the proportion of individual blocks within a block group was used with population



12734 and household data at the block group level to estimate the expected results scaled down to individual  
12735 blocks.

### 12737 *Identifying Sites with a General Population*

12738 Prior to performing any weighted statistics, individual census blocks without a population based on the  
12739 population column of the census block group centroid dataset were removed. This column describes the  
12740 2020 Census population count for the census block. However, to protect the privacy of survey  
12741 respondents, these population counts were subjected to random noise, which means that a small amount  
12742 may have been added or subtracted to the population count to slightly obscure the original population  
12743 value. Although this pre-processing step may be less conservative than assuming every census block has  
12744 a population, it likely removes census blocks in non-residential areas and so was the preferred step to  
12745 take. All census block centroids within 1,000 and 2,600 m of each facility were first grouped by their  
12746 census block group ID. Then, the number of populated census blocks per block group located within  
12747 1,000 or 2,600 m of the facility was calculated. The block group's population was then multiplied by the  
12748 number of populated census blocks within 1,000 or 2,600 m of the facility and then divided by the total  
12749 number of census blocks in the block group. The weighted populations for each of the census block  
12750 groups were then summed together to provide the estimated weighted population size around each  
12751 facility.

12752  
12753 When adding population metrics together for a given OES, it is important to identify where potential  
12754 overlap between facilities and populations exist to avoid double counting. None of the census blocks  
12755 within 1,000 m of the facilities overlapped with each other, so all the facility populations were simply  
12756 added to find the population by OES. Some census blocks were within 2,600 m of multiple facilities.  
12757 One census block was within 2,600 m of the Shintech Plaquemine Plant site (OES: Processing as a  
12758 reactant), Blue Cube Operations LLC Plaquemine Site (OES: Processing as a reactant), and the Axiall  
12759 LLC site (OES: Waste handling, disposal, treatment, and recycling). Additionally, two more census  
12760 blocks were located within 2,600 m of both the Westlake Lake Charles North site and the Eagle US 2  
12761 LLC site (both of which have an OES of Processing as a reactant).

12762  
12763 To account for these population overlaps and avoid double counting populations when summing  
12764 population totals by OES, the census blocks associated with more than one TRI facility were first  
12765 identified. The maximum weighted population of these block groups was then calculated. When adding  
12766 the populations for each OES together, the non-maximum weighted population(s) for the same census  
12767 blocks were then subtracted. This avoids double counting populations, while still allowing for a  
12768 conservative estimate of the total population by OES.

### 12770 *Characterizing Exposure*

12771 AERMOD models air concentrations at eight discrete distances ranging from 10 to 10,000 m and two  
12772 areal-averaged distances at 30 to 60 m and 100 to 1,000 m. This means if high levels of 1,1-  
12773 dichloroethane in ambient air are modeled at 1,000 m, EPA cannot rule out that distances between 1,000  
12774 to 2,500 m do not also experience high levels of 1,1-dichloroethane in air. Comparing estimated  
12775 distances of the general population to both the maximum AERMOD modeled distance that reflect high-  
12776 end exposure, as well as the next modeled distance, allows us to evaluate the possibility of exposure at  
12777 and in between these two distances. However, given that air concentrations decrease linearly with  
12778 distance, a possible exposure may not be a likely exposure if the general population lives well beyond  
12779 the AERMOD modeled distance that CR was found. Unreasonable risk determinations based on high-  
12780 end exposures should consider these relevant distances between modeled concentrations and where  
12781 populations are expected as well as the magnitude of distances being evaluated. This is important given

12782 the uncertainty surrounding distance estimates is greater at shorter distances than longer distances since  
12783 TRI coordinates may not necessarily reflect the true air release sites of 1,1-dichloroethane.  
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### 12785 *NEI Population Evaluation*

12786 The methods taken for the NEI population evaluation were very similar to those taken for the TRI  
12787 population evaluation, and so much of the goals, assumptions and uncertainties, methods, site/data  
12788 selection, and exposure characterization applies equally. There were a few notable differences in how  
12789 the AERMOD NEI results were analyzed, which are outlined below.  
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12791 The NEI data include releases from multiple emission units for a given facility. These units may be  
12792 fugitive and/or stack type emissions, each of which may be assigned a different OES designation. This  
12793 data was obtained for 2014 and 2017. It is important to note that the facility release sites, number of  
12794 emission units per site, their type of emissions, and their subsequent OES designation can change  
12795 between 2014 and 2017. Since concentrations from multiple emission units were modeled using  
12796 AERMOD, it was desirable to account for their aggregate release and exposure. This was done by  
12797 adding calculated CR values for each AERMOD modeled distance across emission units of a given  
12798 facility. This step was taken separately for 2014 and 2017. These facility total CR values were then used  
12799 to identify a subset of AERMOD NEI release sites to focus on for the population evaluation by selecting  
12800 on those facility CR totals that exceed the minimum CR value of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ .  
12801

12802 The population and household data were collected using the same approach for the TRI population  
12803 evaluation with one notable exception. While the TRI evaluation considered only a single site  
12804 (coordinate) for the geospatial analysis, our NEI evaluation accounted for all emissions units within a  
12805 facility. In other words, census blocks and their associated ACS data were geospatially analyzed relative  
12806 to each emission unit with a given facility complex. The population metrics were obtained for a given  
12807 emission unit, and then summed across all units for a given distance threshold (*e.g.*, 1,000 m from the  
12808 emission units). This was done for facility release sites in both the 2014 and 2017 datasets; however, the  
12809 list of facilities and number of emission units were largely the same between the two years.  
12810

12811 With respect to exposure characterization, it is important to note using an aggregate approach it is  
12812 assumed that each population surrounding an individual emission unit is equally exposed to the facility  
12813 total 1,1-dichloroethane levels and CR values. Although this may overestimate exposure and CR values  
12814 for a given population around a emission unit, this conservation step was preferred over underestimating  
12815 exposure that may result by assuming that emission units are not aggregating with one another.  
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12817 EPA determined that 517 facility release sites have estimated CR values that exceed the minimum CR  
12818 value of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . In an effort to refine the focus on those sites that pose a likely exposure to these CR  
12819 values, the Agency evaluated the population for only those AERMOD NEI release sites that have a  
12820 populated census block that overlaps or is within 100 m of the furthered modeled distances where CR  
12821 greater than or equal to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  is expected. For example, if a facility total CR value for the AERMOD  
12822 modeled 100 to 1,000 m area exceeds  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ , then this site was only considered with a populated census  
12823 block was measured within 1,100m of any individual emission unit. This subset of AERMOD NEI  
12824 release sites were evaluated specifically to interpret population results that have a greater confidence of  
12825 true exposure to the estimated CR values. It should not preclude, however, that there are additional  
12826 AERMOD release sites that have a likely exposure to estimated CR values if a populated census block  
12827 was measured beyond the 100-m threshold. That is, EPA cannot rule out that exposure is not occurring a  
12828 distances from 100 m to a few hundred meters or greater from the emission units because of the  
12829 uncertainties in where populations may be living that come with performing a proximity analysis based  
12830 on census block centroids.

12831 Another notable different between the NEI and TRI population evaluations is that (at present), only  
12832 populations within 1,000 m of the emission units were considered for the NEI evaluation. In addition,  
12833 proximity to community locations and infrastructure of interest have not yet been evaluated.

## Appendix F SURFACE WATER CONCENTRATIONS

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### F.1 Surface Water Monitoring Data

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#### F.1.1 Monitoring Data Retrieval and Processing

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The complete set of 1,1-dichloroethane monitoring results stored in the Water Quality Portal (WQP) was downloaded in March 2023 ([NWQMC, 2022](#)) using the `dataRetrieval` package in R ([R Core Team, 2022](#)) and imported directly into the R computing platform console. Specifically, the `readWQPdata` and `whatWQPsites` functions were used to acquire all WQP sample results and site data with a “1,1-Dichloroethane” characteristic name. No additional arguments were used with both functions. The downloaded dataset is large and comprehensive, where only certain data fields were desired for EPA’s intended use in the 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation. The WQP dataset was subsequently filtered for only surface water sample types with the following “MonitoringLocationTypeName:”

- Spring
- Stream
- Wetland
- Lake
- Great Lake
- Reservoir
- Impoundment
- Stream: Canal
- Stream: Ditch
- Facility Other
- Floodwater Urban
- River/Stream
- River/Stream Ephemeral,
- River/Stream Intermittent
- River/Stream Perennial

Sample results identified as below the detection limit or non-detects (*i.e.*, “ResultMeasureValue” indicated with an N/A) were replaced with values at one-half the quantitation limit (“DetectionQuantitationLimitMeasure.MeasureValue”/2). All rows without a sample result value or reported detection quantitation limit were subsequently removed. The sample result values of any replicate samples collected on the same day at the same time were averaged. Rows with an “ActivityYear” between 2015 and 2020 were kept, representative samples collected during this time period. Samples flagged as QC blanks in the “ActivityTypeCode” column were removed. Only dissolved aqueous samples were kept as indicated by a “ $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ” or “ $\text{mg L}^{-1}$ ” unit identifier in the “ResultMeasure.MeasureUnitCode” column. Sample units were adjusted to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  if needed. All sample results less than zero were forced to equal zero. Since  $\frac{1}{2}$  the detection quantitation limit was used to replace below detection or non-detection sample result values, an appropriate detection quantitation limit cutoff was determined. The 95th quantile, 99th quantile, and max detection quantitation limits were examined to identify that  $\leq 5 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  is a reasonable detection quantitation limit. Any adjusted sample result values greater than  $5 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  was removed.

Monitoring data from drinking water systems were acquired from the Third Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR3) database ([U.S. EPA, 2017c](#)). The UCMR3 dataset includes public water systems (PWS) serving more than 10,000 people and 800 of the nation’s PWSs that serve 10,000 or

12878 fewer people. The complete history of 1,1-dichloroethane measurements in the UCMR3 finished  
12879 drinking water dataset was acquired. Sample result values below the Minimum Reporting Limit (MRL)  
12880 as indicated by a “<” sign in the “AnalyticalResultsSign” column were replaced with the MRL. In this  
12881 case, the highest reported MRL for all 1,1-dichloroethane drinking water measurements is  $0.03 \mu\text{gL}^{-1}$ ,  
12882 which is low enough where the full MRL as opposed to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the MRL can be used. Sample details were  
12883 reviewed and screened to remove those indicating that they were collected from groundwater (*i.e.*, those  
12884 including “Well” in the “SamplePointName” column) and select for those only including surface water  
12885 source types (*i.e.*, those including “SW” in the “FacilityWaterType”).

## 12886 **F.2 Surface Water Concentration Modeling**

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### 12887 **F.2.1 Hydrologic Flow Data Assimilation**

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12888 The joint U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and EPA National Hydrography Dataset (NHDPlus V2.1)  
12889 national seamless flowline network database was used to obtain modeled stream or river (hereby  
12890 referred to as stream) hydrologic flow data. The NHD dataset is one of the largest national hydrologic  
12891 datasets, containing geospatially delineated flowline stream networks, information on the sequential  
12892 linkages between flowline reach segments (*i.e.*, to-node and from-node identifiers), and modeled flow  
12893 values for greater than 2.7 million stream segments nationwide ([U.S. EPA and U.S.G.S., 2016](#)). The  
12894 NHD dataset is comprehensive at the nation scale and has been used for numerous regional and national  
12895 hydrologic modeling studies since its creation. The NHD dataset contains mean annual and monthly  
12896 stream flows for nearly all individual stream segments in the national flow network. Stream flows were  
12897 determined by the Enhanced Runoff Method (EROM) Flow Estimate model, which determines flow  
12898 values through from multi-step estimation and calibration process with each step designed to  
12899 incrementally improve the stream flow estimate. The first step involves accumulating runoff based on  
12900 flow balance grids from a 30-year period from 1971 to 2000. The last step involves correcting flows at a  
12901 distance upstream and downstream of an observed gage flow. The modeled EROM flow data fields are  
12902 labeled with a leading “QE\_”. The dataset is incorporated into recordkeeping and modeling across EPA  
12903 programs that require knowledge of a national stream network, providing consistency and compatibility  
12904 with projects across the EPA. Pertaining to our efforts in this risk evaluation, the EPA’s Enforcement  
12905 and Compliance History Online (ECHO) database uses facility-linkages to the 14-digit Hydrologic Unit  
12906 Classification (HUC) reach codes associated with the NHD flowline network.

12907  
12908 A list of facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters were obtained from the ECHO  
12909 Pollutant Load Tool “Custom Search” tab as outlined in *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane –*  
12910 *Supplemental Information File: Environmental Releases and Occupational Exposure Assessment*. These  
12911 facilities include those that directly discharge into surface waters, compiled from their parent TRI and  
12912 Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMR) database. None of the facilities indirectly discharge to a surface  
12913 water body; for example, which may arise from the transfer of 1,1-dichloroethane to a disposal facility.  
12914 For each facility, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) identifier was used to  
12915 retrieve a corresponding 14-digit NHDPlusV2 reach code using the ECHO DMR API wrapper  
12916 (“dmr\_rest\_services.get\_facility\_report”). This step was repeated for each year between 2015 to 2020 to  
12917 obtain reach codes that correspond to the year that wastewater discharge data was collected. Note, all  
12918 NPDES pulled from TRI are also represented in the DMR database.

12919  
12920 Values of modeled EROM mean annual stream flow (QE\_MA) and monthly annual stream flow (*e.g.*,  
12921 QE\_01, QE\_02, QE\_03, etc.) were retrieved from the seamless NHDPlusV2 flowline network database  
12922 for all acquired reach codes. Since individual reach codes may include one or more flowline segments  
12923 (*i.e.*, a unique COMID identifier) and thus multiple modeled flow values, the lowest flow value for a



12924 given reach code was kept. Although most NHD flowlines represent streams, some may represent  
12925 coastal water bodies, where the mean annual stream flow values are reported as an N/A or as zero. Flow  
12926 values reported as N/A or zero were subsequently flagged as possible coastlines. In some cases, a reach  
12927 code was not returned through the ECHO DMR API wrapper. When this occurs, a calculated facility  
12928 effluent flow was used instead of a NHD modeled flow value, thus reflecting the effluent flow at the  
12929 facility outfall instead of the receiving water body. Facility effluent flow was also used when a reach  
12930 code was returned, but the value was reported as an N/A or zero. EPA decided this was a more  
12931 conservative and efficient approach than to identify where the true outfall and receiving water body is  
12932 for a given facility NPDES that did not return a reach code. Because DMR reach codes were assigned  
12933 using the NHD flowline database, instances when a reach code is not returned could reflect a reporting  
12934 error or an instance where the receiving water body was a lentic system such as a lake or pond. Thus,  
12935 through this approach, a calculated facility effluent flow was also used in the event the receiving water  
12936 body is a lake, pond, or reservoir, which would require detailed information of the lentic water body's  
12937 volume to estimate the aqueous concentration. An average annual facility effluent flow (in millions of  
12938 liters) was calculated by dividing the annual pollutant load ( $\text{kg yr}^{-1}$ ) by the average concentration ( $\text{mg}$   
12939  $\text{L}^{-1}$ ), derived from the Pollutant Load Tool estimation function. This value was then divided by 365 to  
12940 obtain an average facility effluent flow in units of millions of liters per day (MLD).  
12941

12942 To estimate an aqueous concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane in a receiving stream, the annual pollutant  
12943 load ( $\text{kg yr}^{-1}$ ) was divided by a hydrologic flow value (in MLD) originating from the NHD EROM  
12944 dataset and the units adjusted accordingly. Several different hydrologic flow metrics were estimated,  
12945 which detailed in the next section. For each of the metrics, stream flow was compared to the calculated  
12946 facility effluent flow, and the lower of the two flow values was kept. When NHD-based flow could not  
12947 be estimated, the calculated facility effluent flow was chosen. The Pollutant Loading Tool returns a  
12948 continuous dataset of annual pollutant load and average concentrations, so a calculated facility effluent  
12949 flow value can always be used, allowing for a continuous record of flow metrics to choose from to  
12950 estimate an aqueous concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane.

## 12951 **F.2.2 Facility-Specific Release Modeling**

12952 In previous TSCA risk evaluations, EPA applied the E-FAST 2014 tool ([U.S. EPA, 2014a](#)) to estimate  
12953 aqueous chemical concentrations and exposure resulting from individual facility discharges to surface  
12954 waters. To make the calculations more flexibility, efficient, and repeatable, many of the underlying  
12955 calculations that EPA uses were translated to an excel workbook format. Without the need to use the E-  
12956 FAST software directly which can be cumbersome and time consuming, facility pollutant loads,  
12957 associated flow data, and facility release schedules can be used with the nimbler E-FAST-style excel  
12958 workbook. This refinement in methodology allows an assessor to manual enter and adjust inputs  
12959 parameters as needed, but more importantly, provides an opportunity to enter newer and more relevant  
12960 hydrologic flow information than what was included in the older, underlying, E-FAST software (the  
12961 EPA original Reach File 1 dating back to 1984). With this improved approach, facility-specific  
12962 modeling can be conducted using similar methodology and logic of the E-FAST 2014 tool but with  
12963 update hydrologic flow data and an overall improved confidence in the accuracy of the estimated  
12964 aqueous concentrations and linkages between the facility releases and their true receiving water body.  
12965 This updated approach was first employed in EPA's risk evaluation of 1,4-dioxane. This draft risk  
12966 evaluation of 1,1-dichloroethane has adopted a similar approach herein.  
12967

12968 Several different types of metrics were estimated using either the annual or monthly mean modeled  
12969 EROM flow values: arithmetic mean flow, harmonic mean flow, the lowest 30-day average flow  
12970 occurring in a 5-year period (30Q5), and the lowest 7-day average flow occurring in a 10-year period



(7Q10). The harmonic mean and 30Q5 flow metrics have been used in previous risk evaluations for exposures from drinking water consumption, dermal contact, and fish ingestion that affect human health. The 7Q10 flow metric has previously been used to evaluate exposures to aquatic ecological species. Of these flow metrics, only the arithmetic mean can be acquired from the NHDPlusV2 EROM dataset. The other flow metrics (harmonic mean, 30Q5, and 7Q10) have historically required an extensive, costly, and generally inefficient modeling procedure, which is impractical to do in a timely manner for a large list of new sites until the procedure is made more efficient. Thus, an alternative approach to estimating these flow metrics was taken, consistent with how they are calculated in the underlying E-FAST Probabilistic Dilution Model (PDM). Regression equations from the E-FAST user manual ([Versar, 2014](#)) were applied as detailed below. NHD EROM mean annual and lowest monthly flow values serve as the foundation for these calculations, where the mean annual flow served as the arithmetic mean and the lowest monthly average flow (*i.e.*, lowest of the monthly series: QE\_1, QE\_2, QE\_3, etc.) was used as a proxy for 30Q5 flow. Since the modeled EROM flow metrics represent averages across a 30-year timeframe, the lowest of the monthly means for a given reach is a close representation of the lowest 30-day average flow occurring in a 30-year time period (*i.e.*, 30Q30), and thus reflects a longer term average in comparison to 30Q5 flow. The arithmetic mean and “30Q30” were entered into the regression equations below to solve for the harmonic mean and 7Q10 flow metrics:

**Equation\_Apx F-1.**

$$7Q10 = (0.409 \text{ cfs/MLD} * 30Q5 / 1.782 )^{1.0352} / (0.409 \text{ cfs/MLD})$$

Where:

7Q10 = the modeled 7Q10 flow, in MLD  
 30Q5 = the lowest monthly average flow from NHD, in MLD

$$HM = 1.194 * ((0.409 \text{ cfs/MLD} * AM )^{0.473} * (0.409 \text{ cfs/MLD} * 7Q10 )^{0.552}) / (0.409 \text{ cfs/MLD})$$

Where:

HM = the modeled harmonic mean flow, in MLD  
 AM = the annual average flow from NHD, in MLD  
 7Q10 = the modeled 7Q10 flow from the previous equation, in MLD

These different calculated stream flow metrics were then compared to the calculated facility effluent flow. When facility effluent flow exceeded a given stream flow metric (*i.e.*, facility flow > HM, 30Q5, or 7Q10), then facility effluent flow replaced the stream flow metric value. When a stream flow metric could not be estimated for the reasons outlined above, then the facility effluent flow value was also used.

For each facility, the highest annual load during the 2015 to 2020 time period was used to estimate aqueous 1,1-dichloroethane concentration. Average daily loadings are calculated by dividing the annual loading by the number of days of operation per year. Three different scenarios for operating days were evaluated: 1 day, 30 days, and the maximum expected days of operation listed in Table 3-3. The 1- and 30-day scenarios provide more conservative approaches to evaluating resulting stream concentrations and allow more confidence in screening out risk from facilities (that is, identifying which facilities have releases that do not exceed any thresholds for risk). Conversely, the maximum number of days of operation provides more confidence for identifying risk that exceeds a threshold.

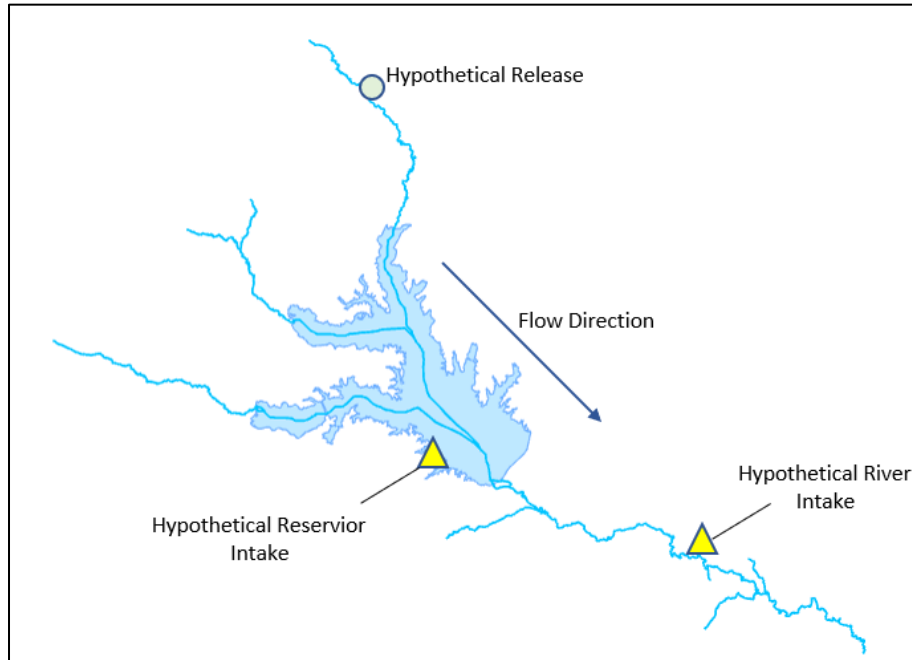
For each scenario, the aqueous concentration was calculated using Equation\_Apx F-2:

**Equation\_Apx F-2.**

$$\text{Concentration } (\mu\text{g/L}) = (\text{Daily Load (kg/day)} * 10^9 (\mu\text{g/kg})) / (\text{Flow (MLD)} * 10^6 (\text{L/ML}))$$

**F.2.3 Modeling at Drinking Water Intakes**

To estimate aqueous 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations in drinking water, surface water intake locations downstream of the facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane (in Section 2) were identified. The coordinates of surface water intake locations for public water systems (PWS) were obtained from the Safe Drinking Water Information (SDWIS) Federal Data Warehouse. The site coordinates and associated NHDPlusV2 reach codes associated with facilities releasing 1,1-dichloroethane to surface waters were already obtained in the steps outlined in Section F.2.1. To obtain the reach codes associated with drinking water intake locations, the nearest neighboring flowline or waterbody from the NHDPlusV2 dataset was identified using the “Near” tool in ArcGIS Pro software. In addition, flowlines and their reach codes that intersect with standing water bodies were identified. This can occur when reservoirs are constructed from dammed rivers, which may have intake locations at the bank of the reservoir as opposed to the center link of the river (Figure\_Apx F-1).



**Figure\_Apx F-1. Generic Schematic of Hypothetical Release Point with Surface Water Intakes for Drinking Water Systems Located Downstream**

An R script was developed to search for and identify reach codes with intake locations that exist downstream of each reach code with a facility release site by using the “to-node” and “from-node” reach code sequence identifiers as a part of the NHDPlusV2 database. For each facility, the script functions by starting with the facility-linked reach code and incrementally stepping downstream to the next reach code, recording the length of the stream segment (in km) and whether the reach has a drinking water intake. When a reach with a drinking water intake is identified, the PWS details and the total distance traveled is recorded in a separate data file. The script then continues to search downstream until hitting a terminal reach code (*i.e.*, where no subsequent reach codes can be search, such as is the case with a coastline) or when the maximum search distance is realized. For this assessment, a maximum search stream length of 250 km was applied.

13049 The search function creates a separate data file that includes all possible combinations of PWS intakes  
13050 downstream of the facility release sites. Thus, a given facility release site may encounter multiple PWSs,  
13051 which each may have multiple intake locations during the search 250 km downstream. For each intake,  
13052 the accompanying reach code was used to acquire modeled EROM flow data from the NHD flowline  
13053 database using the approach outlined in Section 3.3.3.6.1. Since a PWS may have multiple intakes, the  
13054 most upstream intake location was kept while all others removed for the next step. Aqueous  
13055 concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane were then estimated at each intake location using a dilution factor  
13056 that was calculated by dividing the stream flow of the reach or the facility effluent plant flow at the  
13057 facility release site (*i.e.*, start flow) by the stream flow of the reach at the drinking water intake location  
13058 (*i.e.*, end flow). If the end flow was greater than the start flow, the dilution factor was made equal to 1.  
13059 The concentration estimated at the site of facility discharge was multiplied by the dilution factor to  
13060 estimate an aqueous concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane at the site of the drinking water intake. For  
13061 each PWS, additional information was obtained from the Safe Drinking Water Information System  
13062 (SDWIS) Federal Reporting System ([U.S. EPA, 2022e](#)). The “PWS\_TYPE\_CODE” column was used to  
13063 select only sites representing Community Water Systems (CWS) and Non-Transient Non-Community  
13064 Water Systems (NTNCWS) for exposure analysis. In some cases, PWSs draw water from sources other  
13065 than surface water, including groundwater or purchased water from another location. In a prior step, site  
13066 information from SDWIS was used to select for only those PWSs that draw from surface waters as the  
13067 primary source (*i.e.*, those with identified as “SW” for surface water in the “PrimarySourceCode”  
13068 Column).

## Appendix G GROUNDWATER CONCENTRATIONS

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### G.1 Groundwater Monitoring Data

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#### G.1.1 Monitoring Data Retrieval and Processing

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The complete set of 1,1-dichloroethane monitoring results stored in the Water Quality Portal (WQP) was downloaded in March 2023 ([NWQMC, 2022](#)) using the *dataRetrieval* package in R ([R Core Team, 2022](#)) and imported directly into the R computing platform console. Specifically, the *readWQPdata* and *whatWQPsites* functions were used to acquire all WQP sample results and site data with a “1,1-Dichloroethane” characteristic name. No additional arguments were used with both functions. The downloaded dataset is large and comprehensive, where only certain data fields were desired for EPA’s intended use in the 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation. The WQP dataset was subsequently filtered for only groundwater sample types with the following “MonitoringLocationTypeName:”

- Well;
- Subsurface;
- Subsurface: Groundwater drain; and
- Well: Multiple wells.

Sample results identified as below the detection limit or non-detects (*i.e.*, “ResultMeasureValue” indicated with an N/A) were replaced with values at one-half the quantitation limit (“DetectionQuantitationLimitMeasure.MeasureValue”  $\div$  2). All rows without a sample result value or reported detection quantitation limit were subsequently removed. The sample result values of any replicate samples collected on the same day at the same time were averaged. Rows with an “ActivityYear” between 2015 and 2020 were kept, representative of samples collected during this time period. Samples flagged as QC blanks in the “ActivityTypeCode” column were removed. Only dissolved aqueous samples were kept as indicated by a “ $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ” or “ $\text{mg L}^{-1}$ ” unit identifier in the “ResultMeasure.MeasureUnitCode” column. Sample units were adjusted to  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  if needed. All sample results less than zero were forced to equal zero. Since  $\frac{1}{2}$  the detection quantitation limit was used to replace below detection or non-detection sample result values, an appropriate detection quantitation limit cutoff was determined. The 95th quantile, 99th quantile, and max detection quantitation limits were examined to identify that less than or equal to  $20 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  is a reasonable detection quantitation limit. Any adjusted sample result values exceeding  $20 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  were removed.

## Appendix H DRINKING WATER EXPOSURE ESTIMATES

Levels of acute and chronic exposure from the consumption of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water were estimated using the surface water concentrations estimated in Sections 3.3.3.2.2 and groundwater concentrations estimated in Section 3.3.4.3.2. Additional information on these drinking source-waters are described in Sections H.1 and H.2 below.

Acute and chronic drinking water exposures used to evaluate non-cancer risks were estimated as an Acute Dose Rate (ADR) or Average Daily Dose (ADD), respectively. Lifetime exposures used to evaluate cancer risks were estimated as a Lifetime Average Daily Dose (LADD). The following equations were used to calculate each of these exposure values:

### Equation\_Apx H-1.

$$ADR = (SWC \times (1 - DWT/100) \times IR_{dw} \times RD \times CF1)/(BW \times AT)$$

### Equation\_Apx H-2.

$$ADD = (SWC \times (1 - DWT/100) \times IR_{dw} \times ED \times RD \times CF1)/(BW \times AT \times CF2)$$

### Equation\_Apx H-3.

$$LADD = (SWC \times (1 - DWT/100) \times IR_{dw} \times ED \times RD \times CF1)/(BW \times AT \times CF2)$$

Where:

<i>SWC</i>	=	Surface water concentration (ppb or µg/L)
<i>DWT</i>	=	Removal during drinking water treatment (%)
<i>IR<sub>dw</sub></i>	=	Drinking water intake rate (L/day)
<i>RD</i>	=	Release days (days/year for ADD, LADD and LADC; 1 day for ADR)
<i>ED</i>	=	Exposure duration (years for ADD, LADD and LADC; 1 day for ADR)
<i>BW</i>	=	Body weight (kg)
<i>AT</i>	=	Exposure duration (years for ADD, LADD and LADC; 1 day for ADR)
<i>CF1</i>	=	Conversion factor (1.0×10 <sup>-3</sup> mg/µg)
<i>CF2</i>	=	Conversion factor (365 days/year)

The same inputs for body weight, averaging time (AT), and exposure duration were applied across the evaluations of drinking water, incidental oral exposure, and incidental dermal exposure. For all calculations, mean body weight data were derived from Chapter 8, Table 8-1 in EPA's *Exposure Factors Handbook* (EFH) ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)). To align with the age groups of interest, weight averages were calculated for the infant age group (birth to <1 year) and toddlers (1 to 5 years). The ranges given in the EFH were weighted by their fraction of the age group of interest. For example, the EFH provides body weight for 0 to 1 month, 1 to 3 months, 3 to 6 months, and 6 to 12 months. Each of those body weights were weighted by their number of months out of 12 to determine the weighted average for an infant 0 to 1 year old. For all ADR calculations, the AT is 1 day, and the days of 1,1-dichloroethane release are assumed to be 1 according to the methodology used in E-FAST 2014 ([U.S. EPA, 2014a](#)). Thus, exposure levels are derived from aqueous concentration estimates that assume the entire annual load of 1,1-dichloroethane is released from the facility at single time. For all ADD calculations, the AT and the ED are both equal to the number of years in the relevant age group up to the 95th percentile of the expected duration at a single residence, 33 years ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)). For example, estimates for a

13148 child between 6 and 10 years old would be based on an AT and ED of 5 years. For all LADD and LADC  
13149 calculations, the AT is based on a lifetime of 78 years, and the ED is the number of years of exposure in  
13150 the relevant age group, up to 33 years.

13151  
13152 Drinking water exposure levels were estimated for the following age groups: Adult (21+ years), Youth  
13153 (16 to 20 years), Youth (10 to 15 years), Child (6 to 10 years), Toddler (1 to 5 years), and infant (birth to  
13154 <1 year). Drinking water intake rates are provided in the 2019 update of Chapter 3 of the EFH ([U.S.  
13155 EPA, 2019a](#)). Weighted averages were calculated for acute and chronic drinking water intakes for adults  
13156 21 years or older and toddlers aged 1 to 5 years. From Table 3-17 in the EFH, 95th percentile consumer  
13157 data were used for acute drinking water intake rates. From Table 3-9 in the EFH, mean per capita data  
13158 were used for chronic drinking water intake rates.

## 13159 **H.1 Surface Water Sources of Drinking Water**

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13160 Exposure levels resulting from the contamination of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water sourced from  
13161 surface waters was estimated from aqueous concentrations generated at individual PWS intake locations  
13162 as described in Section F.2.3. It is important to note that aqueous concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane  
13163 were not estimated in still water bodies, such as lakes, ponds, or reservoirs, even if PWS draws from  
13164 these surface water bodies. Rather, in these cases, modeled EROM stream flow values or the facility  
13165 effluent plant flow (*e.g.*, when upstream flow > downstream flow) served as the basis for estimate  
13166 aqueous concentrations at the PWS intake location. Given the difficulty of determining lake volume for  
13167 many sites and the uncertainty around applying generic dilution factors was avoided.

13168  
13169 The aqueous concentrations derived from a modeled 30Q5 stream flow, or from the facility effluent  
13170 flow, were used to estimate an ADR or acute exposure level. The aqueous concentrations derived from  
13171 the modeled harmonic mean stream flow, or from the facility effluent flow, were used to estimate an  
13172 ADD, LADD, and LADC or chronic exposure levels. Prior to estimating exposure levels, information on  
13173 the treatment processes for each PWS was obtained from SDWIS. For PWSs that treat raw source water  
13174 using packed tower aeration, aqueous concentration estimates at those drinking water intakes were  
13175 adjusted to account for 80 percent drinking water treatment removal. For all other sites and their  
13176 corresponding treatment processes, drinking water treatment removal was set to 0 percent to represent a  
13177 conservative estimate of possible drinking water exposures.

13178  
13179 It is important to note that water treatment systems may vary widely across the country based on  
13180 available and utilized water treatment processes that depend on whether source water is groundwater or  
13181 surface water. These processes typically include disinfection, coagulation/flocculation, sedimentation,  
13182 and filtration ([U.S. EPA, 2006a](#)). In assessing drinking water exposures, the ability to treat and remove  
13183 or transform chemicals in possible drinking water supplies should be considered. Because of the wide  
13184 range of treatment processes that inconsistently remove 1,1-dichloroethane from ambient surface water  
13185 and groundwater prior to possible general population consumption as drinking water, EPA assumes zero  
13186 removal except for PWSs that utilize packed tower aeration processes to provide a conservative estimate  
13187 of general population drinking water exposures (further details are described in Section D.2.3.1).

## 13188 **H.2 Groundwater Sources of Drinking Water**

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13189 Exposure levels resulting from the contamination of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water sourced from  
13190 groundwater was estimated from aqueous concentrations generated from the DRAS model as described  
13191 in Section 3.3.4.1.



13193 Chronic and lifetime exposures (ADD and LADD) were calculated based on groundwater concentrations  
13194 estimated using the DRAS Model. Acute exposures to groundwater were not calculated because the  
13195 available models EPA used for estimating groundwater concentrations are designed to predict long-term  
13196 trends rather than short peaks in exposure. Drinking water treatment removal (DWT) was set to 0  
13197 percent for groundwater under the assumption that home wells are unlikely to remove 1,1-  
13198 dichloroethane.

### 13199 **H.3 Removal through Drinking Water Treatment**

13200 Removal of 1,1-dichloroethane in drinking water treatment is expected to be primarily due to its  
13201 volatility and potential to be adsorbed to activated carbon where activated carbon treatment is in place.  
13202 The effectiveness of treatment such as air stripping for the removal of volatile chemicals can be  
13203 predicted by physical and chemical properties such as the Henry's Law constant (HLC). Removal of  
13204 chemicals in granular activated carbon (GAC) treatment systems are more difficult to predict from  
13205 physical and chemical properties, but information on the adsorption capacity of GAC for chemicals  
13206 helps inform the effectiveness and feasibility of GAC treatment for the removal of the chemical from  
13207 water.

13208  
13209 1,1-Dichloroethane can be removed by GAC ([U.S. EPA, 2021a](#)). To achieve high removal of 1,1-  
13210 dichloroethane a GAC system would have to incorporate design and operating parameters that account  
13211 for the 1,1-dichloroethane sorptive capacity of GAC. In conclusion, a GAC treatment system could be  
13212 designed and operated to achieve high removal of 1,1-dichloroethane, but without performance data  
13213 there is high uncertainty estimating its treatment efficiency.  
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## Appendix I ECOLOGICAL EXPOSURE ESTIMATES

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Estimated aqueous concentrations at the facility release sites were compared to their respective acute and chronic concentration of concern (CoC). Initial surface water (water column) concentrations were estimated by dividing the annual load for a given facility by the number of ecological exposure days that correspond to the acute or chronic scenario for the water column and benthic pore water. Details on how the CoCs for aquatic ecological species were determined can be found in Section 4. Concentrations that exceeded their respective acute and chronic water column and benthic pore water CoCs were kept for a second modeling step using the Point Source Calculator (PSC).

### I.1 The Point Source Calculator

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#### I.1.1 Description of the Point Source Calculator

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The PSC is a tool designed to estimate acute and chronic concentrations of chemicals directly released to surface water bodies. It is a proposed potential refinement to E-FAST for estimating exposures from wastewater discharges to surface waters. In addition to calculating aqueous concentrations (in the water column) based on the chemical loading release rate and receiving water body streamflow as E-FAST does, the PSC accounts for several key physicochemical processes that can affect levels of a released chemical during transport. More specifically, the PSC allows for chemical removal through sorption to sediment, volatilization, and transformation processes (*i.e.*, aerobic and anaerobic metabolism, hydrolysis, and photolysis), thus providing a higher tiered model that produces a potentially less conservative estimates of concentration and exposure compared to E-FAST. In addition, the PSC provides estimates of the chemical concentration in the benthic pore water and bulk sediment of a receiving water body. Because of these additional processes, PSC requires a number of chemical-specific input parameters, including chemical partitioning (sediment, air, water) and degradation rates. PSC also requires specific release site parameters, such as waterbody dimensions, baseflow, and meteorological data as well as a group of water column and benthic porewater/sediment biogeochemical parameters. A description of the PSC input parameters can be found in Section 4 of the *Point Source Calculator: A model for Estimating Chemical Concentration in Water Bodies* document ([U.S. EPA, 2019c](#)).

The PSC is particularly useful for estimating benthic pore water concentrations for assessing benthic organism exposures, but was designed for use on a site-specific basis, thus requiring a number of assumptions about release site parameters before applying to national-scale exposure assessments. Since the PSC has more input parameters and requires default assumptions for national-scale assessments, EPA's Office of Pesticides Program (OPP) performed a thorough sensitivity analysis to identify a standard set of assumptions for PSC runs that can be applied nationally. This sensitivity analysis informed our use of the PSC model and choice of input parameters, which are detailed below. Of the additional parameters considered to effect chemical concentration in the water column, benthic porewater, and benthic bulk sediment, the most are the user's selection of the meteorological file, water body dimensions, and waterbody baseflow. While the baseflow should be included for each individual site, without sufficient information on the meteorology or receiving water body dimensions, it is recommended to use the following standard input parameters: the 90th percentile meteorological file (*i.e.*, w24027) and water body dimensions of 5 m × 1 m × 40 m (width × depth × length).

#### I.1.2 Point Source Calculator Input Parameters

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Table\_Apx I-1 to Table\_Apx I-4 include the standard set of input parameters used with the PSC, excluding the mass release and constant flow rate parameters, which changed for each site and scenario (acute or chronic). A new list of facility release sites were created from those releases that resulted in an

13260 estimated aqueous (water column) concentration of 1,1-dichloroethane exceeding a water column and  
 13261 benthic pore water acute CoC (7,898 µg/L and 7,898 µg/L, respectively) or water column and benthic  
 13262 pore water chronic CoC (93 µg/L and 6,800 µg/L, respectively). For either scenario, the constant flow  
 13263 rate remained the same. Here the estimated 7Q10 flow value created in Section F.2 was used. For those  
 13264 facility release sites with estimated concentrations exceeding the respective acute CoC, the mass release  
 13265 parameter equaled the annual load, thus reflecting a 1-day maximum release scenario. For those facility  
 13266 release sites with estimated concentrations exceeding the respective chronic CoC, the mass release  
 13267 parameters equaled the annual load divided by 21 (water column chronic) or 15 (benthic pore water  
 13268 chronic), thus reflecting a 21- or 15-day release schedule where the annual load was released in equal  
 13269 amounts over 21 or 15 consecutive days. The default Water Column and Benthic compartment PSC  
 13270 input parameters were used as well as the default Mass Transfer Coefficient.

13271  
 13272 The respective water column and benthic acute and chronic CoCs were used for each of the water  
 13273 column and benthic pore water toxicity options. For example, for the chronic water column scenario, a  
 13274 user defined “21-Day Avg” scenario was included. For those sites that exceeded the benthic pore water  
 13275 chronic CoC with initial (water column) concentrations, they were then modeled with PSC to estimate  
 13276 their benthic chronic sediment concentration and compared to the respective CoC (2,900 µg/L). It is  
 13277 important to note that initial estimates of aqueous concentration in the water column were used to create  
 13278 a new list of facilities to model in PSC for benthic water pore and sediment concentrations. Thus, it is  
 13279 assumed that if an initial water column concentration did not exceed the benthic pore water CoC than it  
 13280 would not exceed the benthic pore water CoC post-PSC modeling. This is expected to be the case for  
 13281 1,1-dichloroethane because benthic pore water concentrations are not expected to exceed the water  
 13282 column concentrations from which they were derived using the PSC Model.

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 13284 **Table\_Apx I-1. 1,1-Dichloroethane Chemical-Specific PSC Input Parameters**

Physiochemical PSC Input Parameters	
Sorption Coefficient $K_{oc}$ (ml/g)	30.20
Water Column Half-life (days)	365 at 25 °C
Photolysis Half-life (days)	365 at 0 °Lat.
Hydrolysis Half-life (days)	365 at 25 °C
Benthic Half-life (Days)	365 at 25 °C
Volatilization (yes/no)	Yes – Use Henry’s constant
Molecular Weight	98.95
Henry's Constant (atm m <sup>3</sup> /mol)	0.00562
Heat of Henry (J/mol)	0
Reference Temp (deg C)	24

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13287 **Table\_Apx I-2. 1,1-Dichloroethane PSC Mass Release Schedule for an Acute**  
 13288 **Exposure Scenario**

Mass Release Schedule	
Offset (# of lead days before release begins)	0
Days on (# of consecutive release days)	1
Days off (# of consecutive days without release)	364
Mass release (kg/day)	Site annual load

13289 **Table\_Apx I-3. 1,1-Dichloroethane PSC Mass Release Schedule for a Chronic**  
 13290 **Exposure Scenario**  
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Mass Release Schedule	
Offset (# of lead days before release begins)	0
Days on (# of consecutive release days)	21, 15, or 35
Days off (# of consecutive days without release)	344, 350, or 330
Mass release (kg/day)	Site annual load ÷ # of days off

13292 **Table\_Apx I-4. Meteorologic and Hydrologic PSC Input Parameters**  
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Meteorologic and Hydrologic Input Parameters	
Meteorologic Data File	w24027
Water Body Dimensions (Width x Depth x Length)	5 m × 1 m × 40 m
Constant Flow Rate (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Site 7Q10 flow

### 13294 **I.1.3 Water Column, Pore Water, and Benthic Sediment Results**

13295 The PSC estimates daily concentrations of the chemical in the water column, benthic pore water, and  
 13296 bulk benthic sediment for a given year, and repeats the simulation for 30 consecutive years. The main  
 13297 Results tab of the PSC software includes a time series graph of these daily simulations repeated for 30  
 13298 years. The Results tab also provides concentration estimates on a daily sliding average (*i.e.*, “1-Day  
 13299 Avg”, “7-Day Avg”, “28-Day Avg”). These averages reflect the maximum of the entire times series for  
 13300 the period of days indicated, meaning a “1-Day Avg” is the maximum estimated daily concentration for  
 13301 the entire time series and a “21-Day Avg” is the maximum average of 21 consecutive daily estimated  
 13302 concentrations. However, these average metrics do not necessarily correspond to the first group of that  
 13303 might be indicates by the metric. For example, the “35-Day Average” may not include the first 35 days  
 13304 of each year’s simulation. Concentration results for the water column (µg/L), benthic pore water (µg/L),  
 13305 and total benthic sediment (µg/kg) were retrieved from either the “1-Day Avg”, “21-Day Avg”, “15-Day  
 13306 Avg”, or “35-Day Avg” to coincide with the acute and chronic release toxicity scenarios.  
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13308 The PSC also estimates the number of days that the chemical concentration exceeds a user-defined  
 13309 concentration of concern for each of the water column, pore water, and benthic bulk sediment  
 13310 compartments. Since a sediment toxicity CoC was not applied, this data was not included. The days of  
 13311 exceedance was estimated by multiplying the “1-Day Avg” “Days > CoC” fraction by 10,957 (the total  
 13312 number of days in the time series) and then divided by 30 (the total number of years in the simulation).  
 13313 This metric aligns with the daily concentration output file. Note, through this approach the user’s mass  
 13314 release schedule bounds the days of exceedance metric in the water column primarily because of  
 13315 washout (*i.e.*, replacement of “clean water” from downstream water transport) that occurs immediately

13316 following the last day of chemical mass release in the model. The days of exceedance metric should be  
 13317 interpreting with caution for this reason.

13318 **I.2 Concentrations in Biota and Associated Dietary Exposure Estimates**

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**Table\_Apx I-5. 1,1-Dichloroethane Fish Concentrations Calculated from PSC-Modeled Industrial and Commercial 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases**

COU (Life Cycle/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Facility	Receiving Waterbody	SWC (µg/L) <sup>a</sup>	Fish Concentration (ng/g)
Manufacture/ Domestic manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	LA0000761	Bayou D'Inde & Bayou Verdine	85	590
Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	TX0119792	Unnamed ditch, San Jacinto Bay	13	90
Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing					
Processing/Recycling/Recycling					
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	IL0064564	Rock River	7.0E–01	4.9
Commercial use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	IL0034592	Sawmill Creek	6.4E–01	4.5
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	NE0043371	Stevens Creek	12	87
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	KY0022039	Valley Creek	8.2	57
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	CA0064599	South Fork of Arroyo Conejo Creek	31	210
Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>b</sup>			
<sup>a</sup> Max daily average represents the maximum surface water concentration (SWC) over the COU/OES-specific operating days per year (Table 3-3). <sup>b</sup> Distribution in commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).					

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13324 **Table\_Apx I-6. 1,1-Dichloroethane Crayfish Concentrations Calculated from PSC-Modeled**  
 13325 **Industrial and Commercial 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases**

COU (Life Cycle/Category/Subcategory)	Scenario Name	Facility	Receiving Waterbody	PWC (µg/L) <sup>a</sup>	Crayfish Concentration (ng/g)
Manufacture/domestic manufacturing/domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	LA0000761	Bayou D'Inde & Bayou Verdine	78	550
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a Reactive Intermediate	TX0119792	Unnamed ditch, San Jacinto Bay	12	87
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing					
Processing/recycling/recycling					
Processing/processing – repackaging/processing – repackaging	Processing – Repackaging	IL0064564	Rock River	6.1E-01	4.3
Commercial use/other use/laboratory chemicals	Commercial Use as a Laboratory Chemical	IL0034592	Sawmill Creek	5.5E-01	3.8
Disposal/disposal/disposal	General Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal	NE0043371	Stevens Creek	12	83
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste Handling, Treatment and Disposal (POTW)	KY0022039	Valley Creek	7.9	55
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste Handling, Treatment, and Disposal (Remediation)	CA0064599	South Fork of Arroyo Conejo Creek	29	210
Distribution in commerce/distribution in commerce/distribution in commerce	Distribution in Commerce	N/A <sup>b</sup>			
<sup>a</sup> Max daily average represents the maximum benthic pore water concentration (PWC) over the COU/OES-specific operating days per year (Table 3-3). <sup>b</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).					

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13327 **Table\_Apx I-7. Dietary Exposure Estimates Using EPAs Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs for**  
 13328 **Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane to the American Mink from**  
 13329 **Consumption of Fish**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Fish Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>b</sup>
Manufacture/domestic manufacturing/domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	5.9E-01	1.4E-01
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	9.0E-02	2.1E-02
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing			
Processing/recycling/recycling			
Processing/processing – repackaging/processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	4.9E-03	1.2E-03
Commercial use/other use/laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	4.5E-03	1.0E-03
Disposal/disposal/disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8.7E-02	2.0E-02
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	5.7E-02	1.3E-02
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	2.1E-01	5.1E-02
Distribution in commerce/distribution in commerce/distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>c</sup>	
Published data			
Lake Pontchartrain oysters ( <a href="#">Ferrario et al., 1985</a> )		3.3E-02	7.5E-03
<sup>a</sup> Whole fish concentrations were calculated using the highest modeled max daily average surface water concentrations for 1,1-dichloroethane (via PSC modeling based on total number of operating days) and a BCF of 7. <sup>b</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (fish), incidental ingestion of sediment, and ingestion of water. <sup>c</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).			

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13334**Table\_Apx I-8. Dietary Exposure Estimates Using EPAs Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane to the American Mink from Consumption of Crayfish**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Crayfish Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>b</sup>
Manufacture/domestic manufacturing/domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	5.5E-01	1.3E-01
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	8.7E-02	2.0E-02
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing			
Processing/recycling/recycling			
Processing/processing – repackaging/processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	4.3E-03	1.0E-03
Commercial use/other use/laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	3.8E-03	9.1E-04
Disposal/disposal/disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	8.3E-02	1.9E-02
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	5.5E-02	1.3E-02
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	2.1E-01	4.8E-02
Distribution in commerce/distribution in commerce/distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>c</sup>	

<sup>a</sup> Whole crayfish concentrations were calculated using the highest modeled max daily average benthic pore water concentrations for 1,1-dichloroethane (via PSC modeling based on total number of operating days) and a BCF of 7.

<sup>b</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (crayfish), incidental ingestion of sediment, and ingestion of water.

<sup>c</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).

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**Table\_Apx I-9. 1,1-Dichloroethane *Trifolium* sp. and Earthworm Concentrations Calculated from AERMOD Modeled Industrial and Commercial Releases Reported to TRI**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Soil (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	Soil Pore Water Concentration (mg/L) <sup>a</sup>	Plant Concentration (mg/kg)	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg)
Manufacture/domestic manufacturing/ domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	2.4E-01	1.5E-01	1.5E-01	3.8E-01
Processing/as a reactant/ intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive Intermediate	5.2E-03	3.2E-03	3.2E-03	8.4E-03
Processing/as a reactant/ intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing					
Processing/recycling/recycling					
Disposal/disposal/disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	1.2E-04	7.6E-05	7.6E-05	2.0E-04

<sup>a</sup> Soil catchment and soil catchment pore water concentrations estimated from 95th percentile maximum daily air deposition rates 10 m from facility for fugitive air 1,1-dichloroethane releases reported to TRI.

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**Table\_Apx I-10. 1,1-Dichloroethane *Trifolium* sp. and Earthworm Concentrations Calculated from Land Application of 1,1-Dichloroethane in Biosolids**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Pathway	Soil (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	Soil Pore Water Concentration (mg/L) <sup>a</sup>	Plant Concentration (mg/kg)	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg)
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Tilled Agricultural	2.9E-02	1.9E-02	1.9E-02	4.8E-02
		Pastureland	3.7E-02	5.9E-02	3.7E-02	9.5E-02

<sup>a</sup> Soil and soil pore water concentrations estimated from annual application of biosolids.

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**Table\_Apx I-11. Dietary Exposure Estimates Using EPA's Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane to the Short-Tailed Shrew that Could Result from Air Deposition to Soil for 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>b</sup>
Manufacture/Domestic manufacturing/ Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	3.8E-01	2.5E-01
Processing/As a reactant/Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	8.5E-03	5.6E-03
Processing/As a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing			
Processing/Recycling/Recycling			
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	2.0E-04	1.3E-04
<p><sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative soil invertebrate, earthworm, assumed equal to aggregated highest calculated soil and soil pore water concentration via air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane in fugitive air releases reported to TRI to soil.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (earthworm), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.</p>			

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**Table\_Apx I-12. Dietary Exposure Estimates Using EPA's Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane to the Meadow Vole that Could Result from Air Deposition to Soil for 1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Plant Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>b</sup>
Manufacture/domestic manufacturing/ domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	1.5E-01	8.2E-02
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	3.2E-03	1.8E-03
Processing/as a reactant/intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing			
Processing/recycling/recycling			
Disposal/disposal/disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	7.6E-05	4.3E-05
<p><sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative terrestrial plant <i>Trifolium</i> sp., assumed equal to the highest calculated soil pore water concentration via air deposition of 1,1-dichloroethane in fugitive air releases reported to TRI to soil.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (<i>Trifolium</i> sp.), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.</p>			

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**Table\_Apx I-13. Dietary Exposure Estimates Using EPAs Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane to the Short-Tailed Shrew that Could Result from Land Application of Biosolids**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Pathway	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>b</sup>
Disposal/disposal/disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Tilled agricultural	4.8E-02	3.1E-02
		Pastureland	9.5E-02	6.3E-02
<sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative soil invertebrate, earthworm, assumed equal to aggregated highest calculated soil and soil pore water concentration via land application of biosolids to soil. <sup>b</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (earthworm), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.				

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**Table\_Apx I-14. Dietary Exposure Estimates Using EPAs Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane to the Meadow Vole that Could Result from Land Application of Biosolids**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Pathway	Plant Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>b</sup>
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	Tilled agricultural	1.9E-02	1.0E-02
		Pastureland	3.7E-02	2.1E-02
<sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative terrestrial plant <i>Trifolium</i> sp., assumed equal to the highest calculated soil pore water concentration via land application of biosolids to soil. <sup>b</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota ( <i>Trifolium</i> sp.), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.				

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## Appendix J ANALOG SELECTION FOR READ-ACROSS

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### J.1 Analog Selection for Environmental Hazard

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Few data were identified for 1,1-dichloroethane for aquatic invertebrates, fish, and algae and no chronic benthic hazard data. Analog selection was performed to identify an appropriate analog to read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane. 1,2-Dichloropropane was selected as an analog for read-across of aquatic environmental hazard data to supplement the 1,1-dichloroethane aquatic environmental hazard based on structural similarity, physical and chemical similarity, toxicological similarity and availability of 1,2-dichloropropane aquatic hazard data from data sources that received ratings of either high or medium. No chronic benthic hazard data were reasonably available for 1,1-dichloroethane or its primary analog, 1,2-dichloropropane, therefore, 1,1,2-trichloroethane was selected as an analog for read-across of chronic benthic environmental hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane based on structural similarity, physical and chemical similarity, toxicological similarity and availability of 1,1,2-trichloroethane chronic benthic hazard data from data sources receiving a high or medium rating. The similarities between 1,1-dichloroethane and analogs 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane are described in detail below.

#### J.1.1 Structural Similarity

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Structural similarity between 1,1-dichloroethane and candidate analogs was assessed using two TSCA NAMs (the Analog Identification Methodology (AIM) program and the Organisation of Economic Cooperative Development Quantitative Structure Activity Relationship [OECD QSAR] Toolbox) and two EPA Office of Research products (Generalized Read-Across [[GenRA](#)]) and the Search Module within the [Cheminformatics Modules](#)) as shown in Table\_Apx J-1. These four programs provide complementary methods of assessing structural similarity. There are several different methods for determining structural similarity. A fragment-based approach (*e.g.*, as implemented by AIM) searches for compounds with similar structural moieties or functional groups. A structural identifier approach (*e.g.*, the Tanimoto coefficient) calculates a similarity coefficient based on molecular fingerprinting ([Belford, 2023](#)). Molecular fingerprinting approaches look at similarity in atomic pathway radius between the analog and target chemical substance (*e.g.*, Morgan fingerprint in GenRA which calculates a Jaccard similarity index). Some fingerprints may be better suited for certain characteristics and chemical classes. For example, substructure fingerprints like PubChem fingerprints perform best for small molecules such as drugs, while atom-pair fingerprints, which assigns values for each atom within a molecule and thus computes atom pairs based on these values, are preferable for large molecules. Some tools implement multiple methods for determining similarity. Regarding programs which generate indices, it has been noted that because the similarity value is dependent on the method applied, that these values should form a line of evidence rather than be utilized definitively ([Pestana et al., 2021](#); [Mellor et al., 2019](#)).

AIM analysis was performed on CBI-side and analogs were described as 1st or 2nd pass. Tanimoto-based PubChem fingerprints were obtained in the OECD QSAR Toolbox (v4.4.1, 2020) using the Structure Similarity option. Chemical Morgan Fingerprint scores were obtained in GenRA (v3.1) (limit of 100 analogs, no ToxRef filter). Tanimoto scores were obtained in the Cheminformatics Search Module using Similar analysis. AIM 1st and 2nd pass analogs were compiled with the top 100 analogs with indices greater than 0.5 generated from the OECD QSAR Toolbox and the Cheminformatics Search Module and indices greater than 0.1 generated from GenRA. Analog that appeared in three out of four programs were identified as potential analog candidates. Using these parameters, 17 analogs were identified as potentially suitable analog candidates for 1,1-dichloroethane based on structural similarity. Only the results for structural comparison of 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane to 1,1-dichloroethane are shown below due to having completed data evaluation and



13409 extraction. 1,2-Dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane were ultimately selected for read-across of  
13410 aquatic and benthic hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane based on the additional lines of evidence (physical,  
13411 chemical, and environmental fate and transport similarity and toxicological similarity).  
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13413 1,2-Dichloropropane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass),  
13414 OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.75), and GenRA (Morgan Fingerprint = 0.45) and had a  
13415 lower Tanimoto score in the Cheminformatics Search Module (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.42). 1,1,2-  
13416 Trichloroethane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass), OECD  
13417 QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.79), and the Cheminformatics Search Module (Tanimoto  
13418 coefficient = 0.78). 1,2-Dichloroethane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-dichloroethane in  
13419 AIM (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.79), and the Cheminformatics Search  
13420 Module (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.63). The structural similarity of 1,1-dichloroethane to its analogs  
13421 indicated in these tools supported the selection of 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane in the  
13422 read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane aquatic and benthic environmental hazard.  
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13424 **Table\_Apx J-1. Structural Similarity between 1,1-Dichloroethane and Analog Candidates 1,2-  
13425 Dichloropropane, 1,1,2-Trichloroethane, and 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Chlorinated Solvent	AIM	OECD QSAR Toolbox	GenRA	Cheminformatics
1,1-Dichloroethane (target)	Exact Match	1.00	1.00	1.00
1,2-Dichloropropane	2nd pass	0.75	0.45	0.42
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	2nd pass	0.79	–	0.78
1,2-Dichloroethane	2nd pass	0.79	–	0.63

13426 **J.1.2 Physical, Chemical, and Environmental Fate and Transport Similarity**

13427 1,1-Dichloroethane analog candidates from the structural similarity analysis were preliminarily screened  
13428 based on similarity in log octanol-water partition coefficient (log K<sub>OW</sub>) and vapor pressure obtained  
13429 using EPI Suite™. Measured values were used when available for screening. For this screening step,  
13430 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane values were  
13431 obtained from Table 2-1, the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,2-Dichloropropane*, the *Final  
13432 Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1,2-Trichloroethane*, and the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for  
13433 1,2-Dichloroethane* (U.S. EPA, 2020c, e, f). Analog candidates with log K<sub>OW</sub> and vapor pressure within  
13434 one log unit relative to 1,1-dichloroethane were considered potentially suitable analog candidates for  
13435 1,1-dichloroethane. This preliminary screening analysis narrowed the analog candidate list from 17  
13436 candidate analogs to 11 candidate analogs. Three of the 11 candidate analogs represented 1,2-  
13437 dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane. Because these three solvents had  
13438 completed data evaluation and extraction, a more expansive analysis of physical, chemical,  
13439 environmental fate and transport similarities between 1,1-dichloroethane and candidate analogs 1,2-  
13440 dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane was conducted. 1,2-Dichloropropane and  
13441 1,1,2-trichloroethane were ultimately selected for read-across of aquatic and benthic hazard to 1,1-  
13442 dichloroethane based on the additional line of evidence (toxicological similarity).  
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13444 Physical, chemical, and environmental fate and transport similarities between 1,1-dichloroethane and its  
13445 analog candidates 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane were assessed  
13446 based on properties relevant to the aquatic, benthic, and soil compartments (Table\_Apx J-2). These  
13447 properties were selected based on their general importance in determining similar exposure potential in  
13448 the aquatic, benthic, and soil compartments. Physical, chemical, and environmental fate and transport  
13449 values for 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane are

13450 specified in Appendix D, the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,2-Dichloropropane* ([U.S. EPA, 2020f](#)),  
 13451 [2020f](#)) and the *Final Scope of the Risk Evaluation for 1,1,2-Trichloroethane* ([U.S. EPA, 2020c](#)),  
 13452 respectively. Similar values are observed for 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-  
 13453 trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane water solubilities (2,800–8,600 mg/L), log K<sub>ow</sub> (1.48–1.99), and  
 13454 log K<sub>oc</sub> (1.28–2.32) indicating all four solvents as highly water soluble with low affinity for sediment  
 13455 and soil (Table\_Apx J-2). 1,1-Dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-  
 13456 dichloroethane had relatively low bioconcentration factors (BCF, 0.5–7) and bioaccumulation factors  
 13457 (3.8–7.1), indicating low bioaccumulation potential in aquatic and terrestrial environments. Although  
 13458 hydrolysis half-lives are relatively long for all four solvents—particularly for 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-  
 13459 dichloropropane, and 1,2-dichloroethane—other properties of 1,1-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane,  
 13460 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane indicate that the chemicals will likely volatilize well  
 13461 before hydrolyzing in aqueous environments.  
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13463 All four chlorinated solvents are highly volatile (Henry's Law constants  $8.24 \times 10^4$  to  $5.62 \times 10^{-3}$  atm-  
 13464 m<sup>3</sup>/mol and vapor pressures 23–227 mm Hg), indicating volatilization from both water and soil will  
 13465 occur. The vapor pressures indicate some difference in volatility between the four chlorinated solvents;  
 13466 that is, 40, 23, and 78 mm Hg for 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane,  
 13467 respectively, compared to 227 mm Hg for 1,1-dichloroethane. However, potential impacts of volatility  
 13468 differences on read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane for environmental hazard can be addressed by factoring  
 13469 in experimental design considerations in the 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane hazard  
 13470 dataset such as chemical measurement of the substance in the test medium, regular renewal with  
 13471 chemical solution, capping of test vessels, and/or use of flow-through/dilutor systems. All four solvents  
 13472 exist as colorless liquids at room temperature and have similar low molecular weights (Table\_Apx J-2).  
 13473 The similarity of the physical, chemical, fate, and environmental transport behavior of these three  
 13474 chlorinated solvents in aquatic, benthic, and terrestrial environments support the ability to read-across to  
 13475 1,1-dichloroethane from 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane environmental hazard data.  
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13477 **Table\_Apx J-2. Comparison of 1,1-Dichloroethane and Analog Candidates 1,2-Dichloropropane,**  
 13478 **1,1,2-Trichloroethane, and 1,2-Dichloroethane for Several Physical and Chemical and**  
 13479 **Environmental Fate Properties Relevant to Water, Sediment, and Soil**

Property	1,1-Dichloroethane (Target)	1,2- Dichloropropane	1,1,2- Trichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Water solubility	5,040 mg/L	2,800 mg/L	4,590 mg/L	8,600 mg/L
Log K <sub>ow</sub>	1.79	1.99	1.89	1.48
Log K <sub>oc</sub>	1.48	1.67	1.9–2.05, 2.2– 2.32	1.28–1.62
BCF	7	0.5–6.9	0.7–6.7	2
BAF	6.8	7.1	6.9	3.8
Hydrolysis t <sub>1/2</sub>	61.3 years	15.8 years	85 days	65 years, 72 years
Henry's Law constant (atm- m <sup>3</sup> /mol)	5.62E-03	2.82E-03	8.24E-04	1.18E-03
Vapor pressure (mmHg)	227	40	23	79
Molecular weight	98.95 g/mol	112.99 g/mol	133.41 g/mol	98.96 g/mol
Physical state of the chemical	Colorless liquid	Colorless liquid	Colorless liquid	Colorless liquid

### J.1.3 Toxicological Similarity

Two lines of ecotoxicological evidence, predicted and empirical hazard, factored into the comparison of toxicological similarity between 1,1-dichloroethane and its analogs 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane. 1,2-Dichloroethane was considered as an analog candidate but was ultimately not selected for read-across of environmental hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane due to predictions of aquatic toxicity that were less conservative than 1,1-dichloroethane or its two analogs 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane.

#### *Similarity in Predicted Hazard*

ECOSAR-predicted acute and chronic toxicity values for freshwater and saltwater aquatic receptors and earthworms were obtained (neutral organics category, v2.2) using inputs CASRNs of target and analogs and measured log  $K_{OW}$  values (Table\_Apx J-2) ([U.S. EPA, 2022d](#)). Predicted toxicity values for aquatic taxa (fish, aquatic invertebrates, algae) were very similar between 1,1-dichloropropane, 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane (Table\_Apx J-2). The average ratio of analog/target predicted hazard was almost 1:1 at  $0.77 \pm 0.02$  (standard error) for 1,2-dichloropropane and  $1.10 \pm 0.02$  for 1,1,2-trichloroethane, supporting the ability to read-across 1,2-dichloropropane and/or 1,1,2-trichloroethane aquatic hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane. For analog candidate 1,2-dichloroethane, the average ratio of analog/target predicted hazard was  $1.88 \pm 0.11$ , suggesting this analog candidate was less toxic to aquatic taxa than 1,1-dichloroethane. Therefore, 1,2-dichloroethane was not selected for read-across of aquatic hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane. Predicted chronic hazard for aquatic invertebrates (daphnid and mysid) exposed to 1,1,2-trichloroethane was in almost perfect agreement to those of 1,1-dichloroethane, supporting the ability to read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane from 1,1,2-trichloroethane chronic benthic invertebrate hazard. ECOSAR hazard predictions for earthworm were also compared between 1,1-dichloroethane and its analogs (Table\_Apx J-3). Predicted 14-day LC50 values for earthworm showed good agreement between the three chlorinated solvents (180.9–238.1 mg/L), supporting the ability to read-across 1,2-dichloropropane and/or 1,1,2-trichloroethane earthworm hazard data to 1,1-dichloroethane. The neutral organics class in ECOSAR v2.2 has a robust dataset for predicting environmental hazard which increases the confidence in the predicted toxicological similarity observed between 1,1-dichloroethane and its analogs.

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**Table\_Apx J-3. ECOSAR Acute (LC50, EC50) and Chronic (ChV) Toxicity Predictions for 1,1-Dichloroethane and Analog Candidates 1,2-Dichloropropane, 1,1,2-Trichloroethane, and 1,2-Dichloroethane for Aquatic and Terrestrial Taxa**

Taxa	Endpoint	1,1-Dichloroethane (Target)	1,2-Dichloropropane (Analog)	1,1,2-Trichloroethane (Analog)			1,2-Dichloroethane (Analog)	
		Predicted Toxicity (mg/L)	Predicted Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane	Predicted Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane	Predicted Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane
Fish	LC50	125.5	94.8	0.76	137.6	1.10	238.3	1.90
Daphnid		69.9	53.8	0.77	77.3	1.11	128.9	1.84
Fish (SW) <sup>a</sup>		157.8	119.3	0.76	173.1	1.11	299.0	1.89
Mysid		135.2	89.3	0.66	138.6	1.03	316.1	2.34
Green algae	EC50	48.1	39.9	0.83	55.2	1.15	78.6	1.63
Fish	ChV	12.0	9.3	0.78	13.3	1.11	22.0	1.83
Daphnid		6.5	5.2	0.80	7.3	1.12	11.0	1.69
Fish (SW) <sup>a</sup>		15.1	12.9	0.85	17.6	1.17	23.6	1.56
Mysid (SW) <sup>a</sup>		12.4	7.7	0.62	12.4	1.00	31.9	2.57
Green algae		12.1	10.4	0.86	14.1	1.17	18.5	1.53
Earthworm	LC50	180.9	196.9	1.09	238.1	1.32	194.8	1.08

<sup>a</sup> SW = saltwater. All other aquatic taxa are considered freshwater taxa.

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**Similarity in Empirical Hazard**

The reasonably available empirical environmental hazard dataset also indicated toxicological similarity between 1,1-dichloroethane and analogs 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane. To compare toxicological similarity between these three chlorinated solvents, definitive hazard data were compared for various taxa exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane or its analogs. These were 48-hour immobilization data for *Daphnia magna* (Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009a; NITE, 1995a; 3M Environmental Lab, 1984; Richter et al., 1983; LeBlanc, 1980), 21-day reproductive inhibition data for *Daphnia magna* (Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009d; NITE, 1995b; 3M Environmental Lab, 1984), 7-day mortality data in guppies (*Poecilia reticulata*) (Könemann, 1981), and 48-hour growth inhibition data in green algae (*Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*) (Tsai and Chen, 2007). Closer agreement in empirical hazard across aquatic taxa were noted between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane (ratio to 1,1-dichloroethane empirical hazard =  $0.94 \pm 0.24$ ) than 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane (ratio to 1,1-dichloroethane empirical hazard =  $2.10 \pm 0.62$ ), which indicates that 1,1,2-trichloroethane analog data is generally less conservative than 1,1-dichloroethane data, therefore 1,2-dichloropropane was considered a preferential analog for read-across of aquatic hazard to 1,1-dichloroethane (Table\_Apx J-4).

To confirm consistency of empirical analog data to its ECOSAR predictions, these definitive empirical hazard data were also compared to their respective ECOSAR-predicted hazard values. Close agreement of empirical-to-predicted hazard were noted for both 1,2-dichloropropane and 1,1,2-trichloroethane ( $0.73 \pm 0.20$ -fold and  $1.02 \pm 0.32$ -fold, respectively) as well as for 1,1-dichloroethane ( $0.82 \pm 0.32$ -fold) [Table\_Apx J-5]. This agreement between empirical and predicted hazard increased confidence that the predicted hazard, also used to compare toxicological similarity between target and analog when the target lacks empirical hazard, is reflective of the empirical hazard data. The strong agreement in toxicological similarity between 1,1-dichloroethane and analog predicted hazard values, empirical hazard values, and concordance between predicted and empirical hazard supports the use of primarily 1,2-dichloropropane aquatic hazard data with targeted application of 1,1,2-trichloroethane analog data to supplement the 1,1-dichloroethane aquatic and benthic hazard data.

**Table\_Apx J-4. Empirical Acute (EC50, LC50) and Chronic (ChV) Hazard Comparison for Various Aquatic Species Exposed to 1,1-Dichloroethane or Analogs 1,2-Dichloropropane and 1,1,2-Trichloroethane**

Species	Endpoint	1,1-Dichloroethane (Target)	1,2-Dichloropropane (Analog)		1,1,2-Trichloropropane (Analog)	
		Empirical Toxicity (mg/L)	Empirical Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane	Empirical Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane
<i>Poecilia reticulata</i> (guppy) <sup>a,i</sup>	LC50	202	116	0.57	94.4	0.47
<i>Daphnia magna</i>	EC50	34 <sup>c</sup>	29.5 <sup>e</sup>	0.87	81.6 <sup>g,h</sup>	2.40
<i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> <sup>b,i</sup>	EC50	49.92	34.42	0.69	105.42	2.11
<i>Daphnia magna</i>	ChV	0.93 <sup>d</sup>	1.52 <sup>f</sup>	1.63	3.2 <sup>h</sup>	3.44

<sup>a</sup> Data are from (1981).  
<sup>b</sup> Data are from (2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Data are from (2009a).  
<sup>d</sup> Data are from (2009d).

Species	Endpoint	1,1-Dichloroethane (Target)	1,2-Dichloropropane (Analog)		1,1,2-Trichloropropane (Analog)	
		Empirical Toxicity (mg/L)	Empirical Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane	Empirical Toxicity (mg/L)	Ratio to 1,1-Dichloroethane
<sup>e</sup> Data are from (1995a).						
<sup>f</sup> Data are from (1995b).						
<sup>g</sup> Data are from (1983; 1980).						
<sup>h</sup> Data are from (3M Environmental Lab, 1984).						
<sup>i</sup> These studies were rated uninformative for not stating the doses and/or number of doses utilized in the dose-response (Tsai and Chen, 2007; Könemann, 1981) and not stating inclusion of a control group (Könemann, 1981); however, EPA finds other aspects of both studies otherwise useful for comparing the relative toxicity of 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane or 1,1,2-trichloroethane.						

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**Table\_Apx J-5. Comparison of Predicted and Empirical Toxicities for Various Aquatic Taxa Exposed to 1,1-Dichloroethane, 1,2-Dichloropropane, and 1,1,2-Trichloroethane**

Taxa	Endpoint	1,1-Dichloroethane (Target)	1,2-Dichloropropane (Analog)	1,1,2-Trichloropropane (Analog)
		Empirical <sup>b</sup> /Predicted <sup>a</sup>	Empirical <sup>b</sup> /Predicted <sup>a</sup>	Empirical <sup>b</sup> /Predicted <sup>a</sup>
Fish	LC50	1.61	1.22	0.69
Daphnid	EC50	0.49	0.55	1.06
Green algae	EC50	1.04	0.86	1.22
Daphnid	ChV	0.14	0.29	0.44

<sup>a</sup> Predictions are from ECOSAR v2.2, neutral organics category.  
<sup>b</sup> Empirical data are from (2009a, d; 2007; 1995a, b; 1984; 1983; 1981; 1980).

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#### J.1.4 Analog Data Availability

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The 1,2-dichloropropane aquatic hazard data set and 1,1,2-trichloroethane benthic hazard data are described in Section 4.2.2 and (U.S. EPA, 2024t). Briefly, for 1,2-dichloropropane, high-rated and/or medium-rated aquatic invertebrate hazard data are available for acute (Dow Chemical, 1988) and chronic (Dow Chemical, 1988) exposure to 1,2-dichloropropane, and high-rated and/or medium-rated aquatic vertebrate hazard data are available for acute (Geiger et al., 1985; Walbridge et al., 1983; Benoit et al., 1982) and chronic (Benoit et al., 1982) exposure to 1,2-dichloropropane. High-rated and/or medium-rated aquatic plant hazard data are also available for 1,2-dichloropropane (Dow Chemical, 2010; Schäfer et al., 1994; Dow Chemical, 1988). Two high-rated and/or medium-rated benthic invertebrate hazard studies are available for 1,1,2-trichloroethane (Smithers, 2023; Rosenberg et al., 1975).

## J.2 Analog Selection for Human Health Hazard

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EPA identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane for non-cancer PODs for acute, subchronic and chronic inhalation, dermal routes by all exposure durations, and for cancer PODs for oral, inhalation, and dermal routes. Therefore, an analysis of other chlorinated solvents as potential analogs for read-across data was performed following the general principles for read-across as outlined in Lizarraga et al. (2019), taking into consideration structural similarities, physical-chemical properties, metabolism, and toxicological similarities. Overall, 1,2-dichloroethane was identified as the best available candidate chemical isomer to fill the identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane, and a consultation with the EPA Office of



13568 Research and Development (ORD) agreed. Based on the numerous similarities in hazards (see  
13569 Table\_Apx J-8, Table\_Apx J-9, Table\_Apx J-10, Table\_Apx J-11, Table\_Apx J-12, Table\_Apx J-13,  
13570 and Table\_Apx J-14), EPA has high confidence that the 1,2-dichloroethane data will accurately reflect  
13571 the hazards of 1,1-dichloroethane where there are data gaps.

### 13572 **J.2.1 Structural Similarity**

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13573 The first step in identification of possible analogs is to examine structural similarity. There are several  
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13575 implemented by AIM) searches for compounds with similar structural moieties or functional groups. A  
13576 structural identifier approach (*e.g.*, the Tanimoto coefficient) calculates a similarity coefficient based on  
13577 molecular fingerprinting ([Belford, 2023](#)). Molecular fingerprinting approaches look at similarity in  
13578 atomic pathway radius between the analog and target chemical substance (*e.g.*, Morgan fingerprint in  
13579 GenRA which calculates a Jaccard similarity index). Some fingerprints may be better suited for certain  
13580 characteristics and chemical classes. For example, substructure fingerprints like PubChem fingerprints  
13581 perform best for small molecules such as drugs, while atom-pair fingerprints, which assigns values for  
13582 each atom within a molecule and thus computes atom pairs based on these values, are preferable for  
13583 large molecules. Some tools implement multiple methods for determining similarity. Regarding  
13584 programs which generate indices, it has been noted that because the similarity value is dependent on the  
13585 method applied, that these values should form a line of evidence rather than be utilized definitively  
13586 ([Pestana et al., 2021](#); [Mellor et al., 2019](#)).

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13588 Structural similarity between 1,1-dichloroethane and other chlorinated solvents was assessed using two  
13589 TSCA NAMs (the AIM program and OECD QSAR Toolbox) and two EPA Office of Research products  
13590 (GenRA) and the Search Module within the Cheminformatics Modules (Hazard Comparison Dashboard  
13591 (HCD) previously). AIM analysis was performed on the CBI-side and potential analogs were described  
13592 as 1st or 2nd pass. Tanimoto-based PubChem fingerprints were obtained in the OECD QSAR Toolbox  
13593 (v4.4.1, 2020) using the Structure Similarity option. Chemical Morgan Fingerprint scores were obtained  
13594 in GenRA (v3.1, no ToxRef filter) (limit of 100 analogs). Tanimoto scores were obtained in the ORD  
13595 Cheminformatics Search Module (Hazard Comparison Dashboard or HCD) using similarity analysis.  
13596 AIM 1st and 2nd pass analogs were compiled with the top 100 analogs with indices greater than 0.5  
13597 generated from the OECD QSAR Toolbox and the Cheminformatics Search Module and indices greater  
13598 than 0.1 generated from GenRA. Analogs that appeared in three out of four programs were identified as  
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13601 The results of the comparison of the structural similarity of the target chemical 1,1-dichloroethane to  
13602 other chlorinated solvents using the QSAR tools AIM, the OECD QSAR Toolbox, GenRA, and HCD  
13603 can be seen in Table\_Apx J-6. The higher the similarity score, the better the structural match, with a  
13604 value of 1.00 being an exact match, whereas AIM 1st pass indicates better structural agreement than  
13605 AIM 2nd pass. 1,2-Dichloroethane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-dichloroethane in AIM  
13606 (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.79), and the Cheminformatics Search Module  
13607 (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.63). 1,2-Dichloropropane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-  
13608 dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.75), and GenRA  
13609 (Morgan Fingerprint = 0.45) and had a lower Tanimoto score in the Cheminformatics Search Module  
13610 (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.42). 1,1,2-Trichloroethane was indicated as structurally similar to 1,1-  
13611 dichloroethane in AIM (2nd pass), OECD QSAR Toolbox (PubChem features = 0.79), and the  
13612 Cheminformatics Search Module (Tanimoto coefficient = 0.78). 1,2-dichloroethane was identified as the  
13613 best available candidate chemical to fill the identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane based on  
13614 additional lines of evidence and the fact that they are structurally similar as reactive di-chlorinated  
13615 ethanes and both are isomers with identical molecular formulas/molecular weight. 1,1-Dichloroethane

13616 has an identical MW and same number of reactive chlorines as 1,2-dichloroethane. 1,1,2-trichloroethane  
 13617 has one more reactive vicinal chlorine than 1,1-dichloroethane. 1,2-dichloropropane has one more  
 13618 carbon than 1,1-dichloroethane. Trans-1,2-dichloroethylene contains a double bond, thus it has cis and  
 13619 trans isomers complicating the analysis.

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 13621 **Table\_Apx J-6. Structural Similarity between 1,1-Dichloroethane**  
 13622 **and Other Chlorinated Solvents**

	Chlorinated Solvent	AIM	OECD QSAR Toolbox	GenRA	HCD
Target	1,1-Dichloroethane	Exact match	1.00	1.00	1.00
Candidate Analogs	1,2-Dichloroethane	2nd pass	0.79	–	0.63
	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	2nd pass	0.79	–	0.78
	1,2-Dichloropropane	2nd pass	0.75	0.45	0.42
	Trichloroethylene	–	0.73	–	0.33
	Dichloromethane	2nd pass	0.46	–	0.57
	<i>trans</i> -1,2-dichloroethylene	–	0.63	–	0.30
	Perchloroethylene	–	0.47	–	0.33
	Carbon tetrachloride	2nd pass	0.29	–	0.44

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### 13624 J.2.2 Physical and Chemical Similarity

13625 The comparison of 1,1-dichloroethane and its close structural isomer 1,2-dichloroethane, for key  
 13626 physical and chemical properties is shown below in Table\_Apx J-7. Considering the common variability  
 13627 in physical and chemical results across methods and laboratories over time, 1,1-dichloroethane has  
 13628 similar values to 1,2-dichloroethane for water solubility, log K<sub>OW</sub>, molecular weight, physical state,  
 13629 Henry's Law constant and vapor pressure, all of which can affect their ADME and target tissue levels.  
 13630 For example, in Table\_Apx J-7, water solubility and K<sub>OW</sub> between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-  
 13631 dichloroethane appear to be different. However, in general, variability in physical and chemical  
 13632 properties results for the same chemical for water solubility and K<sub>OW</sub> can differ by orders of magnitude,  
 13633 therefore, differences in reported physical and chemical values are not uncommon ([Gigante et al., 2021](#);  
 13634 [Pontolillo and Eganhouse, 2001](#)). In addition, the physical and chemical properties for 1,1,2-  
 13635 Trichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane are also included in Table\_Apx J-7. For 1,1,2-trichloroethane,  
 13636 the vapor pressure is 10× lower, the Henry's Law constant is 7 times lower, and the molecular weight is  
 13637 35 percent higher than 1,1-dichloroethane, which has ADME implications, and therefore was not  
 13638 considered as close of a chemical candidate analog for read-across compared to 1,2-dichloroethane.  
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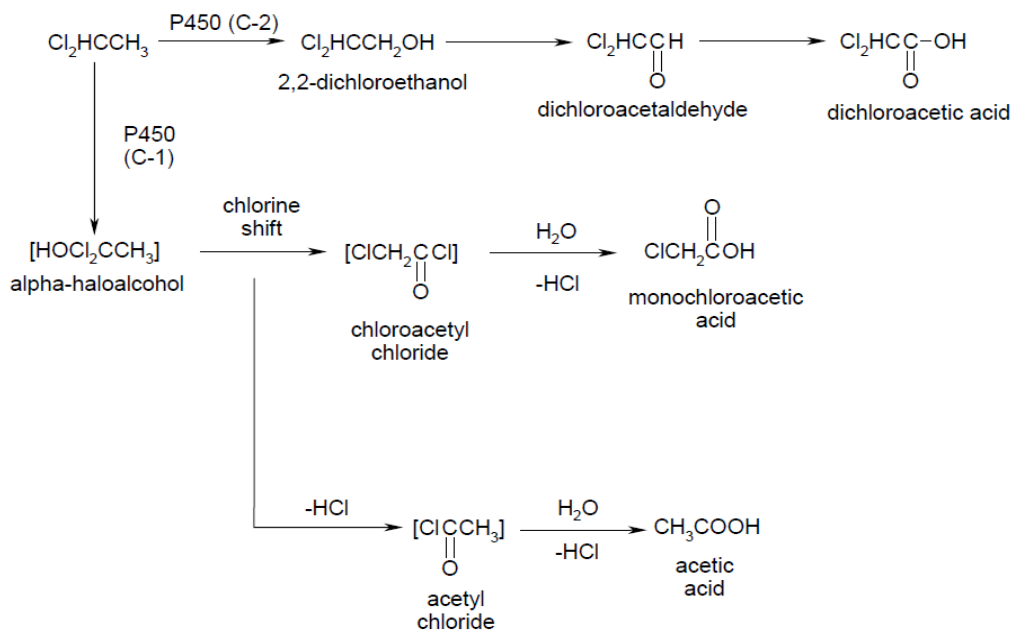
13640 **Table\_Apx J-7. Comparison of 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane for Several Physical**  
 13641 **and Chemical Properties Relevant to Human Health Hazard**

Chlorinated Solvent	Water Solubility (mg/L)	Log Kow	Molecular Weight	Physical State	Henry's Law Constant (atm-m <sup>3</sup> /mol)	Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)
1,1-Dichloroethane	5,040	1.79	98.95	Liquid	0.00562	227
1,2-Dichloroethane	8,600	1.48	98.96	Liquid	0.00118	79
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	4,590	1.89	133.41	Liquid	0.00082	23
1,2-Dichloropropane	2,800	1.99	112.99	Liquid	0.00282	40

### 13642 J.2.3 Metabolic Similarities

#### 13643 *In Vitro Metabolism Studies – 1,1-Dichloroethane*

13644 The metabolic pathways for 1,1-dichloroethane have been elucidated from *in vitro* studies using rat  
 13645 hepatic microsomes (McCall et al., 1983; Sato et al., 1983; Van Dyke and Wineman, 1971). As outlined  
 13646 in Figure\_Apx J-1, the primary metabolic pathway involves oxidation of the C-1 carbon by cytochrome  
 13647 P450 (CYP) to give an unstable alpha-haloalcohol followed by dechlorination to produce acetyl chloride  
 13648 and acetic acid, which is the major metabolite. The alpha-haloalcohol may also undergo a chlorine shift  
 13649 to yield chloroacetyl chloride and monochloroacetic acid, although this reaction is not favored. CYP  
 13650 oxidation at the C-2 position results in the formation of 2,2-dichloroethanol, dichloroacetaldehyde, and  
 13651 dichloroacetic acid as minor metabolites. Metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane was increased by induction  
 13652 with phenobarbital and ethanol, but not  $\beta$ -naphthoflavone (McCall et al., 1983; Sato et al., 1983).  
 13653 Similarly, enzymatic dechlorination was inducible by phenobarbital, but not 3-methylcholanthrene (Van  
 13654 Dyke and Wineman, 1971).  
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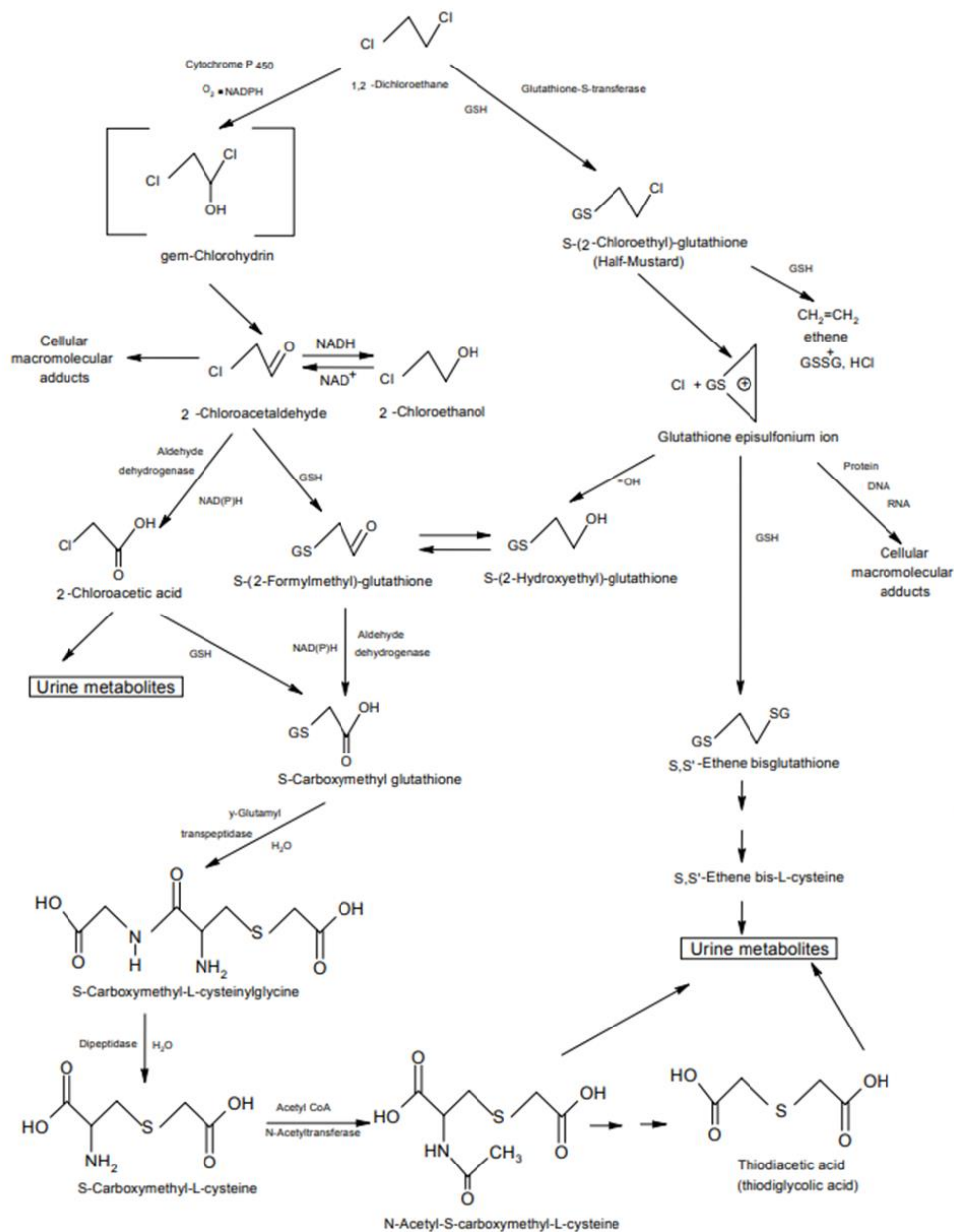


13656 **Figure\_Apx J-1. Proposed Metabolic Scheme for 1,1-Dichloroethane (McCall et al.,**  
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***In Vivo and In Vitro Metabolism Studies – 1,2-Dichloroethane***

No human studies on the metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane were located. Figure\_Apx J-2 outlines the primary metabolic pathways for 1,2-dichloroethane, elucidated from *in vitro* studies and *in vivo* studies in rats and mice, include cytochrome P450 (CYP) oxidation and glutathione (GSH) conjugation (IPCS, 1995). Metabolism by CYP results in an unstable gem-chlorohydrin that releases hydrochloric acid, resulting in the formation of 2-chloroacetaldehyde. 2-Chloroacetaldehyde is oxidized to form chloroacetic acid or reduced to form 2-chloroethanol, and these metabolites are conjugated with GSH and excreted in the urine. Metabolism via glutathione-S-transferase results in formation of S-(2-chloroethyl)-glutathione, which rearranges to form a reactive episulfonium ion. The episulfonium ion can form adducts with protein, DNA or RNA or interact further with GSH to produce water soluble metabolites that are excreted in the urine.



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**Figure\_Apx J-2. Proposed Metabolic Scheme for 1,2-Dichloroethane (IPCS, 1995)**

As depicted in Figure\_Apx J-1 and Figure\_Apx J-2, in terms of metabolic similarities between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane, both are directly reactive and both form chloroaldehydes, which can form persistent DNA crosslinks ([OECD, 2015](#)).

#### J.2.4 Toxicological Similarity – Non-cancer

There are no adequate non-cancer data available by the acute, short-term/subchronic and chronic inhalation routes, and dermal routes by any exposure duration for 1,1-dichloroethane. As a result, the 1,2-dichloroethane database was systematically reviewed and evaluated to identify non-cancer PODs to be used as read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane to fill in those 1,1-dichloroethane data gaps and calculate quantitative risk estimates.

Table\_Apx J-8 shows a qualitative comparison of common non-cancer findings between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane, highlighting an overall similarity. Table\_Apx J-9 does not, however, reflect the full database for either chemical. The final non-cancer quantitative PODs selected for both chemicals were based upon the strength of the evidence from data that ranked Moderate to High in our SR, was of reliable and sufficient quality, and was the most biologically relevant and sensitive using the best available science. These are shown in Table 5-49, Table 5-50, Table 5-51.

**Table\_Apx J-8. Qualitative Comparison of Common Non-cancer Findings between 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Effects	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Reproductive/ Developmental	Evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause reproductive/developmental toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause effects on male reproductive structure and/or function under relevant exposure conditions. Evidence is inadequate to determine whether 1,2-dichloroethane may cause effects on the developing organism. There is no evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane causes effects on female reproductive structure and/or function.
Renal	Evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause renal toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes renal effects under relevant exposure circumstances.
Hepatic	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes hepatic toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause hepatic effects under relevant exposure conditions.
Nutritional/ Metabolic	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes body weight decrements under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence suggests that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause body weight decrements under relevant exposure circumstances.
Neurological/ Behavioral	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes neurological effects under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes neurological/behavioral effects under relevant exposure circumstances.



Effects	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Immune/ Hematological	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes immune system suppressions ( <a href="#">Zabrodskii et al., 2004</a> ).	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause immune system suppression under relevant exposure conditions.
Respiratory Tract	–	Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause nasal effects under relevant exposure conditions.
Mortality	Evidence indicates that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure is likely to cause death under relevant exposure circumstances.	Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause death under relevant exposure circumstances and lethal levels have been identified in animal studies.

**J.2.5 Toxicological Similarity – Cancer**

Due to the data gap for a reliable 1,1-dichloroethane cancer study by the oral, inhalation and dermal routes, the 1,1-dichloroethane cancer database was compared to the 1,2-dichloroethane cancer database. Systematic review identified three high-quality 1,2-dichloroethane cancer studies available. Table\_Apx J-9 and Table\_Apx J-10 show a qualitative comparison of common cancer findings between 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane, highlighting an overall similarity. In general, the oral cancer studies in mice performed by [NTP \(1978\)](#) on 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in similar tumor types or pre-cancerous lesions as seen in the bioassays of its close structural analog and isomer, 1,1-dichloroethane (*i.e.*, hepatocellular carcinomas, endometrial polyps, hemangiosarcomas, and mammary gland tumors, among others) even for studies that were not used quantitatively. The [NTP \(1978\)](#) oral study in 1,2-dichloroethane also showed an excellent dose response for hepatocellular carcinomas as shown below in Table\_Apx J-9. Additionally, the 1,2-dichloroethane inhalation cancer study by [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) produced similar tumors as observed in the 1,2-dichloroethane oral cancer study. As a result, the cancer slope factor for 1,2-dichloroethane was selected from the [NTP \(1978\)](#) study in mice, which had a High OPPT SR rating for read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane (see Table 5-52).

**Table\_Apx J-9. Qualitative Comparison of Common Cancer Findings between 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Studies	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
NTP Oral Rat Studies (Uninformative by SR)	Mammary gland adenocarcinomas, hemangiosarcoma, ( <a href="#">NCI, 1978</a> )	Mammary gland adenocarcinomas, hemangiosarcoma, ( <a href="#">NTP, 1978</a> )
NTP Oral Mouse Studies (High SR rating)	Endometrial stromal polyps (precursor), ( <a href="#">NCI, 1978</a> )	Endometrial stromal polyps (precursor), NTP (1978b) Hepatocarcinomas, ( <a href="#">NTP, 1978</a> )
Inhalation Studies	Chronic study, but not a cancer study, ( <a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971b</a> ), Uninformative by SR)	Mammary gland adenomas; fibroadenomas, adenocarcinomas; subcutaneous fibromas; bronchioalveolar adenoma & carcinoma; endometrial stromal polyps; hepatocellular adenoma, ( <a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a> ), High SR rating
Dermal Study	None	Bronchioalveolar adenomas and adenocarcinomas (mice, 1 dose), ( <a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a> ), High SR rating)



Studies	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Human Studies	Indeterminate	Indeterminate

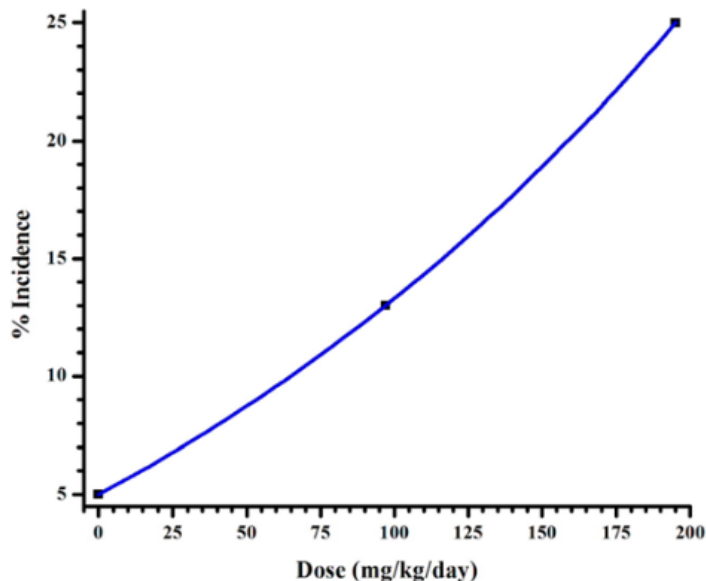
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**Table\_Apx J-10. 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane Common Chronic Study Findings<sup>a</sup>**

Chronic Study Finding	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Endometrial polyps	+	+
Hepatocellular carcinomas	+	+
Hemangiosarcomas	+	+
Mammary gland tumors	+	+

<sup>a</sup> In general, similar tumor types or pre-cancerous lesions were observed with 1,1-dichloroethane as seen in the bioassays of the similar isomer 1,2- dichloroethane (*i.e.*, hepatocellular carcinomas, endometrial polyps, hemangiosarcomas, mammary gland tumors; High SR study in F344 rats and BDF1 mice, [\(Nagano et al., 2006\)](#)).

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**Figure\_Apx J-3. Hepatocellular Carcinomas Dose Response in Mice for 1,2-Dichloroethane NTP (1978)**

The [OncoLogic™](#) model developed by the EPA evaluates the carcinogenic potential of chemicals following sets of knowledge rules based on studies of how chemicals cause cancer in animals and humans. Both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane were compared by the OncoLogic™ software in Table\_Apx J-11. Both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane possessed similar results based on OncoLogic™ and similar precursor events (see Table\_Apx J-12).

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**Table\_Apx J-11. 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane Oncologic Results**

Parameter	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Classification for carcinogenicity	Low-Medium Concern	Medium Concern
Chemistry	Geminal alkyl dihalide	Vicinal alkyl dihalide
Chemical reactivity	Geminal alkyl dihalide < vicinal alkyl dihalide	

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**Table\_Apx J-12. 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane Precursor Events<sup>a</sup>**

Parameter	1,1-Dichloroethane	1,2-Dichloroethane
Ames assay	+	+
DNA repair test rats	+	+
DNA repair test mice	+	+
Endometrial polyps	+	+

<sup>a</sup> Ames Assay positive with and without metabolic activation, Alkyl halides are directly reactive

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**J.2.6 Read-Across Utilized in Other Program Offices**

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Historically, offices across EPA and other agencies (OW, OLEM, CalEPA), 1,2-dichloroethane cancer studies have routinely been utilized to assess the cancer risk for 1,1-dichloroethane. The IRIS assessment of carcinogenic potential of 1,2-dichloroethane was considered to be ‘supportive’ of 1,1-dichloroethane carcinogenic potential “...Because of similarities in structure and target organs...” A comparison of the cancer slope factors across other program offices for 1,1-dichloroethane can be seen in Table\_Apx J-13; those for 1,2-dichloroethane can be seen in Table\_Apx J-14.

**Table\_Apx J-13. 1,1-Dichloroethane Cancer Slope Factors across EPA Offices/Programs**

1,1-Dichloroethane Cancer Slope Factors and Cancer Classifications			
EPA Program	Oral Slope Factor	Inhalation Unit Risk	Assess for Cancer
<b>OPPT RE Continuous Exposure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.062 per mg/kg/day</li> <li><b>Read-across</b> from mouse 1,2-dichloroethane hepatocellular carcinoma data (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>)</li> <li><b>High OPPT SR rating</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7.1E-06 (per µg/m<sup>3</sup>)</li> <li><b>Read-across</b> from inhalation rat 1,2-dichloroethane (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>)</li> <li>Combined tumors in females</li> <li><b>High OPPT SR rating</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes</li> </ul>
<b>IRIS 1987, U.S. EPA (1987a); IRIS 1990 U.S. EPA (1990)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not evaluated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not evaluated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Possible human carcinogen partially based on 1,2-dichloroethane data</li> </ul>
<b>OW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.0057 per mg/kg/day</li> <li><b>Same as CAL EPA (OEHHA)</b></li> <li><b>Read-across</b> using oral rat 1,2-dichloroethane data (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>)</li> <li><b>Failed OPPT SR</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not reported</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes</li> </ul>

1,1-Dichloroethane Cancer Slope Factors and Cancer Classifications			
<b>OAR</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not reported</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.6E-06 (per µg/m<sup>3</sup>)</li> <li>Same as CAL EPA (OEHHA)</li> <li>Read-across from oral 1,2-dichloroethane</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes</li> </ul>
<b>OLEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.0057 per mg/kg/day</li> <li>Same as CAL EPA (OEHHA)</li> <li>Read-across using rat 1,2-dichloroethane</li> <li>Failed OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.6E-06 (per µg/m<sup>3</sup>)</li> <li>Same as CAL EPA (OEHHA)</li> <li>Read-across from oral 1,2-dichloroethane (NTP, 1978)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes</li> </ul>
<b>Cal EPA 1992</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.0057 per mg/kg/day</li> <li>Read-across using oral rat 1,2-dichloroethane data (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Failed OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.6E-06 (per µg/m<sup>3</sup>)</li> <li>Read-across using oral rat 1,2-dichloroethane data (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Failed OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes</li> </ul>

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**Table\_Apx J-14. 1,2-Dichloroethane Cancer Slope Factors across EPA Offices/Programs**

1,2-Dichloroethane Cancer Slope Factors		
EPA Program	Oral Slope Factor	Inhalation Unit Risk
<b>OPPT RE Continuous Exposure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.062 per mg/kg/day</li> <li>Mouse (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Hepatocellular carcinoma data</li> <li>High OPPT SR rating</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7.1E-06 per µg/m<sup>3</sup></li> <li>Rat inhalation (Nagano et al., 2006)</li> <li>Combined tumors in females</li> <li>High OPPT SR rating</li> </ul>
<b>IRIS 1987 Assessment</b> <a href="#">U.S. EPA (1987a)</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.091 per mg/kg/day</li> <li>Rat hemangiosarcoma data (using a time to death analysis) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.6E-05 per µg/m<sup>3</sup></li> <li>Rat oral hemangiosarcoma data (using a time to death analysis) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>
<b>OW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.091 per mg/kg/day based on (U.S. EPA, 1987a)</li> <li>Rat hemangiosarcoma data (using a time to death analysis) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not reported</li> </ul>
<b>OAR</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not reported</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.6E-5 per µg/m<sup>3</sup> based on (U.S. EPA, 1987a)</li> <li>Rat oral hemangiosarcoma data (using a time to death analysis) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>
<b>OLEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.091 per mg/kg/day based on (U.S. EPA, 1987a)</li> <li>Rat oral hemangiosarcoma data (using a time to death analysis) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.6E-05 per µg/m<sup>3</sup> based on (U.S. EPA, 1987a)</li> <li>Rat oral hemangiosarcoma data (using a time to death analysis) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>
<b>Cal EPA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.072 per mg/kg/day</li> <li>Rat oral hemangiosarcoma data (using a Weibull model) (NTP, 1978)</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1E-05 per µg/m<sup>3</sup></li> <li>Derived from oral rat data</li> <li>Rat study rated Uninformative OPPT SR</li> </ul>

**J.2.7 Read-Across Conclusions**

1,2-Dichloroethane was identified as the best available candidate chemical to fill the identified data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane. This conclusion is based on the fact that both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane are structurally similar as reactive di-chlorinated ethanes, both are isomers of each other with identical molecular weights and formulas, both have similar physical-chemical properties, both are volatile liquids, both have similar ADME patterns and metabolic pathways, both are reactive alkyl halides, and both possess, overall, similar non-cancer and cancer outcomes (mutagenicity, common tumor types, many common hazard endpoints).

Table\_Apx J-15 illustrates the many qualitative non-cancer and cancer toxicity endpoints and other chemical properties both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane have in common. This comparison is based on the literature studies and the ATSDR reports for both isomers ([ATSDR, 2022](#), [2015](#)). Many of the identified endpoints for 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane were from studies that passed OPPT SR were not always but were not robust enough to identify a non-cancer PODs or cancer slope factors to use for quantitative risk estimates.

**Table\_Apx J-15. Summary of Hazards and Chemical Properties for 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane**

<b>1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-Dichloroethane Common Hazards and Properties</b>		
<b>Hazard-Property</b>	<b>1,1-Dichlorethane</b>	<b>1,2-Dichloroethane</b>
Chemical Reactivity	+	+
Dichloroethane Isomers	+	+
Irritation	+	+
Narcosis	+	+
Genotoxicity without Metabolic Activation	+	+
Immunotoxicity	+	+
Endometrial Polyps	+	+
Hepatocellular Carcinoma	+	+
Hemangiosarcomas	+	+
Mammary Gland Tumors	+	+
Nephrotoxicity	+	+
Hepatotoxicity	+	+
Metabolic Toxicity	+	+
Cardiotoxicity	+	+

## Appendix K ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD DETAILS

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### K.1 Approach and Methodology

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For aquatic species, EPA estimates hazard by calculating a concentration of concern (CoC) for a hazard threshold. COCs can be calculated using a deterministic method by dividing a hazard value by an assessment factor (AF) according to EPA methods ([Suter, 2016](#); [U.S. EPA, 2013b](#), [2012b](#)).

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$$COC = toxicity\ value / AF$$

CoCs can also be calculated using probabilistic methods. For example, an SSD can be used to calculate a hazardous concentration for 5 percent of species (HC05). The HC05 estimates the concentration of a chemical that is expected to protect 95 percent of aquatic species. This HC05 can then be used to calculate a CoC. For 1,1-dichloroethane, Web-based Interspecies Correlation Estimation (Web-ICE) (Appendix K.2.1.1) followed by the Species Sensitivity Distribution (SSD) probabilistic method (Appendix K.2.1.2) was used to calculate the HC05 on which the acute COC is based. The deterministic method was used to calculate a chronic COC.

Terrestrial receptor groups are simplified to terrestrial plants, soil dwelling invertebrates, mammals, and birds. For terrestrial plants and soil dwelling organisms, EPA estimates hazard by using a hazard value based on hazard information relating soil or soil pore water concentrations to a hazard value. For avian and mammalian toxicity reference values (TRVs) in units of an oral dose in mg/kg/bw-day are identified using a peer reviewed approach used to establish soil screening levels for the Superfund Program. The TRV is expressed as doses in units of mg/kg-bw/day. Although the TRV for 1,1-dichloroethane is derived from mammalian laboratory studies, body weight is normalized, therefore the TRV can be used with ecologically relevant wildlife species to evaluate chronic dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane ([U.S. EPA, 2007](#)).

### K.2 Hazard Identification

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#### K.2.1 Aquatic Hazard Data

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##### K.2.1.1 Web-Based Interspecies Correlation Estimation (Web-ICE)

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Results from the systematic review process assigned an overall quality level of high to five acceptable aquatic toxicity studies for 1,1-dichloroethane, high or medium to six acceptable aquatic studies for analog 1,2-dichloropropane, and high or medium to two acceptable aquatic study for analog 1,1,2-trichloroethane, with one 1,1-dichloroethane and two 1,2-dichloropropane studies producing LC50 endpoint data (Table 4-3). To supplement the empirical data, EPA used a modeling approach, Web-ICE. Web-ICE predicts toxicity values for environmental species that are absent from a dataset and can provide a more robust dataset to estimate toxicity thresholds. Specifically, EPA used Web-ICE to quantitatively supplement empirical data for aquatic organisms for acute exposure durations.

The Web-ICE application was developed by EPA and collaborators to provide interspecies extrapolation models for acute toxicity ([Raimondo, 2010](#)). Web-ICE models estimate the acute toxicity (LC50/LD50) of a chemical to a species, genus, or family with no test data (the predicted taxon) from the known toxicity of the chemical to a species with test data (the commonly tested surrogate species).

13806 Web-ICE models are log-linear least square regressions of the relationship between surrogate and  
13807 predicted taxon based on a database of acute toxicity values. It returns median effect or lethal water  
13808 concentrations for aquatic species (EC50/LC50). Separate acute toxicity databases are maintained for  
13809 aquatic animals (vertebrates and invertebrates), aquatic plants (algae), and wildlife (birds and  
13810 mammals), with 1,440 models for aquatic taxa and 852 models for wildlife taxa in Web-ICE version 3.3  
13811 ([Willming et al., 2016](#)). Open-ended toxicity values (*i.e.*, >100 mg/kg or <100 mg/kg) and duplicate  
13812 records among multiple sources are not included in any of the databases.  
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13814 The aquatic animal database within Web-ICE is composed of 48- or 96-hour EC50/LC50 values based  
13815 on death or immobility. This database is described in detail in the Aquatic Database Documentation  
13816 found on the [Download Model Data](#) page of Web-ICE and describes the data sources, normalization,  
13817 and quality and standardization criteria (*e.g.*, data filters) for data used in the models. Data used in  
13818 model development adhered to standard acute toxicity test condition requirements of the ASTM  
13819 International ([ASTM, 2014](#)) and OCSPP ([U.S. EPA, 2016a](#)).  
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13821 EPA used the 1,1-dichloroethane 48-hour LC50 data for *Daphnia magna* and the 1,2-dichloropropane  
13822 96-hour LC50 toxicity data for fathead minnow and opossum shrimp (Table 4-3) as surrogate species to  
13823 predict LC50 toxicity values using the Web-ICE application ([Raimondo, 2010](#)). The Web-ICE model  
13824 estimated toxicity values for 149 species. For model validation, the model results are then screened by  
13825 the following quality standards to ensure confidence in the model predictions. If a predicted species did  
13826 not meet all the quality criteria below, the species was eliminated from the data set ([Willming et al.,  
13827 2016](#)):

- 13828 • High  $R^2$  ( $\geq 0.6$ )
  - 13829 ○ The proportion of the data variance that is explained by the model. The closer the  $R^2$   
13830 value is to one, the more robust the model is in describing the relationship between the  
13831 predicted and surrogate taxa.
- 13832 • Low mean square error (MSE;  $\leq 0.95$ )
  - 13833 ○ An unbiased estimator of the variance of the regression line.
- 13834 • High slope ( $\geq 0.6$ )
  - 13835 ○ The regression coefficient represents the change in log10 value of the predicted taxon  
13836 toxicity for every change in log10 value of the surrogate species toxicity.

13837 Previously published guidance on ICE model did not include quantitative guidance on confidence  
13838 intervals, so the following criterium was also applied for inclusion in the 1,1-dichloroethane analysis.

- 13839 • Narrow 95 percent confidence intervals
  - 13840 ○ One order of magnitude between lower and upper limit

13841 After screening, the acute toxicity values for 33 additional aquatic organisms (15 fish, 1 amphibian, and  
13842 18 aquatic invertebrate species) were added to the fathead minnow 96-hour LC50, daphnia 48-hour  
13843 LC50, and opossum shrimp 96-hour LC50 data (Table\_Apx K-1). The toxicity data were then used to  
13844 calculate the distribution of species sensitivity through the SSD toolbox ([Etterson, 2020a](#)) as shown in  
13845 Table 4-15 and described in Appendix K.2.1.2.  
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**Table\_Apx K-1. Empirical and Web-ICE Predicted Species that Met Model Selection Criteria**

Common Name	Genus	Species	Surrogate	Estimated Toxicity (µg/L)	95% CI	R <sup>2</sup>	MSE	Slope
Fathead minnow	<i>Pimephales</i>	<i>promelas</i>		133,340 <sup>a</sup>				
Daphnid	<i>Daphnia</i>	<i>magna</i>		34,300 <sup>a</sup>				
Opossum shrimp	<i>Americamysis</i>	<i>bahia</i>		24,790 <sup>a</sup>				
Amphipod	<i>Gammarus</i>	<i>fasciatus</i>	Daphnid	26,138.12	9,188.01 to 74,357.92	0.75	0.77	0.86
Beaver-tail fairy shrimp	<i>Thamnocephalus</i>	<i>platyurus</i>	Daphnid	23,443.61	15,609.91 to 35,208.57	0.98	0.05	0.91
Bluegill	<i>Lepomis</i>	<i>macrochirus</i>	Daphnid	23,537.05	16,647.25 to 33,278.34	0.62	0.8	0.66
Bluegill	<i>Lepomis</i>	<i>macrochirus</i>	Opossum shrimp	24,166.74	14,072.18 to 41,502.53	0.66	0.61	0.64
Bluegill	<i>Lepomis</i>	<i>macrochirus</i>	Fathead minnow	54,533.98	31,794.44 to 93,536.97	0.75	0.57	0.92
Bullfrog	<i>Lithobates</i>	<i>catesbeianus</i>	Fathead minnow	131,593.83	505,06.37 to 342,866.35	0.97	0.19	0.93
Channel catfish	<i>Ictalurus</i>	<i>punctatus</i>	Fathead minnow	107,915.57	56,215.24 to 207,163.92	0.84	0.4	0.96
Coho salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus</i>	<i>kisutch</i>	Fathead minnow	12,947.96	2,255.81 to 74,318.92	0.75	0.47	0.81
Common carp	<i>Cyprinus</i>	<i>carpio</i>	Fathead minnow	97,468.41	24,777.04 to 383,423.16	0.91	0.19	1.04
Cutthroat trout	<i>Oncorhynchus</i>	<i>clarkii</i>	Fathead minnow	25,904.49	8,199.8 to 81,836.44	0.79	0.39	0.94
Daphnid	<i>Ceriodaphnia</i>	<i>dubia</i>	Daphnid	24,082.48	14,906.4 to 38,907.18	0.95	0.26	1
Daphnid	<i>Daphnia</i>	<i>pulex</i>	Daphnid	30,090.04	15,748.11 to 57,493.29	0.97	0.12	1.01
Fatmucket	<i>Lampsilis</i>	<i>siligoidea</i>	Daphnid	17,504.7	7,080.4 to 43,276.44	0.86	0.47	0.74
Goldfish	<i>Carassius</i>	<i>auratus</i>	Fathead minnow	119,554.18	75,704.99 to 188,801.3	0.96	0.1	0.97
Guppy	<i>Poecilia</i>	<i>reticulata</i>	Fathead minnow	485,55.94	26,934.99 to 87,532.22	0.83	0.27	0.85
Isopod	<i>Asellus</i>	<i>aquaticus</i>	Opossum shrimp	897,057.16	585,834.85 to 1,373,615.02	0.99	0	0.89
Isopod	<i>Caecidotea</i>	<i>intermedia</i>	Fathead minnow	60,699.62	10,645.13 to 346,115.21	0.71	0.27	0.63
Leon springs pupfish	<i>Cyprinodon</i>	<i>bovinus</i>	Fathead minnow	13,566.15	3,483.21 to 52,836.41	0.99	0	0.67
Medaka	<i>Oryzias</i>	<i>latipes</i>	Fathead minnow	160,480.59	57,645.49 to 446,765.59	0.92	0.23	0.91
Midge	<i>Paratanytarsus</i>	<i>parthenogeneticus</i>	Daphnid	99,504.41	60,585.81 to 163,423.21	0.98	0.04	0.93
Midge	<i>Paratanytarsus</i>	<i>parthenogeneticus</i>	Fathead minnow	42,2617.57	127,830.56 to 1,397,205.84	0.97	0.13	1.05
Mosquitofish	<i>Gambusia</i>	<i>affinis</i>	Fathead minnow	71,334.5	10,685.43 to 476,219.55	0.98	0.12	0.96
Mozambique tilapia	<i>Oreochromis</i>	<i>mossambicus</i>	Fathead minnow	65,745.19	11,024.05 to 392,090.8	0.78	0.28	0.91
Oligochaete	<i>Lumbriculus</i>	<i>variegatus</i>	Fathead minnow	150,551.07	55,625.4 to 407,468.95	0.86	0.3	1.1
Paper pondshell	<i>Utterbackia</i>	<i>imbecillis</i>	Daphnid	17,897.25	10,686.93 to 29,972.28	0.96	0.11	0.9
Rainbow trout	<i>Oncorhynchus</i>	<i>mykiss</i>	Fathead minnow	48,513.34	32,978.52 to 71,365.97	0.83	0.36	0.96

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Common Name	Genus	Species	Surrogate	Estimated Toxicity (µg/L)	95% CI	R <sup>2</sup>	MSE	Slope
Sheepshead minnow	<i>Cyprinodon</i>	<i>variegatus</i>	Fathead minnow	37,098.68	12,893.35 to 106,745.85	0.74	0.43	0.69
Swamp lymnaea	<i>Lymnaea</i>	<i>stagnalis</i>	Daphnid	38,279.48	17,260.02 to 84,896.69	0.96	0.19	1.01
Tadpole physa	<i>Physa</i>	<i>gyrina</i>	Daphnid	29,787.34	14,824.65 to 59,852.07	0.96	0.14	0.99
Threeridge	<i>Amblema</i>	<i>plicata</i>	Daphnid	7,800.16	3,716.62 to 16,370.36	0.94	0.18	0.87
Threeridge	<i>Amblema</i>	<i>plicata</i>	Fathead minnow	11,893.55	1,598.8 to 88,476.7	0.83	0.59	1.15
Washboard	<i>Megalonaias</i>	<i>nervosa</i>	Daphnid	14,692.06	7,781.98 to 27,738.01	0.96	0.16	0.92
Western pearlshell	<i>Margaritifera</i>	<i>falcata</i>	Daphnid	20,647.3	10,708.95 to 39,808.88	0.95	0.14	0.86
White heelsplitter	<i>Lasmigona</i>	<i>complanata</i>	Daphnid	12,661.92	5,387.58 to 29,758.15	0.98	0.1	0.92
Rohu	<i>Labeo</i>	<i>rohita</i>	Opossum shrimp	2,945,839.15	937,110.05 to 9,260,351.28	0.99	0	0.91
Water flea	<i>Pseudosida</i>	<i>ramosa</i>	Daphnid	9,707.03	1,238.21 to 76,098.54	0.87	0.57	0.93
Vernal pool fairy shrimp	<i>Branchinecta</i>	<i>lynchi</i>	Daphnid	24,921.96	11,928.2 to 52,070.23	0.98	0.09	0.9
<sup>a</sup> Empirical value								

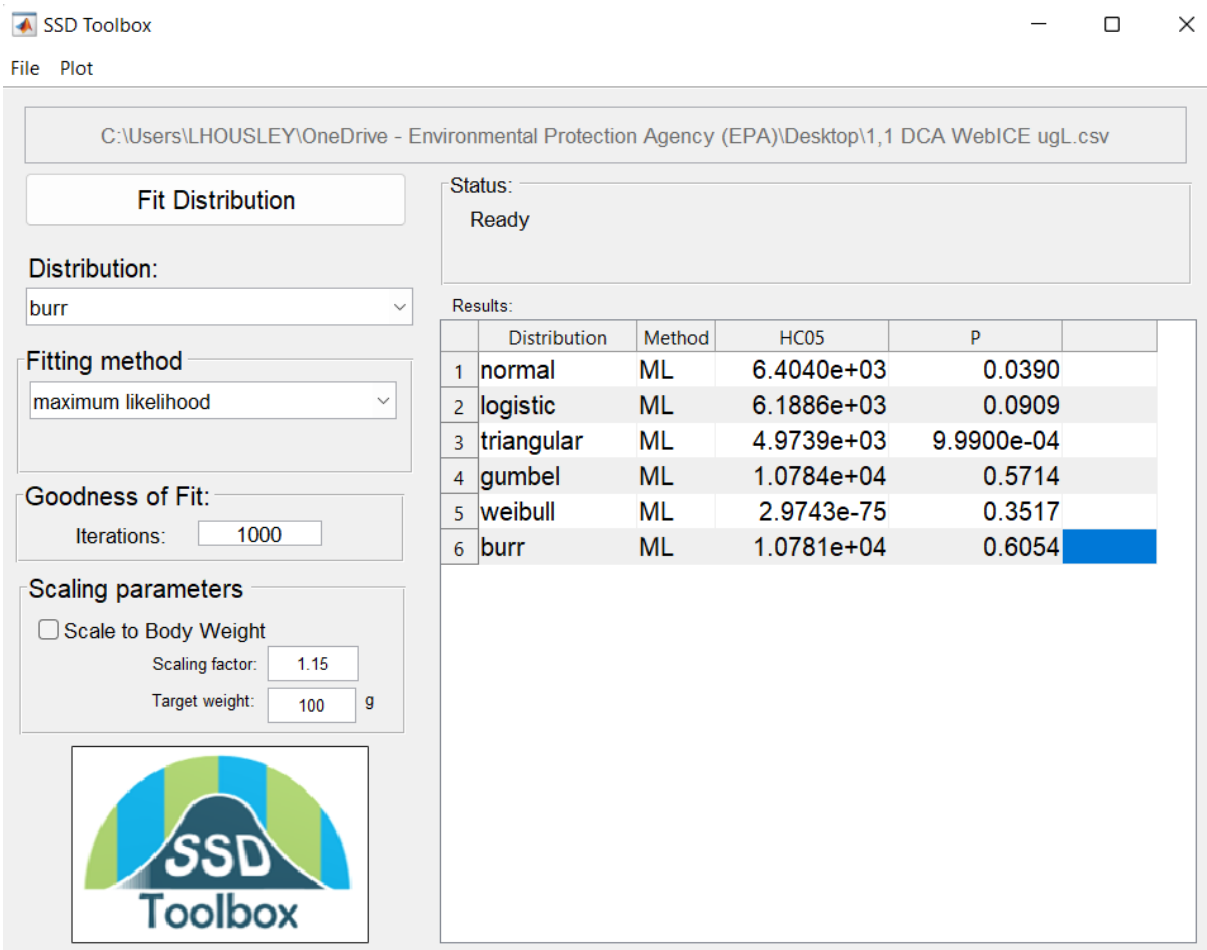
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### K.2.1.2 Species Sensitivity Distribution (SSD)

The SSD Toolbox is a resource created by EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) that can fit SSDs to environmental hazard data (Etterson, 2020a). The SSD Toolbox runs on Matlab 2018b (9.5) for Windows 64 bit. For the 1,1-dichloroethane Risk Evaluation, EPA calculated an SSD with the SSD Toolbox using acute LC50 hazard data for 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane from systematic review, and estimated data from the Web-ICE application (Appendix K.2.1.1) that included 15 fish, one amphibian, and 18 invertebrate species. The SSD is used to calculate, a hazardous concentration for 5 percent of species (HC05). In other words, HC05 estimates the concentration that is expected to be protective for 95 percent of species.

The SSD toolbox contains functions for fitting up to six distributions (normal, logistic, triangular, Gumbel, Weibull, and Burr) across four model estimation methods (maximum likelihood, moment estimators, graphical methods, and Bayesian methods, in this case the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm). Maximum likelihood was used to model the data for 1,1-dichloroethane due to its general acceptance for fitting SSDs (Etterson, 2020b), its low sampling variance, and the fact that models can also be compared *a posteriori* using information theoretic methods, in this case Akaike's Information Criterion corrected for sample size (AICc). AICc was used along with a comparison of p-values and a visual assessment of Q-Q plots, which are methods available to all model estimation methods, to select the distribution used to calculate the HC05 for this analysis.

SSD Toolbox uses a parametric bootstrap method to calculate a p-value to compare goodness-of-fit across distributions. In this type of test, the larger the deviation of the p-value from 0.5, the greater the indication of lack of fit. Thus, p-values closest to 0.5 are preferred (Etterson, 2020b). The Gumbel and Burr distributions ( $p = 0.57$  and  $0.6$ , respectively) had the best goodness-of-fit using using p-values (Figure\_Apx K-1). The sample-size corrected AICc was lowest for the Gumbel distribution (Figure\_Apx K-2). Because numerical methods may lack statistical power for small sample sizes, a visual inspection of the data was also used to assess goodness-of-fit, in this case a comparison of Q-Q plots between the two distributions. In a Q-Q plot, the horizontal axis gives the empirical quantiles, and the vertical axis gives the predicted quantiles (from the fitted distribution). A good model fit shows the data points in close proximity to the diagonal line across the data distribution. Comparison of Q-Q plots between the Gumbel and Burr distributions did not identify a significantly better fit between them. Thus, the Gumbel distribution was selected on the basis of its lowest AICc and its p-value being slightly closer to 0.5. This distribution was then plotted along with data points for both measured and modeled species. Life history information was attached to each species, indicating an even distribution of various life history strategies along the curve (Figure\_Apx K-4). The calculated HC05 was  $10,784 \mu\text{g/L}$  (95 percent CI =  $7,898$  to  $15,440 \mu\text{g/L}$ ). The lower 95 percent CI of the HC05,  $7,898 \mu\text{g/L}$ , was then used as the acute aquatic CoC.



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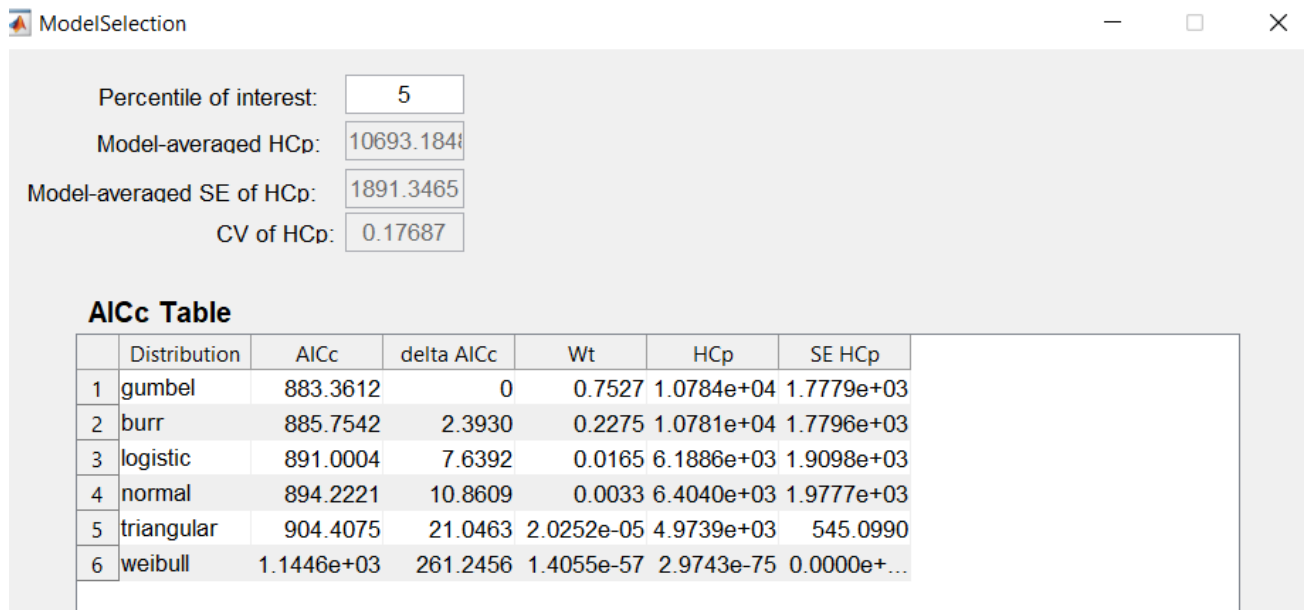
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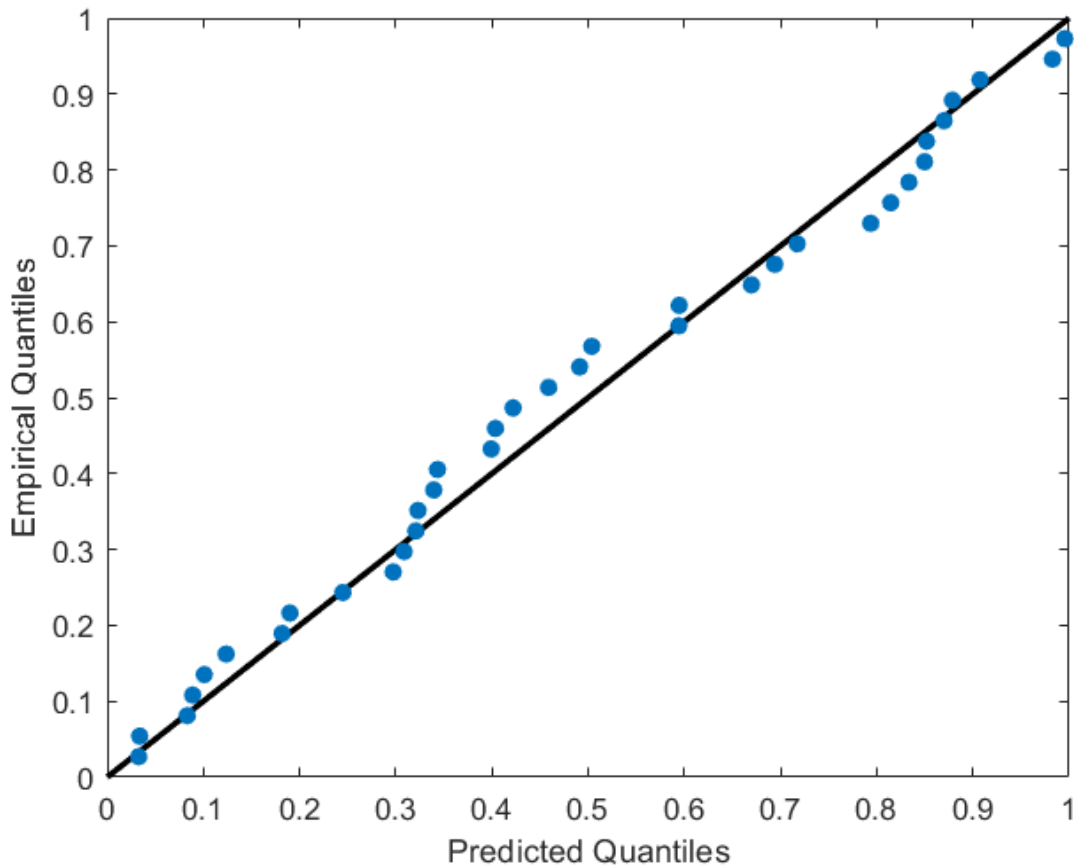
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**Figure\_Apx K-1. SSD Toolbox Interface Showing HC05s and P Values for Each Distribution Using Maximum Likelihood Fitting Method Using 1,2-Dichloropropane’s Acute Aquatic Hazard Data (Etterson, 2020a)**



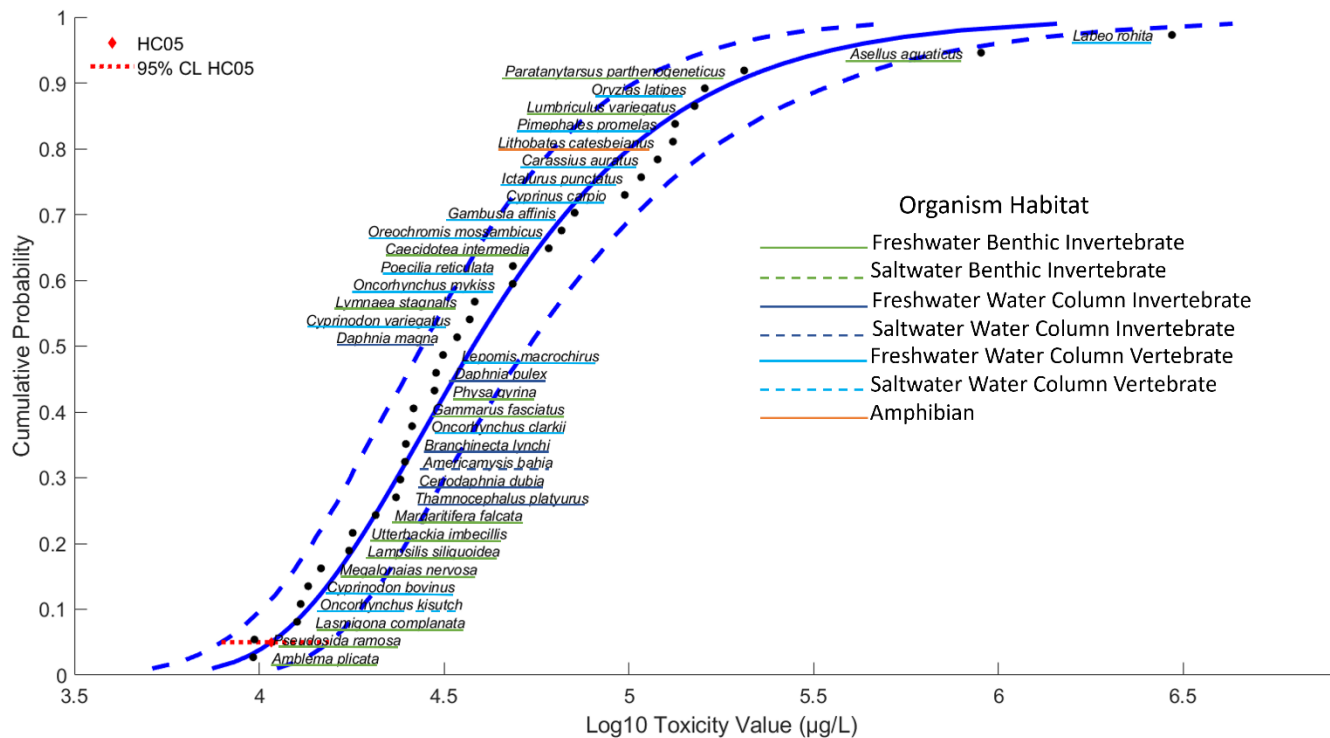
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**Figure\_Apx K-2. AICc for the Six Distribution Options in the SSD Toolbox for 1,2-Dichloropropane Acute Aquatic Hazard Data (Etterson, 2020a)**



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**Figure\_Apx K-3. Q-Q plot of 1,2-Dichloropropane Acute Aquatic Hazard Data with the Gumbel Distribution (Etterson, 2020a)**

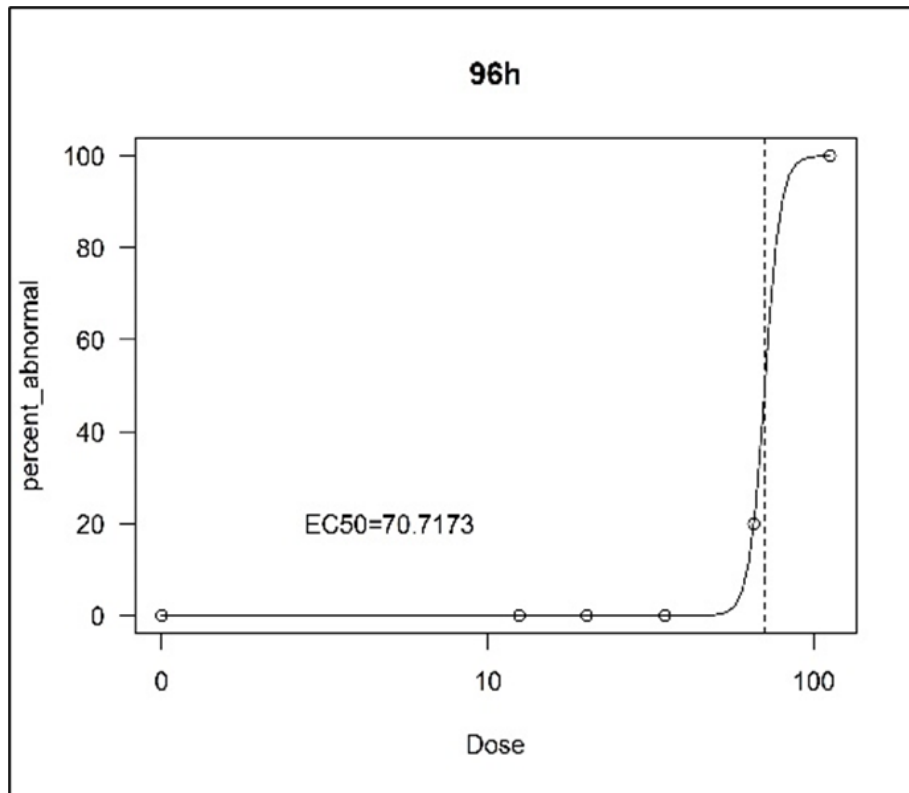


Figure\_Apx K-4. SSD Distribution for 1,2-Dichloropropane Acute Hazard Data (Etterson, 2020a)

### K.2.1.3 Dose-Response Curve Fit Methods

Swimming behavior data for *Oryzias latipes* exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane were further analyzed to derive an EC<sub>50</sub> value by fitting a dose-response curve. The authors of the original dose-response study (Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009b) recorded number of fish out of 10 fish per treatment concentration with abnormal swimming behavior at 96-hour. For this EC<sub>50</sub> derivation, data were first censored for mortalities, then the response was expressed as percent abnormal at each concentration. The control group had zero abnormal swimmers, so there was no need to standardize the response as a percent of control. Preliminary analyses indicated this relationship was well characterized using a log-logistic curve in R v.4.2.1 (R Core Team, 2022; Ritz et al., 2015) with slope and inflection point as the estimated parameters. The lower asymptote was fixed to 0 percent and the upper asymptote to 100 percent to constrain the predicted y value to a realistic range. The inflection point estimated by the curve fit (i.e., the point along the curve halfway between the upper and lower asymptotes) was used to estimate the EC<sub>50</sub>. Figure\_Apx K-5 shows the log-logistic curve for the 96h time point, with a vertical dotted line indicating the EC<sub>50</sub>.

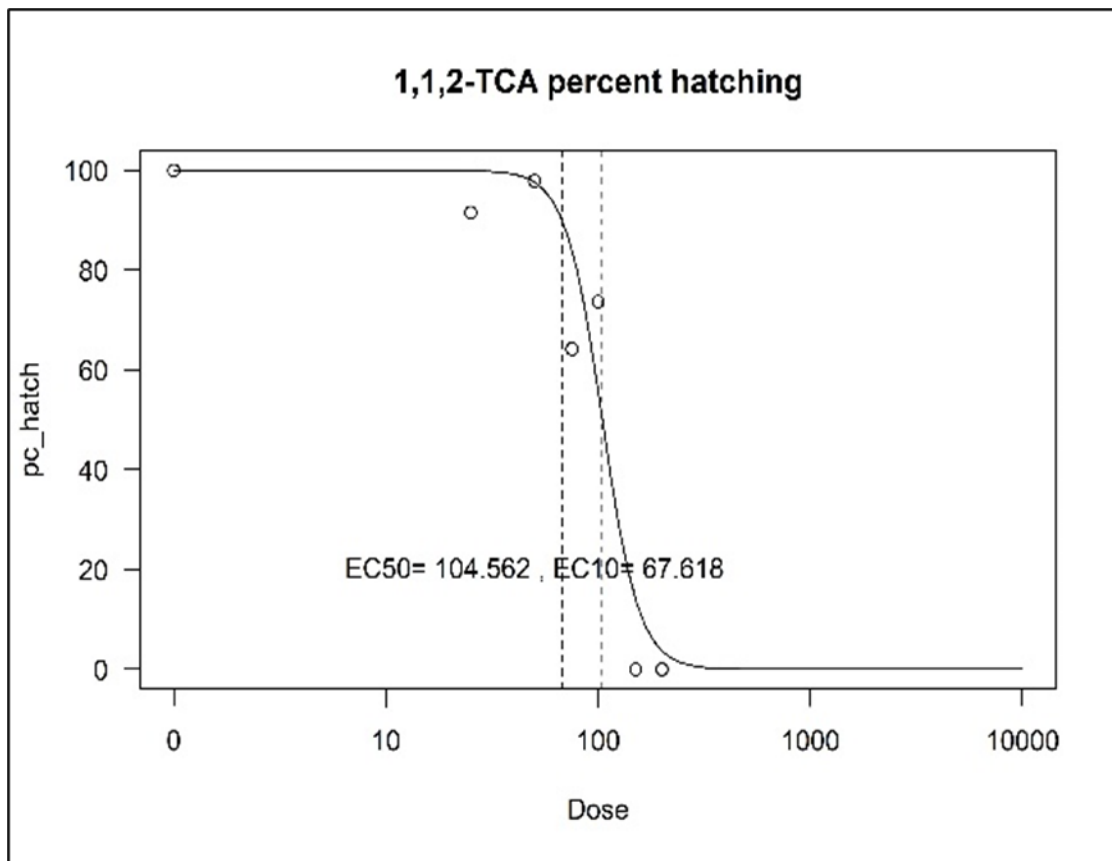




**Figure\_Apx K-5. Log-Logistic Curve Fit to 96-Hour Abnormal Swimming Behavior Data from (Mitsubishi Chemical Medience Corporation, 2009b) for *Oryzias latipes* Exposed to 1,1-Dichloroethane**

The hatching rate endpoint for *Ophryotrocha labronica* exposed to 1,1,2-trichloroethane was further analyzed to derive EC50 and EC10 values by fitting a dose-response curve. The authors of the original dose-response study (Rosenberg et al., 1975) reported for each concentration of 1,1,2-trichloroethane the hatching percent of *O. labronica* eggs. The hatching rate endpoint is expressed as percent relative to control response. Hormetic observations (*i.e.*, treatments having a response exceeding that of the control) were not censored. Characterizing EC50 and EC10 values required defining the 0 percent effect and 100 percent effect. Estimated between these two thresholds are the EC50, or the 50 percent inhibition of egg hatching, and EC10, 10 percent inhibition of egg hatching. Responses plateaued as concentration increased. Since zero was the minimum possible realistic value, the 100 percent effect (*i.e.*, lower asymptote) was set at zero. The 0 percent effect was defined as the control response; therefore, the upper asymptote was fixed at 100 percent of the control response. Hatching percent followed a decreasing logistic shape. Several functions were tested using R v. 4.2.1, with and without upper and lower asymptotes (R Core Team, 2022; Ritz et al., 2015). A log-logistic curve was ultimately fit to the data with slope and inflection point as the estimated parameters. The EC50 was calculated as the concentration along the curve halfway between 0 and 100 percent control response and the EC10 as the concentration a tenth of the way along the curve. Figure\_Apx K-6 shows the log-logistic curve, with vertical dotted lines indicating the EC50 and EC10.

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13944 **Figure\_Apx K-6. Log-logistic Curve Fit to Hatching Percent Data from *Ophryotrocha labronica***  
13945 **Exposed to 1,1,2-Trichloroethane ([Rosenberg et al., 1975](#)).**

### 13946 K.2.2 Terrestrial Hazard Data

13947 For mammalian species, EPA estimates hazard by calculating a TRV. The TRV is expressed as doses in  
13948 units of mg/kg-bw/day. Data from laboratory rat and mouse studies can be used to evaluate chronic  
13949 dietary exposure in ecologically relevant wildlife species because of this normalization to body weight.  
13950 For calculation of the mammal TRV, an a priori framework for selection of the TRV value based on the  
13951 results of the NOAEL and LOAEL data (Figure\_Apx K-7) is used. The minimum data set required to  
13952 calculate a TRV consists of three results with NOAEL or LOAEL values for reproduction, growth, or  
13953 mortality for at least two species. If these minimum results are not available, then a TRV is not  
13954 calculated.

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13956 For mammalian species, EPA estimates hazard by calculating a TRV. The TRV is expressed as doses in  
13957 units of mg/kg-bw/day. Although the TRV for 1,1-dichloroethane is derived from laboratory mice and  
13958 rat studies, body weight is normalized, therefore the TRV can be used with ecologically relevant wildlife  
13959 species to evaluate chronic dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. Representative wildlife species  
13960 chronic hazard threshold will be evaluated in the trophic transfer assessments using the TRV. The flow  
13961 chart in Figure\_Apx K-7 was used to select the data to calculate the TRV with NOAEL and/or LOAEL  
13962 data ([U.S. EPA, 2007](#)). The movement through the flowchart used to calculate the TRV for 1,1-  
13963 dichloroethane is described below and illustrated in Figure 4-2.  
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13965 **Step 1: At least three results and two species tested for reproduction, growth, or mortality general**  
13966 **end points.**

13967 Yes, 15 results across 2 species (rats and mice) were identified as suitable for use. Endpoints  
13968 included 10-day, 6-week, 13-week, 52-week, and 78-week NOAEL/LOAELs in both male and  
13969 female organisms. These results are summarized in Table 4-4.  
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13971 **Step 2: Are there three or more NOAELs in reproduction or growth effect groups?**

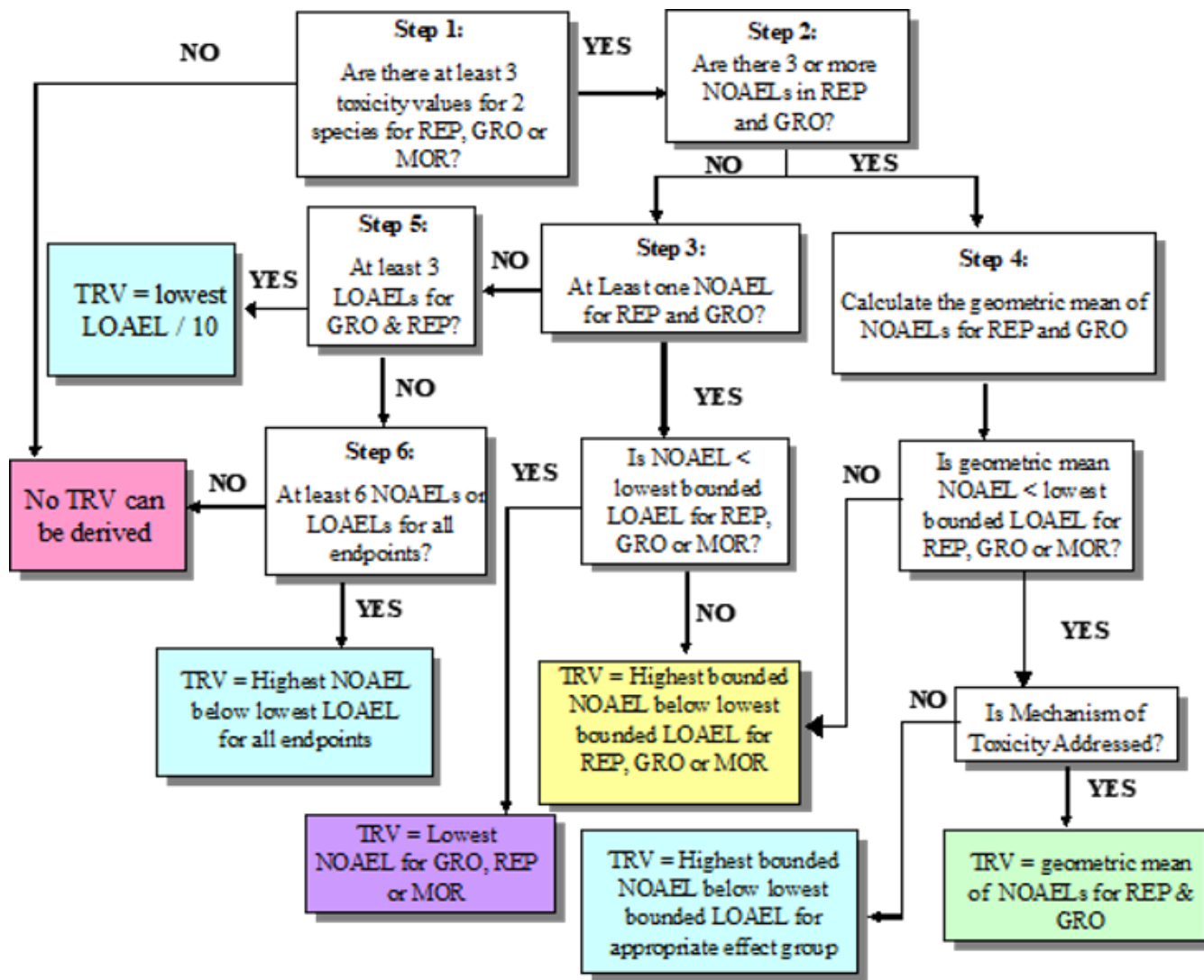
13972 Yes, nine of the above-referenced results report a NOAEL in the reproduction or growth effect  
13973 groups.  
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13975 **Move from Step 2 to Step 4: Calculate a geometric mean of the NOAELs for Reproduction and**  
13976 **Growth. Is this number lower than the lowest bounded LOAEL for reproduction, growth, and**  
13977 **mortality?**

13978 The geometric mean of the NOAELs for reproduction and growth is 1,935 mg/kg-bw/day. This  
13979 is greater than 1,429 mg/kg-bw/day, which is the lowest bounded LOAEL for reproduction,  
13980 growth, and mortality.

13981 **TRV = Highest bounded NOAEL below lowest bounded LOAEL for reproduction, growth, and**  
13982 **mortality.**

13983 The mammalian wildlife TRV for 1,1-dichloroethane is 1,189 mg/kg-bw/day.  
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Figure\_Apx K-7. TRV Flow Chart

**K.2.3 Evidence Integration**

Data integration includes analysis, synthesis, and integration of information for the risk evaluation. During data integration, EPA considers quality, consistency, relevancy, coherence, and biological plausibility to make final conclusions regarding the weight of scientific evidence. As stated in the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b), data integration involves transparently discussing the significant issues, strengths, and limitations as well as the uncertainties of the reasonably available information and the major points of interpretation.

The general analytical approaches for integrating evidence for environmental hazard is discussed in Section 7.4 of the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk Evaluations for Chemical Substances* (U.S. EPA, 2021b).

The organization and approach to integrating hazard evidence is determined by the reasonably available evidence regarding routes of exposure, exposure media, duration of exposure, taxa, metabolism and distribution, effects evaluated, the number of studies pertaining to each effect, as well as the results of the data quality evaluation.

14004 The environmental hazard integration is organized around effects to aquatic and terrestrial organisms as  
14005 well as the respective environmental compartments (*e.g.*, pelagic, benthic, soil). Environmental hazard  
14006 assessment may be complex based on the considerations of the quantity, relevance, and quality of the  
14007 available evidence.

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14009 For 1,1-dichloroethane, environmental hazard data from toxicology studies identified during systematic  
14010 review have used evidence that characterizes apical endpoints, *i.e.*, endpoints that could have population  
14011 level effects such as reproduction, growth, and/or mortality. Additionally, mechanistic data that can be  
14012 linked to apical endpoints will add to the weight of scientific evidence supporting hazard thresholds.  
14013 EPA also considered predictions from Web-ICE to supplement the empirical data found during  
14014 systematic review.

### 14015 **K.2.3.1 Weight of Scientific Evidence**

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14016 After calculating the hazard thresholds that were carried forward to characterize risk, a narrative  
14017 describing the weight of scientific evidence and uncertainties was completed to support EPA's  
14018 decisions. The weight of scientific evidence fundamentally means that the evidence is weighed (*i.e.*,  
14019 ranked), and weighted (*i.e.*, a piece or set of evidence or uncertainty may have more importance or  
14020 influence in the result than another). Based on the weight of scientific evidence and uncertainties, a  
14021 confidence statement was developed that qualitatively ranks (*i.e.*, Robust, Moderate, Slight, or  
14022 Indeterminate) the confidence in the hazard threshold. The qualitative confidence levels are described  
14023 below and illustrated in Table\_Apx K-2.

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14025 The evidence considerations and criteria detailed within ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) will guide the application of  
14026 strength-of-evidence judgments for environmental hazard effect within a given evidence stream and  
14027 were adapted from Table 7-10 of the *Draft Systematic Review Protocol Supporting TSCA Risk*  
14028 *Evaluations for Chemical Substances* ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)).

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14030 EPA used the strength-of-evidence and uncertainties from ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)) for the hazard assessment  
14031 to qualitatively rank the overall confidence using evidence for environmental hazard. Confidence levels  
14032 of Robust (+ + +), Moderate (+ +), Slight (+), or Indeterminant are assigned for each evidence property  
14033 that corresponds to the evidence considerations ([U.S. EPA, 2021b](#)). The rank of the *Quality of the*  
14034 *Database* consideration is based on the systematic review data quality rank (High, Medium, or Low) for  
14035 studies used to calculate the hazard threshold, and whether there are data gaps in the toxicity dataset.  
14036 Another consideration in the *Quality of the Database* is the risk of bias (*i.e.*, how representative is the  
14037 study to ecologically relevant endpoints). Additionally, because of the importance of the studies used for  
14038 deriving hazard thresholds, the *Quality of the Database* consideration may have greater weight than the  
14039 other individual considerations. The High, Medium, and Low systematic review ranks correspond to the  
14040 evidence table ranks of Robust (+ + +), Moderate (+ +), or Slight (+), respectively. The evidence  
14041 considerations are weighted based on professional judgement to obtain the *Overall Confidence* for each  
14042 hazard threshold. In other words, the weights of each evidence property relative to the other properties  
14043 are dependent on the specifics of the weight of scientific evidence and uncertainties that are described in  
14044 the narrative and may or may not be equal. Therefore, the overall score is not necessarily a mean or  
14045 defaulted to the lowest score. The confidence levels and uncertainty type examples are described below.

#### 14046 **Confidence Levels**

- 14048 • Robust (+ + +) confidence suggests thorough understanding of the scientific evidence and  
14049 uncertainties. The supporting weight of scientific evidence outweighs the uncertainties to the

14050 point where it is unlikely that the uncertainties could have a significant effect on the exposure or  
14051 hazard estimate.

- 14052 • Moderate (+ +) confidence suggests some understanding of the scientific evidence and  
14053 uncertainties. The supporting scientific evidence weighed against the uncertainties is reasonably  
14054 adequate to characterize exposure or hazard estimates.
- 14055 • Slight (+) confidence is assigned when the weight of scientific evidence may not be adequate to  
14056 characterize the scenario, and when the assessor is making the best scientific assessment possible  
14057 in the absence of complete information. There are additional uncertainties that may need to be  
14058 considered.
- 14059 • Indeterminant (N/A) corresponds to entries in evidence tables where information is not available  
14060 within a specific evidence consideration.

### 14061 *Types of Uncertainties*

14062 The following uncertainties may be relevant to one or more of the weight of scientific evidence  
14063 considerations listed above and will be integrated into that property's rank in the evidence table  
14064 (Table\_Apx K-2).

- 14065 • Scenario uncertainty: Uncertainty regarding missing or incomplete information needed to fully  
14066 define the exposure and dose.
  - 14067 ○ The sources of scenario uncertainty include descriptive errors, aggregation errors, errors  
14068 in professional judgment, and incomplete analysis.
- 14069 • Parameter uncertainty: Uncertainty regarding some parameter.
  - 14070 ○ Sources of parameter uncertainty include measurement errors, sampling errors,  
14071 variability, and use of generic or surrogate data.
- 14072 • Model uncertainty: Uncertainty regarding gaps in scientific theory required to make predictions  
14073 on the basis of causal inferences.
  - 14074 ○ Modeling assumptions may be simplified representations of reality.

14075 Table\_Apx K-2 summarizes the weight of scientific evidence and uncertainties, while increasing  
14076 transparency on how EPA arrived at the overall confidence level for each exposure hazard threshold.  
14077 Symbols are used to provide a visual overview of the confidence in the body of evidence, while de-  
14078 emphasizing an individual ranking that may give the impression that ranks are cumulative (*e.g.*, ranks of  
14079 different categories may have different weights).  
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**Table\_Apx K-2. Considerations that Inform Evaluations of the Strength of the Evidence within an Evidence Stream (*i.e.*, Apical Endpoints, Mechanistic, or Field Studies)**

Consideration	Increased Evidence Strength (of the Apical Endpoints, Mechanistic, or Field Studies Evidence)	Decreased Evidence Strength (of the Apical Endpoints, Mechanistic, or Field Studies Evidence)
<p>The evidence considerations and criteria laid out here guide the application of strength-of-evidence judgments for an outcome or environmental hazard effect within a given evidence stream. Evidence integration or synthesis results that do not warrant an increase or decrease in evidence strength for a given consideration are considered “neutral” and are not described in this table (and, in general, are captured in the assessment-specific evidence profile tables).</p>		
<p><b>Quality of the Database* (risk of bias)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A large evidence base of <i>high-</i> or <i>medium-</i>quality studies increases strength.</li> <li>• Strength increases if relevant species are represented in a database.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An evidence base of mostly <i>low-</i>quality studies decreases strength.</li> <li>• Strength also decreases if the database has data gaps for relevant species, <i>i.e.</i>, a trophic level that is not represented.</li> <li>• Decisions to increase strength for other considerations in this table should generally not be made if there are serious concerns for risk of bias; in other words, all the other considerations in this table are dependent upon the quality of the database.<sup>a</sup></li> </ul>
<p><b>Consistency</b></p>	<p>Similarity of findings for a given outcome (<i>e.g.</i>, of a similar magnitude, direction) across independent studies or experiments increases strength, particularly when consistency is observed across species, life stage, sex, wildlife populations, and across or within aquatic and terrestrial exposure pathways.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unexplained inconsistency (<i>i.e.</i>, conflicting evidence; see <a href="#">(U.S. EPA, 2005b)</a>) decreases strength.</li> <li>• Strength should not be decreased if discrepant findings can be reasonably explained by study confidence conclusions; variation in population or species, sex, or life stage; frequency of exposure (<i>e.g.</i>, intermittent or continuous); exposure levels (low or high); or exposure duration.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Strength (effect magnitude) and precision</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of a large magnitude effect (considered either within or across studies) can increase strength.</li> <li>• Effects of a concerning rarity or severity can also increase strength, even if they are of a small magnitude.</li> <li>• Precise results from individual studies or across the set of studies increases strength, noting that biological significance is prioritized over statistical significance.</li> <li>• Use of probabilistic model (<i>e.g.</i>, Web-ICE, SSD) may increase strength.</li> </ul>	<p>Strength may be decreased if effect sizes that are small in magnitude are concluded not to be biologically significant, or if there are only a few studies with imprecise results.</p>
<p><b>Biological gradient/dose-response</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of dose-response increases strength.</li> <li>• Dose-response may be demonstrated across studies or within studies and it can be dose- or duration-dependent.</li> <li>• Dose response may not be a monotonic dose-response (monotonicity should not necessarily be expected, <i>e.g.</i>, different outcomes may be expected at low vs. high doses due</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A lack of dose-response when expected based on biological understanding and having a wide range of doses/exposures evaluated in the evidence base can decrease strength.</li> <li>• In experimental studies, strength may be decreased when effects resolve under certain experimental conditions (<i>e.g.</i>, rapid reversibility after removal of exposure).</li> </ul>

Consideration	Increased Evidence Strength (of the Apical Endpoints, Mechanistic, or Field Studies Evidence)	Decreased Evidence Strength (of the Apical Endpoints, Mechanistic, or Field Studies Evidence)
	<p>to activation of different mechanistic pathways or induction of systemic toxicity at very high doses).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreases in a response after cessation of exposure (<i>e.g.</i>, return to baseline fecundity) also may increase strength by increasing certainty in a relationship between exposure and outcome (this particularly applicable to field studies).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>However, many reversible effects are of high concern. Deciding between these situations is informed by factors such as the toxicokinetics of the chemical and the conditions of exposure, see (<a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1998</a>), endpoint severity, judgments regarding the potential for delayed or secondary effects, as well as the exposure context focus of the assessment (<i>e.g.</i>, addressing intermittent or short-term exposures).</li> <li>In rare cases, and typically only in toxicology studies, the magnitude of effects at a given exposure level might decrease with longer exposures (<i>e.g.</i>, due to tolerance or acclimation).</li> <li>Like the discussion of reversibility above, a decision about whether this decreases evidence strength depends on the exposure context focus of the assessment and other factors.</li> <li>If the data are not adequate to evaluate a dose-response pattern, then strength is neither increased nor decreased.</li> </ul>
<b>Biological relevance</b>	Effects observed in different populations or representative species suggesting that the effect is likely relevant to the population or representative species of interest ( <i>e.g.</i> , correspondence among the taxa, life stages, and processes measured or observed and the assessment endpoint).	An effect observed only in a specific population or species without a clear analogy to the population or representative species of interest decreases strength.
<b>Physical/chemical relevance</b>	Correspondence between the substance tested and the substance constituting the stressor of concern.	The substance tested is an analog of the chemical of interest or a mixture of chemicals which include other chemicals besides the chemical of interest.
<b>Environmental relevance</b>	Correspondence between test conditions and conditions in the region of concern.	The test is conducted using conditions that would not occur in the environment.
<p><sup>a</sup> Database refers to the entire dataset of studies integrated in the environmental hazard assessment and used to inform the strength of the evidence. In this context, database does <i>not</i> refer to a computer database that stores aggregations of data records such as the ECOTOX Knowledgebase.</p>		

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### K.2.3.2 Data Integration Considerations Applied to Aquatic and Terrestrial Hazard Representing the 1,1,-Dichloroethane Environmental Hazard Database

#### *Quality of the Database; Consistency; and Strength (Effect Magnitude) and Precision*

For the acute aquatic assessment, the database consisted of four studies with overall quality determinations of high with both aquatic invertebrates and vertebrates represented. Data from three of these studies were supplemented using Web-ICE to generate a subsequent SSD output, therefore a robust confidence was assigned to quality of the database. Outcomes in the empirical and predicted data were generally consistent with the majority of toxicity values falling within a log scale of each other (Figure\_Apx K-4). For example, the ECOSAR acute toxicity daphnid prediction for 1,1-dichloroethane was in good agreement with the 1,1-dichloroethane empirical hazard value for *Daphnia magna* (69.9 vs. 34.3 mg/L, respectively) as was the analog 1,2-dichloropropane fish acute toxicity prediction in close agreement with the respective 1,2-dichloropropane empirical hazard value (94.8 vs. 133.34 mg/L, respectively). Although the ECOSAR 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane predictions for mysid shrimp were in less agreement with the 1,2-dichloropropane empirical toxicity value for mysid shrimp, the predictions were still within three to four-fold of the empirical datapoint (Table\_Apx J-5) Therefore, a robust confidence was assigned to consistency of the acute aquatic assessment. The effects observed in the 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane empirical dataset for acute aquatic assessment were immobilization, abnormal swimming, and mortality, and EC50 (*Daphnia magna*) and LC50 (fathead minnow and mysid shrimp) values were reported in the three species utilized in the SSD analysis with additional predicted LC50 values reported from Web-ICE, therefore a robust confidence was assigned to the strength and precision consideration (Table 4-17).

For the acute benthic assessment, the database consisted of 96-hour LC50 toxicity predictions for thirteen benthic invertebrates based on empirical fish and aquatic invertebrate data for 1,1-dichloroethane and analog 1,2-dichloropropane (Table\_Apx K-1). EPA determined this to be a sufficient number of benthic invertebrate predictions but acknowledging the fact that there were no reasonably available empirical acute toxicity data for sediment-dwelling organisms for 1,1-dichloroethane or its analogs, a moderate confidence was assigned to quality of the database. Moderate confidence was assigned to the consistency consideration for the acute benthic assessment since the data, although indicating toxicity, were sourced from Web-ICE predictions of benthic invertebrate hazard. Similarly, moderate confidence was assigned to the strength and precision consideration as the predicted data indicate mortality in thirteen benthic species; however, there are a lack of reasonably available empirical data to confirm acute hazard in sediment-dwelling organisms.

For the chronic aquatic assessment, the database consisted of two studies with overall quality determinations of high (one study containing 1,1-dichloroethane hazard data obtained according to OECD Guideline for the Testing of Chemicals, 211 and the other study containing analog 1,2-dichloropropane hazard data), resulting in moderate confidence for quality of the database. Outcomes differed by taxa with mortality and growth effects observed in fathead minnow based on analog hazard data and reproductive effects observed in *Daphnia magna* based on 1,1-dichloroethane hazard data. 1,1-Dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloropropane ECOSAR chronic toxicity predictions were consistent with the 1,2-dichloropropane chronic fish toxicity hazard value (e.g., ChV predictions of 12.0 mg/L 1,1-dichloroethane and 9.3 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane compared to the empirical ChV 8.12 mg/L 1,2-dichloropropane), whereas the 1,1-dichloroethane chronic hazard prediction for daphnid was in less agreement but still within 10-fold of the 1,1-dichloroethane empirical hazard value for *Daphnia magna* utilized in setting the hazard threshold (6.5 mg/L vs. 0.93 mg/L, respectively) (Table\_Apx J-3). Therefore, a moderate confidence was assigned to the consistency consideration. In the two chronic studies, reproductive and growth effects were considered the most sensitive endpoints with high doses

14133 resulting in approximately 25 percent of control values for those endpoints. Therefore, a robust  
14134 confidence was assigned to the strength and precision consideration for the chronic aquatic assessment  
14135 (Table 4-17).

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14137 For the chronic benthic assessment, the database consisted of two studies with overall quality  
14138 determinations of high or medium based on analog hazard data. One of the studies is a TSCA section  
14139 4(a)(2) test order report conducted according to OECD Guideline for the Testing of Chemicals,  
14140 Guideline 233 (“Sediment-Water Chironomid Life-Cycle Toxicity Test Using Spiked Water or Spiked  
14141 Sediment”), and the second study was a high-rated exposure of *Ophryotrocha labronica* in water,  
14142 resulting in moderate confidence for quality of the database. Outcomes occurred in offspring of both  
14143 studies (percent emerged or hatched), therefore a moderate confidence was assigned for consistency in  
14144 chronic benthic assessment. Percent of *O. labronica* eggs hatched decreased to 0 percent at higher 1,1,2-  
14145 trichloroethane concentrations, and emergence in the second-generation (F1) larvae in the 1,1,2-  
14146 trichloroethane test order report was approximately 50 percent of the control treatment emergence.  
14147 Additionally, the definitive chironomid emergence result is qualitatively supported by similar findings in  
14148 the preliminary 2-generation screening study in the same study report where percent emergence at the  
14149 high dose was less than 20 percent that of the control treatment, therefore the strength and precision  
14150 consideration was assigned robust confidence (Table 4-17).

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14152 For the algal assessment, the database consisted of one study with an overall quality determination of  
14153 high containing 1,1-dichloroethane hazard data and three high or medium-rated studies based on analog  
14154 (1,2-dichloropropane) data resulting in a moderate confidence for quality of the database. Outcomes  
14155 were consistent for two of the three algal species (*e.g.*, showing growth inhibition effects at comparable  
14156 concentrations) whereas the third species showed no effect on growth to the highest concentrations  
14157 tested across two studies, therefore a moderate confidence was assigned to the consistency  
14158 consideration. The endpoints were based on growth reduction in algae, with 1,2-dichloropropane EC50  
14159 values achieved in two of the studies. Additionally, ECOSAR ChV predictions for 1,1-dichloroethane  
14160 and 1,2-dichloropropane (12.1 and 10.4 mg/L, respectively) were closely aligned with the ChV utilized  
14161 for the algal hazard threshold (10.0 mg/L); therefore, a robust confidence was assigned to the strength  
14162 and precision consideration for the algal assessment (Table 4-17).

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14164 For terrestrial mammal assessment, no wildlife studies were available from systematic review; however,  
14165 three studies with overall quality determinations of high representing two species (mice and rats), were  
14166 used from human health animal model studies. A TRV derived from the mammal studies was used to  
14167 calculate the hazard threshold in mg/kg-bw. The terrestrial mammal data suggest potential trends (*e.g.*,  
14168 species-specific growth effects, potential route of administration-specific effects on survival); however,  
14169 the ability to fully assess these trends for consistency is limited by the low number of studies. Regarding  
14170 strength of the effect, mortality was substantial in the datum representing the TRV (approximately 40  
14171 percent reduction in survival) whereas reduction in growth, although significant, was smaller in  
14172 magnitude. Moderate confidence was assigned to quality of the database, consistency, and strength and  
14173 precision for the terrestrial mammalian assessment (Table 4-17).

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14175 For the terrestrial plant assessment, a single study with an overall quality determination of medium was  
14176 available for the Canadian poplar resulting in slight confidence for the quality of the database. The  
14177 terrestrial plant study measured growth inhibition and transpiration reduction effects. The single  
14178 terrestrial plant study was insufficient to characterize consistency in the outcome resulting in slight  
14179 confidence for consistency. For strength of effect in the terrestrial plant assessment, reduction in  
14180 transpiration was substantial (50 percent reduction achieved), therefore moderate confidence was  
14181 assigned to this consideration.

**Biological Gradient/Dose-Response**

All studies used for calculating hazard thresholds contained multiple doses. For the acute aquatic assessment, effects were noted at increased doses and particularly for the fish data, effects increased as duration increased, therefore a robust confidence was assigned to this consideration. For the acute benthic assessment, LC50 predictions were generated using the Web-ICE predictive tool, however, dose-specific responses outside the predicted LC50 are not presented. Nevertheless, species-specific sensitivity in benthic invertebrates was indicated as the 13 predicted LC50 values for benthic invertebrates are distributed relatively evenly along the SSD (Figure\_Apx K-4); therefore, moderate confidence was assigned to this consideration. For the chronic acute assessment, increase in effect was observed as chemical concentration increased, therefore a robust confidence was assigned to this consideration. For the chronic benthic assessment, decrease in percent eggs hatched and second-generation larval emergence was observed as chemical concentration increased, therefore a robust confidence was assigned to this consideration. For the algal assessment, when effects were noted, the effects increased as chemical dose and duration increased but was not demonstrated across species, therefore a moderate confidence was assigned to this consideration.

For terrestrial mammalian assessment, effects were generally noted at higher 1,1-dichloroethane concentrations and increased over duration, therefore robust confidence was assigned to this consideration. For the terrestrial plant assessment, there is evidence of dose-response with both reported endpoints (zero-growth and transpiration reduction); however, the zero-growth concentration was extrapolated outside the tested concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane, therefore moderate confidence was assigned to this consideration (Table 4-17).

**Relevance (Biological; Physical/Chemical; Environmental)**

For the acute aquatic assessment, immobilization and mortality were noted in the empirical data for freshwater and saltwater aquatic invertebrates and a freshwater fish, all three of which are considered representative test species for aquatic assessments, and mortality was predicted in additional species. Although, modeled approaches such as Web-ICE can have more uncertainty than empirical data when determining the hazard or risk, the use of the probabilistic approach within this risk evaluation increases confidence compared to a deterministic approach and the use of the lower 95 percent CI instead of a fixed AF also increases confidence, as it is a more data-driven way of accounting for uncertainty. Two of the three species with empirical hazard data were exposed to 1,2-dichloropropane rather than 1,1-dichloroethane. Although EPA concludes that 1,2-dichloropropane is a robust analog for the environmental hazard read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane, the use of an analog still affects the physical and chemical relevance of the hazard confidence; therefore, a moderate confidence was assigned to the relevance consideration for the acute aquatic assessment (Table 4-17).

For the acute benthic assessment, mortality predictions were observed in thirteen benthic invertebrates, including representative test species such as *Lumbriculus variegatus* and *Gammarus fasciatus*. As stated above, the use of the lower 95 percent CI of a probabilistically-derived hazard value instead of a fixed AF is a more data-driven way of accounting for uncertainty and increases confidence. The predictions were based in part on empirical analog data (1,2-dichloropropane), therefore a moderate confidence was assigned to the relevance consideration for the acute benthic assessment (Table 4-17).

For the chronic aquatic assessment, ecologically relevant population level effects (reproductive, growth, mortality) were observed in two different species (*Daphnia magna* and fathead minnow), both of which are considered representative test species for aquatic toxicity tests. Although the *Daphnia magna* study utilized semi-static renewal, chemical measurements were obtained, and the fathead minnow study utilized flow-through conditions which is environmentally relevant for chronic exposure. In the case of



14231 the study on which the chronic aquatic threshold was based, the exposure was to 1,1-dichloroethane.  
14232 Therefore, robust confidence was assigned to the relevance consideration for the chronic aquatic  
14233 assessment.

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14235 For the chronic benthic assessment, an ecologically relevant population level effect (emergence) was  
14236 observed in a representative species (*Chironomus riparius*) for benthic toxicity tests whereas  
14237 *Ophryotrocha labronica*, a marine annelid, is less represented in the literature as a test species.  
14238 Regarding physical and chemical relevance, the exposure was to 1,1,2-trichloroethane rather than 1,1-  
14239 dichloroethane even though EPA concludes that 1,1,2-trichloroethane is an appropriate analog for  
14240 environmental hazard read-across to 1,1-dichloroethane. Regarding environmental relevance, in the  
14241 study exposing *C. riparius*, the test was conducted with sediment present in the system which is  
14242 environmentally relevant for benthic exposure; however, the chemical exposure was administered at the  
14243 beginning of each sediment exposure phase with 1,1,2-trichloroethane concentrations in sediment and  
14244 benthic pore water significantly decreasing over the duration of the exposure phase (therefore not truly  
14245 representative of chronic exposure in the benthic environment). The second study exposed *O. labronica*  
14246 to 1,1,2-trichloroethane in aqueous conditions without sediment present in the system. Therefore, slight  
14247 confidence is assigned to relevance.

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14249 For the algal assessment, similar effects were observed in two different species (a marine diatom and a  
14250 green algae species), both of which are considered representative test species for algal toxicity tests, and  
14251 the testing likely encompassed several generations of algae; however, a definitive approach was utilized  
14252 with an AF of 10 to account for uncertainty when applying results from these two species to all algal  
14253 species. The algal testing took place in aqueous growth medium which is considered environmentally  
14254 relevant but was conducted with 1,2-dichloropropane rather than 1,1-dichloroethane. Therefore, a  
14255 moderate confidence was assigned to the relevance consideration for the algal assessment (Table 4-17).

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14257 Regarding biological relevance and physical/chemical relevance for the terrestrial mammalian  
14258 assessment, ecologically relevant population-level effects include behavior, growth, and mortality, and  
14259 these data were on 1,1-dichloroethane. The TRV was established using a mortality endpoint in female  
14260 mice; which is considered an ecologically relevant apical effect in mammalian receptors. It should be  
14261 noted that two of the studies utilized gavage administration which could be considered less  
14262 environmentally relevant than other methods of administration such as via drinking water or feed.  
14263 Nevertheless, moderate confidence was assigned to the relevance consideration for the terrestrial  
14264 mammal assessment (Table 4-17).

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14266 The ecologically relevant population level effects in the terrestrial plant assessment include lack of  
14267 growth (zero-growth) and reduced transpiration (which would be a proxy for reduced  
14268 growth/development even though the endpoint is reported as respiratory) and the testing was performed  
14269 with 1,1-dichloroethane. However, testing was performed in a single species in growth medium which  
14270 could be considered less environmentally relevant than tests conducted in soil. Therefore, a slight  
14271 confidence was assigned to the relevance consideration for the terrestrial plant assessment (Table 4-17).

### 14272 **Hazard Confidence**

14273 Due to the robust confidence in quality of the database, consistency, strength and precision, and  
14274 biological response, an overall hazard confidence rating of robust was assigned to the acute aquatic  
14275 assessment (Table 4-17). As a result of moderate confidence in all considerations, an overall hazard  
14276 confidence rating of moderate was assigned to the acute benthic assessment. Due to the robustness in  
14277 strength and precision, observed dose-response, and relevance, a robust confidence was assigned to the  
14278 chronic aquatic assessment. Because of the moderate confidence in quality of the database and  
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14280 consistency, a moderate confidence was assigned to the chronic benthic assessment. Due to the moderate  
14281 confidence in the number of studies, consistency, and relevance, an overall hazard confidence rating of  
14282 moderate was assigned to the algal assessment (Table 4-17). Owing to the moderate confidence in  
14283 number of studies, consistency, and strength and magnitude of effect, an overall hazard confidence of  
14284 moderate was assigned to the terrestrial mammalian assessment. Due to the slight confidence in number  
14285 of studies, consistency, and relevance, an overall hazard confidence of slight was assigned to the  
14286 terrestrial plant assessment (Table 4-17). Indeterminate ratings were assigned to the confidence for the  
14287 avian and soil invertebrate assessments due to lack of reasonably available data.  
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14289 **Appendix L ENVIRONMENTAL RISK DETAILS**

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14290 **L.1 Risk Estimation for Aquatic Receptors**

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14291 Details described in Section 4.3.1.

14292 **L.2 Risk Estimation for Terrestrial Receptors**

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14293 Details described in Section 4.3.1.

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### L.3 Trophic Transfer Analysis Results

**Table\_Apx L-1. Risk Quotients for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane that Could Result from Air Deposition (1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI) in Insectivorous Terrestrial Ecosystems Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Earthworm Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	Short-tailed shrew ( <i>Blarina brevicauda</i> )	
				1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	7.0E-03	1,189	4.6E-03	3.9E-06
Processing/As a reactant/Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive Intermediate	0.38	1,189	0.25	2.1E-04
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing					
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	1.1E-03	1,189	6.9E-04	5.8E-07

<sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative soil invertebrate, earthworm, assumed equal to aggregated highest calculated soil and soil pore water concentration via air deposition to soil for fugitive air releases of 1,1-dichloroethane reported to TRI.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per ([U.S. EPA, 2007](#)).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (earthworm), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.

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**Table\_Apx L-2. Risk Quotients for Screening Level Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane Which Could Result from Air Deposition (1,1-Dichloroethane Releases Reported to TRI) in Herbivorous Terrestrial Ecosystems Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Plant Concentration (mg/kg) <sup>a</sup>	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	Meadow Vole ( <i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i> )	
				1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	2.7E-03	1,189	1.5E-03	1.3E-06
Processing/As a reactant/Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	0.15	1,189	8.2E-02	6.9E-05
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing					
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	4.0E-04	1,189	2.3E-04	1.9E-07

<sup>a</sup> Estimated 1,1-dichloroethane concentration in representative terrestrial plant *Trifolium* sp., assumed equal to the highest calculated soil pore water concentration via air deposition to soil for fugitive air releases of 1,1-dichloroethane reported to TRI.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (*Trifolium* sp.), incidental ingestion of soil, and ingestion of water.

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**Table\_Apx L-3. Risk Quotients Based on Potential Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Fish to American Mink (*Mustela vison*) as a Model Aquatic Predator Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	SWC (µg/L) <sup>a</sup>	Fish Concentration (mg/kg)	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )	
					1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	85	0.59	1,189	0.14	1.2E-04
Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	13	9.0E-02	1,189	2.1E-02	1.8E-05
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing						
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	0.7	4.9E-03	1,189	1.2E-03	9.7E-07
Commercial Use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	0.64	4.5E-03	1,189	1.0E-03	8.8E-07
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	12	8.7E-02	1,189	2.0E-02	1.7E-05
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	8.2	5.7E-02	1,189	1.3E-02	1.1E-05
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (Remediation)	31	0.21	1,189	5.0E-02	4.2E-05

<sup>a</sup> 1,1-Dichloroethane concentration represents the highest modeled surface water concentration via PSC modeling.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (fish), incidental ingestion of sediment, and ingestion of water.  
<sup>d</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).

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**Table\_Apx L-4. Highest Risk Quotients Based on Potential Trophic Transfer of 1,1-Dichloroethane from Crayfish to American Mink (*Mustela vison*) as a Model Aquatic Predator Using EPA’s Wildlife Risk Model for Eco-SSLs**

COU (Life Cycle Stage/Category/Subcategory)	OES	Benthic Pore Water (µg/L) <sup>a</sup>	Crayfish Concentration (mg/kg)	TRV (mg/kg-bw/day) <sup>b</sup>	American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )	
					1,1-Dichloroethane Dietary Exposure (mg/kg/day) <sup>c</sup>	RQ
Manufacture/Domestic Manufacturing/Domestic manufacturing	Manufacturing	78	0.55	1,189	0.13	1.1E-04
Processing/As a reactant/ Intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture	Processing as a reactive intermediate	12	8.7E-02	1,189	2.0E-02	1.7E-05
Processing/As a Reactant/Intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing						
Processing/Processing – repackaging/Processing – repackaging	Processing – repackaging	6.1E-01	4.3E-03	1,189	1.0E-03	8.5E-07
Commercial Use/Other use/Laboratory chemicals	Commercial use as a laboratory chemical	5.5E-01	3.8E-03	1,189	9.1E-04	7.6E-07
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	General waste handling, treatment, and disposal	12	8.3E-02	1,189	1.9E-02	1.6E-05
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (POTW)	7.9	5.5E-02	1,189	1.3E-02	1.1E-05
Disposal/Disposal/Disposal	Waste handling, treatment, and disposal (remediation)	29	0.21	1,189	4.8E-02	4.1E-05
Distribution in Commerce/Distribution in commerce/Distribution in commerce	Distribution in commerce	N/A <sup>d</sup>				

<sup>a</sup> 1,1-Dichloroethane concentration represents the highest modeled benthic pore water concentration via PSC modeling.  
<sup>b</sup> Mammal 1,1-dichloroethane TRV value calculated using several studies as per (U.S. EPA, 2007).  
<sup>c</sup> Dietary exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane includes consumption of biota (crayfish), incidental ingestion of sediment, and ingestion of water.  
<sup>d</sup> Distribution in Commerce does not result in surface water releases (Table 3-6).

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## Appendix M HUMAN HEALTH HAZARD DETAILS

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This appendix provides details on the human health hazard assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane and the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane. Human health hazard data for 1,2-dichloroethane were used to fill data gaps for 1,1-dichloroethane. Appendix M.1 provides a summary of toxicokinetics for both 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-dichloroethane. Appendix M.2 provides a non-cancer dose response assessment for both chemicals. Appendix M.3 provides the equations used in derivation of non-cancer and cancer PODs for the 1,1-dichloroethane risk assessment. Appendix M.4 describes the non-cancer POD derivation for acute, short/intermediate-term, and chronic durations. Appendix M.5 provides evidence integration tables for 1,1-dichloroethane. Appendix M.6 provides evidence integration tables for 1,2-dichloroethane. Appendix M.7 describes evidence for mutagenicity and cancer for both chemicals. Lastly, Appendix M.8 provides a cancer dose-response assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane using data for 1,2-dichloroethane as read-across.

### M.1 Toxicokinetics

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#### M.1.1 Absorption

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##### M.1.1.1 1,1-Dichloroethane

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###### *Oral*

Oral absorption of 1,1-dichloroethane was demonstrated by the detection of radiolabel in expired air, excreta, and body carcass following gavage administration of 700 mg/kg-bw/day 1,1-dichloroethane (unlabeled) via gavage 5 days/week for 4 weeks followed by a single dose of 700 mg/kg <sup>14</sup>C-1,1-dichloroethane in rats or 1,800 mg/kg-bw/day 1,1-dichloroethane (unlabeled) via gavage 5 days/week for 4 weeks followed by a single dose of 1,800 mg/kg <sup>14</sup>C-1,1-dichloroethane in mice ([Mitoma et al., 1985](#)). Within 48 hours in rats, 91 percent of the administered dose was eliminated in expired air (86 percent unchanged, 5 percent as CO<sub>2</sub>). Less than 1 percent of the radiolabel was detected in urine and feces of rats and 1 percent was detected in carcass. In mice, 95 percent of the administered dose was eliminated in expired air (70 percent unchanged, 25 percent as CO<sub>2</sub>) within 48 hours. Less than 2 percent of the radiolabel was detected in urine and feces of mice, and 2 percent was detected in carcass ([Mitoma et al., 1985](#)).

###### *Inhalation*

Previous use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a gaseous anesthetic in humans provides evidence of systemic absorption by the inhalation route ([ATSDR, 2015](#)). EPA did not identify any *in vivo* animal data evaluating the absorption of 1,1-dichloroethane by the inhalation route of exposure. The blood:air coefficient for 1,1-dichloroethane ( $4.94 \pm 0.24$  in humans and  $11.2 \pm 0.1$  in rats) suggests that pulmonary absorption is likely to occur ([Gargas and Andersen, 1989](#)).

###### *Dermal*

Qualitative evidence of dermal absorption was provided by a rabbit study that detected halogen ion in exhaled breath following application of 1,1-dichloroethane to shaved abdominal skin ([ATSDR, 2015](#)). No data were located on the rate and extent of 1,1-dichloroethane absorption through the skin.

##### M.1.1.2 1,2-Dichloroethane

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###### *Oral*

Oral absorption of 1,2-dichloroethane in humans is suggested by case reports of intentional or accidental ingestion resulting in systemic health effects including death ([ATSDR, 2022](#)). Experimental animal studies indicate that oral absorption is rapid and complete ([Reitz et al 1982, 1980, Spreafico et al. 1980](#)

14360 [as cited in Reitz et al 1982, 1980, Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). In rats given a single  
14361 gavage dose of 150 mg/kg in corn oil, peak blood concentrations were reached within 15 minutes and  
14362 approximately 94 percent of the administered dose was absorbed within 48 hours ([Reitz et al. 1982,](#)  
14363 [1980 as cited in Reitz et al. 1982, 1980 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Spreafico et al. ([1980 as cited in 1980](#)  
14364 [as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)) also demonstrated rapid oral absorption, with peak blood levels occurring  
14365 between 30 and 60 minutes in rats given gavage doses of 25, 50, or 100 mg/kg in corn oil. Examination  
14366 of the peak blood level curves at the different doses shows a linear curve up to 50 mg/kg 1,2-  
14367 dichloroethane and a decrease in steepness of the curve at 100 mg/kg, suggesting a relative saturation of  
14368 oral absorption at doses exceeding 100 mg/kg. In rats given a single gavage dose of 100 mg/kg 1,2-  
14369 dichloroethane in corn oil or water, peak blood concentrations ( $C_{\max}$ ) were approximately 4-fold higher  
14370 and the time to reach  $C_{\max}$  was 3-fold faster following administration in water compared to corn oil  
14371 ([Withey et al. 1983 as cited in Withey et al. 1983 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Similar findings regarding  
14372 the rate of absorption were observed in rats given gavage doses of 43 mg/kg/day in water or 150  
14373 mg/kg/day in corn oil ( $C_{\max}$  values of 15 or 30 minutes, respectively) ([Dow Chemical, 2006a](#)).

### 14374 **Inhalation**

14375 1,2-dichloroethane was detected in the breast milk of nursing women exposed to 16 ppm in workplace  
14376 air (with concurrent dermal exposure) ([Ursova 1953 as cited in Ursova 1953 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).  
14377 A fatal case report of exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane in an enclosed space for 30 minutes provides  
14378 further support for absorption through the lungs ([Nouchi et al. 1984 as cited in Nouchi et al. 1984 as](#)  
14379 [cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Absorption by inhalation was rapid, with steady-state  $C_{\max}$  concentrations  
14380 measured 1-3 hours after the onset of exposure to 150-250 ppm in rats (Reitz et al. 1982, 1980,  
14381 Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in Reitz et al. 1982, 1980, Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in [ATSDR, 2022](#);  
14382 [Dow Chemical, 2006a](#)) or 25 to 185 ppm in mice ([Zhong et al., 2022](#)). In rats exposed to 150 ppm  $^{14}\text{C}$ -  
14383 1,2-dichloroethane for 6 hours, approximately 93 percent absorption occurred, based on recovery of  
14384 radiolabel in urine and feces and as  $\text{CO}_2$  in expired air by 48 hours ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz et](#)  
14385 [al. 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). The blood:air coefficients for 1,2-dichloroethane ( $19.5 \pm 0.7$  in  
14386 humans and  $30.4 \pm 1.2$  in rats) also suggest that pulmonary absorption is likely to occur ([Gargas et al.](#)  
14387 [1989 as cited in Gargas et al. 1989 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).

### 14388 **Dermal**

14389 *In vivo* animal studies have demonstrated that 1,2-dichloroethane is readily absorbed through the skin  
14390 (Jakobson et al. 1982, Tsuruta et al. 1982 as cited in Jakobson et al. 1982, Tsuruta et al. 1982 as cited in  
14391 [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Morgan et al., 1991](#)). Application of neat 1,2-dichloroethane to the shaved and abraded  
14392 skin of rats using covered dermal cells resulted in approximately 50 percent absorption of the applied  
14393 dose with the peak blood level measured at 24 hours ([Morgan et al., 1991](#)). Dermal absorption was faster  
14394 and more complete for aqueous solutions of 1,2-dichloroethane, with peak blood levels measured within  
14395 1 to 2 hours and greater than 99 percent of the applied dose absorbed within the 24-hour exposure period  
14396 ([Morgan et al., 1991](#)). In guinea pigs dermally exposed to neat 1,2-dichloroethane, using a covered  
14397 dermal cell on clipped intact skin, blood concentrations rose rapidly during the first 30 minutes and  
14398 continued to increase over a 12-hour period ([Jakobson et al. 1982 as cited in Jakobson et al. 1982 as](#)  
14399 [cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Tsuruta ([1975 as cited in 1975 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)) estimated a  
14400 percutaneous absorption rate of 480 nmol/minute/cm<sup>2</sup> for 1,2-dichloroethane through the clipped, intact  
14401 abdominal skin of mice following a 15-minute exposure using a closed dermal cell.

### 14402 **In Vitro**

14403 *In vitro* studies using skin from humans, pigs, and guinea pigs have reported apparent partition  
14404 coefficients ( $K_p$ ), steady-state flux ( $J_{ss}$ ) values, and lag time estimates (*i.e.*, the time to achieve a steady-  
14405 state concentration) (see Table\_Apx M-1). In human skin, 0.1 to 0.2 percent of the applied dose was

absorbed over 24 hours, with the maximum flux occurring within 10 minutes of exposure (Gajjar and Kasting, 2014). Evaporation from the skin surface accounted for the majority of applied dose in this study. The  $K_p$  and lag time values for 1,2-dichloroethane were similar for human and guinea pig skin (Frasch and Barbero, 2009); however, the dermal permeability rate was lower in pig skin (decreased  $K_p$  value; longer lag time) (Schenk et al., 2018). In guinea pig skin, the flux was lower in saturated aqueous solution compared to the undiluted test substance (Frasch et al., 2007). This result appears to differ from the *in vivo* study using abraded skin of rats, which showed a higher percent absorption for an aqueous solution of 1,2-dichloroethane compared to a neat application (Morgan et al., 1991).

**Table\_Apx M-1. 1,2-Dichloroethane Partition Coefficients Steady State Estimates**

Partition Coefficients ( $K_p$ ) Steady-State Flux ( $J_{ss}$ ) Estimates from <i>In Vitro</i> Dermal Absorption Studies					
Species	Test Material(s)	$K_p$ (cm/hour)	$J_{ss}$ ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2\text{-hour}$ )	Lag Time (minutes)	Reference
Human	Neat	ND	37–193 <sup>a</sup>	ND	<a href="#">Gajjar and Kasting (2014)</a>
Human Guinea pig	Neat	0.259	ND	6	<a href="#">Frasch and Barbero (2009)</a>
	Neat	0.259	ND	6	
Pig	Neat	1.9E–03	1,360	30.7	<a href="#">Schenk et al. (2018)</a>
Guinea pig	Neat	ND	6,280 <sup>b</sup>	ND	<a href="#">Frasch et al. (2007)</a>
	Aqueous	ND	1,076	ND	

<sup>a</sup> Range of  $J_{ss}$  values for applied doses of 7.9, 15.8, 31.5, or 63.1 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>.  
<sup>b</sup> Also reported a  $J_{ss}$  value of 3,842  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2\text{-hour}$  from a different laboratory.  
 ND = not derived

## M.1.2 Distribution

### M.1.2.1 1,1-Dichloroethane

#### *Oral, Inhalation, and Dermal*

Distribution to the CNS is suggested by the previous use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a gaseous anesthetic in humans (ATSDR, 2015). No experimental studies were located regarding distribution following oral, inhalation, or dermal exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane.

#### *Other Routes (Intraperitoneal Injection)*

Radiolabeled 1,1-dichloroethane was detected as protein, DNA, and RNA adducts in the liver, kidney, lung, and stomach, 22 hours after a single intraperitoneal injection of 1.2 mg/kg <sup>14</sup>C-1,1-dichloroethane in Wistar rats and BALB/c mice (Colacci et al., 1985). No additional tissues were examined in this study.

#### *In Vitro*

Tissue:air partition coefficients calculated using a vial equilibration method on tissues obtained from male Fischer 344 rats suggest that 1,1-dichloroethane is likely distributed to highly perfused tissues (*i.e.*, liver, muscle) and will accumulate in fat (Table\_Apx M-2) (Gargas and Andersen, 1989).

14437 **Table\_Apx M-2. 1,1-Dichloroethane Partition Coefficients**

Species	Strain	Sex	Partition Coefficient			
			Blood/Air	Liver/Air	Muscle/Air	Fat/Air
Rat	F344	Male	11.2 ± 0.1	10.8 ± 0.5	5.12 ± 0.48	164 ± 4

Source: [Gargas and Andersen \(1989\)](#)

14438 **M.1.2.2 1,2-Dichloroethane**14439 **Oral**

14440 Distribution was rapid following gavage dosing, with concentrations peaking first in the liver at 6-7  
 14441 minutes, followed by lung at 10 to 20 minutes and adipose tissue at 20 to 60 minutes ([MCA, 1979](#)).  
 14442 Tissue levels were dose-dependent and the highest peak tissue concentration at any dose was detected in  
 14443 fat. Similar mean peak tissue levels in liver and lung were seen following 11 daily doses of 50 mg/kg,  
 14444 indicating that bioaccumulation does not occur in these tissues with multiple doses. Bioaccumulation in  
 14445 adipose tissue is suggested by higher peak adipose tissue levels after 11 gavage doses, compared to a  
 14446 single gavage dose (Table\_Apx M-3).

14448 **Table\_Apx M-3. Tissue Levels and Time to Peak Tissue Level in Rats Exposed to 1,2-Dichloroethane by Gavage in Corn Oil**

Organ/Peak Concentration/Time to Peak Concentration		Dose (mg/kg)			
		25 (Single)	50 (Single)	50 (11 Oral Doses)	150 Single)
Liver	µg/g	30.02 ± 3.29	55.00 ± 4.12	53.12 ± 3.87	92.10 ± 7.58
	Minutes	6	6	6	7.5
Lung	µg/g	2.92 ± 0.38	7.20 ± 0.39	7.19 ± 0.59	8.31 ± 1.27
	Minutes	10	20	15	20
Adipose	µg/g	110.67 ± 6.98	148.92 ± 20.75	161.69 ± 9.93	259.88 ± 25.03
	Minutes	20	60	40	40

Source: ([MCA, 1979](#))

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 14451 In pregnant rats exposed to a single dose of 160 mg/kg <sup>14</sup>C-1,2-dichloroethane on GD 12, the highest  
 14452 tissue concentrations were found in the liver and intestine after 48 hours (radiolabel was also detected in  
 14453 the stomach, kidney, and ovary) [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#). Distribution across the  
 14454 placenta was demonstrated by detection of radiolabel in the developing fetus within 1 hour; the  
 14455 maximum concentration was detected 4 hours after exposure [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR](#)  
 14456 [\(2022\)](#). Administration of 160 mg/kg <sup>14</sup>C-1,2-dichloroethane on GD 18 showed a greater degree of  
 14457 accumulation in the developing fetuses and the placenta [Payan et al. \(1995\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#).

14459 **Inhalation**

14460 1,2-dichloroethane was detected in breath (14.3 ppm) and breast milk (0.54–0.64 mg % [per 100 mL]) of  
 14461 nursing mothers 1 hour after leaving an occupational facility with exposure concentrations of 15.6 ppm  
 14462 1,2-dichloroethane [Urusova \(1953\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#). 1,2-Dichloroethane was readily  
 14463 distributed in rats following a 6-hour inhalation exposure and tissue levels were concentration dependent  
 14464 [Spreafico et al. \(1980\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#). Peak tissue levels in liver and lung were lower than  
 14465 concentrations in blood, but adipose tissue levels were 8 to 9 times higher than blood levels [Spreafico et](#)  
 14466 [al. \(1980\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#) (see Table\_Apx M-4).

14467 **Table\_Apx M-4. Tissue Levels and Time to Peak Tissue Level in**  
 14468 **Rats Exposed by Inhalation to 1,2-Dichloroethane for 6 Hours**

Organ/Peak Concentration/ Time to Peak Concentration		Concentration (ppm)	
		50	250
Blood	µg/g	1.37 ± 0.11	31.29 ± 1.19
	Hours	6	6
Liver	µg/g	1.14 ± 0.17	22.49 ± 1.12
	Hours	4	6
Lung	µg/g	0.42 ± 0.05	14.47 ± 1.12
	Hours	4	3
Adipose	µg/g	11.08 ± 0.77	273.32 ± 12.46
	Hours	4	6

Source: [Spreafico et al. \(1980\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#)

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 14470 A similar study in male rats exposed to 160 ppm 1,2-dichloroethane for 6 hours showed the highest  
 14471 tissue levels of 1,2-dichloroethane in abdominal fat [Take et al. \(2013\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#). In  
 14472 pregnant rats exposed to 150 to 2,000 ppm 1,2-dichloroethane for 5 hours on GD 17, concentrations of  
 14473 1,2-dichloroethane in maternal blood and fetal tissue increased linearly with exposure concentration,  
 14474 indicating distribution across the placenta [Withey and Karpinski \(1985\)](#) as cited in [ATSDR \(2022\)](#).

#### 14475 **Dermal**

14476 No studies were located regarding distribution following dermal exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane.

#### 14477 **In Vitro**

14478 Tissue:air partition coefficients calculated using a vial equilibration method and tissues obtained from  
 14479 male Fischer 344 rats suggest that 1,2-dichloroethane is preferentially distributed to highly perfused  
 14480 tissues and will accumulate in fat (see following table) ([Dow Chemical, 2006a](#); [Gargas and Andersen,](#)  
 14481 [1989](#)).

14482 **Table\_Apx M-5. 1,2-Dichloroethane Tissue:Air Partition Coefficients**

Partition Coefficient							
Blood/Air	Liver/Air	Muscle/Air	Fat/Air	Brain/Air	Kidney/Air	Testis/Air	Ovary/Air
30.4 ± 1.2 <sup>a</sup>	35.7 ± 1.6 <sup>a</sup>	23.4 ± 1.4 <sup>a</sup>	344 ± 5 <sup>a</sup>	39.5 ± 2.89 <sup>b</sup>	44.89 ± 6.77 <sup>b</sup>	31.14 ± 7.98 <sup>b</sup>	74.59 ± 9.82 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> [Gargas and Andersen \(1989\)](#).  
<sup>b</sup> [Dow Chemical \(2006a\)](#).

### 14483 **M.1.3 Metabolism**

#### 14484 **M.1.3.1 1,1-Dichloroethane**

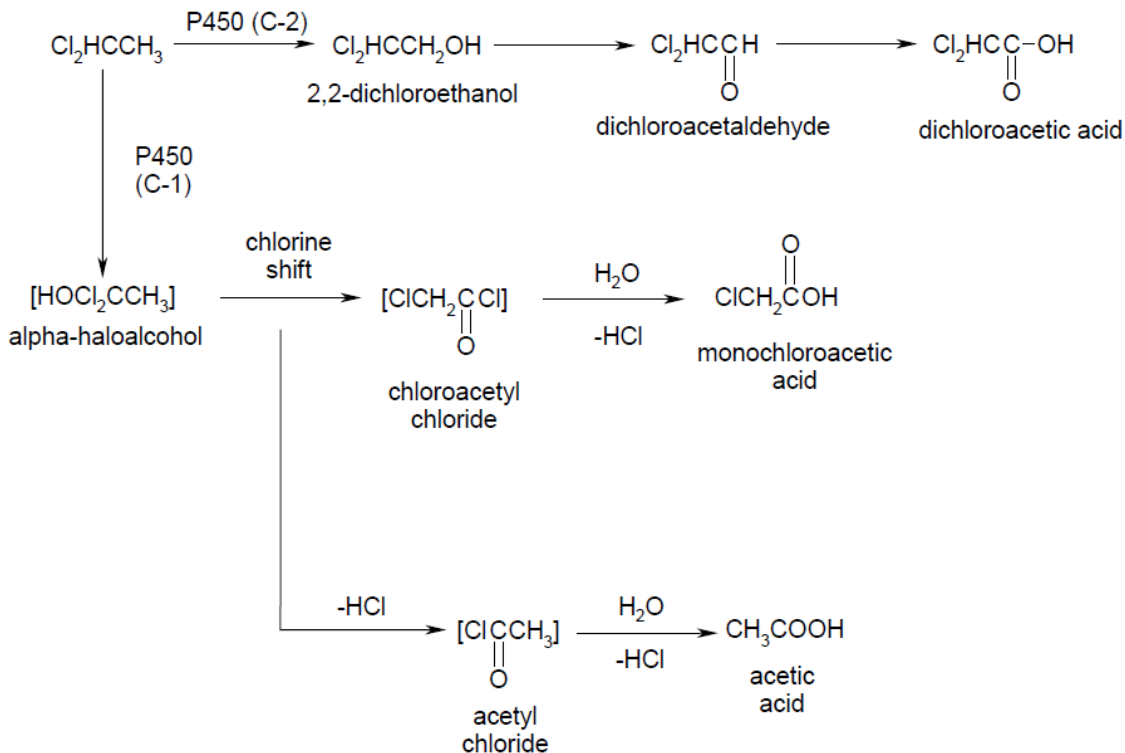
##### 14485 **In Vitro**

14486 The metabolic pathways for 1,1-dichloroethane have been elucidated from *in vitro* studies using rat  
 14487 hepatic microsomes ([McCall et al., 1983](#); [Sato et al., 1983](#); [Van Dyke and Wineman, 1971](#)) (see  
 14488 Figure\_Apx M-1). The primary metabolic pathway involves oxidation of the C-1 carbon by CYP to give  
 14489 an unstable alpha-haloalcohol followed by dechlorination to produce acetyl chloride and acetic acid,  
 14490 which is the major metabolite. The alpha-haloalcohol may also undergo a chlorine shift to yield  
 14491 chloroacetyl chloride and monochloroacetic acid, although this reaction is not favored. CYP oxidation at  
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14495 the C-2 position results in the formation of 2,2-dichloroethanol, dichloroacetaldehyde, and  
 14496 dichloroacetic acid as minor metabolites. Metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane was increased by induction  
 14497 with phenobarbital and ethanol, but not  $\beta$ -naphthoflavone (McCall et al., 1983; Sato et al., 1983).  
 14498 Similarly, enzymatic dechlorination was inducible by phenobarbital, but not 3-methylcholanthrene (Van  
 14499 Dyke and Wineman, 1971).



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14501 **Figure\_Apx M-1. Proposed Metabolic Scheme for 1,1-Dichloroethane (McCall et al., 1983)**

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### 14503 *Oral*

14504 The extent of metabolism was evaluated in Osborne-Mendel rats and B6C3F1 mice administered 700 or  
 14505 1,800 mg/kg-bw/day 1,1-dichloroethane, respectively, by gavage in corn oil 5 day/week for 4 weeks,  
 14506 followed by a single dose of  $^{14}\text{C}$ -1,1-dichloroethane (Mitoma et al., 1985). The total percentages of  
 14507 administered dose found in exhaled  $\text{CO}_2$ , excreta, and body carcass 48 hours after the administration of  
 14508 the radiolabeled dose were 7.45 percent in rats and 29.3 percent in mice. It is possible that a portion of  
 14509 the radioactivity detected in the urine, feces, and body carcass is present as parent 1,1-dichloroethane  
 14510 and not downstream metabolites.

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### 14512 *Inhalation*

14513 The metabolic rate constants for 1,1-dichloroethane were estimated for male Fischer 344 rats using a gas  
 14514 uptake method (Gargas et al., 1990) (Table\_Apx M-6). The rats were exposed to an initial concentration  
 14515 of 90, 490, 1,100, or 2,175 ppm (360, 1,980, 4,500, or 8,804  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ ) and the disappearance of the gas  
 14516 was studied for about 5 hours. A kinetic model that assumed metabolism occurred exclusively in the  
 14517 liver was used to analyze the data. The metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane was best described as a  
 14518 saturable process.



14519 **Table\_Apx M-6. Estimates of Metabolic Parameters for 1,1-Dichloroethane Obtained from Gas**  
 14520 **Uptake Experiments in Male F344 Rats**

$V_{\max}$		$K_m$	
mg/hour*kg	$\mu\text{mol}/\text{hour}$	mg/L	$\mu\text{M}$
7.5	75.8	0.2	2.02

$V_{\max}$  = maximum reaction velocity (scaled to 1 kg animal);  $K_m$  = concentration at  $\frac{1}{2} V_{\max}$  (Michaelis constant)  
 Source: [Gargas et al. \(1990\)](#)

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 14522 **Dermal**

14523 EPA did not identify *in vivo* animal data that evaluated metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane by the dermal  
 14524 route of exposure.

14525 **M.1.3.2 1,2-Dichloroethane**

14526 **Oral Metabolism**

14527 In male rats exposed to a single oral dose of 150 mg/kg [ $^{14}\text{C}$ ]-1,2-dichloroethane, 60 percent of the  
 14528 administered dose was detected as urinary metabolites and 29 percent was released unchanged in  
 14529 expired air, suggesting that metabolic saturation occurred at this dose ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz  
 14530 et al. 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Although urinary metabolites were not characterized in this study,  
 14531 a decrease in hepatic nonprotein sulfhydryl content suggests that the GSH conjugation pathway was  
 14532 involved.

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 14534 **Inhalation Metabolism**

14535 Metabolism was near complete in rats exposed to 150 ppm of [ $^{14}\text{C}$ ]-1,2-dichloroethane for 6 hours, with  
 14536 84 percent of radiolabel excreted as urinary metabolites and 2 percent released as unchanged compound  
 14537 in expired air ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Urinary  
 14538 metabolites were not characterized; however, a decrease in the hepatic nonprotein sulfhydryl content  
 14539 suggest involvement of the GSH conjugation pathway. In a rat inhalation study comparing blood  
 14540 concentrations resulting from exposure to 50 or 250 ppm, peak blood levels of 1,2-dichloroethane were  
 14541 22-fold higher at the higher concentration ([Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited  
 14542 in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Taken together, these results suggest that metabolic saturation occurs at a  
 14543 concentration between 150 and 250 ppm 1,2-dichloroethane, corresponding to blood levels of 5 to 10  
 14544  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  ([Reitz et al. 1988, Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in Reitz et al. 1988, Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited  
 14545 in ATSDR, 2022](#)).

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 14547 **Dermal Metabolism**

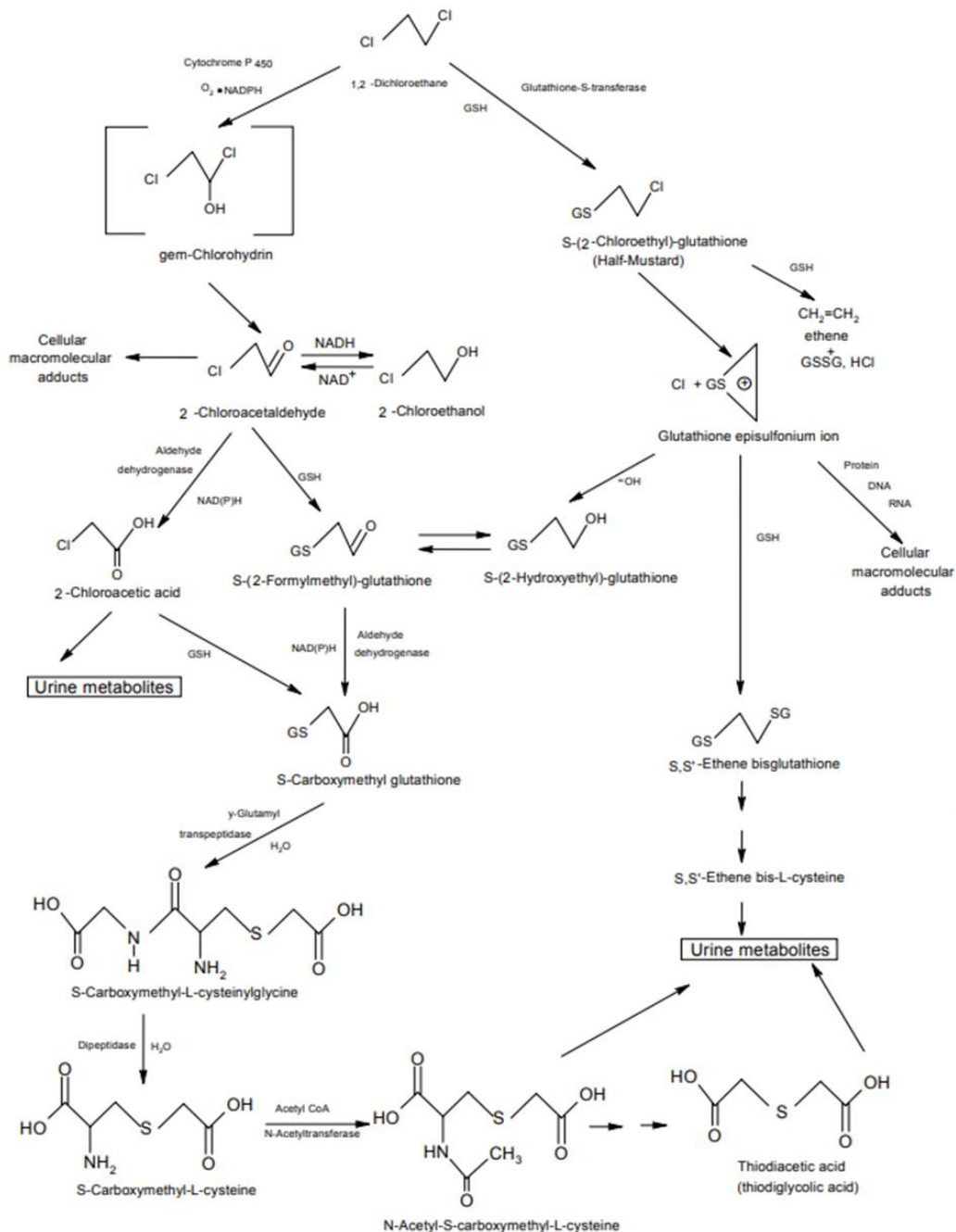
14548 EPA did not identify *in vivo* animal data that evaluated metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane following  
 14549 exposure by the dermal route.

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 14551 **In Vivo and In Vitro Metabolism Studies**

14552 No human studies on the metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane were located. The primary metabolic  
 14553 pathways for 1,2-dichloroethane, elucidated from *in vitro* studies and *in vivo* studies in rats and mice,  
 14554 include CYP oxidation and GSH conjugation (Figure\_Apx M-2) ([NTP 1991 as cited in NTP 1991 as  
 14555 cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Metabolism by CYP results in an unstable gem-chlorohydrin that releases  
 14556 hydrochloric acid, resulting in the formation of 2-chloroacetaldehyde. 2-Chloroacetaldehyde is oxidized  
 14557 to form chloroacetic acid or reduced to form 2-chloroethanol, and these metabolites are conjugated with  
 14558 GSH and excreted in the urine (Figure\_Apx M-1) ([NTP 1991 as cited in NTP 1991 as cited in ATSDR,  
 14559 2022](#)). Metabolism via glutathione-S-transferase results in formation of S-(2-chloroethyl)-glutathione,

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which rearranges to form a reactive episulfonium ion. The episulfonium ion can form adducts with protein, DNA or RNA or interact further with GSH to produce water soluble metabolites that are excreted in the urine (Figure\_Apx M-2) ([NTP 1991 as cited in NTP 1991 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).



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**Figure\_Apx M-2. Proposed Metabolic Scheme for 1,2-Dichloroethane ([IPCS, 1995](#))**

***In Vitro Metabolism Studies***

*In vitro* studies using rat and human liver microsomes have demonstrated that oxidative metabolism via CYP2E1 results in the formation of 2-chloroacetaldehyde by dechlorination of an unstable chlorohydrin molecule (Casciola and Ivanetich 1984 as cited in Casciola and Ivanetich 1984 as cited in [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Guengerich et al., 1991](#); [McCall et al., 1983](#); [Guengerich et al., 1980](#)). GSH conjugation of 1,2-

14573 dichloroethane was demonstrated in primary rat hepatocytes resulting in the formation of  
14574 S-(2-hydroxyethyl) glutathione, S-(carboxymethyl) glutathione, and S,S'-(1,2-ethanediy)bis-  
14575 (glutathione), and GSH depletion was observed ([Jean and Reed, 1992](#)). The S-(carboxymethyl)  
14576 glutathione metabolite likely results from conjugation of 2-chloroacetic acid with GSH ([Johnson 1967 as  
14577 cited in Johnson 1967 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). This metabolite can be degraded to form glycine,  
14578 glutamic acid, and S-carboxymethylcysteine, which may be oxidized to yield thiodiglycolic acid (see  
14579 Figure\_Apx M-2) ([NTP 1991 as cited in NTP 1991 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Metabolic rate constants  
14580 were determined using rat liver microsomes and substrate concentrations between 50  $\mu$ M and 1 mM  
14581 ( $V_{max}$  = 0.24 nmol/minute per mg protein;  $K_m$  = 0.14 mM) ([Salmon et al., 1981](#)).

## 14582 **M.1.4 Elimination**

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### 14583 **M.1.4.1 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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#### 14584 **Oral**

14585 The elimination pattern in rats exposed to 700 mg/kg-bw/day 1,1-dichloroethane (unlabeled) via gavage  
14586 5 days/week for 4 weeks followed by a single dose of  $^{14}$ C-1,1-dichloroethane was as follows: 86 percent  
14587 eliminated unchanged in expired air, 5 percent eliminated as CO<sub>2</sub>, and 0.9 percent in excreta (feces and  
14588 urine) at 48 hours ([Mitoma et al., 1985](#)). The total recovery was 93 percent in rats, with 1.4 percent of  
14589 the administered dose remaining in the carcass. In mice exposed to 1800 mg/kg-bw/day 1,1-  
14590 dichloroethane (unlabeled) via gavage 5 days/week for 4 weeks followed by a single dose of  $^{14}$ C-1,1-  
14591 dichloroethane, 70 percent of the administered dose was eliminated unchanged in expired air, 25 percent  
14592 was eliminated as CO<sub>2</sub> in expired air, and 1.6 percent was recovered in excreta (feces and urine) at 48  
14593 hours ([Mitoma et al., 1985](#)). Total recovery in mice was 99 percent, with 2 percent remaining in the  
14594 carcass.

#### 14595 **Oral Metabolism**

14596 In male rats exposed to a single oral dose of 150 mg/kg [ $^{14}$ C]-1,2-dichloroethane, 60 percent of the  
14597 administered dose was detected as urinary metabolites and 29 percent was released unchanged in  
14598 expired air, suggesting that metabolic saturation occurred at this dose ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz  
14599 et al. 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Although urinary metabolites were not characterized in this study,  
14600 a decrease in hepatic nonprotein sulfhydryl content suggests that the GSH conjugation pathway was  
14601 involved.  
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#### 14603 **Inhalation**

14604 No *in vivo* animal data on elimination following exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane by the inhalation route  
14605 were identified.  
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#### 14607 **Dermal**

14608 EPA did not identify *in vivo* animal data that evaluated elimination following exposure to 1,1-  
14609 dichloroethane by the dermal route.  
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14611 EPA did not identify any PBPK models for 1,1-dichloroethane.  
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### 14613 **M.1.4.2 1,2-Dichloroethane**

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#### 14614 **Oral**

14615 1,2-dichloroethane was rapidly eliminated following oral exposure, primarily via urinary excretion of  
14616 water-soluble metabolites and exhalation of unchanged compound or CO<sub>2</sub> ([Payan et al. 1993, Mitoma et  
14617 al. 1985, Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Payan et al. 1993, Mitoma et al. 1985, Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in  
14618 ATSDR, 2022](#)). In rats given a single gavage dose of 150 mg/kg [ $^{14}$ C]-1,2-dichloroethane, elimination

14619 was 96 percent complete within 48 hours, with 60 percent of the radiolabel excreted as urinary  
14620 metabolites (70 percent thiodiacetic acid, 26–28 percent thiodiacetic acid sulfoxide), 29 percent exhaled  
14621 as unchanged 1,2-dichloroethane, 5 percent exhaled as CO<sub>2</sub>, and the remaining 6 percent recovered in  
14622 feces, carcass, and cage washes ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).  
14623 The elimination kinetics were described as biphasic with an initial elimination half-life (t<sub>1/2</sub>) of  
14624 90 minutes, followed by a t<sub>1/2</sub> of approximately 20 to 30 minutes when blood levels were 5 to 10 µg/mL  
14625 ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).

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14627 In rats and mice given gavage doses of 100 and 150 mg/kg [<sup>14</sup>C]-1,2-dichloroethane, respectively,  
14628 following pretreatment with unlabeled 1,2-dichloroethane 5 days/week for 4 weeks, recovery of  
14629 radiolabel in excreta (urine and feces) was 69.5 percent in rats and 81.9 percent in mice after 48 hours  
14630 ([Mitoma et al. 1985 as cited in Mitoma et al. 1985 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Exhalation of volatile  
14631 compounds and CO<sub>2</sub> accounted for 11.5 and 8.2 percent, respectively, in rats and 7.7 and 18.2 percent,  
14632 respectively, in mice. The recovery of radiolabel in the carcass was 7 percent of the administered dose in  
14633 rats and 2.4 percent of administered dose in mice ([Mitoma et al. 1985 as cited in Mitoma et al. 1985 as  
14634 cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).

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14636 The excretion of thioglycolic acid and other thioether metabolites was measured in rat urine 24 hours  
14637 after gavage administration of 0.25, 0.5, 2.02, 4.04, or 8.08 mmol/kg (25, 50, 200, 400, or 800 mg/kg)  
14638 [<sup>14</sup>C]-1,2-dichloroethane ([Payan et al. 1993 as cited in Payan et al. 1993 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). The  
14639 total concentration of urinary metabolites increased linearly with administered doses between 25 and  
14640 400 mg/kg; however, the percentage of the administered dose excreted in the urine decreased with  
14641 increasing dose level, likely due to metabolic saturation (ranging from 63 to 7.4%) ([Payan et al. 1993 as  
14642 cited in Payan et al. 1993 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).

### 14643 *Inhalation*

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14645 1,2-dichloroethane was detected in expired air of women occupationally exposed to 15.6 ppm by  
14646 inhalation ([Ursova 1953 as cited in Ursova 1953 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Similar findings were noted  
14647 in women exposed by dermal contact only ([Ursova 1953 as cited in Ursova 1953 as cited in ATSDR,  
14648 2022](#)). In rats exposed via inhalation, elimination occurred by excretion of metabolites in urine and  
14649 exhalation of unchanged compound or CO<sub>2</sub> ([Reitz et al. 1982, Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in Reitz et  
14650 al. 1982, Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). Following inhalation of 150 ppm [<sup>14</sup>C]-1,2-  
14651 dichloroethane for 6 hours, elimination from the blood was near complete by 48 hours, with 84 percent  
14652 of the dose detected as urinary metabolites (70% thiodiacetic acid, 26–28% thiodiacetic acid sulfoxide),  
14653 2 percent excreted unchanged in feces, and 7% exhaled as CO<sub>2</sub> ([Reitz et al. 1982 as cited in Reitz et al.  
14654 1982 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)). The elimination kinetics of 1,2-dichloroethane in rats were described as  
14655 monophasic with t<sub>1/2</sub> values of 12.7 and 22 minutes at inhalation concentrations of 25 and 250 ppm 1,2-  
14656 dichloroethane, respectively ([Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in ATSDR,  
14657 2022](#)). Excretion was dose-dependent, with the percentage exhaled as unchanged 1,2-dichloroethane  
14658 increased at the highest concentration; elimination from adipose tissue was slower than elimination from  
14659 blood, liver, or lung ([Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in Spreafico et al. 1980 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)).

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14661 In mice exposed to 25, 87, or 185 ppm 1,2-dichloroethane for 6 hours, elimination was rapid, with  
14662 clearance of parent compound from the blood near complete within 1 hour after exposure ([Zhong et al.,  
14663 2022; Liang et al., 2021](#)). In a 28-day study using the same concentrations for 6 hours/day, 5 days/week,  
14664 2-chloroacetic acid was detected as the primary metabolite in urine at concentrations of 300, 1,000, and  
14665 1,300 µg/L, respectively ([Zhong et al., 2022; Liang et al., 2021](#)).

**14667 Dermal**

14668 1,2-dichloroethane was detected in expired air of women occupationally exposed by dermal contact only  
14669 (gas masks were worn to prevent inhalation) ([Ursova 1953 as cited in Ursova 1953 as cited in ATSDR,](#)  
14670 [2022](#)).

**14671 Physiologically-Based Pharmacokinetic (PBPK) Modeling Approach**

14672 Two PBPK models were developed to describe the disposition of 1,2-dichloroethane. The D'Souza et al.  
14673 ([1988, 1987 as cited in 1988, 1987 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)) model used five compartments (lung,  
14674 liver, richly perfused tissues, slowly perfused tissues, and fat) and assumed that metabolism occurs only  
14675 in the liver and lung. Metabolic pathways included a saturable oxidation pathway and GSH conjugation.  
14676 This PBPK model, which was validated in rats and mice, predicted that inhalation produces less GSH-  
14677 conjugate metabolites (measured as GSH depletion in the liver) than gavage exposure.  
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14679 Sweeney et al. ([2008 as cited in 2008 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)) extended and updated the D'Souza et al.  
14680 ([1988, 1987 as cited in 1988, 1987 as cited in ATSDR, 2022](#)) model by adding two gastrointestinal  
14681 compartments, a compartment for the kidney, and an additional metabolism pathway for extrahepatic  
14682 enzymes. Model parameter values that were revised included the oral absorption rate, time delay  
14683 constant for GSH synthesis following depletion, and GSH levels in liver and lung. Model predictions  
14684 were compared to experimental rat data for intravenous, oral, and inhalation routes, and the model  
14685 performed well for single and repeated exposure. Because the model has not been validated in humans,  
14686 it is unclear whether this model would be useful for extrapolating between rats and humans ([ATSDR,](#)  
14687 [2022](#)).

**14689 M.2 Non-cancer Dose-Response Assessment**

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14690 Sections M.2.1 and M.2.2 describe dose-response assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane and 1,2-  
14691 dichloroethane, respectively. Sections M.2.3, M.2.4, and M.2.5 describe the non-cancer POD derivation  
14692 for acute, short/intermediate-term, and chronic durations for 1,1-dichloroethane. Sections M.2.6, M.2.7,  
14693 and M.2.8 describe the non-cancer POD derivation for acute, short-term/intermediate-term, and chronic  
14694 durations for 1,2-dichloroethane. Section M.3 provides the equations used in derivation of non-cancer  
14695 and cancer PODs for the Draft 1,1-Dichloroethane Risk Assessment. Finally, Section M.4 provides a  
14696 summary of the non-cancer PODs selected for use in the draft risk assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane  
14697 based on read-across from 1,2-dichloroethane, including PODs for both continuous and occupational  
14698 exposure scenarios.

**14699 M.2.1 Non-cancer Dose-Response Assessment for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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14700 EPA evaluated data from studies with adequate quantitative information and sufficient sensitivity as  
14701 described in Sections 5.2.3.1.2 and 5.2.7.1. In order to characterize the dose-response relationships of  
14702 1,1-dichloroethane. The database for 1,1-dichloroethane toxicity in animals is very limited and many of  
14703 the available studies were rated Unacceptable/Uninformative. Table\_Apx M-7 shows the studies that  
14704 were excluded from consideration for dose-response assessment along with the reason for excluding  
14705 each.  
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**Table\_Apx M-7. Studies Not Considered Suitable for PODs for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Reference	Study Rating	Reason Not Suitable for POD
<a href="#">Dow Chemical (1947)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating
<a href="#">Plaa and Larson (1965)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating
<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1947)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating
<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating
<a href="#">Vozovaia (1977)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating
<a href="#">NCI (1978); Rat</a>	Unacceptable	Rating
<a href="#">Weisburger (1977)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating; reports same data as <a href="#">NCI (1978)</a>
<a href="#">Story et al. (1986)</a>	Medium	Reports same data as <a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a>
<a href="#">Zabrodski et al. (2004)</a>	Medium	Tested chemical is uncertain (reported only as dichloroethane)
<a href="#">Natsyuk and Chekman (1975)</a>	Low	Tested chemical is uncertain (reported only as dichloroethane)
<a href="#">Natsyuk and Fedurov (1974)</a>	Unacceptable	Rating; tested chemical is uncertain (reported only as dichloroethane)

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In addition to the studies above, the study by [Milman et al. \(1988\)](#) was excluded from consideration. [Milman et al. \(1988\)](#) examined GGT+ foci in the liver in rats exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane in four separate experiments. In the initiation experiments, the rats were exposed once to 1,1-dichloroethane 1 day after a 2/3 partial hepatectomy, and then were either treated with phenobarbital or no phenobarbital for 7 weeks. 1,1-Dichloroethane did not increase the number of GGT+ foci under either condition. In the promotion experiments, the rats were pretreated (intraperitoneal) with diethylnitrosamine or water 1 day after 2/3 partial hepatectomy; 6 days later, the rats were given 1,1-dichloroethane by gavage 5 days/week for 7 weeks. In animals pretreated with diethylnitrosamine, there was a significantly increased number of GGT+ liver foci. In animals pretreated with water followed by 1,1-dichloroethane, the number of foci was higher than in controls, but the number was not statistically significantly different from control. Other non-cancer endpoints examined in the study were body weight and liver weight; no statistically significant effects were observed in any of the experiments with 1,1-dichloroethane. [Milman et al. \(1988\)](#) was not considered suitable for POD identification for 1,1-dichloroethane because (1) all animals in all experiments were partially hepatectomized prior to treatment, and (2) the only statistically significant effect (increased GGT+ foci) was seen in animals that were pretreated with diethylnitrosamine.

Excluding the study by [Milman et al. \(1988\)](#), as well and those provided in Table\_Apx M-7, leaves the studies shown in Table\_Apx M-8 for potential use in POD derivation.



14729 **Table\_Apx M-8. Summary of Studies Considered for Non-cancer Dose-Response Assessment of**  
 14730 **1,1-Dichloroethane**

Reference	Duration Category (Duration)	Species, Strain, and Sex	Study Rating for Non-cancer Endpoints
Oral			
<a href="#">Dow Chemical (1947)</a>	Acute (once)	Guinea pig	Low
<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a>	Acute (once)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male)	Medium
<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a>	Short/intermediate-term (10 days)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male)	High
<a href="#">Ghanayem et al. (1986)</a>	Short/intermediate-term (2 weeks)	Rat (F344, male)	Medium
<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a>	Short/intermediate-term (13 weeks)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male)	High
<a href="#">Klaunig et al. (1986)</a>	Chronic (52 weeks)	Mouse (B6C3F1, male)	High
<a href="#">NCI (1978)</a>	Chronic (78 weeks)	Mouse (B6C3F1, male and female)	High
Inhalation			
<a href="#">Schwetz et al. (1974)</a>	Short/intermediate-term (10 days)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, female)	Medium-High
<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1947)</a>	Chronic (26 weeks)	Dog, mongrel	Medium
<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	Chronic (26 weeks)	Rat, guinea pig, rabbit	Medium
Dermal			
No data			

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 14732 No dermal exposure studies received acceptable ratings. Due to the extremely small number of available  
 14733 studies, limited evaluations performed in many studies, and paucity of information available to identify  
 14734 target organs for 1,1-dichloroethane, overall NOAELs and LOAELs were identified for each study,  
 14735 rather than identifying NOAELs and LOAELs by organ/system. Table\_Apx M-9 and Table\_Apx M-10  
 14736 summarize the NOAELs and LOAELs identified from the oral and inhalation studies, respectively. Each  
 14737 NOAEL and LOAEL was converted to reflect continuous exposure (NOAEL<sub>continuous</sub> and  
 14738 LOAEL<sub>continuous</sub>) using Equation\_Apx M-4 and Equation\_Apx M-5. After adjustment for continuous  
 14739 exposure, each oral NOAEL and LOAEL was converted to a HED using Equation\_Apx M-6 and each  
 14740 inhalation NOAEL and LOAEL was converted to a HEC using Equation\_Apx M-8. Dose-response  
 14741 considerations for these studies are briefly described below. Benchmark dose (BMD) modeling results  
 14742 are provided in *Draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane – Supplemental Information File:*  
 14743 *Benchmark Dose Modeling (U.S. EPA, 2024c)*.  
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**Table\_Apx M-9. Summary of Candidate Non-cancer Oral PODs for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	LOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	Effect(s)	Candidate POD (mg/kg-bw/day) (POD type)	Reference	Study Rating for Non-cancer (Significant Limitations)
Acute							
Guinea pig (strain, sex, and number/group not specified)	Once (“fed”)	NOAEL: 300 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 300 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 81	LOAEL: 1,000 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 1,000 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 271	100% mortality	81 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (1947)</a>	Low (no control; strain, sex, number/group, method of administration, and duration of follow-up not reported)
Rat (Sprague-Dawley, 8 males/group)	Once (gavage)	NOAEL: 1000 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 1000 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 240	LOAEL: 2000 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 2,000 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 480	Sedation	240 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a>	Medium (evaluated only clinical signs and mortality)
Short/intermediate-term							
Rat (Sprague-Dawley, 24 males/group)	10 days (gavage)	NOAEL: 1,000 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 1,000 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 240	LOAEL: ,2000 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 2,000 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 480	≥10% decrease in body weight	1167 (BMDL <sub>10%</sub> for body weight)  280 (BMDL <sub>10% HED</sub> for body weight)	<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a>	High
Rat (F344, 8 males/group)	2 weeks 5 days/week (gavage)	NOAEL: 700 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 500 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 120	ND	None	120 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Ghanayem et al. (1986)</a>	Medium (evaluated only forestomach histopathology)
Rat (Sprague-Dawley, 15 males/group)	13 weeks, 5 days/week (gavage)	NOAEL: 1,000 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 714 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 171	LOAEL: 2,000 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 1,429 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 343	Mortality (1/15 rats); CNS depression; ≥10% decrease in body weight	171 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )  1,248 (BMDL <sub>10%</sub> for body weight)  300 (BMDL <sub>10% HED</sub> for body weight)	<a href="#">Muralidhara et al. (2001)</a>	High
Chronic							
Mouse (B6C3F1, 35 males/group)	52 weeks, 7 days/week	NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 543 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 71	ND	None	71 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Klaunig et al. (1986)</a>	High (evaluated only body weight and liver,

Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	LOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	Effect(s)	Candidate POD (mg/kg-bw/day) (POD type)	Reference	Study Rating for Non-cancer (Significant Limitations)
	(drinking water)						kidney, and lung weight and histopathology)
Mouse (B6C3F1, 50 males and 50 females/group)	15-78 weeks, 5 days/week (gavage)	NOAEL (time-weighted across weeks as reported by NCI): 1,665 (F)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> (adjusted for 5/7 days/week): 1,189 (F)  NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 155 (F)	LOAEL (time-weighted across weeks as reported by NCI): ,3331 (F)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> (adjusted for 5/7 days/week): 2,379 (F)  LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 309 (F)	Decreased survival	155 (F) (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">NCI (1978)</a>	High

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**Table\_Apx M-10. Summary of Candidate Non-cancer Inhalation PODs for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Effect	Candidate POD (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Non-cancer (Significant Limitations)
Acute							
No data							
Short/intermediate-term							
Rat (Sprague-Dawley, 20 females/group)	10 days GD 6-15, 7 hours/day	ND	LOAEL: 15,372 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (3,798 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 4,485 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (1,108 ppm)	Decreased maternal body weight (9–11% less than controls) on GD 13	4,525 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 1,118 ppm (BMCL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Schwetz et al. (1974)</a>	High for body weight; medium for other endpoints

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Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Effect	Candidate POD (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Non-cancer (Significant Limitations)
Chronic							
Rat (Sprague-Dawley, 5/sex/group), guinea pig (Pirbright-White, 5/sex/group), and rabbit (strain not specified, 2/sex/group)	26 weeks 5 days/week 6 hours/day	NOAEL: 3,036 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (750 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 542 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (134 ppm)	ND	No effect on any species	542 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 134 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">(Hofmann et al., 1971a)</a>	Medium (histopathology evaluations limited to liver and kidney)
Dog (mongrel, 1 male/group)	6 months, 3.5 days/week, 7 hours/day	ND	LOAEL: 4,319 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (1,067 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>adj</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 630 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (156 ppm)	Decreased body weight (magnitude unknown); lung congestion	630 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 156 ppm (LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1947)</a>	Medium (one dog, body weight reported as percentage of starting weight)

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### M.2.2 Non-cancer Dose-Response Assessment for 1,2-Dichloroethane

According to [U.S. EPA \(2021b\)](#) Draft Systematic Review Protocol, hazard endpoints that receive evidence integration judgments of *demonstrates* and *likely* would generally be considered for dose-response analysis. Endpoints with *suggestive* evidence can be considered on a case-by-case basis. Studies that received high or medium overall quality determinations (or low-quality studies if no other data are available) with adequate quantitative information and sufficient sensitivity can be compared. The only hazard outcome for which evidence *demonstrates* that 1,2-dichloroethane causes the effect was mortality. For neurological/behavioral effects, EPA's evidence integration judgment was *likely*. For nutritional/metabolic, renal/kidney, hepatic/liver, lung/respiratory, immune/hematological, and reproductive effects, EPA's evidence integration conclusion was that the evidence was *suggestive*. Finally, EPA concluded that the available evidence was *inadequate* to determine whether 1,2-dichloroethane induces developmental effects.

No human studies provided adequate information for POD determination. Animal studies of oral, inhalation, or dermal exposure that received *high* or *medium* quality determinations for one or more of these health outcomes were considered for dose-response information, with some exceptions. Studies that identified a NOAEL at the highest dose/concentration tested were not considered for dose-response assessment but were considered as part of evidence integration for the relevant health outcomes. In addition, acute lethality studies that did not include untreated or vehicle-treated controls, or other studies that did not present sufficient information to determine a NOAEL or LOAEL were not considered. Finally, only studies in intact, wild-type laboratory animal strains were considered for dose-response assessment. A small number of studies using partially-hepatectomized animals or transgenic models were excluded from consideration, as shown in the tables.

Table\_Apx M-11, Table\_Apx M-12, and

Table\_Apx M-13 show the animal studies of oral, inhalation, and dermal exposure (respectively) that were excluded from consideration for dose-response assessment along with the reason for excluding each.

**Table\_Apx M-11. Oral Studies Not Considered Suitable for PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Duration Category	Reference	HERO ID	Species	Specific Route	Rationale
Acute	<a href="#">Cottalasso et al. (1995)</a>	200280	Rat	Gavage	Not suitable for POD due to dosing uncertainties
Acute	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006a)</a>	625286	Rat	Gavage	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Acute	<a href="#">Kettering Laboratory (1943)</a>	4528351	Rabbit	Gavage	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Kitchin et al. (1993)</a>	6118	Rat	Gavage	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Rat	Gavage	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Mouse	Gavage	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Rabbit	Gavage	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Moody et al. (1981)</a>	18954	Rat	Gavage	Not suitable for POD; evaluation limited to liver weight and data not shown

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Duration Category	Reference	HERO ID	Species	Specific Route	Rationale
Acute	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	62637	Mouse	Gavage	Low
Acute	<a href="#">Stauffer Chem Co (1973)</a>	6569955	Rat	Gavage	Not suitable for POD; no control group
Acute	<a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a>	200479	Rat	Gavage	Study of partially hepatectomized animals
Short-term	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006a)</a>	625286	Rat	Gavage	Freestanding NOEL <sup>a</sup>
Short-term	<a href="#">NTP (1978)</a>	5441108	Mouse	Gavage	Freestanding NOEL <sup>a</sup>
Subchronic	<a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a>	200479	Rat	Gavage	Study of partially hepatectomized animals
Subchronic	<a href="#">Alumot et al. (1976)</a>	194588	Rat	Diet	Freestanding NOEL <sup>a</sup> (for 5-week female and 13-week male growth studies); not suitable for POD due to dosing uncertainties (for 5- to 7-week preliminary study)
Subchronic	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a>	1772371	Rat	Drinking water	Uninformative
Subchronic	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a>	1772371	Mouse	Drinking water	Uninformative
Subchronic	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	62637	Mouse	Drinking water	Uninformative
Chronic	<a href="#">Alumot et al. (1976)</a>	194588	Rat	Diet	Uninformative
Chronic	<a href="#">Klaunig et al. (1986)</a>	200427	Mouse	Drinking water	Not suitable for POD due to reporting limitations
Chronic	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1995)</a>	200612	Mouse	Gavage	Study of transgenic mice predisposed to cancer
Chronic	<a href="#">NTP (1978)</a>	5441108	Mouse	Gavage	Not suitable for POD due to confounding by tumors
Chronic	<a href="#">NTP (1978)</a>	5441108	Rat	Gavage	Uninformative
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">Lane et al. (1982)</a>	62609	Mouse	Drinking water	Freestanding NOEL <sup>a</sup>
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">WIL Research (2015)</a>	7310776	Rat	Drinking water	Uninformative
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">Alumot et al. (1976)</a>	194588	Rat	Diet	Uninformative

<sup>a</sup> No effects observed at highest dose tested for all apical health outcomes rated Low or higher.

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**Table\_Apx M-12. Inhalation Studies Not Considered Suitable for PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Duration Category	Reference	HERO ID	Species	Rationale
Acute	<a href="#">Brondeau et al. (1983)</a>	200247	Rat	Not suitable for POD due to limited evaluations
Acute	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2005)</a>	10699112	Rat	Not suitable for POD determination; no control group
Acute	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2017)</a>	10699356	Rat	Not suitable for POD determination; no control group
Acute	<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a>	200590	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Acute	<a href="#">Guo and Niu (2003)</a>	200352	Rat	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Jin et al. (2018a); Jin et al. (2018b)</a>	5431556, 5557200	Mouse	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Rat	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Rabbit	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Mouse	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Rat	Not suitable for POD determination; no control group
Acute	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2011)</a>	734177	Rat	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Brondeau et al. (1983)</a>	200247	Rat	Not suitable for POD due to limited evaluations
Short-term	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2014)</a>	10609985	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Short-term	<a href="#">Jin et al. (2018a); Jin et al. (2018b)</a>	5431556, 5557200	Mouse	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Li et al. (2015b)</a>	4492694	Rat	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Pang et al. (2018)</a>	4697150	Rat	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a>	200590	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Short-term	<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a>	200590	Mouse	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Short-term	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Rat	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Guinea pig	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Sun et al. (2016c)</a>	4451633	Mouse	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Wang et al. (2013)</a>	1522109	Mouse	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Wang et al. (2014)</a>	4453007	Mouse	Uninformative
Short-term	<a href="#">Zhang and Jin (2019)</a>	5556105	Mouse	Uninformative
Subchronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Rat	Uninformative
Subchronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Guinea pig	Uninformative

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Duration Category	Reference	HERO ID	Species	Rationale
Subchronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Cat	Not suitable for POD due to reporting limitations and small group size <sup>b</sup>
Subchronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Rabbit	Uninformative
Subchronic	<a href="#">Kettering Laboratory (1943)</a>	4528351	Rabbit	Uninformative
Chronic	<a href="#">Cheever et al. (1990)</a>	12097	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup> (17- and 26-week experiments)
Chronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Rabbit	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup> (17- and 26-week experiments)
Chronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Guinea pig	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup> (17- and 26-week experiments)
Chronic	<a href="#">Hofmann et al. (1971a)</a>	1937626	Cat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup> (17-week experiment); Uninformative (26-week experiment)
Chronic	<a href="#">IRFMN (1976)</a>	5447359	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">IRFMN (1987)</a>	94773	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">IRFMN (1987)</a>	94773	Mouse	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">IRFMN (1987)</a>	5447260	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1947)</a>	1973131	Rat	Uninformative
Chronic	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1947)</a>	1973131	Dog	Not suitable for POD due to reporting limitations and small group size <sup>b</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">Nagano et al. (2006)</a>	200497	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">Nagano et al. (2006)</a>	200497	Mouse	Not suitable for POD due to confounding by tumors
Chronic	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Rat	Not suitable for POD due to variable exposure durations and reporting limitations
Chronic	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Guinea pig	Not suitable for POD due to variable exposure durations and reporting limitations
Chronic	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Rabbit	Not suitable for POD due to variable exposure durations, reporting limitations, and small group size <sup>b</sup>
Chronic	<a href="#">Spencer et al. (1951)</a>	62617	Monkey	Not suitable for POD due to variable exposure durations, reporting limitations, and small group size <sup>b</sup>
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a>	5453539	Rat	Freestanding NOAEL <sup>a</sup> (one-generation reproduction study)
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">Zhao et al. (1997)</a>	77864	Rat	Uninformative

Duration Category	Reference	HERO ID	Species	Rationale
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">Zhao et al. (1989)</a>	200708	Rat	Uninformative
Reproduction/ Developmental	<a href="#">Zhao et al. (1989)</a>	200708	Mouse	Uninformative

<sup>a</sup> No effects observed at highest dose tested for all apical health outcomes rated Low or higher.  
<sup>b</sup> Group size of 1–2 per exposure level.

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**Table\_Apx M-13. Dermal Studies Not Considered Suitable for PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Duration Category	Reference	HERO ID	Species	Rationale
Acute	<a href="#">Kronevi et al. (1981)</a>	58151	Guinea pig	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Van Duuren et al. (1979)</a>	94473	Mouse	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (1956)</a>	725343	Rabbit	Low (no control; LD <sub>50</sub> study)
Acute	<a href="#">Kettering Laboratory (1943)</a>	4528351	Rabbit	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (1962)</a>	5447286	Cattle	Low (no sex, strain or n/group reported)
Acute	<a href="#">Mellon Institute (1948)</a>	5447301	Rabbit	Uninformative
Acute	<a href="#">Stauffer Chem Co (1973)</a>	6569955	Rabbit	Negative for skin and eye irritation
Chronic	<a href="#">Van Duuren et al. (1979)</a>	94473	Mouse	Uninformative
Chronic	<a href="#">Suguro et al. (2017)</a>	4451542	Mouse	Study of transgenic mice predisposed to cancer

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Table\_Apx M-14 shows the studies considered for potential use in POD derivation.

**Table\_Apx M-14. Summary of Studies Considered for Non-cancer, Dose-Response Assessment of 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Reference	Duration Category (Duration)	Species, Strain, and Sex	Study Rating for Non-cancer Endpoints
Oral			
<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	Acute (once by gavage)	Mouse (B6C3F1, male)	High
<a href="#">Morel et al. (1999)</a>	Acute (once by gavage)	Mouse (Swiss OF1, male)	High
<a href="#">Cottalasso et al. (2002)</a>	Acute (once by gavage)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, female)	Medium
<a href="#">Salovsky et al. (2002)</a>	Acute (once by gavage)	Rat (Wistar, male)	Medium
<a href="#">Daniel et al. (1994)</a>	Short-term (10 days by daily gavage)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male and female)	High
<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	Short-term (14 days by daily gavage)	Mouse (CD-1, male)	High

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Reference	Duration Category (Duration)	Species, Strain, and Sex	Study Rating for Non-cancer Endpoints
<a href="#">van Esch et al. (1977)</a>	Short-term (2 weeks by gavage 5 days/week)	Rat (Wistar, male)	High
<a href="#">NTP (1978)</a>	Short-term (6 weeks by gavage 5 days/week)	Rat (Osborne-Mendel, male and female)	Medium
<a href="#">Daniel et al. (1994)</a>	Subchronic (90 days by daily gavage)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male and female)	High
<a href="#">van Esch et al. (1977)</a>	Subchronic (90 days by gavage 5 days/week)	Rat (Wistar, male and female)	High
<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a>	Subchronic (13 weeks by gavage, 5 days/week)	Rat (F344, males and female)	High
<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a>	Repro/Dev (15 days, GD 6–20 by daily gavage)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, female)	High
<b>Inhalation</b>			
<a href="#">Francovitch et al. (1986)</a>	Acute (4 hours)	Mouse (CD, male)	Medium
<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	Acute (4 hours)	Mouse (B6C3F1, male)	High
<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a>	Acute (4 or 8 hours)	Rat (F344/ DUCRL, male and female)	High
<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a>	Acute (3 hours)	Mouse (CD-1, female)	High
<a href="#">Zhou et al. (2016)</a>	Acute (1.5 or 4 hours)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male)	Medium
<a href="#">Qin-li et al. (2010)</a>	Acute (12 hours)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male and female)	Medium
<a href="#">Igwe et al. (1986b)</a>	Short-term (30 days; 5 days/week; 7 hours/day)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male)	High
<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a>	Short-term (1 or 4 weeks; 6 hours/day)	Mouse (Swiss, male)	High
<a href="#">Zeng et al. (2018)</a>	Short-term (28 days; 6 hours/day)	Mouse (Swiss, male)	High
<a href="#">IRFMN (1978)</a>	Chronic (12 months; 5 days/week; 7 hours/day)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, male and female)	Medium
<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a>	Repro/Dev (10 days; 7 hours/day; GD 6–15)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, female)	Medium
<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a>	Repro/Dev (13 days; 7 hours/day; GD 6–18)	Rabbit (New Zealand White, female)	Medium
<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a>	Repro/Dev (15 days; 6 hours/day; GD 6–20)	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, female)	High
<b>Dermal</b>			
No data			

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No dermal exposure studies of 1,2-dichloroethane were considered suitable for use in determining a POD. Table\_Apx M-15 through Table\_Apx M-19 summarize the NOAELs and LOAELs identified

14796 from the oral (acute and short-term/subchronic) and inhalation (acute, short-term/subchronic, and  
14797 chronic) studies, respectively. Only the endpoint with the lowest LOAEL for a given study was included  
14798 in the table (if the lowest LOAEL was for multiple endpoints, all were included in the table). Each  
14799 NOAEL and LOAEL was converted to reflect continuous exposure (NOAEL<sub>continuous</sub> and  
14800 LOAEL<sub>continuous</sub>) using Equation\_Apx M-4 and Equation\_Apx M-5. After adjustment for continuous  
14801 exposure, each oral NOAEL and LOAEL was converted to a HED using Equation\_Apx M-6 and each  
14802 inhalation NOAEL and LOAEL was converted to a HEC using Equation\_Apx M-7 (for extrarespiratory  
14803 effects) or Equation\_Apx M-8 (for nasal effects).  
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**Table\_Apx M-15. Summary of Candidate Acute, Non-cancer, Oral PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Target Organ/System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL (mg/kg-bw)	LOAEL (mg/kg-bw)	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>b</sup> (mg/kg-bw) (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Renal/Kidney <i>(evidence suggests)</i>	Mouse (B6C3F1, 5 males/group)	Once (gavage)	NOAEL: 200 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 26.0	LOAEL: 300 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 39.0	Significantly increased relative kidney weight (13% higher than controls)	19.9 (BMDL <sub>10%</sub> HED for kidney weight)	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	High
	Mouse (Swiss OF1, 10 males/group)	Once (gavage)	NOAEL: 1,000 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 130	LOAEL: 1,500 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 195	Increased percentage of damaged proximal tubules	130 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Morel et al. (1999)</a>	High
Hepatic/Liver <i>(evidence suggests)</i>	Rat (Sprague-Dawley; 10 females/group)	Once (gavage)	ND	LOAEL: 628 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 151	Significantly increased ALT, AST, and LDH (45, 44, and 67% higher than controls, respectively) and liver steatosis	151 (LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Cottalasso et al. (2002)</a>	Medium
Respiratory <i>(evidence suggests)</i>	Rat (Wistar, 4-6 males/group)	Once (gavage)	ND	LOAEL: 136 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 32.6	Significantly increased total number of cells in BALF; inflammatory and noninflammatory histological changes in lung (data reported qualitatively)	32.6 (LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Salovsky et al. (2002)</a>	Medium

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**Table\_Apx M-16. Summary of Candidate Short-Term/Intermediate, Non-cancer, Oral PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane<sup>a</sup>**

Target Organ/ System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	LOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>b</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day) (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Mortality ( <i>evidence demonstrates</i> )	Rat (SPF Wistar, 6 males/group)	2 weeks (gavage, 5 days/week)	NOAEL: 100 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 71.4 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 7.1	LOAEL: 300 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 214 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 51.4	Mortality in all animals (6/6 animals by day 5)	17.1 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">van Esch et al. (1977)</a>	High
Nutritional/ Metabolic ( <i>evidence suggests</i> )	Rat (Sprague- Dawley; 25–26 females/group)	15 days GD 6–20 (daily gavage)	NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 158 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 37.9	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 198 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 47.5	Decreased absolute maternal body weight gain <sup>c</sup> on GD 6–21 (reduced ≥30% relative to controls)	10.0 (BMDL <sub>10%</sub> HED for maternal body weight)	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a>	High
	Rat (Osborne- Mendel, 5/sex/group)	6 weeks (gavage, 5 days/week)	ND	LOAEL:40 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 29 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 7.0	Decreased body weights (10%) in females	7.0 (LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">NTP (1978)</a>	Medium
Hepatic/Liver ( <i>evidence suggests</i> )	Rat (Sprague- Dawley; 10/sex/group)	10 days (gavage, daily)	NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 30 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 7.2	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 100 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 24	Significantly increased relative liver weights (14% relative to controls) and serum cholesterol levels (data not shown) in males	7.2 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Daniel et al. (1994)</a>	High
	Rat (Sprague- Dawley; 10/sex/group)	90 days (gavage, daily)	NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 37.5 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 9.00	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 75 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 18	Significantly increased relative liver weight (20% higher than controls) and serum ALP (data not shown) in males	9.00 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Daniel et al. (1994)</a>	High
	Rat (SPF Wistar, 10/sex/group)	90 days (gavage, 5 days/week)	NOAEL: 30 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 21 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 5.0	LOAEL: 90 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 64 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 15	Significantly increased relative liver weight (13% higher than controls) in females	5.0 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">van Esch et al. (1977)</a>	Medium

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Target Organ/ System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	LOAEL (mg/kg-bw/day)	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>b</sup> (mg/kg-bw/day) (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Renal/ Kidney ( <i>evidence suggests</i> )	Rat (Sprague- Dawley; 10/sex/group)	90 days (gavage, daily)	NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 37.5 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 9.00	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 75 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 18	Significantly increased relative kidney weights in males and females (18 and 15% higher than controls, respectively)	9.00 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Daniel et al. (1994)</a>	High
	Rat (SPF Wistar, 10/sex/group)	90 days (gavage, 5 days/week)	NOAEL: 30 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 21 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 5.0	LOAEL:90 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 64 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 15	Significantly increased relative kidney weight (17 and 16% higher than controls in males and females, respectively)	5.0 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">van Esch et al. (1977)</a>	Medium
	Rat (F344; 10/sex/group)	13 weeks (gavage, 5 days/week)	ND	LOAEL: 30 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 21 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 5	Significantly increased absolute kidney weights in males (9% higher than controls)	3.4 (BMDL <sub>10%</sub> HED for absolute kidney weight)	<a href="#">NTP (1991)</a>	High
			NOAEL: 37 NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 26 NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 6.2	LOAEL: 75 LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 54 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 13	Increased absolute and relative kidney weights in females (12 and 10% higher than controls, respectively)	6.2 (NOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )		
Immune/ Hematological ( <i>evidence suggests</i> )	Mouse (CD-1; 10–12 males/group)	14 days (daily gavage)	ND	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 4.89 LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> : 0.636	Suppression of humoral and cell-mediated immune responses	0.636 (LOAEL <sub>HED</sub> )	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>	High

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**Table\_Apx M-17. Summary of Candidate Acute, Non-cancer, Inhalation PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Target Organ/System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>a</sup> (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Mortality (evidence demonstrates)	Mouse (CD-1, 10–15 males/group)	4 hours	ND	LOAEL: 4,050 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (1,000 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 675 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (167 ppm)	Dose-related increase in mortality compared with controls (quantitative data not reported)	675 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 167 ppm (LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Francovitch et al. (1986)</a>	Medium
Renal/Kidney (evidence suggests)	Mouse (B6C3F1, 5 males/group)	4 hours	NOAEL: 639 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (158 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 107 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (26.3 ppm)	LOAEL: 2,020 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (499 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 337 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (83.2 ppm)	Significantly increased serum BUN and relative kidney weight (85 and 12% higher than controls, respectively)	207 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 51.1 ppm (BMCL <sub>10%HEC</sub> for relative kidney weight)	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	High
Hepatic/Liver (evidence suggests)	Mouse (B6C3F1, 5 males/group)	4 hours	NOAEL: 639 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (158 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 107 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (26.3 ppm)	LOAEL: 2020 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (499 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 337 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (83.2 ppm)	Increased serum ALT (2-fold higher than controls [ns]) and SDH (11-fold higher than controls; p ≤ 0.05)	107 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 26.3 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>	High
Lung/ Respiratory (evidence suggests)	Rat (F344/DUCRL, 5/sex/group)	4 hours	NOAEL: 212 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (52.4 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 35.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8.73 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 7.06 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (1.74 ppm)	LOAEL: 794.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (196.4 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 132.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (32.73 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 26.50 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (6.547 ppm)	Histological changes to the olfactory mucosa in males and females	1.75 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 0.432 ppm (BMCL <sub>10%HEC</sub> for degeneration with necrosis in males and females)	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a>	High

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Target Organ/System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>a</sup> (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Lung/ Respiratory (evidence suggests)	Rat (F344/ DUCRL, 10/sex/group)	4 hours	ND	LOAEL: 794.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (196.4 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 132.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (32.73 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 26.50 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (6.547 ppm)	Histological changes to the olfactory mucosa in males and females	4.636 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 1.145 ppm (BMCL <sub>10HEC</sub> for regeneration in males and females)	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a>	High
	Rat (F344/ DUCRL, 5/sex/group)	8 hours	NOAEL 214 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (52.8 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 71.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (17.6 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 14.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (3.52 ppm)	LOAEL = 435.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (107.5 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : 145.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (35.83 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 29.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (7.166 ppm)	Histological changes to the olfactory mucosa in males and females	9.78 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 2.42 ppm (BMCL <sub>10HEC</sub> for degeneration with necrosis in males and females)	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a>	High
Immune/ Hematological (evidence suggests)	Mouse (CD-1, 140 females/group)	3 hours	NOAEL: 9.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (2.3 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 1.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (0.29 ppm)	LOAEL: 22 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (5.4 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 2.8 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (0.68 ppm)	Mortality following streptococcal challenge	1.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 0.29 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Sherwood et al. (1987)</a>	High (Note: Mice inhaled ~2E04 aerosolized streptococci 1 hour after exposure. This is unlikely to represent typical immunological challenges in humans).

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Target Organ/ System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>a</sup> (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Neurological/ Behavioral ( <i>evidence likely</i> )	Rat (Sprague- Dawley, 6 males/group)	1.5 hours	ND	LOAEL: 3,950 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (975.9 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 246.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (61.00 ppm)	Changes in brain histopathology	246.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 61.00 ppm (LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Zhou et al. (2016)</a>	Medium
	Rat (Sprague- Dawley, 12/sex/group)	12 hours	NOAEL: 2,500 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (617.7 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 1,250 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (308.9 ppm)	LOAEL: 5,000 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (1,240 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> : LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 2,500 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (620 ppm)	Clinical signs of neurotoxicity and changes in brain histology	1250 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 308.9 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Qin-li et al. (2010)</a>	Medium

<sup>a</sup> BMCLs are presented as HECs for comparison with other candidate PODs. BMCL1SD = BMCL for benchmark response of 1 standard deviation change from control mean. BMCL10% = BMCL for benchmark response of 10% relative deviation from control mean. BMCL10 = BMCL for benchmark response of 10% extra risk.

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**Table\_Apx M-18. Summary of Candidate Short-Term/Intermediate, Non-cancer, Inhalation PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Target Organ/ System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>a</sup> (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
<i>Mortality (evidence demonstrates)</i>	Rat (Sprague- Dawley, 12 males/group)	30 days 5 days/week 7 hours/day	NOAEL: 619 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (153 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 129 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (31.9 ppm)	LOAEL: 1230 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (304 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 256 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (63.3 ppm)	Mortality (1/12 animals)	154 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 38.0 ppm (BMCL <sub>10HEC</sub> for mortality)	<a href="#">Igwe et al. (1986b)</a>  <a href="#">Igwe et al. (1986c)</a>	High
	Rat (Sprague- Dawley, 16-30 females/group)	10 days 7 hours/day GD 6-15	NOAEL: 405 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (100 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 118 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (29.2 ppm)	LOAEL: 1210 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (300 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 353 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (87.5 ppm)	Mortality (10/16 animals)	118 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 29.2 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a>	Medium
	Rat (Sprague- Dawley, 26 females/ group)	15 days 6 hours/day GD 6-20	NOAEL: 1,030 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (254 ppm)  NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 258 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (63.5 ppm)	LOAEL: 1,330 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (329 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 333 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (82.3 ppm)	Mortality (2/26 dams)	258 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 63.5 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">Payan et al. (1995)</a>	High
	Rabbit (New Zealand White, 19-21 females/ group)	13 days 7 hours/day GD 6-18	ND	LOAEL: 405 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (100 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 118 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (29.2 ppm)	Mortality (4/21 animals)	59.4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 14.7 ppm (BMCL <sub>10HEC</sub> for mortality)	<a href="#">Rao et al. (1980)</a>	Medium



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Target Organ/System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>a</sup> (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Hepatic/Liver <i>(evidence suggests)</i>	Mouse (Swiss, 10 males/group)	28 days 6 hours/day	ND	LOAEL: 363.58 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (89.830 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 90.895 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (22.457 ppm)	Increased absolute and relative liver weights ( $\geq 10\%$ higher than controls)	51.720 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 12.778 ppm (BMCL <sub>10%HEC</sub> for relative liver weight)	<a href="#">Zeng et al. (2018)</a>	High
Reproductive/Developmental <i>(evidence suggests)</i>	Mouse (Swiss, 5-15 males/group)	4 weeks 6 hours/day	ND	LOAEL: 102.70 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (25.374 ppm)  LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 25.675 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (6.3435 ppm)	Changes in sperm parameters (increased total, sperm head, body, and tail abnormalities; decreased sperm concentration; decreased height of seminiferous tubules and height of germinal epithelium)	21.240 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 5.2500 ppm (BMCL <sub>5%HEC</sub> for sperm concentration)  18.815 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 4.6486 ppm (BMCL <sub>1SDHEC</sub> for seminiferous tubule height)  8.6304 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 2.1323 ppm (BMCL <sub>1SDHEC</sub> for germinal epithelium height)	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a>	High
<sup>a</sup> BMCLs are presented as HECs for comparison with other candidate PODs. BMCL <sub>1SD</sub> = BMCL for benchmark response of 1 standard deviation change from control mean. BMCL <sub>10%</sub> = BMCL for benchmark response of 10% relative deviation from control mean. BMCL <sub>5%HEC</sub> = BMCL for benchmark response of 5% relative deviation from control mean. BMCL <sub>10</sub> = BMCL for benchmark response of 10% extra risk								

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**Table\_Apx M-19. Summary of Candidate Chronic, Non-cancer, Inhalation PODs for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

Target Organ/System	Species (Strain, Sex, n/Group)	Exposure	NOAEL	LOAEL	Basis for NOAEL/LOAEL	Candidate POD <sup>a</sup> (POD Type)	Reference	Study Rating for Target Organ/System
Hepatic/Liver <i>(evidence suggests)</i>	Rat (Sprague-Dawley, 8-10/sex/group)	12 months 5 days/week 7 hours/day	NOAEL: 40 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (10 ppm)	LOAEL: 200 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (50 ppm)	Increased ALT (>2-fold higher than controls) and LDH (18% higher than controls) in males	8.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 2.1 ppm (NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> )	<a href="#">IRFMN (1978)</a>	Medium
			NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 8.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (2.1 ppm)	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 42 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (10 ppm)				
			NOAEL: 40 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (10 ppm)	LOAEL: 200 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (50 ppm)	Increased ALT (>2-fold higher than controls) and LDH (25% higher than controls) in females	1.7 mg/m <sup>3</sup> or 0.42 ppm (BMCL <sub>1SDHEC</sub> for LDH in females)		
			NOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = NOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 8.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (2.1 ppm)	LOAEL <sub>continuous</sub> = LOAEL <sub>HEC</sub> : 42 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (10 ppm)				

<sup>a</sup> BMCLs are presented as HECs for comparison with other candidate PODs. BMCL1SD = BMCL for benchmark response of 1 standard deviation change from control mean. BMCL10% = BMCL for benchmark response of 10% relative deviation from control mean. BMCL10 = BMCL for benchmark response of 10% extra risk.

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### **M.2.3 Non-cancer PODs for Acute Exposures for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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#### **Oral**

There were two acute-duration oral studies of 1,1-dichloroethane that were rated acceptable: an acute lethality study in guinea pigs by [Dow Chemical \(1947\)](#) and a single-dose lethality study in rats by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#) (see Table\_Apx M-10). The acute lethality study by [Dow Chemical \(1947\)](#) reported no details on the animal strain, sex, age, or condition; number of animals tested; method of administration; or duration of follow-up. The study authors reported only that all guinea pigs survived being fed a dose of 300 mg/kg, while 1,000 mg/kg-bw was lethal for all the animals given this dose. The limitations in the study preclude its use for POD derivation.

Likewise, a single-dose experiment by [Muralidhara et al. \(2001\)](#), with a NOAEL of 1,000 mg/kg-bw and a LOAEL of 2,000 mg/kg-bw was also not considered suitable for POD derivation due to the selection of doses near those exhibiting mortality and the lack of sensitive endpoints other than death. Effects identified included clinical signs of neurotoxicity characterized by the authors as “excitation followed by progressive motor impairment and sedation.” The only endpoints evaluated in the experiment were death within the 14 days after dosing and clinical signs. Deaths occurred at doses  $\geq 8,000$  mg/kg-bw (within 24 hours of dosing) and the LD50 was 8,200 mg/kg-bw. Although the acute-duration oral data are limited, the observation of CNS effects is consistent with the past use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a human anesthetic ([ATSDR, 2015](#)).

#### **Inhalation**

No adequate acute-duration ( $\leq 24$  hours) inhalation studies of 1,1-dichloroethane were identified.

#### **Dermal**

No adequate acute-duration ( $\leq 24$  hours) dermal studies of 1,1-dichloroethane were identified.

### **M.2.4 Non-cancer PODs for Short/Intermediate-Term Exposures for 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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#### **Oral**

Three short/intermediate-term gavage studies of 1,1-dichloroethane in rats provided sufficient information to identify candidate non-cancer PODs: a 10-day experiment ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), a 14-day experiment ([Ghanayem et al., 1986](#)), and a 13-week experiment ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)).

In the 14-day experiment, [Ghanayem et al. \(1986\)](#) identified a freestanding NOAEL of 700 mg/kg-bw/day; the only endpoint evaluated in this study was forestomach histopathology. This study was not considered further for the short/intermediate-term oral POD for 1,2-dichloroethane due to the limited evaluations.

In the 10-day experiment ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), a NOAEL and LOAEL of 1,000 and 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day, respectively, were identified for decreased body weight. Other endpoints evaluated in this experiment were liver and kidney weights; serum and urinary clinical chemistry markers of liver and kidney effects; and histopathology of the liver, kidney, lung, brain, adrenal, spleen, testis, and epididymis. Dosing was daily, so no adjustment for continuous exposure was necessary. BMD modeling of the data on decreased body weight yielded a BMDL<sub>10%</sub> of 1,167 mg/kg-bw/day. This study was not considered further due to a NOAEL near the limit dose of 1,000 mg/kg-bw/day.

In the 13-week experiment ([Muralidhara et al., 2001](#)), evaluations were the same as in the 10-day experiment described above. In this experiment, a NOAEL of 1,000 mg/kg-bw/day and a LOAEL of 2000 mg/kg-bw/day were identified for mortality (1/15 rats), CNS depression, and decreased body

14864 weight. At the high dose in this study (4,000 mg/kg-bw/day), the rats exhibited protracted narcosis, and  
14865 8/15 rats died between weeks 1 and 11, when the surviving rats in this group were sacrificed.  
14866 Mortality was not considered to be a suitable endpoint for BMD modeling. Quantitative data on CNS  
14867 depression were not reported, precluding BMD modeling of this endpoint. BMD modeling of the data on  
14868 decreased body weight yielded a BMDL<sub>10%</sub> of 1,248 mg/kg-bw/day; however, it is not clear that a POD  
14869 based on body weight would be adequately protective for mortality and neurotoxicity.

### 14870 *Inhalation*

14871 One short/intermediate-term inhalation study provided adequate information to identify a LOAEL. In  
14872 the inhalation developmental toxicity study of rats by [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#), the following maternal  
14873 endpoints were evaluated: maternal body weight and liver weight, serum ALT, and gross necropsy.  
14874 Developmental endpoints were also assessed, including gross, skeletal, and visceral anomalies. Effects  
14875 observed in the study were as follows:

- 14877 • Decreased maternal body weight on GD 13 (~9 and 11 percent compared with controls at low  
14878 and high exposure levels, respectively).
- 14879 • An uncertain effect on the incidence of litters with delayed ossification of the sternbrae at the  
14880 high exposure level. In this study, each of the two exposure groups had its own control group,  
14881 and the incidence of this effect differed between the two control groups (61 percent in the control  
14882 for low exposure and 11 percent in the control for the high exposure). Incidences in low and high  
14883 exposure groups were 44 and 42 percent, respectively, intermediate between the two control  
14884 groups.
- 14885 • Increased relative liver weight (15 percent compared with controls) 6 days after the end of  
14886 exposure in nonpregnant rats in the high exposure group. However, no difference in absolute or  
14887 relative liver weight was seen at the end of the exposure period.

14888 No other short/intermediate-term inhalation studies with a rating of acceptable were located. The data  
14889 from [Schwetz et al. \(1974\)](#) were not considered adequate for derivation of a short/intermediate-term  
14890 inhalation POD for the following reasons: (1) the evaluations of maternal endpoints did not include  
14891 histopathology or effects in organs other than the liver, (2) the disparate findings on delayed ossification  
14892 in the two control groups mean that a conclusion regarding this endpoint cannot be made with  
14893 confidence, and (3) there are no supporting studies that evaluated comprehensive endpoints.

### 14894 *Dermal*

14895 No adequate short/intermediate-term dermal studies of 1,1-dichloroethane were identified.

## 14897 M.2.5 Non-cancer PODs for Chronic Exposures for 1,1-Dichloroethane

### 14898 *Oral*

14899 Two chronic-duration oral studies of 1,1-dichloroethane in mice provided sufficient information to  
14900 identify NOAELs and/or LOAELs: a 52-week drinking water experiment ([Klaunig et al., 1986](#)) and a  
14901 78-week gavage experiment ([NCI, 1978](#)). In the 52-week experiment ([Klaunig et al., 1986](#)) (study rating  
14902 of High for non-cancer endpoints), a freestanding NOAEL of 543 mg/kg-bw/day was identified based  
14903 on the absence of effects on body weight and liver, kidney, and lung weight and histology. No other  
14904 endpoints were evaluated. Because this study did not conduct comprehensive toxicological evaluations,  
14905 it is possible that effects on other organs or systems could have occurred at the NOAEL. Therefore, the  
14906 freestanding NOAEL from this study was not considered suitable for use as the chronic oral non-cancer  
14907 POD for 1,1-dichloroethane.

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14909 In the 78-week experiment ([NCI, 1978](#)) (study rating of High for mice), male and female mice were  
 14910 exposed to increasing doses over time for 78 weeks followed by a 13-week recovery period prior to  
 14911 sacrifice (see Table\_Apx M-20).  
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**Table\_Apx M-20. Dosing Regimen in ([NCI, 1978](#)) Chronic Mouse Study**

Group	Dose (mg/kg-bw/day Administered 5 Days/Week)	Number of Weeks at this Dose	Time-Weighted Average across 78 Dosing Weeks
Males			
Low dose	900	6	1,442
	1,200	3	
	1,500	69	
	0	13	
High dose	1,800	6	2,885
	2,400	3	
	3,000	69	
	0	13	
Females			
Low dose	900	6	1,665
	1,200	3	
	1,500	11	
	1,800	58	
	0	13	
High dose	1,800	6	3,331
	2,400	3	
	3,000	11	
	3,600	58	
	0	13	

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 14915 ([NCI, 1978](#)) averaged the doses across the 78 exposure weeks and reported time-weighted average doses  
 14916 of 0, 1,442, or 2,885 mg/kg-bw/day (males) and 0, 1,665, or 3,331 mg/kg-bw/day (females) (these doses  
 14917 were administered 5 days/week). Decreased survival was observed in both males and females in the high  
 14918 dose group, but the findings in males were confounded by reduced survival in untreated control males  
 14919 (beginning around week 35). ([NCI, 1978](#)) did not report cause of death or any explanation for the  
 14920 control male deaths. In females of the high dose group, there was a statistically significant reduction in  
 14921 survival. Based on survival data presented graphically, there were no deaths among female mice  
 14922 exposed for 9 weeks at doses up to 2,400 mg/kg-bw/day. The first high dose female death occurred at  
 14923 around week 15 when the females were receiving 3,000 mg/kg-bw/day, but additional deaths did not  
 14924 occur until around week 30, after the dose had been increased to 3,600 mg/kg-bw/day. Because of the  
 14925 variable dosing regimen, there is significant uncertainty regarding the dose that resulted in decreased  
 14926 survival in females. In addition, the reduced survival of untreated male mice calls into question the  
 14927 reliability of the study findings.  
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#### 14929 **Inhalation**

14930 Two chronic-duration inhalation studies of 1,1-dichloroethane were rated acceptable; however, neither  
 14931 provided sufficient information to determine a POD. In the study by [Hofmann et al. \(1971a\)](#) (rated

Medium), rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits were exposed 6 hours/day, 5 days/week for 13 weeks to 500 ppm followed by 13 weeks at 1,000 ppm 1,1-dichloroethane. Evaluations included clinical signs, body weight, hematology, urinalysis, blood chemistry, and liver function (in rabbits) after 13 weeks, and liver and kidney weight and histopathology at the end of the exposure period (26 weeks). No effects were observed in rats, guinea pigs, or rabbits, so the only exposure level tested is a NOAEL. These data are not sufficient to determine a POD due to the limited evaluations (lack of organ weights and histopathology for organs/systems other than liver and kidney).

The study of dogs by [Mellon Institute \(1947\)](#) received a Medium study rating. In this study, a single mongrel dog was exposed to 1,067 ppm 1,1-dichloroethane 7 hours/day, every other day for 6 months. Reporting for this study is very limited, but it appears that there was a significant decrease in the exposed dog's weight compared to the control(s) and marked lung congestion at necropsy. While these results suggest a freestanding LOAEL of 1,067 ppm or 4,319 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (156 ppm or 630 mg/m<sup>3</sup> after adjustment for continuous exposure), the data are not sufficient for use as a POD due to (1) use of a single animal and single exposure concentration; (2) lack of data on the magnitude of body weight change; and (3) failure to identify a NOAEL.

### **Dermal**

No adequate chronic dermal studies of 1,1-dichloroethane were identified.

## **M.2.6 Non-cancer PODs for Acute Exposures for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

### **Oral**

The acute-duration oral POD for 1,2-dichloroethane was based on increased relative kidney weight in male mice given a single gavage dose of 1,2-dichloroethane ([Storer et al., 1984](#)). For this study, a NOAEL of 200 mg/kg-bw/day and a LOAEL of 300 mg/kg-bw/day were identified for kidney weight effects. To obtain a POD, BMD modeling was conducted on the relative kidney weight data using U.S. EPA's Benchmark Dose Software (BMDS; v. 3.3). Table\_Apx M-21 shows the relative kidney weights corresponding to each dose. BMD modeling was conducted using a benchmark response (BMR) of 10 percent% relative deviation from the control mean ([U.S. EPA, 2012b](#)).

**Table\_Apx M-21. Relative Kidney Weights in Male Mice Exposed to 1,2-Dichloroethane Once by Gavage**

Dose (mg/kg-day)	Number of Mice	Mean (g/100 g body weight)	Standard Deviation
0	5	1.50	0.09
200	5	1.58	0.19
300	5	1.69	0.09
400	3	1.75	0.08
500	1 <sup>a</sup>	1.82	N/A
600	1 <sup>a</sup>	1.61	N/A

Source: [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#)  
<sup>a</sup> 4/5 mice died in this group.



14964 Following ([U.S. EPA, 2012b](#)) guidance, the polynomial 2-degree model with constant variance was  
 14965 selected for these data. The BMD<sub>10%</sub> and BMDL<sub>10%</sub> values for this model were 270 and 153 mg/kg-  
 14966 bw/day, respectively. The BMDL<sub>10%</sub> of 153 mg/kg-bw/day was selected as the POD.  
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14968 The BMDL<sub>10%</sub> of 153 mg/kg-bw/day was converted to a HED of 19.9 mg/kg-bw/day using the DAF of  
 14969 0.13 for mice (see Appendix M.3.1.3) and Equation\_Apx M-1, as shown below:  
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14971 **Equation\_Apx M-1.**

$$14972 \quad HED = 153 \text{ mg/kg} \times 0.13 = 19.9 \text{ mg/kg}$$

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 14974 The HED of 19.9 mg/kg-bw/day does not need to be adjusted for occupational exposure. The benchmark  
 14975 MOE for this POD is 30 (3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10  
 14976 for human variability).  
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14978 **Inhalation**

14979 The acute-duration inhalation POD for 1,2-dichloroethane was based on nasal lesions in rats exposed  
 14980 once by inhalation for 8 hours ([Dow Chemical, 2006b](#)). For this study, a NOAEL of 71.3 mg/m<sup>3</sup> and  
 14981 LOAEL of 145 mg/m<sup>3</sup> were identified for increased incidences of degeneration with necrosis in the  
 14982 olfactory mucosa of the nasal passages in male and female rats. To obtain a POD, BMD modeling was  
 14983 conducted using EPA's BMDS (v. 3.3.2) on the incidence of these nasal lesions in male and female rats  
 14984 (combined). The male and female data were combined for modeling because incidences were similar in  
 14985 both sexes and the combined data set provided increased statistical power relative to the sex-specific  
 14986 data sets. Prior to modeling, the exposure concentrations in the ([Dow Chemical, 2006b](#)) rat 8-hour study  
 14987 were adjusted from the exposure scenario of the original study to continuous (24 hours/day) exposure  
 14988 using Equation\_Apx M-5. Table\_Apx M-22 shows the nasal lesion incidences corresponding to each  
 14989 exposure concentration. BMD modeling was conducted on the incidences using the continuous  
 14990 equivalent concentrations and the default BMR for quantal data of 10 percent extra risk ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
 14991 [2012b](#)).  
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14994 **Table\_Apx M-22. Incidence of Nasal Lesions in Male and Female Rats (Combined) Exposed to**  
 14995 **1,2-Dichloroethane for 8 Hours**

Unadjusted Exposure Concentration (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Adjusted (Continuous) Exposure Concentration (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Incidence of Degeneration with Necrosis of the Olfactory Mucosa
0	0	0/10
214	71.3	0/10
435.1	145.0	4/10
630.6	210.2	9/10

14996 Source: [Dow Chemical \(2006b\)](#)

14997 Following [U.S. EPA \(2012b\)](#) guidance, the multistage 3-degree model was selected for these data. The  
 14998 BMC<sub>10</sub> and BMCL<sub>10</sub> for this model were 81.4 and 48.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively. The BMCL<sub>10</sub> of 48.9  
 14999 mg/m<sup>3</sup> was selected as the POD.  
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15001 [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance was used to convert the BMCL<sub>10</sub> of 48.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup> to a HEC. For nasal lesions,  
 15002 the RGDR<sub>ET</sub> in rats is used. The RGDR<sub>ET</sub> of 0.2 was calculated using Equation\_Apx M-9 ([U.S. EPA,](#)  
 15003 [1994](#)).  
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The BMCL<sub>10</sub> (48.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) was multiplied by the RGDR<sub>ET</sub> (0.2) to calculate the HEC, as shown in the Equation\_Apx M-10.

The resulting HEC is 9.78 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for continuous exposure. The continuous HEC of 9.78 mg/m<sup>3</sup> is converted to an equivalent worker HEC using Equation\_Apx M-13. The resulting POD for workers is 41.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The benchmark MOE for this POD is 30 (3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10 for human variability).

EPA presents all inhalation PODs in equivalents of both mg/m<sup>3</sup> and ppm to avoid confusion and errors. Equation\_Apx M-3 was used with the molecular weight of 1,2-dichloroethane (98.96 mg/mmol) to convert the continuous and worker PODs (9.78 and 41.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively) to 2.42 and 10.2 ppm, respectively.

### ***Dermal***

No PODs were identified from acute studies of dermal exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane. Therefore, the acute oral HED of 19.9 mg/kg-bw/day with benchmark MOE of 30 was used for risk assessment of acute dermal exposure for both continuous and worker exposure scenarios. As noted in Section M.3.1.4, when extrapolating from oral data that incorporated BW<sup>3/4</sup> scaling to obtain the oral HED, EPA uses the same HED for the dermal route of exposure. The same uncertainty factors are used in the benchmark MOE for both oral and dermal scenarios.

## **M.2.7 Non-cancer PODs for Short/Intermediate-Term Exposures for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

### ***Oral***

The short-term/subchronic-duration oral POD for 1,2-dichloroethane was based on decreased immune response in mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by gavage for 14 days (Munson et al., 1982). In this study, a dose-related significant decrease in the number of antibody-forming cells per spleen (AFC/spleen) was observed at all doses; the LOAEL was 4.89 mg/kg-bw/day. Using EPA's BMDS (v. 3.3), BMD modeling was conducted on the AFC/spleen data. The mice in the study by Munson et al. (1982) were exposed 7 days/week, so no adjustment for continuous exposure was needed. Table\_Apx M-23 shows the AFC/spleen corresponding to each dose.

**Table\_Apx M-23. Antibody-Forming Cells per Spleen in Male Mice Exposed to 1,2-Dichloroethane by Daily Gavage for 14 Days**

Dose (mg/kg-bw/day)	Number of Mice	Mean Number AFC/Spleen (×10 <sup>5</sup> )	Standard Error
0	12	3.00	0.3
4.89	10	2.20	0.2
48.9	10	1.80	0.1

Source: [Munson et al. \(1982\)](#)

None of the models provided adequate fits to the means either assuming constant or non-constant variance. Therefore, the LOAEL (lowest dose tested) was used as the POD.

The LOAEL of 4.89 mg/kg-bw/day was converted to a HED of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day using the DAF of 0.13 for mice (see Section M.3.1.3) and Equation\_Apx M-6.

The continuous HED of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day was converted to a worker HED of 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day using Equation\_Apx M-12. The benchmark MOE for this POD is 100 based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human

15047 variability, and 3 for use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response) for short-  
15048 term and subchronic exposures.

### 15049 **Inhalation**

15051 The short-term/subchronic-duration inhalation POD for 1,2-dichloroethane was based on decreased  
15052 sperm concentration in mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation for 4 weeks ([Zhang et al.,  
15053 2017](#)). In this study, a concentration-related decrease in sperm concentration was observed, reaching  
15054 statistical significance (relative to controls) at 707.01 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Using EPA's BMDS (v. 3.3.2), BMD  
15055 modeling was conducted on the sperm concentrations using mouse exposure concentrations. The mice in  
15056 the study by [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) were exposed for 6 hours/day, 7 days/week. Prior to BMD modeling,  
15057 the exposure concentrations in the [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) study were adjusted from the exposure scenario of  
15058 the original study to equivalent continuous (24 hours/day) exposure concentrations using Equation\_Apx  
15059 M-5. Table\_Apx M-24 shows the sperm concentrations corresponding to each exposure concentration.  
15060 BMD modeling was conducted on these data using a BMR of 5 percent relative deviation from controls.  
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15062 **Table\_Apx M-24. Sperm Concentration in Male Mice Exposed to 1,2-Dichloroethane for 4 Weeks**

Unadjusted Exposure Concentration (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Adjusted (Continuous) Exposure Concentration (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Number of Animals	Mean Sperm Concentration (M/g)	SD (M/g)
0.30	0.075	10	4.65	0.52
102.70	25.675	10	4.36	0.40
356.04	89.010	10	3.89	0.47
707.01	176.75	10	3.30	0.57

Source: [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#)

15063 Following [U.S. EPA \(2012b\)](#) guidance, the exponential 3 model with constant variance was selected for  
15064 these data. The BMC<sub>5%</sub> and BMCL<sub>5%</sub> for this model were 26.735 and 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively. The  
15065 BMCL<sub>5%</sub> of 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup> was selected as the POD.  
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15067 [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance was used to convert animal inhalation PODs to HECs. For systemic  
15068 (extrapulmonary) effects, the HEC is calculated by multiplying the animal POD by the ratio of the  
15069 blood:gas partition coefficients in animals and humans, as shown in Equation\_Apx M-8.  
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15071 A human blood:air partition coefficient of 19.5 ± 0.7 has been reported for 1,2-dichloroethane ([Gargas et  
15072 al., 1989](#)). No blood:air partition coefficient for mice was identified in the literature reviewed. In the  
15073 absence of a blood:air partition coefficient for mice, the default ratio of 1 is used in the calculation, in  
15074 accordance with [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance. Therefore, the POD of 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup> is multiplied by 1 to  
15075 give the HEC.  
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15077 The resulting POD is 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for continuous exposure. The continuous POD of 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup> is  
15078 converted to an equivalent worker POD using Equation\_Apx M-14. The resulting POD for workers is  
15079 89.208 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The benchmark MOE for this POD is 30 based on a combination of uncertainty factors: 3  
15080 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used and 10 for human variability for  
15081 short-term and subchronic exposures.  
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### 15083 **Dermal**

15084 No PODs were identified from short-term or subchronic studies of dermal exposure to 1,2-  
15085 dichloroethane. Therefore, the short-term/subchronic oral HED of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day and worker  
15086 HED of 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day with benchmark MOE of 100 were used for risk assessment of  
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15088 short/intermediate-term dermal exposure. As noted in Appendix M.3.1.4, when extrapolating from oral  
15089 data that incorporated  $BW^{3/4}$  scaling to obtain the oral HED, EPA uses the same HED for the dermal  
15090 route of exposure. The same uncertainty factors are used in the benchmark MOE for both oral and  
15091 dermal scenarios.

## 15092 **M.2.8 Non-cancer PODs for Chronic Exposures for 1,2-Dichloroethane**

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### 15093 *Oral*

15094 No studies of chronic oral exposure in laboratory animals were considered suitable for POD  
15095 determination (see Table\_Apx M-11). Therefore, the short-term/subchronic POD was also used for  
15096 chronic exposure. The short-term/subchronic continuous HED was 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day and the worker  
15097 HED was 0.890 mg/kg-bw/day (see Appendix M.2.7). The benchmark MOE for this POD is 1,000 based  
15098 on 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, 3 for  
15099 the use of a LOAEL to extrapolate a NOAEL (based on the dose-response), and 10 for extrapolating  
15100 from a subchronic study duration to a chronic study duration for chronic exposures.  
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### 15102 *Inhalation.*

15103 Only one study of chronic inhalation exposure in laboratory animals ([IRFMN, 1978](#)) was considered  
15104 suitable for POD determination (see Table\_Apx M-14). However, the 12-month study by [IRFMN](#)  
15105 ([1978](#)) evaluated limited endpoints (serum chemistry changes only) and identified a higher LOAEL than  
15106 the study of sperm parameters by [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) that was used as the basis for the short-  
15107 term/subchronic POD. Therefore, the POD from [Zhang et al. \(2017\)](#) was also used for chronic exposure.  
15108 The resulting POD is 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for continuous exposure. The continuous POD of 21.240 mg/m<sup>3</sup> is  
15109 converted to an equivalent worker POD using Equation\_Apx M-13. Equation\_Apx M-3 was used with  
15110 the molecular weight of 1,2-dichloroethane (98.96 mg/mmol) to convert the continuous and worker  
15111 short-term/subchronic/chronic PODs (21.240 and 89.208 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively) to 5.2478 and 22.041  
15112 ppm, respectively. The resulting POD for workers is 89.208 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. (see Table\_Apx M-25). The  
15113 benchmark MOE for this POD is 300 based on 3 for interspecies extrapolation when a dosimetric  
15114 adjustment is used, 10 for human variability, and 10 for extrapolation from a 4-week study to chronic  
15115 exposure duration for chronic exposures.  
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### 15117 *Dermal*

15118 No PODs were identified from chronic-duration studies of dermal exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane (see  
15119 Table\_Apx M-13). Therefore, the oral HEDs of 0.636 mg/kg-bw/day (continuous) and 0.890 mg/kg-  
15120 bw/day (for workers) with benchmark MOE of 1,000 were used for risk assessment of chronic-duration  
15121 dermal exposure. As noted in Section M.3.1.3, when extrapolating from oral data that incorporated  
15122  $BW^{3/4}$  scaling to obtain the oral HED, EPA uses the same HED for the dermal route of exposure. The  
15123 same uncertainty factors are used in the benchmark MOE for both oral and dermal scenarios.  
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## 15125 **M.3 Equations**

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15126 Section M.3 provides the equations used in derivation of non-cancer and cancer PODs for 1,2-  
15127 dichloroethane risk assessment. Section M.4 describes the non-cancer POD derivation for acute,  
15128 short/intermediate-term, and chronic durations.

### 15129 **M.3.1 Equations**

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15130 This section provides equations used in calculating non-cancer PODs, including air concentration  
15131 conversions (ppm to mg/m<sup>3</sup> and the converse), adjustments for continuous exposure, calculation of  
15132 human equivalent concentrations (HECs) and human equivalent doses (HEDs), and route-to-route

15133 extrapolation calculations. All PODs were initially derived for continuous exposure scenarios  
 15134 (7 days/week, and 24 hours/day for inhalation). See Appendix M.3.1.5 for the calculated continuous  
 15135 exposure PODs as well as PODs converted for use in occupational exposure scenarios (8 hours/day,  
 15136 5 days/week).

### 15137 **M.3.1.1 Air Concentration Unit Conversion**

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15138 It is often necessary to convert between ppm and mg/m<sup>3</sup> due to variation in concentration reporting in  
 15139 studies and the default units for different OPPT models. Therefore, EPA presents all PODs in  
 15140 equivalents of both units to avoid confusion and errors. Equation\_Apx M-2 presents the conversion of  
 15141 the HEC from ppm to mg/m<sup>3</sup> and Equation\_Apx M-3 shows the reverse conversion.

#### 15142 **Equation\_Apx M-2. Converting ppm to mg/m<sup>3</sup>**

$$15143 \quad HEC_{continuous} (mg/m^3) = HEC_{continuous} (ppm) * (molecular\ weight/24.45)$$

#### 15144 **Equation\_Apx M-3. Converting mg/m<sup>3</sup> to ppm**

$$15145 \quad HEC_{continuous} (ppm) = HEC_{continuous} (mg/m^3) * (24.45/molecular\ weight)$$

15146 For 1,1-dichloroethane, the molecular weight used in the equations is 98.96 mg/mmol.  
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### 15149 **M.3.1.2 Adjustment for Continuous Exposure**

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15150 Non-cancer PODs for oral studies are adjusted from the exposure scenario of the original study to  
 15151 continuous exposure following Equation\_Apx M-4.

#### 15152 **Equation\_Apx M-4. Adjusting Non-cancer Oral POD for Continuous Exposure**

$$15153 \quad POD_{continuous} = POD_{study} \times (days - week_{study}/days - week_{continuous})$$

15154 Where:

$$15155 \quad days - week_{continuous} = 7 \text{ days}$$

15156 Non-cancer PODs for inhalation studies are adjusted from the exposure scenario of the original study to  
 15157 continuous exposure following Equation\_Apx M-5.

#### 15158 **Equation\_Apx M-5. Adjusting Non-cancer Inhalation POD for Continuous Exposure**

$$15159 \quad POD_{continuous} = POD_{study} \times (hours - day_{study}/hours - day_{continuous}) \times (days - week_{study}/days - week_{continuous})$$

15160 Where:

$$15161 \quad hours - day_{continuous} = 24 \text{ hours}$$

$$15162 \quad days - week_{continuous} = 7 \text{ days}$$

### 15163 **M.3.1.3 Calculation of HEDs and HECs from Animal PODs**

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15164 Consistent with [U.S. EPA \(2011c\)](#) guidance, oral PODs from animal studies are scaled to HEDs using  
 15165 Equation\_Apx M-6.

#### 15166 **Equation\_Apx M-6. Calculation of Continuous HED from Continuous Animal Oral POD**



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$$HED_{\text{continuous}} = POD_{\text{continuous}} \times DAF$$

Where:

$HED_{\text{continuous}}$  = Human equivalent dose for continuous exposure (mg/kg-day)

$POD_{\text{continuous}}$  = Oral POD assuming daily doses (mg/kg-day)

$DAF$  = Dosimetric adjustment factor (unitless)

DAFs for scaling oral animal PODs to HEDs are calculated using Equation\_Apx M-7.

#### Equation\_Apx M-7. Calculating DAF for Oral HED Calculation

$$DAF = \left( \frac{BW_A}{BW_H} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Where:

$DAF$  = dosimetric adjustment factor (unitless)

$BW_A$  = body weight of species used in toxicity study (kg)

$BW_H$  = body weight of adult human (kg)

[U.S. EPA \(2011c\)](#) presents DAFs for extrapolation to humans from several species. However, because those DAFs used a human body weight of 70 kg, EPA has updated the DAFs using a human body weight of 80 kg from the EPA *Exposure Factors Handbook* ([U.S. EPA, 2011a](#)). EPA used the body weights of 0.025 and 0.25 kg for mice and rats, respectively, as presented in [U.S. EPA \(2011c\)](#). The resulting DAFs for mice and rats are 0.13 and 0.24, respectively. For guinea pigs, EPA used a body weight of 0.43 kg, resulting in a DAF of 0.27.

[U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance was used to convert animal inhalation PODs to HECs. Effects in animals exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane by inhalation consisted of systemic (extrarespiratory) effects. Therefore, consistent with [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance, the HEC for extrarespiratory effects is calculated by multiplying the animal POD by the ratio of the blood:gas partition coefficients in animals and humans. Equation\_Apx M-8 shows the HEC calculation for extrarespiratory effects.

#### Equation\_Apx M-8. Calculation of HEC from Animal Inhalation POD

$$HEC = POD_{\text{continuous}} \times \frac{\left( \frac{HB}{g} \right)_A}{\left( \frac{HB}{g} \right)_H}$$

Where:

$\frac{\left( \frac{HB}{g} \right)_A}{\left( \frac{HB}{g} \right)_H}$  = blood:air partition coefficient for animals (A) to humans (H)

Blood:air coefficients for 1,2-dichloroethane were 19.5 in humans and 30 in rats ([Gargas et al., 1989](#)). Blood:air partition coefficients for other species were not located. When the animal blood:air partition coefficient is greater than the human blood:air partition coefficient, the default ratio of 1 is used in the calculation in accordance with [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance.



Nasal effects were observed in one study of F344 rats exposed by inhalation to 1,2-dichloroethane ([Dow Chemical, 2006b](#)). For nasal effects, in accordance with [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance, the HEC was calculated using the regional gas dose ratio for extrathoracic effects ( $RGDR_{ET}$ ) using Equation\_Apx M-9.

#### Equation\_Apx M-9. Calculating HEC Using Animal Inhalation POD and $RGDR_{ET}$

$$HEC_{\text{continuous}} = POD_{\text{continuous}} \times RGDR_{ET}$$

Where:

$HEC_{\text{continuous}}$	=	Human equivalent concentration for continuous exposure ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ )
$POD_{\text{continuous}}$	=	Animal POD for continuous exposure ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ )
$RGDR_{ET}$	=	Regional gas dose ratio for extrathoracic effects (unitless)

The  $RGDR_{ET}$  for nasal effects in F344 rats was calculated as shown in Equation\_Apx M-10.

#### Equation\_Apx M-10. Calculating $RGDR_{ET}$ in Rats

$$RGDR_{ET} = \frac{V_{Ea}}{SA_a} / \frac{V_{Eh}}{SA_h}$$

Where:

$RGDR_{ET}$	=	Regional gas dose ratio for extrathoracic effects (unitless)
$V_{Ea}$	=	Ventilation rate for male and female F344 rats = 0.211 L/minute ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1994</a> )
$SA_a$	=	Surface area of the extrathoracic region in rats = 15 $\text{cm}^2$ U.S. EPA, 1994, 6488}
$V_{Eh}$	=	Ventilation rate for humans = 13.8 L/minute ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1994</a> )
$SA_h$	=	Surface area of the extrathoracic region in humans = 200 $\text{cm}^2$ ( <a href="#">U.S. EPA, 1994</a> )

The  $RGDR_{ET}$  for nasal effects in F344 rats calculated using the equation above is 0.2.

### M.3.1.4 Cancer Inhalation Unit Risk

For cancer risk assessment, an Inhalation Unit Risk (IUR) can be converted to a Cancer Slope Factor (CSF) using the exposure parameters described above for non-cancer conversions, as in Equation\_Apx M-11.

#### Equation\_Apx M-11. Calculating CSF from IUR

$$CSF = IUR \times \frac{BW_H}{IR_R}$$

15260 Where:

- 15261  $CSF$  = Oral cancer slope factor based on daily exposure (per mg/kg-day)  
 15262  $IUR$  = Inhalation unit risk based on continuous daily exposure (per mg/m<sup>3</sup>)  
 15263  $BW_H$  = Body weight of adult humans (kg) = 80  
 15264  $IR_R$  = Inhalation rate for an individual at rest (m<sup>3</sup>/day) = 14.7

### 15265 M.3.1.5 Conversion of Continuous PODs to Worker PODs

15266 All PODs were initially derived for continuous exposure, and then converted to an equivalent POD for  
 15267 occupational exposure for convenience in risk calculations. Equation\_Apx M-12 and Equation\_Apx  
 15268 M-13 were used to convert from continuous to occupational exposure scenarios for oral and inhalation  
 15269 non-cancer PODs, respectively.

#### 15271 **Equation\_Apx M-12. Adjusting Non-cancer Oral POD from Continuous to Occupational 15272 Exposure**

$$15273 \quad POD_{occupational} = POD_{continuous} \times (7/5 \text{ days/week})$$

#### 15275 **Equation\_Apx M-13. Adjusting Non-cancer Inhalation POD from Continuous to Occupational 15276 Exposure**

$$15277 \quad POD_{occupational} = POD_{continuous} \times (24/8 \text{ hours/day}) \times (7/5 \text{ days/week})$$

15279 To adjust a continuous IUR for occupational scenarios, Equation\_Apx M-14 was used (days per week  
 15280 adjustment is not required because it is already accounted for in the Lifetime Average Daily  
 15281 Concentration).  
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#### 15284 **Equation\_Apx M-14. Adjusting Continuous IUR For Occupational Scenarios**

$$15285 \quad IUR_{occupational} = IUR_{continuous} \times (\text{hours} - \text{day}_{occupational} / \text{hours} - \text{day}_{continuous})$$

### 15287 M.4 Summary of Continuous and Worker Non-cancer PODs

15288 Each of the continuous non-cancer PODs described in the preceding sections was converted to an  
 15289 equivalent POD for occupational exposure for convenience in risk calculations. Equations used to  
 15290 convert from continuous to occupational exposure scenarios for oral and inhalation exposure,  
 15291 respectively are provided in Appendix M.3. Table\_Apx M-25 provides a summary of the non-cancer  
 15292 PODs for both continuous and occupational exposure scenarios for 1,1-dichloroethane using read-across  
 15293 from 1,2-dichloroethane.  
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15296**Table\_Apx M-25. Summary of Non-cancer PODs for 1,1-Dichloroethane (Read-Across from 1,2-Dichloroethane)**

Route	Duration	Continuous POD	Worker POD	Benchmark MOE	Reference
Oral	Acute	19.9 mg/kg-bw/day	19.9 mg/kg-bw/day	30	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>
	Short/Intermediate-term	0.636 mg/kg-bw/day	0.890 mg/kg-bw/day	100	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>
	Chronic	0.636 mg/kg-bw/day	0.890 mg/kg-bw/day	1,000	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>
Inhalation	Acute	9.78 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	41 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	30	<a href="#">Dow Chemical (2006b)</a>
	Short/Intermediate-term	21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	89 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	30	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a>
	Chronic	21.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	89 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	300	<a href="#">Zhang et al. (2017)</a>
Dermal (Route-to-Route Extrapolation from Oral)	Acute	19.9 mg/kg-bw/day	19.9 mg/kg-bw/day	30	<a href="#">Storer et al. (1984)</a>
	Short/Intermediate-term	0.636 mg/kg-bw/day	0.890 mg/kg-bw/day	100	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>
	Chronic	0.636 mg/kg-bw/day	0.890 mg/kg-bw/day	1,000	<a href="#">Munson et al. (1982)</a>

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## M.5 Evidence Integration Tables for Non-cancer for 1,1-Dichloroethane

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**Table\_Apx M-26. Evidence Integration Table for Reproductive/Developmental Effects**

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgment	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall Weight of Scientific Evidence Judgment
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Reproductive/Developmental Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies				<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for reproductive/ developmental effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i> Evidence is inadequate to assess whether 1,1-dichloroethane exposure may cause reproductive/ developmental toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A retrospective case-control study of mother-infant pairs evaluated exposure based on maternal residential proximity to industrial air releases and its association with birth defects (neural tube, oral cleft, and heart defects; limb deficiencies; and anencephaly) (<a href="#">Brender et al., 2014</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spina bifida and septal heart defects were associated with maternal residential exposures (any vs. none) to 1,1-dichloroethane.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The study was large and accounted for multiple facilities and their chemical releases, allowing for evaluations of associations between exposure to individual chlorinated solvents and specific birth defects.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Associations between birth defects and exposure were observed in a high-quality study.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyses based on quartiles of exposure intensity did not show a dose-response relationship with spina bifida or septal heart defects.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure was based on maternal address at delivery and industry releases reported to TRI; changes in address between conception and delivery and failure to account for prevailing wind directions may have contributed to exposure misclassification.</li> <li>Effect estimates were not adjusted for concurrent exposure to other chemicals.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Available epidemiological data are limited and inconclusive. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for reproductive/developmental toxicity effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgment	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall Weight of Scientific Evidence Judgement
<p><u>Oral:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Short-term, subchronic, and chronic gavage studies in male rats and male and female mice examined histology of the testes, epididymis, prostate, mammary gland, ovary, and/or uterus (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>; <a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Inhalation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A subchronic inhalation toxicity study in male dogs evaluated testis histopathology (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>An inhalation study that exposed female rats during GD 6–15 evaluated numbers of litters, corpora lutea, implantations, resorptions, and live fetuses; fetal sex, length, and body weights; and gross, soft tissue, and skeletal anomalies (<a href="#">Schwetz et al., 1974</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chronic gavage studies in male and female rats<sup>a</sup> examined histology of the testes, epididymis, prostate, mammary gland, ovary, and/or uterus (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A significantly increased litter incidence of delayed ossification of sternebrae was observed in the offspring of rats exposed via inhalation at the higher of two tested concentrations.</li> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative because methodological details were not fully reported, lengthening of the estrus phase was reported in female rats exposed via inhalation for 2–3 months prior to mating, and embryoletality was increased in female rats exposed prior to and throughout gestation (but not in those exposed only prior to gestation).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the study reporting delayed sternebral ossification associated with exposure, separate control groups used for each exposure level showed significantly different incidences of this outcome. The incidence in the higher exposed group was statistically significant only compared with the concurrent control, which had a much lower incidence than the other control group.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maternal weight gain and food intake were decreased at the same exposure level that resulted in increased incidence of delayed ossification in rat offspring.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only one concentration was tested in the Uninformative study that identified effects on embryonic mortality.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The database lacks a 1- or 2-generation reproduction toxicity study of acceptable quality, and only one developmental toxicity study is available.</li> <li>Data pertaining to effects on estrous cyclicity and</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Available animal toxicological studies are limited and inconclusive. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for reproductive/developmental effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgment	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall Weight of Scientific Evidence Judgement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A subchronic inhalation toxicity study in male rats <sup>b</sup> evaluated testis histopathology (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>).</li> <li>• An inhalation study <sup>c</sup> that exposed female rats during premating, mating, and/or gestation evaluated mating, fertility, fetal development, estrous cyclicity, and histology of the ovaries (<a href="#">Vozovaia, 1977</a>).</li> </ul>		<p>preimplantation viability are limited to a single study rated Uninformative.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The subchronic inhalation toxicity study in dogs, which did not identify effects on testis histology, used only one mixed-breed animal and lacked methodological details.</li> <li>• Several of the available studies were rated Uninformative based on reporting limitations, high incidences of pathological findings in negative controls, and/or mortality unrelated to exposure.</li> </ul>		
Evidence from mechanistic studies – indeterminate (no studies)				
<p><sup>a</sup> The 78-week study in male and female rats (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>) was considered Uninformative owing to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> The subchronic inhalation study in male and female rats (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>) was considered Uninformative owing to high incidences of pathological findings in controls and high mortality due to virus or infection.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> The reproductive/developmental inhalation study in female rats (<a href="#">Vozovaia, 1977</a>) was considered Uninformative because methodological details regarding exposure (type of inhalation exposure, description of air chamber, number of air changes, etc.) were not reported.</p>				

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15303 Table\_Apx M-27. Evidence Integration Table for Renal Effects

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Renal Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			• Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for renal effects based on integration of information across evidence streams: Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes renal effects under relevant exposure circumstances.</i>
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Oral:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male rats evaluated blood urea nitrogen (BUN), urinalysis parameters, kidney weights, and/or gross and microscopic pathology of the kidney (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>A chronic gavage study in male and female mice evaluated gross and microscopic pathology of the kidney and urinary bladder (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Inhalation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A subchronic inhalation study in dogs evaluated BUN and kidney histology (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>Subchronic inhalation studies in male and female rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits evaluated BUN, serum creatinine, urinalysis parameters, kidney weights, and/or kidney histology (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A chronic gavage study in male and female rats "evaluated gross and microscopic pathology of the</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Absolute kidney weight was significantly decreased at the two highest doses in male rats evaluated after 10 days of gavage exposure.</li> <li>Urinary excretion of acid phosphatase (ACP) and N-acetylglucosaminidase (NAG) were significantly increased at the three highest doses tested in male rats after 8 weeks of gavage exposure.</li> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative, increased BUN and serum creatinine were observed in cats after 26 weeks of exposure via inhalation. Three of four treated cats also showed renal tubular dilatation.</li> <li>In acute and short-term intraperitoneal studies ranked as Uninformative (due to limited reporting on negative controls and lack of histological examinations in controls, respectively); male mice showed dose-related increases in percentages of animals with "significant" urinary protein and glucose <sup>d</sup> levels; swelling of &gt;50% of the renal proximal tubules was reported in 3/5 mice at the mid-dose.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urinary excretion of ACP was significantly decreased at all doses after 12 weeks of gavage exposure in male rats. Urinary NAG in treated rats was not different from the control at this time point.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The changes in kidney weights and urinary parameters in the gavage studies did not correspond to adverse histopathology changes in rats, and no renal histopathology changes were seen in mice exposed chronically by gavage or in dogs, rats, guinea pigs, or rabbits exposed subchronically by inhalation.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changes in BUN and serum creatinine in cats were influenced by values for one cat that was sacrificed after 23 weeks due to poor general condition. In addition, only four cats/group were tested.</li> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative due to the lack of histological examinations in controls, a</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u></p> <p>Available toxicological studies showed changes in kidney weight, clinical chemistry, urinary excretion, and/or kidney histology. However, many of the studies that observed effects had limitations, and kidney effects were not seen consistently across studies using different species, exposure routes, or study durations.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for renal effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	

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<p>kidney and urinary bladder (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A subchronic inhalation study in male and female rats <sup>b</sup> evaluated kidney weights and histology (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>).</li> <li>• Subchronic inhalation studies in cats evaluated BUN, serum creatinine, urinalysis parameters, kidney weights, and kidney histology (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>).</li> <li>• Acute and short-term intraperitoneal studies in male mice <sup>c</sup> evaluated urinary glucose and protein and kidney histology (<a href="#">Plaa and Larson, 1965</a>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kidney effects were observed in one high-quality study and in two studies ranked as Uninformative.</li> </ul>	<p>cut-off value was used to quantify effects on kidney histology in mice (&gt;50%, or &lt;50% of the proximal tubule area affected) and histological results were only reported for mid-dose animals.</p> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The subchronic inhalation toxicity study in dogs, which did not identify effects on BUN or kidney histology, used only one mixed-breed animal and lacked methodological details.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the 10-day gavage study in male rats, decreased absolute kidney weights occurred in conjunction with decreased body weight; there were no significant changes in relative kidney weight.</li> </ul>		
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<p><sup>a</sup>The study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative owing to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>b</sup>The 6-month study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative because negative controls had a high incidence of pathological lesions and there was high mortality related to virus or infection.</p> <p><sup>c</sup>The acute and short-term intraperitoneal studies in male mice were ranked as Uninformative because details regarding negative controls were not reported and histology was not performed in controls, respectively.</p> <p><sup>d</sup>“Significant” urinary protein and glucose was quantified as 100 and 250 mg%, respectively.</p>				

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**Table\_Apx M-28. Evidence Integration Table for Hepatic Effects**

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Hepatic Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			• Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for hepatic effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i> Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes hepatic toxicity under relevant exposure circumstances.
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Oral:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male rats evaluated serum liver enzymes (ALT, SDH, and OCT), liver weights, and gross and microscopic pathology of the liver (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• A chronic gavage study in male and female mice evaluated gross and microscopic pathology of the liver (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Nine-week studies in male rats determined the potential for tumor initiation or promotion based on numbers of GGT-positive foci in the liver (<a href="#">Milman et al., 1988</a>; <a href="#">Story et al., 1986</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Inhalation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A subchronic inhalation study in dogs evaluated liver function (bromsulphthalein excretion and thymol-barbital turbidity) and histology (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• Subchronic inhalation toxicity studies in male and female rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits evaluated serum ALT and AST and liver function (bromsulphthalein test), weights, and histology (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• An inhalation study that exposed nonpregnant female rats for 10 days or pregnant rats on GD 6–15 evaluated</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absolute and relative liver weights were significantly decreased in treated male rats after 5 and 10 days of gavage exposure.</li> <li>• Slight changes in hepatocyte histology (mild condensation and changes in cytoplasmic staining consistent with glycogen mobilization) were reported in male rats treated via gavage for 11 weeks.</li> <li>• Exposure resulted in increased numbers of GGT-positive foci in the livers of male rats pretreated with a tumor initiator.</li> <li>• Nonpregnant female rats exposed for 10 days via inhalation showed increased relative liver weight.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liver effects were observed in high- and medium-quality studies.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes in hepatocyte histology were observed only at a dose that caused significant mortality (8/15 rats) and in the absence of liver weight or clinical chemistry changes.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes in liver weight (increased in female rats exposed via inhalation and decreased in male rats treated by gavage) were observed in 10-day toxicity studies but not in longer-duration studies in rats, guinea pigs, rabbits, or cats.</li> <li>• Increased liver weight was observed after a 10-day exposure of nonpregnant rats but there were no liver effects in females exposed to the same concentration during GD 6–15.</li> <li>• Chronic oral exposure of mice did not result in liver pathology.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only one dose was used in the 9-week tumor initiation and promotion protocols.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Available toxicological studies showed changes in liver weight and/or histology in the absence of relevant clinical chemistry findings. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for hepatic effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slight</li> </ul>	

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<p>serum ALT and AST, liver weights, and gross liver pathology (<a href="#">Schwetz et al., 1974</a>). Study quality: Medium</p> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A chronic gavage study in male and female rats <sup>a</sup> evaluated gross and microscopic pathology of the liver (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>).</li> <li>• A subchronic inhalation study in male and female rats <sup>b</sup> evaluated icterus index, liver weights, fat content, and histology (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>).</li> <li>• Subchronic inhalation toxicity studies in cats evaluated serum ALT and AST and liver function (bromsulphthalein test), weights, and histology (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>).</li> <li>• An inhalation study <sup>c</sup> that exposed female rats during pre mating, mating, and/or gestation evaluated liver function (Quick-Pytel test) and/or liver weights (<a href="#">Vozovaia, 1977</a>).</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The subchronic inhalation toxicity study in dogs, which did not identify effects on liver functional tests or liver histology, used only one mixed-breed animal and lacked methodological details.</li> <li>• Several of the available studies, which did not identify liver effects, were ranked as Uninformative based on reporting limitations, high incidences of pathological findings in negative controls, and/or mortality unrelated to exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The toxicological significance of decreased liver weight in the 10-day gavage study in male rats is unclear and may be partly attributable to decreased body weights.</li> </ul>		
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<p><sup>a</sup> The chronic study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative owing to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> The 6-month study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative because negative controls had a high incidence of pathological lesions and there was high mortality related to virus or infection.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> The reproductive/developmental inhalation study in female rats was considered Uninformative because methodological details regarding exposure (type of inhalation exposure, description of air chamber, number of air changes per hour, etc.) were not reported.</p>				

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**Table\_Apx M-29. Evidence Integration Table for Nutritional/Metabolic Effects**

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Nutritional/Metabolic Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			• Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for nutritional/metabolic effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i>
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Oral:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male rats evaluated body weight (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> <li>• Six-week and 2-year gavage studies in male and female mice evaluated body weight (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> <li>• A cancer bioassay and a tumor promotion assay in male mice evaluated body weights during a 52-week drinking water exposure (<a href="#">Klaunig et al., 1986</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> <li>• Single dose initiation and 7-week promotion studies (gavage) in partially hepatectomized rats evaluated body weight (<a href="#">Milman et al., 1988</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Medium</li> </ul> <p><u>Inhalation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An inhalation study that exposed female rats during GD 6–15 evaluated maternal body weights (<a href="#">Schwetz et al., 1974</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> <li>• A 6-month inhalation study in one dog evaluated body weight (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Medium</li> <li>• 26-week inhalation studies in male and female rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the short-term and subchronic gavage studies in rats, significantly decreased body weights (<math>\geq 10\%</math> relative to controls) were seen at <math>\geq 2,000</math> mg/kg-bw/day.</li> <li>• Maternal body weight was significantly decreased (<math>\geq 0\%</math> relative to controls) at <math>\geq 3,798</math> ppm in rats exposed by inhalation during gestation.</li> <li>• One dog exposed to 1,067 ppm by inhalation for 6 months exhibited lower body weight than the control.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decreased body weight was observed in two high quality studies and one medium quality study.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response and Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No treatment-related change in body weight was observed in mice exposed to doses up to 2,885–3,331 mg/kg-bw/day by gavage for up to 78 weeks.</li> <li>• No treatment-related change in body weight was observed in rats exposed to doses up to 543 mg/kg-bw/day in drinking water for 52 weeks.</li> <li>• No treatment-related change in body weight was observed in initiation or promotion studies in partially hepatectomized rats exposed by gavage to doses up to 700 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> <li>• No treatment-related change in body weight was observed in male and female rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits exposed to 750 ppm by inhalation for 26 weeks.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The magnitude of the body weight decrease (~10%) in the gestational exposure</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u></p> <p>1,1-dichloroethane induced body weight decrements in rats at high gavage exposures (<math>\geq 2,000</math> mg/kg-bw/day) and in one dog exposed by inhalation (1,067 ppm). No body weight effects were seen in mice or in rats at lower exposure levels.</p> <p><u>Overall WOSE judgement for nutritional/metabolic effects based on animal evidence:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderate</li> </ul>	

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<p>evaluated body weight (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Medium</p> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative for this endpoint:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Six-week and chronic gavage studies in male and female rats <sup>a</sup> evaluated body weight (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>).</li> <li>• A 6-month inhalation study in male and female rats <sup>b</sup> evaluated body weight (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>).</li> <li>• A 26-week inhalation study in cats <sup>c</sup> evaluated body weight (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>).</li> </ul>		<p>study was small and the decrease lacked a dose-response relationship.</p> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No treatment-related effects on body weight were observed in two high quality studies and two medium quality studies.</li> </ul>		
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<p><sup>a</sup> The 6-week gavage study in rats was ranked Uninformative due to inadequate data reporting, and the chronic gavage study in rats was ranked as Uninformative owing to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> The 6-month inhalation study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative because a significant number of animals died due to apparent lung infections unrelated to exposure.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> The 26-week inhalation study in cats was ranked as Uninformative due to an intercurrent “catarrhal” infection that rendered it impossible to differentiate effects of infection from effects of exposure</p>				

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Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Mortality</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			• Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for mortality based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i> Evidence indicates that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure is likely to cause death under relevant exposure circumstances.
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Oral:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An acute gavage study in guinea pigs evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1947</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Low</li> <li>Acute, short-term, and subchronic gavage studies in male rats evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> <li>A chronic gavage study in male and female mice evaluated mortality (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> <li>A cancer bioassay and a tumor promotion assay in male mice evaluated mortality during a 52-week drinking water exposure (<a href="#">Klaunig et al., 1986</a>). Study quality for endpoint: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Inhalation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 6-month inhalation study in one dog evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Low</li> <li>26-week inhalation studies in male and female rats, guinea pigs, and rabbits evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Medium</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative for this endpoint:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Six-week gavage studies in male and female mice and rats <sup>a</sup> evaluated mortality (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In an acute gavage study, all guinea pigs (sample size not reported) died at 1,000 mg/kg-bw.</li> <li>In an acute gavage study in rats, deaths occurred at doses <math>\geq 8,000</math> mg/kg-bw within 24 hours of dosing; the LD50 was 8200 mg/kg-bw.</li> <li>In a short-term gavage study in rats, 3/8 rats died at 8,000 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> <li>In a subchronic gavage study in rats, 1/15 rats died at 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day and 8/15 died at 4000 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> <li>In 6-week gavage studies ranked Uninformative due to the lack of mortality data at doses other than the highest dose, 2/5 female rats died at 3,160 mg/kg-bw/day, and 2/5 male mice and 3/5 female mice died at 5,620 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> <li>In a chronic gavage study in mice, significantly reduced survival was observed at 2,885–3,331 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mortalities were reported in high- and low-quality studies.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response and Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the 52-week drinking water study, no effect on survival was observed at doses up to 543 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> <li>No treatment-related effects on survival were seen in animals exposed by inhalation.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u> Mortalities occurred in several species of animal exposed to 1,1-dichloroethane (<math>\geq 1000</math> mg/kg-bw) via gavage in high quality studies.</p> <p><u>Overall WOSE judgement for mortality based on animal evidence:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Robust</li> </ul>	

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A chronic gavage study in male and female rats <sup>b</sup> evaluated mortality (<a href="#">NCL, 1978</a>).</li> <li>• An inhalation study <sup>c</sup> that exposed female rats during pre-mating, mating, and/or gestation evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Vozovaia, 1977</a>).</li> <li>• A 6-month inhalation study in male and female rats <sup>d</sup> evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>).</li> <li>• A 26-week inhalation study in cats <sup>e</sup> evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>).</li> <li>• An acute intraperitoneal study in male mice <sup>f</sup> evaluated mortality (<a href="#">Plaa and Larson, 1965</a>).</li> </ul>				
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<p><sup>a</sup> The 6-week gavage studies in mice and rats were ranked as Uninformative because mortality data were reported only for the high dose group, and statistical analysis was not performed on mortality data.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> The chronic gavage study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative owing to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> The reproductive/developmental inhalation study in female rats was considered Uninformative because methodological details regarding exposure (type of inhalation exposure, description of air chamber, number of air changes per hour, etc.) were not reported</p> <p><sup>d</sup> The 6-month inhalation study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative because a significant number of animals died due to apparent lung infections unrelated to exposure.</p> <p><sup>e</sup> The 26-week inhalation study in cats was ranked as Uninformative due to an intercurrent “catarrhal” infection that rendered it impossible to differentiate effects of infection from effects of exposure.</p> <p><sup>f</sup> The acute intraperitoneal study in male mice was ranked as Uninformative because details regarding negative controls were not reported.</p>				

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**Table\_Apx M-31. Evidence Integration Table for Neurological Effects**

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Neurological Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			• Indeterminate	
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Oral:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An acute gavage study in male rats evaluated clinical signs (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Medium</li> <li>Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male rats evaluated clinical signs, brain weight, and brain histopathology (<a href="#">Muralidhara et al., 2001</a>). Study quality for endpoint: Medium</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative for this endpoint:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A chronic gavage study in male and female rats <sup>a</sup> evaluated clinical signs, brain histopathology, and gross pathology (<a href="#">NCL, 1978</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical signs of neurotoxicity (excitation followed motor impairment and sedation) were observed in rats given a single gavage dose of <math>\geq 2,000</math> mg/kg-bw.</li> <li>Central nervous system depression (not further described) was observed in rats exposed to 2,000 mg/kg-bw/day for 13 weeks, and the rats exhibited protracted narcosis at 4,000 mg/kg-bw/day.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1,1-dichloroethane was used as an anesthetic for humans (administered via inhalation) in the past (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2015</a>).</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical signs of central nervous system effects were seen in medium quality studies.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1,1-dichloroethane exposure did not affect brain weight or histopathology after short-term or subchronic gavage exposure in rats.</li> <li>1,1-dichloroethane exposure did not induce clinical signs or changes in brain histopathology in mice exposed by gavage to doses up to 2,885–3,331 mg/kg-bw/day for 78 weeks.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are no studies of sensitive neurobehavioral endpoints.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u> 1,1-dichloroethane induced central nervous system depression in rats exposed by gavage, and this finding is consistent with its past use as a human anesthetic.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for neurological effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for neurological effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i> Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane exposure causes neurological effects under relevant exposure circumstances.</p>
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			• Indeterminate	
<p><sup>a</sup>The study in male and female rats was ranked as Uninformative owing to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p>				

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M.6 Evidence Integration Tables for Non-cancer for 1,2-Dichloroethane

Table\_Apx M-32. 1,2-Dichloroethane Evidence Integration Table for Reproductive/Developmental Effects

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Reproductive/Developmental Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A case-control study examined the association between proximity to point sources of chlorinated solvents and birth defects. Exposure was assessed based on metrics that combined residential distances to industrial sources and annual amounts of chemicals released (using EPA's Toxic Release Inventory), and birth defects were assessed using Texas birth registries. The geocoded address of mothers on day of delivery and the amount of solvent was used in the Emission Weighted Probability model to assign each mother an exposure risk value (<a href="#">Brender et al., 2014</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>A retrospective cohort study examined the association between chlorinated solvents in drinking water and birth outcomes in 75 New Jersey towns. Exposure was based on measurements of chlorinated solvents in public water supplies in the maternal town of residence at the time of birth. Birth outcomes and some covariate data were obtained from birth certificates, fetal death certificates, and the NJ Birth Defects Registry (<a href="#">Bove, 1996</a>; <a href="#">Bove et al., 1995</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In women of all ages, any exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane (based on residential proximity to air emissions) was positively associated with neural tube defects OR =1.28 (CI 1.01, 1.62) and in particular spina bifida OR =1.64 (CI 1.24, 2.16). In analyses by intensity of exposure, significant trends were observed for spina bifida and also for septal heart defects.</li> <li>Exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane in drinking water (detected vs. not detected) was positively associated with major cardiac defects (OR = 2.81, 95% CI 1.11, 6.65). This category of heart defects did not include septal defects, which were evaluated separately.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Positive associations were found in high and medium quality studies.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effect sizes were small and associations weak for all 1,2-dichloroethane outcomes in both studies (ORs ≤ 2.81, lower 95% CI ≤ 1.24). The association between 1,2-dichloroethane in drinking water and major cardiac defects was based on a very small number of cases (6 with detectable 1,2-dichloroethane).</li> <li>In the Texas study, elective terminations lacked a vital record, so 31% of mothers with neural tube defects were not geocoded.</li> <li>In both studies, there was the potential for exposure misclassification for mothers that changed residences between the first trimester (period relevant to morphogenesis of birth defects) and delivery, because exposure was based on residence at delivery.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No significant associations were observed between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure in public water supplies and neural tube defects, septal</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u> In high and medium quality studies, associations were observed between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and various birth defects (neural tube defects including spina bifida and heart defects of different types). However, the effect sizes were small, the associations were weak and in some cases based on very low group sizes, results of the studies were not consistent (neural tube defects/spina bifida in one study but not the other; different types of cardiac defects in the two studies), and both studies were limited in various ways (e.g., incomplete data on neural tube defects, potential exposure misclassification, questionable temporality, co-exposures to other chemicals that were also associated with the same defects).</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for reproductive/developmental effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	<p>Overall WOSE judgement for reproductive/developmental effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</p> <p>Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes effects on male reproductive structure and/or function under relevant exposure conditions. Evidence is inadequate to determine whether 1,2-dichloroethane may cause effects on the developing organism. There is no evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane causes effects on female reproductive structure and/or function.</p>

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		<p>heart defects, or total cardiac defects.</p> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was limited evidence of temporality (exposure prior to outcome) in either study.</li> <li>• In both studies, subjects had multiple overlapping exposures, and positive associations with spina bifida or neural tube defects, heart defects, and other defects were found for many of the other chemicals considered in the analyses.</li> </ul>		
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
Effects on male reproductive organs				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An inhalation study in rats evaluated testis weight and gross and microscopic pathology of the testes after 30 days exposure (<a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• An inhalation study in a single dog evaluated testis histopathology after 6 months exposure (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• An inhalation study in mice evaluated testis and epididymis weight, sperm parameters and morphology, histology of the testis, seminiferous tubules, and caput epididymis, and plasma and testis hormone levels after 1- or 4-week exposure (<a href="#">Zhang et al., 2017</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• An inhalation study in rats and guinea pigs evaluated weight and gross and microscopic pathology of the testes after up to 212 and 246 days of exposure, respectively (<a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In mice exposed by inhalation for one week, decreased sperm concentration and motility, increased sperm abnormalities, and occasional testicular and epididymal histopathology changes) were seen at 700 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. After 4 weeks, effects seen at ≥ 350 mg/m<sup>3</sup> included more pronounced sperm changes, more extensive/severe histological effects, and increases in plasma and testicular testosterone and LH and testicular GnRH.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p>	<p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No studies of sperm parameters in any species other than mice were available.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No testicular histopathology changes were observed in mice exposed by drinking water for subchronic duration.</li> <li>• No testicular histopathology changes were observed in rats, guinea pigs, or a single dog exposed by inhalation for durations between 30 and 246 days.</li> <li>• No testicular histopathology changes were observed in rats</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u></p> <p>In high-quality studies, mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or intraperitoneal injection, but not by drinking water, exhibited effects on testicular pathology and sperm parameters. Most of the data in rats indicated no effect on the testes (or other reproductive organs); however, sperm parameters were not evaluated in rats.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for male reproductive tract effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderate</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A one-generation reproduction study in rats exposed by inhalation evaluated histopathology of F0 testes after 176 days of exposure (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• An inhalation cancer bioassay in rats evaluated gross pathology of the accessory sex organs, testes, and seminal vesicles and histopathology of the prostate and testes after 2 years exposure (<a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• Gavage studies in rats evaluated testes weights, gross pathology of the testes, and histopathology (testes, seminal vesicles, prostate, and preputial gland) after 10- or 90-day exposures (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• A gavage study in rats evaluated testes weights and histopathology of the testes, epididymis, seminal vesicles, and prostate after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• A gavage cancer bioassay in mice evaluated comprehensive histopathology after 78 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• A drinking water study in mice evaluated testes weights and histopathology of the testes, epididymis, seminal vesicles, and prostate after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• A dermal cancer bioassay in transgenic mice susceptible to cancer evaluated testes weights and histopathology of the prostate, seminal vesicle, and epididymis after 26 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• An intraperitoneal injection study in mice evaluated histopathology of the testes 8 to 46 days after a 5-day exposure and histopathology and fertility for up to 9 months after a 5-day exposure plus 45 days recovery</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mice exposed to <math>\geq 5</math> mg/kg/day by daily intraperitoneal injection for 5 days exhibited reduced spermatogenesis, loss of spermatogonia, histopathology changes in the testes, and sterility.</li> </ul>	<p>exposed by intraperitoneal injection for 30 days or by gavage for subchronic durations.</p>		



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<p>for spermatogenesis turnover (<a href="#">Daigle et al., 2009</a>) Study quality: High</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An intraperitoneal injection study in rats evaluated testis weight and gross and microscopic pathology of the testes after 30 days exposure (<a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>				
Effects on female reproductive organs				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An inhalation study in female rats evaluated serum prolactin levels and morphometry and histopathology of mammary tissue after at least 28 days exposure (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2014</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A one-generation reproduction study in female rats exposed by inhalation evaluated histopathology of F0 ovaries and uterus after 176 days of exposure (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>An inhalation cancer bioassay in female rats evaluated gross and microscopic pathology of the mammary tissue, ovaries, and uterus after 2 years exposure (<a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>Gavage studies in rats evaluated ovary weights, gross pathology of the ovaries, and histopathology (ovaries, uterus, clitoral gland, and mammary gland) after 10- or 90-day exposures (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A gavage cancer bioassay in mice evaluated comprehensive histopathology after 78 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A drinking water study in mice and a gavage study in rats evaluated histopathology of the uterus, mammary gland, clitoral gland, and ovaries after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A dermal cancer bioassay in transgenic mice susceptible to cancer evaluated ovary weights and histopathology of the uterus, mammary</li> </ul>		<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Several high- and medium-quality studies of rats and mice exposed by inhalation, gavage, drinking water, and/or dermal contact reported no treatment-related changes in reproductive organ weights or histopathology.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Inhalation studies in rats, oral studies in rats and mice, and a dermal study in mice observed no effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on female reproductive organ weights or histopathology. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for female reproductive tract effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate evidence of no effect.</li> </ul>	

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gland, and vagina after 26 weeks exposure ( <a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a> ) Study quality: High				
<b>Effects on reproduction or offspring</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An inhalation study in male and female rats evaluated numbers of live and dead pups; and pup weight, sex, gross pathology, liver and kidney weights, and liver and kidney histopathology after one generation exposure (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>Inhalation studies in female rats and rabbits evaluated numbers of corpora lutea; numbers of live, dead, and resorbed fetuses; fetal weight, length, and sex; external and skeletal alterations; and cleft palate after gestational exposure (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>Inhalation and gavage studies in female rats evaluated pregnancy outcomes and fetal external, skeletal, and visceral examinations after gestational exposure (<a href="#">Pavan et al., 1995</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A drinking water study in male and female mice evaluated fertility and gestation indices, numbers of implantations and resorptions, viability and lactation indices, litter size, pup weight, and teratology after multigenerational exposure (<a href="#">Lane et al., 1982</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>An intraperitoneal injection study in male mice evaluated male fertility for up to 9 months after a 5-day exposure plus 45 days recovery for spermatogenesis turnover (<a href="#">Daigle et al., 2009</a>) Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An apparent decrease in necropsy body weight was observed at the high concentration of 150 ppm in a small subset of male F1B weanling rats exposed by inhalation in a one-generation study.</li> <li>Male mice exposed by daily intraperitoneal injection at <math>\geq 10</math> mg/kg-d for 5 days exhibited permanent sterility (defined as sterility for 6 months or longer).</li> </ul>	<u>Magnitude and precision:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The apparent body weight decrease in selected male F1B weanlings at 150 ppm was based on only 5 male weanlings per group, was not statistically significantly different from controls, was not seen in female weanlings, and is not supported by the study authors' analysis of the full data set, which showed no effect on neonatal body weight or growth of pups to weaning in either F1A or F1B litters.</li> </ul>	<u>Key findings:</u> In a high-quality study, sterility was observed in male mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection. Evidence for effects on weanling pup body weight after inhalation exposure is weak and inconsistent. Overall WOSE judgement for developmental effects based on animal evidence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slight</li> </ul>	
<b>Evidence from mechanistic studies</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An in vivo inhalation study in male rats evaluated elemental content in the testes after 30 days exposure (<a href="#">Que et al., 1988</a>).</li> <li>An in vivo inhalation study in male mice evaluated mRNA expression in the testis and</li> </ul>	<u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inhalation exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane did not alter zinc concentration in the testes. Statistically</li> </ul>	<u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The biological relevance of the altered element content in the testes is uncertain.</li> </ul>	<u>Key findings:</u> Evidence for inhibition of CREM/ CREB signaling and apoptosis in testes of male mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane in vivo	

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<p>genetic damage in spermatozoa after 1- or 4-week exposure (<a href="#">Zhang et al., 2017</a>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An in vivo study in mice exposed by intratesticular injection evaluated testicular DNA synthesis (<a href="#">Borzelleca and Carchman, 1982</a>).</li> </ul>	<p>significant changes in other element concentrations included decreased Al, Hg, and S and increased Ca and P at the highest tested concentration (1,840 mg/m<sup>3</sup> or 455 ppm)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expression consistent with inhibition of CREM/ CREB signaling and the induction of apoptosis was observed in the testis of mice.</li> <li>Intratesticular injection of 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in a 53% decrease in testicular DNA synthesis in mice at the highest dose tested (250 mg/kg) but not at doses ≤100 mg/kg.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The human relevance of intratesticular injection exposure is uncertain.</li> </ul>	<p>support observed effects on testes pathology, sperm morphology, and fertility in this species.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for reproductive/ developmental effects based on mechanistic evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	

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**Table\_Apx M-33. 1,2-Dichloroethane Evidence Integration Table for Renal Effects**

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<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Renal Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies			Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for renal effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i>
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Studies evaluating histopathology in conjunction with other renal endpoints:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acute inhalation studies in male and female rats and male mice evaluated kidney histopathology and weight after a single 4-hour exposure (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a>); Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Francovitch et al., 1986</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>A short-term inhalation study in male rats evaluated kidney histopathology and weight and after 30 days of exposure (<a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>A chronic inhalation study in F0 male and female rats evaluated kidney histopathology and weight after exposure in a reproduction study from pre-breeding through the generation of 2 litters (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>). Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>Chronic inhalation studies in male and female rats evaluated kidney histopathology, kidney weight, and/or clinical chemistry after 212 days or 17-weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>; <a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>Chronic inhalation studies in a single dog, guinea pigs, and rabbits evaluated kidney histopathology, kidney weight, and/or clinical chemistry after 6 months, 212 days, or 17 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>; <a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>; <a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In acute inhalation studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rats exhibited significantly increased incidences of basophilia of the renal tubular epithelium (males) or degeneration/ necrosis (females) in addition to significantly increased absolute and relative kidney weights (<math>\geq 10\%</math>, both sexes) at 8,212 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (2,029 ppm).</li> <li>Male mice exhibited significantly increased kidney weights (<math>&gt; 10\%</math>) and BUN (86%) at <math>\geq 2,020</math> mg/m<sup>3</sup> (<math>\geq 499</math> ppm).</li> </ul> </li> <li>In a chronic inhalation study in rats, a statistically significant increase in BUN (<math>\sim 50\%</math>) was reported at 607 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (150 ppm).</li> <li>In acute gavage studies, male mice exhibited significant increases in relative kidney weight (<math>&gt; 10\%</math>) at <math>\geq 300</math> mg/kg and significantly increased percentage of</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High-quality short-term and chronic inhalation studies found no treatment-related effects on kidney weight or histopathology in rats exposed up to 647 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (159.7 ppm) or mice exposed up to 368 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (89.8 ppm)</li> <li>High-quality short-term gavage studies found no treatment-related effects on kidney histopathology, kidney weight, or BUN in rats (both sexes) exposed up to 300 mg/kg-day or on kidney weight or gross pathology in mice (both sexes) exposed up to 49 mg/kg-day.</li> <li>High-quality subchronic gavage studies in male and female rats found no treatment-related histopathology changes at doses up to 150 mg/kg-day.</li> <li>A high-quality chronic gavage cancer bioassay in mice found no treatment-related effects on kidney histopathology at doses up to 299 mg/kg-day.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Several high- and medium-quality studies found associations between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and increased kidney weights, BUN, and/or renal tubular histopathology in rats (both sexes) and mice following inhalation, oral, dermal, and intraperitoneal injection exposures.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for renal effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	<p>Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes renal effects under relevant exposure circumstances.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male and female rats evaluated kidney and bladder histopathology, kidney weight, and/or clinical chemistry, and/or urinary chemistry after 10 or 13 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>; <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A subchronic drinking water study in male and female mice evaluated kidney histopathology, weight of kidney and urinary bladder, and BUN after 13 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A dermal cancer bioassay in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer evaluated kidney histopathology and weight after 26 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A short-term intraperitoneal injection study in male rats evaluated kidney histopathology, kidney weight, and/or clinical chemistry after 30 days of exposure (<a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies evaluating histopathology only:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An acute inhalation study in rats, mice, rabbits and guinea pigs evaluated microscopic kidney pathology after 1.5- to 7-hour exposures (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1945</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• Subchronic and chronic inhalation studies in rats, rabbits, guinea pigs, and dogs evaluated kidney histopathology after 13 to 35 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1946</a>); Study quality: Low or Medium.</li> <li>• Inhalation cancer bioassays in male and female rats and mice evaluated</li> </ul>	<p>damaged renal proximal tubules at 1,500 mg/kg.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In subchronic gavage studies, rats exhibited significantly increased kidney weights (&gt;10%, both sexes) at <math>\geq 30</math> mg/kg-day and increased BUN (20%, males) at 120 mg/kg-day.</li> <li>○ In a subchronic drinking water study, mice exhibited significantly increased incidences of tubular regeneration (males) at <math>\geq 781</math> mg/kg-day and significantly increased kidney weights (&gt;10%, both sexes) at 244–448 mg/kg-day.</li> <li>○ In an acute intraperitoneal injection study in male mice, a statistically significant increase in relative kidney weight was observed at <math>\geq 400</math> mg/kg reaching &gt;10% at 500 mg/kg.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renal histopathology changes were also reported in studies that were limited by lack of reporting on control findings. These included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Degeneration of renal tubular epithelium in rats</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			

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<p>histopathology of the kidney and urinary bladder after 2 years exposure (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>); Study quality: High.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An acute gavage study in male mice evaluated kidney immunohistochemistry after a single exposure (<a href="#">Morel et al., 1999</a>). Study quality: High.</li> <li>A gavage cancer bioassay in male and female mice evaluated kidney histopathology after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>); Study quality: High.</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies evaluating kidney weight, gross pathology, and/or clinical chemistry:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An acute inhalation study in mice evaluated kidney weight and BUN levels after a 4-hour exposure (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>Chronic inhalation studies in male and female rats evaluated serum chemistry and urinalysis parameters after 6, 12, or 18 months of exposure (<a href="#">IRFMN, 1987, 1978, 1976</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>An acute gavage study in male mice evaluated kidney weight and BUN after a single exposure (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>A short-term gavage study in male and female mice evaluated kidney weight and gross pathology after 14 days exposure (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>Acute intraperitoneal injection studies in male rats and mice evaluated kidney weight and serum chemistry parameters after a single exposure (<a href="#">Storer and Conolly, 1985</a>; <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>; <a href="#">Livesey, 1982</a>);</li> </ul>	<p>and rabbits after acute inhalation exposure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased severity of renal tubular damage in mice after acute inhalation exposure.</li> <li>Moderate fatty degeneration of the kidney in guinea pigs after chronic inhalation exposure.</li> <li>Mild karyomegaly of distal tubules and tubular degeneration in transgenic mice after chronic dermal exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane via glutathione-S-transferase is believed to yield a reactive episulfonium ion which can form the potent nephrotoxic conjugate S-(2-chloroethyl)-DL-cysteine.</li> </ul>			



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<p>Study quality: High; (<a href="#">Storer and Conolly, 1983</a>); Study quality: Medium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A short-term intraperitoneal injection study in male mice evaluated kidney gross pathology after 5 days of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>); Study quality: High.</li> </ul>				
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	

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**Table\_Apx M-34. 1,2-Dichloroethane Evidence Integration Table for Hepatic Effects**

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<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Hepatic Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A cohort study of 251 male workers from 4 vinyl chloride monomer (VCM) manufacturing plants evaluated associations between exposure to airborne 1,2-dichloroethane (in conjunction with low exposure to VCM) and serum AST, ALT, and GGT. Personal and area air sampling were used to determine VCM and 1,2-dichloroethane exposures and group participants by job category into low 1,2-dichloroethane (job medians of 0.26-0.44 ppm) or moderate 1,2-dichloroethane (job medians of 0.77-1.31 ppm) plus low VCM (job medians of 0.18-0.39 ppm). (<a href="#">Cheng et al., 1999</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased odds of abnormal serum AST (&gt;37 IU/L) and ALT (&gt;41 IU/L) were observed when comparing the moderate-1,2-dichloroethane/low-VCM group with the low-1,2-dichloroethane/low-VCM group (OR = 2.2, 95% CI = 1.0–5.4 for abnormal AST; OR = 2.1, 95% CI = 1.1–4.2 for abnormal ALT).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude/precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure concentrations in the low- and moderate-1,2-dichloroethane groups were overlapping.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility/human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All subjects were also exposed to vinyl chloride monomer, a known liver toxicant.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In a medium-quality study, increased odds of abnormal serum liver enzyme levels were observed among workers with higher exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane, in a cohort with co-exposure to vinyl chloride. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for hepatic effects based on human evidence:</i> Indeterminate</p>	<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for hepatic effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i></p> <p>Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause hepatic effects under relevant exposure conditions.</p>
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Studies evaluating histopathology in conjunction with other liver endpoint(s):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acute inhalation studies in male and female rats and male mice evaluated liver weight and histopathology after single 4- and/or 8- hour exposures (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a>); Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Francovitch et al., 1986</a>); Study quality: Medium</li> <li>A short-term inhalation study in male rats evaluated serum chemistry (ALP, SDH, and 5'NT), liver weight, and histopathology after 30 days</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In an acute inhalation study, rats exhibited minimal histological changes in the liver at 8212.3 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (2029.0 ppm). Liver weight changes were small (&lt;10%) and inconsistent.</li> <li>In an acute inhalation study, male mice exhibited a significant increase in relative liver weight (&gt;10%) at 6071 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1,500 ppm). Histological observations in the liver included hepatocyte swelling, swollen nuclei, fat accumulation, and occasional small areas of necrosis</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a high-quality short-term inhalation study in rats, no treatment-related effects on liver weight, serum chemistry or histopathology were observed in rats at concentrations up to 1840 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (455 ppm).</li> <li>In high-quality chronic inhalation cancer bioassays in rats and mice, no significant effects on liver weight or histology were observed at concentrations up</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Several high- and medium-quality studies in rats and mice found associations between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and increased liver weights, serum enzymes, and/or histopathology changes following inhalation, oral, and intraperitoneal injection exposures. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for hepatic effects based on animal evidence:</i></p>	

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<p>exposure (<a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b, c</a>) Study quality: High</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subchronic and chronic inhalation studies in male and female rats, rabbits, cats, and guinea pigs evaluated serum chemistry (ALT and AST), bromsulphthalein retention, liver weight and/or histopathology after up to 17 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• Chronic inhalation studies in male and female rats and guinea pigs, male monkeys, and a single dog evaluated hepatic lipids/cholesterol, liver function, liver weight, and/or histopathology after 170-248 days exposure (<a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>) Study quality: Medium. (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• Chronic inhalation cancer bioassays in male and female rats and mice evaluated liver weight and histopathology after 2 years exposure (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A one-generation inhalation reproduction study in rats evaluated parental liver weight and histopathology after up to 176 days exposure (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• An acute gavage study in female rats evaluated serum chemistry (ALT, AST, and LDH) and histopathology after a single dose (<a href="#">Cottalasso et al., 2002</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> </ul>	<p>(incidence and severity were not reported)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In a chronic inhalation cancer bioassay, male (but not female) rats exhibited increased absolute (but not relative) liver weight (&gt;10%) at 204 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (50 ppm)</li> <li>• In a short-term gavage study, male (but not female) rats had significantly increased relative liver weight (&gt;10%) and serum cholesterol at 100 mg/kg-day in the absence of histopathology changes.</li> <li>• In subchronic gavage studies, male and female rats exhibited significantly increased relative liver weights (&gt;10%) at ≥75 mg/kg-day in the absence of biologically significant serum chemistry changes or treatment-related histopathology changes.</li> <li>• In a subchronic drinking water study, male and female mice exhibited significantly increased (&gt;10%) absolute and relative liver weights at ≥ 2,478 mg/kg-day in the absence of treatment-related histopathology changes.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hepatic histopathology changes and liver weight increases were also reported in low- and medium-quality studies that were limited by lack of quantitative data reporting and variable exposure regimens. The lesions included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Congestion, fatty degeneration, and/or necrosis in rats, mice,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>to 646.4 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (159.7 ppm and 363 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (89.8 ppm), respectively.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderate</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male and female rats evaluated serum chemistry, liver weight, and liver histopathology after 10-day and 13-week exposures (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>; <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A subchronic drinking water study in male and female mice evaluated liver weight and histopathology after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A chronic dermal cancer bioassay in male and female transgenic mice evaluated liver weights and histopathology after 26 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>) Study quality: High.</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies evaluating liver histopathology only:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute inhalation studies in rats, mice, rabbits, and guinea pigs evaluated gross and microscopic liver pathology after 1.5- to 7-hour exposures (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1945</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• Subchronic- and chronic inhalation studies in male and/or female rats, rabbits, guinea pigs, dogs, and cats evaluated liver histopathology after 5 to 35 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1946</a>); Study quality: Medium or Low.</li> <li>• A chronic gavage cancer bioassay in male and female mice evaluated liver histopathology after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>) Study quality: High.</li> </ul>	<p>rabbits, and guinea pigs after acute to short-term inhalation exposures that were sometimes lethal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cloudy swelling, fatty degeneration, necrosis, and/or occasional fat vacuoles in rats and guinea pigs after subchronic to chronic inhalation exposure.</li> <li>○ Moderate steatosis in rats without biologically significant changes in AST or ALT after a single gavage dose.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In studies that did not evaluate histopathology, findings included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Biologically and/or statistically significant increases in serum SDH and ALT in mice exposed for 4 hours by inhalation.</li> <li>○ Increased serum ALT, SDH and/or glutamate dehydrogenase in rats after single or repeated inhalation exposures.</li> <li>○ Increased liver weight in mice exposed by inhalation for 28 days.</li> <li>○ Increased ALT and AST in rats after single gavage dose.</li> <li>○ Increased relative liver weight and biologically significant increases in serum SDH and ALT in mice after a single gavage or intraperitoneal dose.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			

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<p><u>Studies evaluating only liver weight, gross pathology and/or clinical chemistry:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An acute inhalation study in male mice evaluated liver weight and serum chemistry (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>) Study quality: High.</li> <li>• Acute- and short-term inhalation studies in male rats evaluated serum chemistry (<a href="#">Brondeau et al., 1983</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• A short-term inhalation study in male mice evaluated liver weight and serum chemistry (<a href="#">Zeng et al., 2018</a>) Study quality: High.</li> <li>• Chronic inhalation studies in male and female rats evaluated serum chemistry (<a href="#">IRFMN, 1987, 1978, 1976</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• Acute gavage studies in male and female rats evaluated serum chemistry and/or liver weight (<a href="#">Kitchin et al., 1993</a>); Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Cottalasso et al., 1995</a>) Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• An acute gavage study in male mice evaluated liver weight and serum chemistry (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>) Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A short-term gavage study in male and female mice evaluated liver weight and gross pathology (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>) Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A subchronic dietary study in rats evaluated serum chemistry (<a href="#">Alumot et al., 1976</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• Acute, short-term, and subchronic intraperitoneal injection studies in</li> </ul>				

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<p>male rats and male mice evaluated liver weight, serum chemistry, and/or gross pathology (<a href="#">Storer and Conolly, 1985</a>; <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>; <a href="#">Livesey, 1982</a>); Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Daigle et al., 2009</a>; <a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>; <a href="#">Storer and Conolly, 1983</a>) Study quality: Medium.</p>				
Evidence from mechanistic studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An <i>in vivo</i> inhalation study in male rats evaluated elemental content in the liver after 30 days exposure (<a href="#">Que et al., 1988</a>).</li> <li>• An <i>in vivo</i> inhalation study in male mice evaluated hepatic micro-RNA (miR) expression and gluconeogenesis (<a href="#">Zeng et al., 2018</a>).</li> <li>• <i>In vivo</i> genotoxicity tests were conducted in the liver of male mice after single inhalation, oral, and intraperitoneal exposures (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>).               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ An <i>in vivo</i> intraperitoneal injection study in male mice evaluated hepatic enzyme induction (<a href="#">Paolini et al., 1994</a>).</li> <li>○ A series of studies <i>in vivo</i> in rats and <i>in vitro</i> in rat hepatocytes evaluated effects on glycolipoprotein metabolism (<a href="#">Cottalasso et al., 2002</a>; <a href="#">Cottalasso et al., 1995</a>; <a href="#">Cottalasso et al., 1994</a>).</li> <li>○ <i>In vitro</i> studies in rat hepatocytes or rat liver slices evaluated oxidative stress parameters (<a href="#">Cottalasso et al.,</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,2-Dichloroethane induced DNA damage after oral and intraperitoneal (but not inhalation) exposure.</li> <li>• 1,2-Dichloroethane induced a dose-related increase in PROD activity (a probe for CYP450 2B1) in mice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Oxidative stress:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incubation of rat liver slices with 1,2-dichloroethane (up to 10 mM for up to 30 minutes) resulted in dose- and time-dependent increases in MDA production.</li> <li>• Levels of GSH were significantly decreased in rat hepatocytes cultured with 4.4 to 6.5 mM 1,2-dichloroethane for up to 1 hour.</li> <li>• Free radicals were detected in rat hepatocytes cultured with 1,2-dichloroethane under anaerobic (but not aerobic) conditions.</li> <li>• The cysteine S conjugate of 1,2-dichloroethane was cytotoxic and depleted GSH in hepatocytes; co-treatment with antioxidants and GSH precursors mitigated these effects.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rat hepatocytes exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane for 1 hour at 1.2 mM did not show significantly decreased GSH.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rat hepatocytes cultured with 10 mM 1,2-dichloroethane for 2 hours did not show evidence of lipid peroxidation (<i>i.e.</i>, increased PCOOH or PEOOH levels).</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Available data on liver toxicity mechanisms are limited and nonspecific. Hepatic enzyme induction was demonstrated in mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection. Limited <i>in vitro</i> data indicate that 1,2-dichloroethane may increase oxidative stress or impair glucose and/or lipid metabolism in mice and in rat hepatocytes and liver slices.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for hepatic effects based on mechanistic evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	



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<p><a href="#">1994</a>; <a href="#">Suzuki et al., 1994</a>; <a href="#">Jean and Reed, 1992</a>; <a href="#">Thomas et al., 1989</a>; <a href="#">Tomasi et al., 1984</a>).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ An <i>in vitro</i> study in rat hepatocytes incubated with the cysteine S conjugate of 1,2-dichloroethane, S-(2-chloroethyl)-DL-cysteine (CEC), evaluated cytotoxicity related to oxidative stress (<a href="#">Webb et al., 1987</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><i>Effects on gluconeogenesis and glycolipoprotein metabolism:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inhalation exposure increased miR-451a expression and decreased glycerol gluconeogenesis in the liver of exposed mice.</li> <li>• Rats treated with 1,2-dichloroethane via gavage showed impairment of glycoprotein biosynthesis.</li> <li>• 1,2-dichloroethane treatment increased retention and decreased secretion of glycolipoproteins in rat hepatocytes.</li> </ul>			
<p><sup>a</sup> Based on a density for 1,2-dichloroethane of 1.25 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.                      5'-NT = 5'-nucleotidase; ALP = alkaline phosphatase; ALT – alanine aminotransferase; AST = aspartate aminotransferase; F = female; GGT = gamma-glutamyl transferase; GLDH = glutamate dehydrogenase; GSH = glutathione; LDH = lactate dehydrogenase; M = male; MDA = malondialdehyde; ODC = ornithine decarboxylase activity; PCOOH = phosphatidylcholine hydroperoxide; PEOOH = phosphatidylethanolamine hydroperoxide; PROD = pentoxyresorufin dealkylation; SDH = sorbitol dehydrogenase.</p>				

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**Table\_Apx M-35. 1,2-Dichloroethane Evidence Integration Table for Immune/Hematological Effects**

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<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Immune/Hematological Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for immune/hematological effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i>
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Studies of immune function:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An inhalation study evaluated mortality from <i>Streptococcus zooepidemicus</i> aerosol challenge in female mice and lymphocyte stimulation, alveolar macrophage inhibition, and pulmonary bactericidal activity against <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> in female mice and male rats after exposure once or for 5 (mice) or 12 (rats) days (<a href="#">Sherwood et al., 1987</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>An oral gavage study in male mice evaluated hematology (including coagulation), humoral immunity (spleen cell antibody response), cell-mediated immunity (delayed hypersensitivity response), spleen and thymus weight, and gross necropsy after 14 days (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>) Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies of hematology, organ weights, and histopathology:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inhalation studies in rats, mice, rabbits, and guinea pigs (sex not specified) evaluated gross pathology and histopathology of the spleen after acute exposures (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1945</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>An inhalation study in male rats evaluated spleen weight, gross pathology, and histopathology after 30 days exposure (<a href="#">Igwé et al., 1986b</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>Inhalation studies in rats, rabbits, guinea pigs, monkeys, cats and a single dog evaluated hematology (and/or clotting parameters or IgM) and/or spleen</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Female mice exposed by inhalation for 3 hours exhibited a concentration-related increase in mortality due to <i>S. zooepidemicus</i> infection at concentrations <math>\geq 22</math> mg/m<sup>3</sup> (5.4 ppm). Mortality incidences were 1.5 and 2.1-fold higher than controls at 22 and 43.7 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively. Female mice also exhibited a small decrease in bactericidal activity against <i>K. pneumoniae</i> at 43.7 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (10.8 ppm).</li> <li>In a gavage study, decreased humoral and cell-mediated immune responses were observed in male mice after 14 days exposure to <math>\geq 4.89</math> mg/kg-day; decreased leukocyte counts were observed at 48.9 mg/kg-day.</li> <li>In a gavage study in rats, small decreases in erythrocyte count, hemoglobin, and hematocrit were observed in both sexes along with increased platelets (both</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Male rats exhibited no effects in the <i>K. pneumoniae</i> challenge assays after exposures up to 810 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for 5 hours or up to 405 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for 12 days.</li> <li>In a study rated uninformative due to decreased drinking water intake at the high dose of 189 mg/kg-day, no effect on humoral or cell-mediated immune responses or leukocyte counts were observed in mice exposed to doses of 3, 24, or 189 mg/kg-day via drinking water for 90 days.</li> <li>No treatment-related changes in hematology were observed in a gavage study of male rats exposed to doses up to 120 mg/kg-day for 13 weeks, or in studies of several species exposed by inhalation for durations from 5 weeks to 2 years.</li> <li>Multiple studies of several species exposed by inhalation or oral administration for acute, subchronic, or chronic durations showed no effects</li> </ul>	<p><u>Key findings:</u></p> <p>In high-quality inhalation and gavage studies of immune function in mice, an association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and immunosuppression was observed; a more limited inhalation study in rats and a longer-term drinking water study in mice rated Uninformative did not show any effects. Evidence from other studies showed only small effects on hematology and no effects on relevant organ weights or histopathology.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for immune/hematological effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	<p>Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes immune system suppression under relevant exposure conditions.</p>

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<p>histopathology after 5 to 35 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1946</a>) (<a href="#">IRFMN, 1987, 1978, 1976</a>; <a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>; <a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>; <a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>) Study quality: Low to Medium</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inhalation cancer bioassays in male and female rats and mice evaluated hematology and/or comprehensive histopathology after 2 years exposure (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A drinking water study in male and female mice evaluated comprehensive histopathology after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>Gavage studies in male and female rats evaluated hematology, spleen and/or thymus weights, and comprehensive histopathology after 10- and/or 90-day exposures (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>; <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A gavage cancer bioassay in male and female mice evaluated comprehensive histopathology after 78 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A gavage cancer bioassay in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer evaluated hematology and histopathology of the thymus, spleen, lymph nodes, and bone marrow after 40 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1995</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>A dermal cancer bioassay in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer evaluated thymus and spleen weights and histopathology of the lymph nodes, thymus, and bone marrow after 26 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>) Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies Rated Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An oral study in male mice evaluated hematology, humoral immunity (spleen cell</li> </ul>	<p>sexes) and leukocytes (females only) after 90 days at 150 mg/kg-day.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a subchronic gavage study, increased incidences of thymus necrosis were observed in male and female rats that died prematurely (<math>\geq 240</math> mg/kg-day in males and at 300 mg/kg-day in females).</li> </ul>	<p>on relevant organ weights or histopathology.</p> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the mouse inhalation study, mice were exposed for 30 minutes to aerosols of streptococcal bacteria (<math>\sim 2 \times 10^4</math> inhaled viable streptococci). The relevance of this immune challenge to typical human bacterial exposures is uncertain.</li> </ul>		

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<p>antibody response), cell-mediated immunity (delayed hypersensitivity response), spleen cell response to mitogens, function of the reticuloendothelial system, spleen and thymus weight, and gross necropsy after 90 days drinking water exposure. (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>)</p>				
Evidence from mechanistic studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An <i>in vitro</i> study investigated phagocytic activity of mouse peritoneal macrophages incubated with 1,2-dichloroethane (<a href="#">Utsumi et al., 1992</a>).</li> <li>• Cell-free and <i>in vitro</i> studies investigated 1,2-dichloroethane effects on erythrocyte glutathione-S-transferase (GST) (<a href="#">Ansari et al., 1987</a>)</li> <li>• An inhalation study in rats evaluated elemental content in the spleen after 30 days exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane (<a href="#">Que et al., 1988</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,2-dichloroethane induced dose-related reductions in erythrocyte GST activity in both the cell-free experiment and in human erythrocytes <i>in vitro</i>.</li> <li>• 1,2-dichloroethane reduced macrophage phagocytic activity to 76% of control levels at a concentration of 200 mM.</li> </ul>		<p><i>Key findings:</i> Limited <i>in vitro</i> data showed reductions in macrophage phagocytic activity and erythrocyte GST activity after exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for immune/hematological effects based on mechanistic evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	

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**Table\_Apx M-36. 1,2-Dichloroethane Evidence Integration Table for Neurological/Behavioral Effects**

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Neurological/Behavioral Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies				<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for neurological/behavioral effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i></p> <p>Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes neurological/behavioral effects under relevant exposure circumstances.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Case reports of human exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or ingestion indicated clinical signs of neurotoxicity (dizziness, tremors, paralysis, coma) as well as histopathology changes in the brain at autopsy (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a>).</li> <li>Workers exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane for extended periods have developed cerebral edema and toxic encephalopathy (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a>).</li> </ul>			<p><i>Key findings:</i> Case reports document clinical signs of neurotoxicity and brain histopathology changes in humans exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or ingestion. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for neurological/behavioral effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slight</li> </ul>	
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<p><u>Studies evaluating neurobehavioral endpoints:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An inhalation study in male and female rats evaluated clinical signs, functional observational battery (FOB), grip performance, landing foot splay, rectal temperature, motor activity, brain weight, and gross and microscopic pathology of nervous system tissues after 4 hours exposure (<a href="#">Hotchkiss et al., 2010</a>; <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A range-finding inhalation study in male and female rats evaluated detailed clinical observations (cage-side, hand-held, and open-field; recorded systematically) and gross pathology (tissues not specified) after 4 hours</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In rats exposed by inhalation once for four hours, neurobehavioral changes including incoordination, palpebral closure, decreased sensory responses, and decreased motor activity were seen at <math>\geq 7,706 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (1904 ppm) one hour after exposure but not at subsequent times up to 15 days later.</li> <li>In rats exposed by inhalation for <math>\geq 1.5 \text{ hr}</math> to <math>\geq 4000 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> brain edema was seen, and microstructural alterations were detected by diffusion MRI 3 days after exposure.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No treatment-related brain weight or histopathology changes were seen in nervous system tissues 15 days after single 4-hour exposure up to <math>8,212.3 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (2,029.0 ppm).</li> <li>No histopathology changes were observed in the brain, sciatic nerve, or spinal cord of rats exposed by inhalation for <math>204 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (50.4 ppm) for 2 years in a cancer bioassay.</li> <li>No clinical signs of toxicity or histopathology changes in the brain or sciatic nerve were observed in rats</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Several high- and medium-quality studies using rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation or gavage or mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection showed the occurrence of neurobehavioral changes, clinical signs of neurotoxicity, and/or changes in brain histopathology. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for neurological/behavioral effects based on animal evidence:</i></p>	

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<p>exposure (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2005</a>) Study quality: High</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An intraperitoneal injection study in male mice evaluated righting reflex, bridge test, and operant tests after single exposure (<a href="#">Umezu and Shibata, 2014</a>) Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies evaluating neuropathology:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An inhalation study in male rats evaluated clinical signs and brain MRI and histopathology after 1.5- or 4-hour exposures (<a href="#">Zhou et al., 2016</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>An inhalation study in male and female rats evaluated clinical signs, histology and electron microscopy, and water content of the brain after 2-, 4-, 6-, or 12-hour exposures (<a href="#">Qin-li et al., 2010</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>An inhalation cancer bioassay in male and female rats evaluated brain, sciatic nerve, and spinal cord gross and/or microscopic pathology after 2 years exposure (<a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats evaluated clinical signs, brain weight, and gross and/or microscopic pathology of the brain and sciatic nerve after 10- or 90-day exposure (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats evaluated clinical signs, brain weight, and histopathology of the brain, sciatic nerve, and spinal cord after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In rats exposed by inhalation to <math>\geq 5,000</math> mg/m<sup>3</sup>, increased water content in the cortex was observed after <math>\geq 2</math>-hour exposure and edema and histopathological changes in the brain were observed by light and transmission electron microscopy at the end of <math>\geq 6</math>-hour exposure.</li> <li>In animals of several species exposed by inhalation for up to 12 hours, clinical signs including hyperactivity, weakness, sedation, dysphoria, and/or trembling were reported.</li> <li>In rats exposed by gavage for 13 weeks, clinical signs of neurotoxicity (including tremors and abnormal posture) and necrosis in the cerebellum were observed at <math>\geq 240</math> mg/kg-day.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection showed a dose-related decrease in response rate in lever-pressing operant behavior test at <math>\geq 62.5</math> mg/kg but no effects on other tests.</li> </ul>	<p>exposed by gavage to up to 300 mg/kg-d for 10 days or 150 mg/kg-d for 90 days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No histopathology changes were observed in the brain, sciatic nerve, or spinal cord of mice exposed via drinking water for 13 weeks, by gavage for 78 weeks in a cancer bioassay, or in transgenic mice exposed by dermal application for 40 weeks in a cancer bioassay.</li> <li>Exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane did not alter brain weights of rats exposed by gavage for up to 90 days or in mice exposed by gavage for 14 days or drinking water for 90 days.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	



Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A drinking water study in male and female mice evaluated clinical signs, brain weight, and histopathology of the brain, sciatic nerve, and spinal cord after 13 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• A gavage cancer bioassay in male and female mice evaluated clinical signs and histopathology of the brain/meninges after 78 weeks exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• A dermal cancer bioassay in male and female transgenic mice evaluated clinical signs, brain weights, and brain, spinal cord, and sciatic nerve histopathology after 26 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>) Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies evaluating clinical signs, brain weight, and/or gross pathology:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inhalation studies in rats, mice, rabbits, and guinea pigs evaluated clinical signs of neurotoxicity after 1.5- to 7-hour exposures (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1945</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• An inhalation study in male and female rats and guinea pigs and male monkeys evaluated clinical signs and/or brain histology after up to 35 weeks exposure (<a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>) Study quality: High</li> <li>• A gavage study in male rats evaluated clinical signs and gross pathology after a single exposure (<a href="#">Stauffer Chem Co, 1973</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice evaluated brain weight and gross</li> </ul>				

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<p>pathology after 14-day exposure (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>) Study quality: High</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An intraperitoneal (intraperitoneal) injection study of fertility in male mice evaluated gross pathology of the brain after 5-day exposure (<a href="#">Daigle et al., 2009</a>) Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>				
Evidence from mechanistic studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>In vivo</i> inhalation studies in mice aimed at identifying mechanisms of brain edema induced by 1,2-dichloroethane evaluated aquaporin and matrix metalloproteinases protein expression or ATP generation and tight junction protein expression after 1-, 2-, or 3-day exposure (<a href="#">Wang et al., 2018a</a>; <a href="#">Wang et al., 2014</a>).</li> <li>An <i>in vivo</i> oral study in rats evaluated neurotransmitter levels in the brain after a single exposure (<a href="#">Kanada et al., 1994</a>).</li> <li><i>In vitro</i> studies in rat astrocytes exposed to 2-chloroethanol (metabolite of 1,2-dichloroethane) evaluated the roles of mitochondrial function, glutamate metabolism, matrix metalloproteinases, and MAPK cell signaling in cerebral edema induced by 1,2-dichloroethane (<a href="#">Wang et al., 2018b</a>; <a href="#">Wang et al., 2017</a>; <a href="#">Sun et al., 2016a</a>; <a href="#">Sun et al., 2016b</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane upregulated the mRNA and/or protein expression of aquaporin and a matrix metalloproteinase (MMP9).</li> <li>Exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in decreased expression of tight junction proteins (occludin and ZO-1) and mRNA, increased free calcium, decreased ATP content, and decreased ATPase activity in the brains of mice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure to 2-chloroethanol <i>in vitro</i> resulted in decreased ATPase activity, mitochondrial function (membrane potential), and glutamate metabolism (expression of enzymes involved in glutamate metabolism) in rat astrocytes. Exposure also upregulated matrix metalloproteinases (MMP2 and MMP9) via increased p38 MAPK signaling. Pretreatment with the antioxidant N-acetyl-L-cysteine</li> </ul>		<p><i>Key findings:</i> 1,2-dichloroethane may downregulate tight junction proteins and energy production and upregulate aquaporin and a matrix metalloproteinase in the brains of exposed mice.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for neurological/behavioral effects based on mechanistic evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slight</li> </ul>	

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	mitigated effects on p38 and MMP levels, suggesting a role for oxidative stress.			

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Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement	
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Respiratory Tract Effects</b>					
Evidence from human studies (none)			• Indeterminate	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for respiratory tract effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i>  Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause nasal effects under relevant exposure conditions.	
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies					
<u>Studies examining upper and lower respiratory tract:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An acute inhalation study in male and female rats evaluated BAL, lung weight, and histopathology of the respiratory tract including nasal cavity 24 hours after 4- or 8-hour exposures (<a href="#">Hotchkiss et al., 2010</a>; <a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>An inhalation cancer bioassay in male and female rats evaluated histopathology of the respiratory tract including nasal cavity after 104 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>Two gavage studies in rats evaluated lung weight and histopathology of the lungs and nasal cavity and turbinates after 10 and 90 days of exposure (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats evaluated histopathology of the respiratory tract including nasal cavity and turbinates, after 13 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a high-quality study, dose-related increased incidences and/or severity of degeneration/ necrosis of the nasal olfactory mucosa occurred in male and female rats after inhalation exposures <math>\geq 795 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (<math>\geq 196.4 \text{ ppm}</math>) for 4 hours or <math>\geq 435 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (<math>\geq 107.5 \text{ ppm}</math>) for 8 hours. Regeneration of the olfactory epithelium was seen in groups sacrificed 15 days after a 4-hour exposure to <math>795 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (<math>196.4 \text{ ppm}</math>).</li> <li>Lung effects including a transient decrease in ALP in BALF and histopathology changes (edema, vacuolar changes, desquamation,</li> </ul>	<u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No treatment-related nasal lesions were observed in cancer bioassays of rats exposed by inhalation up to <math>654 \text{ mg/m}^3</math> (<math>160 \text{ ppm}</math>) for 2 years.</li> <li>High-quality studies in rats did not show effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on the lung after gavage exposure up to <math>150 \text{ mg/kg/day}</math> for 90 days.</li> </ul> <u>Magnitude and precision:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group sizes were small (5/sex) in the acute inhalation study that observed nasal lesions.</li> </ul> <u>Consistency:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High- and medium-quality studies in rats did not show effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on the lung after chronic</li> </ul>	<u>Key findings:</u> In a high-quality study, an association between 1,2-dichloroethane inhalation exposure and nasal lesions was observed in rats exposed to concentrations $\geq 435 \text{ mg/m}^3$ ( $\geq 107.5 \text{ ppm}$ ). Although one medium-quality study reported lung lesions in rats after a single gavage dose, high- and medium-quality studies of longer duration and higher doses, as well as a high-quality study of acute inhalation exposure, did not show effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on lower respiratory tract tissues of rats.		

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A drinking water study in male and female mice evaluated histopathology of the respiratory tract including nasal cavity and turbinates, after 13 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• A dermal cancer bioassay in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer evaluated lung weight and histopathology of the nasal cavity, trachea, and lungs after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Studies examining only lower respiratory tract:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An inhalation cancer bioassay in male and female rats and mice evaluated lung weight and histopathology after 104 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• An inhalation study in male and female rats and guinea pigs evaluated lung weight and histopathology after ~170 - 246 days (<a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• A gavage study in male rats evaluated BALF, lung weight, and lung histopathology 1 to 30 days after a single dose (<a href="#">Salovsky et al., 2002</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• A gavage study in mice evaluated lung weight and gross pathology after 14 days of exposure (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice evaluated the lungs, bronchi, and trachea for histopathology after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• An intraperitoneal injection study in male rats evaluated lung weight and histopathology (<a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>	<p>atelectasis, macrophage proliferation, and inflammation) were reported in rats after a single gavage dose of 136 mg/kg.</p>	<p>inhalation exposure up to 810 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (200 ppm) for 212 days or up to 654 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (160 ppm) for 2 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High-quality studies in mice did not show effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on the lungs after 14 days of gavage exposure up to 49 mg/kg/day or 13 weeks of drinking water exposure up to 4,926 mg/kg/day.</li> <li>• A medium-quality study in guinea pigs did not show effects of 1,2-dichloroethane on the lungs after exposure up to 1,620 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (400 ppm) for 246 days.</li> <li>• BAL parameters, lung weight, and lung histopathology were not affected in rats exposed by inhalation up to 8,212.26 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (2029.0 ppm) for 4 hours.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lung histopathology data in the acute gavage study that reported lung effects were presented qualitatively.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lung tumors are associated with chronic inhalation or gavage exposure in mice and with subchronic dermal exposure in susceptible transgenic mice. Increases in</li> </ul>	<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for respiratory effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slight to moderate</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An intratracheal injection lethality study in rats (sex NS) evaluated gross pathology of the lungs at death or 3 days after a single dose (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1989</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>		lung weight and preneoplastic lesions, such as hyperplasia, in some of these studies are related to tumor development and not indicative of a separate nonneoplastic effect on the lung.		
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	

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Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Nutritional/Metabolic Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	<i>Overall WOSE judgement for nutritional/metabolic effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i>  Evidence suggests that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause nutritional/metabolic effects under relevant exposure conditions.
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<u>Body weight was evaluated in the following studies:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acute inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2006b</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>Short-term inhalation studies in male mice (<a href="#">Zeng et al., 2018</a>; <a href="#">Zhang et al., 2017</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>A short-term inhalation study in female rats (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2014</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>Short-term, subchronic, and chronic inhalation studies in male and/or female rats, mice, rabbits, dogs, guinea pigs, monkeys, and cats (<a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>; <a href="#">Heppel</a></li> </ul>	<u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> Treatment-related adverse <sup>a</sup> effects on body weight occurred in high or medium quality studies of (species, route, exposure level and duration): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mouse inhalation:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥707 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (175 ppm), males, 4 wks</li> </ul> </li> <li>Guinea pig inhalation:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>405 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (100 ppm) in females and 809 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (200 ppm) in males, up to 246 d</li> </ul> </li> <li>Rat gavage:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥40 mg/kg-day, females, 6 wks</li> <li>150 mg/kg-day, males, 13 wks</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> No treatment-related adverse effects on body weight occurred in high or medium quality studies of (species, route, exposure level, and duration): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rat inhalation:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≤8,212 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (2,029 ppm), males and females, 4 hours</li> <li>832 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (205 ppm), females, 4 wks</li> <li>≤809 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (200 ppm), males and females, up to 212 d</li> <li>≤648 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (160 ppm), males and females, 2 yrs</li> </ul> </li> <li>Monkey inhalation:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>405 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (100 ppm), males, up to 212 days</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<u>Key findings:</u> Decreased body weight was reported in mice and guinea pigs exposed by inhalation and rats and mice exposed orally to 1,2-dichloroethane in high- and medium-quality studies. Several high- and medium-quality studies in a few species via various routes of exposure reported no effect on body weight,	

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<p><a href="#">et al., 1946</a>); Study quality: Medium or Low.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A one-generation inhalation reproduction study in rats (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• Chronic inhalation cancer bioassays in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• An acute oral gavage study in male rats (<a href="#">Moody et al., 1981</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• A gavage study in female rats exposed during gestation (<a href="#">Payan et al., 1995</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A short-term gavage study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Munson et al., 1982</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• Short-term and subchronic gavage studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>; <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>; <a href="#">van Esch et al., 1977</a>); Study quality: High. (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>); Study quality Medium.</li> <li>• A subchronic drinking water study in male and female mice (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• A subchronic dietary study in rats (<a href="#">Alumot et al., 1976</a>); Study quality: Medium.</li> <li>• A multigenerational drinking water study in mice (<a href="#">Lane et al., 1982</a>); Study quality: High.</li> <li>• Chronic gavage and dermal studies in transgenic mice susceptible to cancer (<a href="#">Suguro et</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 198 mg/kg-day, maternal weight gain, GD 6–20</li> <li>• Mouse drinking water: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4,207 mg/kg-day in males and ≥647 mg/kg-day in females, 13 wks</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decreased body weight was observed in male transgenic mice exposed to 200 mg/kg-day by gavage for 40 wks.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rat gavage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 625 mg/kg-day, males, single dose</li> <li>○ ≤300 mg/kg-day, males, and females, 10 d</li> <li>○ ≤100 mg/kg-day, males, 2 wks</li> <li>○ ≤90 mg/kg-day, males, and females, 13 wks</li> <li>○ ≤120 mg/kg-day in males and ≤150 mg/kg-day in females, 13 wks</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Body weight was not affected in low quality inhalation studies of female dogs exposed to 1,540 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (380.5 ppm) for 34–35 weeks or male rabbits exposed to 730 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (180 ppm) for 13–25 wks.</li> <li>• Body weight was not affected in rats given feed fumigated with 1,2-dichloroethane in a 13-week study with dose uncertainties.</li> <li>• Body weight was not affected in male transgenic mice exposed to dermal doses up to 6,300 mg/kg-day for 26 wks.</li> <li>• Body weight was not affected after intraperitoneal administration in male rats given 150 mg/kg-day for 30 days or in male mice given 40 mg/kg-day for 5 days.</li> </ul>	<p>sometimes at lower exposure levels and/or shorter exposure durations.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for nutritional/metabolic effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slight</li> </ul>	



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<a href="#">al., 2017</a> ; <a href="#">Storer et al., 1995</a> ); Study quality: High. • Short-term intraperitoneal injection studies in male rats and male mice ( <a href="#">Daigle et al., 2009</a> ); Study quality: High; ( <a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a> ); Study quality: Medium.				
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<sup>a</sup> In adult animals, decreases in body weight of at least 10% change from control are considered adverse unless the changes are attributable to food or drinking water intake decreases due to palatability. Statistically significant decreases (relative to controls) in maternal body weight gain during gestation are considered adverse. Effects on body weight of offspring at ages up to sexual maturity are considered developmental effects.				

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Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Mortality</b>				
Evidence from human studies				<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for mortality effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i></p> <p>Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane may cause death under relevant exposure circumstances and lethal levels have been identified in animal studies.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A retrospective cohort mortality study evaluated all-cause mortality in 7849 white male petrochemical plant workers followed from 1950 to 1983. SMRs were calculated using age-, race-, and calendar year-specific mortality rates of males in the United States (<a href="#">Teta et al., 1991</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>A retrospective cohort mortality study evaluated all-cause mortality in 251 employees of an herbicide manufacturing facility between 1979 and 1987, followed until 2003. SMRs were calculated using age- and gender-specific mortality rates in the United States. (<a href="#">BASF, 2005</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>		<p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two limited retrospective cohort studies found no increase in mortality of workers with presumed exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane (and other chemicals) relative to the general U.S. population.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Limited epidemiological data show no increase in mortality among workers with presumed exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane but are insufficient to draw any broader conclusions. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for mortality effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acute-duration inhalation studies evaluated mortality in rats, mice, and guinea pigs (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2017, 2006b</a>; <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>; <a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>), Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Qin-li et al., 2010</a>; <a href="#">Francovitch et al., 1986</a>; <a href="#">Heppel et al., 1945</a>), Study quality: Medium</li> <li>Short-term- and subchronic-duration inhalation studies evaluated mortality in rats, guinea pigs, mice, rabbits, dogs, and cats (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 2014</a>; <a href="#">Payan et al., 1995</a>; <a href="#">Igwe et al., 1986b</a>), Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Rao et al., 1980</a>; <a href="#">Heppel et al., 1946</a>), Study quality: Medium</li> <li>Chronic-duration inhalation studies evaluated mortality in rats, mice,</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> Treatment-related deaths<sup>a</sup> or effects on survival occurred in studies of (species, route, exposure, and intended duration):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rat inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10,200 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (2,520 ppm), 4 hrs</li> <li>4,050 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1,000 ppm), 7 hrs</li> <li>1,230 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (455 ppm), 30 d</li> <li>≥730 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (0.73 mg/L), 6 wks</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u> No treatment-related<sup>1</sup> deaths/effects on survival were seen in studies of (species, route, exposure, duration):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rat inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≤8,212 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (2,029 ppm), 4 hrs</li> <li>5,000 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 2–6 hrs</li> <li>630.6 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (155.8 ppm), 8 hrs</li> <li>10,000 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 12 hrs</li> <li>404 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 17 wks</li> <li>≤646.4 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (158 ppm), 2 yrs</li> </ul> </li> <li>Mouse inhalation:</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Treatment-related increases in the incidence of mortality were observed in several animal species exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane via inhalation, oral, or dermal exposure for acute, short-term/intermediate, or chronic durations in multiple studies. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for mortality effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Robust</li> </ul>	

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<p>rabbits, guinea pigs, dogs, monkeys, and cats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>), Study quality: High. (<a href="#">Hofmann et al., 1971a</a>; <a href="#">Spencer et al., 1951</a>), Study quality: Medium; (<a href="#">Heppel et al., 1946</a>), Study quality: Low or Medium; (<a href="#">Mellon Institute, 1947</a>), Study quality: Low</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute-duration gavage studies evaluated mortality in rats and mice (<a href="#">Kitchin et al., 1993</a>; <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>; <a href="#">Moody et al., 1981</a>). Study quality: High; (<a href="#">Stauffer Chem Co, 1973</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• Short-term- and subchronic-duration gavage studies evaluated mortality in rats (<a href="#">Daniel et al., 1994</a>; <a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Chronic-duration gavage studies evaluated mortality in wild type and transgenic mice (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1995</a>; <a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• A subchronic drinking water study evaluated mortality in mice (<a href="#">NTP, 1991</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Chronic-duration drinking water studies evaluated mortality in mice (<a href="#">Klaunig et al., 1986</a>; <a href="#">Lane et al., 1982</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• An acute-duration dermal exposure study evaluated mortality in rabbits (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1956</a>), Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• A chronic-duration dermal exposure study evaluated mortality in transgenic mice (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>), Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1,214 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (300 ppm), gestational exposure</li> <li>• Mouse inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ≥4,339 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1,072 ppm), 4 hrs</li> <li>○ 6,071 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1,500 ppm), 7 hrs</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rabbit inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 12,100 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (3,000 ppm), 7 hrs</li> <li>○ 6,071 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1,500 ppm), 5 d</li> <li>○ 1,980 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (490 ppm), 6 wks</li> <li>○ 1,540 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1.54 mg/L), 20 wks</li> <li>○ ≥405 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (100 ppm), gestational exposure</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Guinea pig inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 6,071 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1,500 ppm), 7 hr</li> <li>○ 3,900 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (3.9 mg/L), 4 d</li> <li>○ 730 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (0.73 mg/L), 25 wks</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Dog inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 3,900 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (3.9 mg/L), 5 wks</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Cat inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 3,900 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (3.9 mg/L), 11 wks</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rat gavage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ≥1,000 mg/kg, once</li> <li>○ ≥240 mg/kg-day, 90 d</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mouse gavage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ≥400 mg/kg, once</li> <li>○ 150 mg/kg-day, 40 wks (female transgenic)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ≤700 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 1 wk</li> <li>○ 420 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 4 wks</li> <li>○ ≤363 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (89.8 ppm), 2 yrs</li> <li>• Rabbit, guinea pig, and cat inhalation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 404 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 17 wks</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rat gavage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 625 mg/kg, once</li> <li>○ 150 mg/kg-day, 90 d</li> <li>○ 240 mg/kg-day, gestational exposure</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mouse drinking water: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2,710 mg/kg-day, 90 d (male)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mouse intraperitoneal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 600 mg/kg, once</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A single dose intratracheal exposure study evaluated mortality in rats (<a href="#">Dow Chemical, 1989</a>), Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• Single dose intraperitoneal injection studies evaluated mortality mice (<a href="#">Umezu and Shibata, 2014</a>; <a href="#">Storer et al., 1984</a>), Study quality: High; (<a href="#">Storer and Conolly, 1983</a>), Study quality: Medium; (<a href="#">Crebelli et al., 1999</a>), Study quality: Low</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mouse drinking water:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4,926 mg/kg-day, 90 d (female)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rabbit dermal:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2,800 mg/kg (LD50), 24 hrs</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rat intratracheal:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 120 mg/kg, once</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mouse intraperitoneal:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 486 mg/kg (LD50), once</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Evidence from mechanistic studies (none)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<p><sup>a</sup> Apart from chronic bioassays, most studies did not report statistical significance of mortality incidences. For the purpose of hazard identification, deaths were considered to be related to treatment if they occurred at a higher incidence than in controls, occurred at the highest dose tested or with a relationship to dose, and were not attributed to factors unrelated to treatment (accident or disease). For chronic-duration studies, only statistically-significant, treatment-related effects on survival were included.</p>				

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**M.7 Mutagenicity and Cancer**

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**M.7.1 1,1-Dichloroethane**

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Animal studies provide limited evidence that 1,1-dichloroethane may cause cancer in rodents. Rats and mice exposed via gavage for 78 weeks exhibited a positive dose-related trend in the incidence of liver tumors in male mice and mammary gland tumors and hemangiosarcomas in female rats. Poor survival in both control and treated animals limits the validity of these results. Cancer mode-of-action data for 1,1-dichloroethane are very limited and consist of a small number of genotoxicity experiments. Table\_Apx M-40 and Table\_Apx M-41 show the results of *in vitro* and *in vivo* genotoxicity, respectively, and cell transformation assays of 1,1-dichloroethane.

**Table\_Apx M-40. In Vitro Genotoxicity Tests of 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Reference	Test System	Doses and Exposure Conditions	Endpoint	Results	Comment
<a href="#">Simmon et al. (1977)</a>	<i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> TA1535, TA1537, TA1538, TA98, TA100	Up to 5 mg/plate or cytotoxic dose	Mutation	Negative	Efforts to mitigate volatility were not reported.
<a href="#">Zeiger et al. (1992)</a>	<i>S. typhimurium</i> TA1535, TA1537, TA97, TA98, TA100	Up to 1 mg/plate; capped tubes to prevent evaporation	Mutation	Negative (+/- S9)	
<a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a>	<i>S. typhimurium</i> TA1535, TA1537, TA98, TA100	Not reported; plates enclosed in 9 L desiccator	Mutation	Positive (+/- S9)	Positive in TA1535 and TA100 with and without S9 from rats and mice of both sexes; positive in TA98 (metabolic activation conditions not reported).
<a href="#">Crebelli et al. (1995)</a> <a href="#">Crebelli et al. (1988)</a>	<i>Aspergillus nidulans</i> diploid strain P1	0.2, 0.3, 0.4% (v:v)	Chromosome malsegregation	Equivocal	1,1-dichloroethane induced significant increase in mitotic segregation (measured as numbers of abnormal colonies) at 0.2% but not at 0.3 or 0.4%.
<a href="#">Matsuoka et al. (1998)</a>	Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts	Up to cytotoxic dose or preparation limit; 6 hours in glass culture bottle with rubber stopper	Chromosomal aberrations	Negative (+/- S9)	
<a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a>	B6C3F1 mouse hepatocytes	Not reported	DNA repair	Positive	Assay modified to mitigate volatility. No further details provided.

Reference	Test System	Doses and Exposure Conditions	Endpoint	Results	Comment
<a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a> <a href="#">Williams et al. (1989)</a>	Osborne-Mendel rat hepatocytes	Not reported, 18-20 hours	DNA repair	Positive	Lowest positive concentration was 1.3E-02 M. Assay modified to mitigate volatility. No further details provided.
<a href="#">Hatch et al. (1983)</a>	Syrian hamster embryo cells	0, 0.062, 0.125, 0.25, 0.50, 1.0 mL/chamber (vapor) for 20 hours in sealed test system	Cell (viral) transformation	Positive	No cells survived at the highest dose. 1,1-Dichloroethane enhanced transformation of cells by SA7 (simian) adenovirus at doses between 0.062 and 0.5 mL/chamber (1.4- to 2.2-fold).
<a href="#">Arthur D. Little Inc (1983)</a> <a href="#">Milman et al. (1988)</a> <a href="#">Tu et al. (1985)</a>	BALB/c mouse 3T3 cell line	0, 4, 20, 100, 250 µg/mL for 24 hours in sealed glass incubation chamber	Cell transformation	Negative (-S9)	No metabolic activation. Preliminary cytotoxicity assay showed no effect on survival except at 100 and 250 µg/mL (41-53 and 46-67% survival, respectively).
<a href="#">Colacci et al. (1985)</a>	Calf thymus DNA (cell-free)	2.5 µCi for 90 minutes, with or without microsomes from phenobarbital-induced rat or mouse liver, kidney, lung, stomach	DNA binding	DNA binding observed under all conditions	Significantly higher binding in presence (vs. absence) of liver and lung microsomes from rats or mice. No significant difference with kidney or stomach microsomes of either species. No information provided on methods to mitigate volatilization.

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**Table\_Apx M-41. In Vivo Genotoxicity Studies of 1,1-Dichloroethane**

Reference	Species	Tissue/Cell Type	Dose, Frequency, and Route	Endpoint	Result
<a href="#">Patlolla et al. (2005)</a>	Male Swiss-Webster mouse	Bone marrow	0, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500 mg/kg (single dose, intraperitoneal)	Chromosomal aberrations and micronuclei 24 hours after dosing	Significant, dose-related increases in percent chromosomal aberrations and percent micronucleated cells at ≥200 mg/kg. Mitotic index was significantly decreased at ≥300 mg/kg.
<a href="#">Taningher et al. (1991)</a>	Male BALB/c mouse	Hepatic nuclei	900 mg/kg (single dose intraperitoneal)	DNA unwinding 4 hours after dosing	No significant effect on percent double-stranded DNA.
<a href="#">Colacci et al. (1985)</a>	Male BALB/c mouse	Liver, kidney, lung, stomach	127 µCi/kg (single dose, intraperitoneal)	DNA binding 22 hours after dosing	Binding highest in liver, followed by stomach, lung, and kidney.



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Reference	Species	Tissue/Cell Type	Dose, Frequency, and Route	Endpoint	Result
<a href="#">Colacci et al. (1985)</a>	Male Wistar rat	Liver, kidney, lung, stomach	127 $\mu$ Ci/kg (single dose, intraperitoneal)	DNA binding 22 hours after dosing	Binding highest in stomach, followed by liver, lung, and kidney.

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15356 *In vitro* experiments on 1,1-dichloroethane genotoxicity include two bacterial mutagenicity studies, a  
15357 study of chromosomal aberrations in mammalian cells, studies of DNA repair in mouse and rat,  
15358 hepatocytes studies of mammalian cell transformation, a test of chromosome malsegregation in fungi,  
15359 and a study of cell-free DNA binding. *In vitro* genotoxicity testing of 1,1-dichloroethane is hampered by  
15360 this chemical's volatility, which requires the use of methods to mitigate chemical loss from the test  
15361 system. 1,1-Dichloroethane was mutagenic both with and without exogenous activation in an experiment  
15362 conducted in a desiccator to mitigate volatilization ([Milman et al., 1988](#)); however, negative results were  
15363 obtained in a preincubation assay using capped tubes to limit volatilization ([Zeiger et al., 1992](#)). Another  
15364 Ames assay yielded negative results, but there was no indication of whether chemical volatility was  
15365 controlled ([Simmon et al., 1977](#)). In mammalian cells tested under conditions controlling for volatility,  
15366 1,1-dichloroethane did not increase the frequency of chromosomal aberrations in Chinese hamster lung  
15367 fibroblasts ([Matsuoka et al., 1998](#)) but increased DNA repair in hepatocytes from B6C3F1 mice and  
15368 Osborne Mendel rats ([Williams et al., 1989](#); [Milman et al., 1988](#)).

15370 Assays for cell transformation showed that 1,1-dichloroethane enhanced simian adenovirus  
15371 transformation of Syrian hamster embryo cells ([Hatch et al., 1983](#)) but did not induce morphological  
15372 transformation of BALB/c mouse 3T3 cells at concentrations associated with approximately 50 percent  
15373 survival ([Milman et al., 1988](#); [Tu et al., 1985](#); [Arthur D. Little Inc., 1983](#)). In tests for chromosome  
15374 malsegregation in *Aspergillus nidulans* diploid strain P1 (conducted in capped tubes), 1,1-  
15375 dichloroethane induced a significant increase in mitotic segregation (measured as numbers of abnormal  
15376 colonies) at a concentration of 0.2 percent (v:v), but not at higher concentrations (0.3 and 0.4 percent)  
15377 ([Crebelli et al., 1995](#); [Crebelli et al., 1988](#)).

15379 [Colacci et al. \(1985\)](#) evaluated the binding of 1,1-dichloroethane to cell-free calf thymus DNA in the  
15380 presence or absence of liver, kidney, lung, and stomach microsomes from phenobarbital-pretreated rats  
15381 and mice. 1,1-Dichloroethane binding to DNA was enhanced when co-cultured with liver and lung  
15382 microsomes from either rats or mice but not in the presence of kidney or stomach microsomes ([Colacci  
15383 et al., 1985](#)), suggesting that metabolism of 1,1-dichloroethane in the liver and lung results in  
15384 metabolites capable of binding DNA. In another experiment by these study authors, addition of  
15385 glutathione to the incubation system resulted in lower DNA binding (reported to be 26 percent lower  
15386 than control without further detail), suggesting that glutathione conjugation is detoxifying for 1,1-  
15387 dichloroethane. These study authors also measured DNA binding of  $^{14}$ C-1,1-dichloroethane in the liver,  
15388 kidney, lung, and stomach of male BALB/c mice and Wistar rats 22 hours after an intraperitoneal  
15389 injection of  $^{14}$ C-1,1-dichloroethane (127  $\mu$ Ci/kg) ([Colacci et al., 1985](#)). Table\_Apx M-42 shows the  
15390 results, which indicate the highest binding in the stomach of rats and liver of mice. These results differ  
15391 from the *in vitro* findings, possibly due to the fact that the animals in the *in vivo* study were not  
15392 pretreated with phenobarbital to induce liver enzymes.  
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15394 **Table\_Apx M-42. Binding of <sup>14</sup>C-1,1-Dichloroethane to DNA (pmol/mg) after**  
15395 **Intraperitoneal Exposure**

Tissue <sup>a</sup>	Rat	Mouse
Stomach	4.78	2.33
Liver	3.10	2.54
Lung	2.24	1.51
Kidney	1.81	0.65
<sup>a</sup> Pooled organs from 4 rats and 12 mice Source: <a href="#">Colacci et al. (1985)</a>		

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15397 In another *in vivo* study, 1,1-dichloroethane induced significant, dose-related increases in chromosomal  
15398 aberrations and micronucleated cells in the bone marrow of male Swiss Webster mice given single  
15399 intraperitoneal doses of 200 to 500 mg/kg-bw ([Patlolla et al., 2005](#)). No increase in DNA unwinding was  
15400 seen in the livers of mice when sacrificed 4 hours after intraperitoneal injection of 900 mg/kg-bw 1,1-  
15401 dichloroethane ([Taningher et al., 1991](#)).  
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15403 In summary, mode-of-action information pertaining specifically to tissues susceptible to tumor  
15404 formation after exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane (*e.g.*, liver, mammary, blood) is limited to studies  
15405 showing that 1,1-dichloroethane induces DNA repair and binds to DNA in liver cells, and that it induces  
15406 chromosomal aberrations and micronuclei in bone marrow. These data are not sufficient to determine  
15407 the mode of action for any tumor type associated with exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. Overall, the  
15408 available data provide limited support for the genotoxicity of 1,1-dichloroethane, and no information on  
15409 alternative modes of carcinogenic action.  
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M.7.1.1 Evidence Integration Table for Cancer for 1,1-Dichloroethane

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Table\_Apx M-43. Evidence Integration Table for Cancer

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<b>Evidence Integration Summary on Cancer</b>				
Evidence from human studies				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A prospective study of women from the California Teacher Study Cohort, for which the EPA’s National-Scale Air Toxics Assessment (NATA) was used to estimate exposure, evaluated the association between 1,1-dichloroethane exposure and the incidence of invasive breast cancer (<a href="#">Garcia et al., 2015</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane was associated with estrogen receptor/progesterone receptor-positive (ER+/PR+) tumors and tumors among women who were past or never users of hormone therapy.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The study used quantitative exposure estimates and accounted for covariate information on individual breast cancer risk factors.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Associations between breast cancer and exposure were observed in a high-quality study.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The overall risk for invasive breast cancer was not significantly increased in 1,1-dichloroethane-exposed women relative to unexposed controls.</li> <li>Analyses based on quintiles of exposure did not show a dose-response relationship with ER+/PR+ tumors.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The effect estimates were small (hazard ratios <math>\leq 1.35</math>).</li> <li>Exposure estimates based on modeling of emissions data may have contributed to exposure misclassification; confidence in the exposure assessment was rated “medium” by US EPA.</li> <li>Concentrations of 1,1-dichloroethane and vinyl chloride were highly correlated in this study and this co-exposure may have confounded the results.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In a high-quality study, an association between 1,1-dichloroethane exposure in humans and certain breast tumors was observed. This association was seen in the absence of a significant increase in overall risk for invasive breast cancer in 1,1-dichloroethane-exposed women.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i> Evidence suggests, but is not sufficient to conclude, that 1,1-dichloroethane causes cancer in humans under relevant exposure circumstances.</p>
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
Breast cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female mice examined the mammary gland for neoplasms after 78 weeks</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative due to high mortality related to pneumonia, a significant dose-</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of mammary gland tumors in treated female rats was not statistically</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Increased breast cancer incidence was observed in</p>	

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<p>of exposure (NCI, 1978). Study quality: High <u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>a</sup> examined the mammary gland for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (NCI, 1978).</li> </ul>	<p>related trend for increased incidence of mammary gland adenocarcinomas was observed in female rats using matched vehicle controls (based on analyses of all females and females surviving at least 52 weeks), despite poor survival limiting the ability to detect late-developing tumors.</p>	<p>significantly increased based on pairwise comparison to pooled or matched vehicle controls or based on a trend test using pooled vehicle controls. <sup>b</sup> <u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased incidence of mammary tumors was observed only in a study ranked as Uninformative.</li> </ul>	<p>female rats in a study ranked as Uninformative. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for breast cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<b>Liver cancer</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice examined the liver for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (NCI, 1978). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Nine-week studies in male rats, which were administered 1,1-dichloroethane via gavage, determined the potential for tumor initiation or promotion based on numbers of GGT-positive foci in the liver (Milman et al., 1988; Story et al., 1986). Study quality: High <u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></li> <li>• A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>d</sup> examined the liver for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (NCI, 1978).</li> <li>• A cancer bioassay and a tumor promotion assay in male mice <sup>e</sup> assessed the</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of hepatocellular carcinomas was observed in male mice surviving at least 52 weeks in the 78-week study using pooled vehicle controls, <sup>c</sup> and the pairwise comparison showed a significant increase at the high dose. These effects were observed despite poor survival in high-dose male mice limiting the ability to detect late-developing tumors.</li> <li>• Exposure resulted in increased numbers of GGT-positive foci in the livers of male rats pretreated with a tumor initiator.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of increased liver tumor incidence was observed in a high-quality study.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The incidence of liver tumors in male mice was not statistically significantly increased in pairwise comparison and trend test using matched vehicle controls.</li> <li>• Only one dose was used in the 9-week tumor initiation and promotion protocols.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased incidence of liver tumors was observed in only one study in one sex (males) followed only for 78 weeks.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In high-quality studies, increased liver tumor incidence was observed in male mice and evidence supporting tumor promotion was observed in male rats. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for liver cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slight</li> </ul>	

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<p>incidence of liver adenomas and/or carcinomas after a 52-week drinking water exposure (<a href="#">Klaunig et al., 1986</a>).</p>				
<b>Endometrial stromal polyps</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in female mice conducted histopathological examination of the uterus after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality: High <u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></li> <li>A gavage study in female rats<sup>f</sup> conducted histopathological examination of the uterus after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of endometrial stromal polyps in female mice showed a significant dose-related trend using either pooled or matched vehicle controls and a significant increase at the high dose in pairwise comparison to the pooled vehicle controls.<sup>g</sup></li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of increased endometrial stromal polyp incidence was observed in a high-quality study.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of endometrial stromal polyps in female mice was not significantly increased in pairwise comparison to matched vehicle controls.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased incidence of endometrial stromal polyps was observed in only one study in mice followed for only 78 weeks.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The relevance to humans of endometrial stromal polyps in rodents is uncertain due to differences in etiology and hormone sensitivity (<a href="#">Davis, 2012</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In a high-quality study, increased endometrial stromal polyp incidence was observed in female mice. The relevance of these findings to humans is uncertain due to differences in etiology and hormone sensitivity among rodents and humans. In addition, there is uncertainty within the scientific community whether endometrial stromal polyps should be considered benign tumors or nonneoplastic lesions. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for uterine cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<b>Circulatory system cancer</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female mice subjected animals to comprehensive histological examinations for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NCI, 1978</a>). Study quality: High <u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative due to high mortality related to pneumonia, a significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of hemangiosarcomas was observed in female rats using either pooled or matched vehicle controls, despite</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of hemangiosarcomas was not increased in male rats.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of hemangiosarcomas in treated female rats was not statistically significantly increased based on</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Increased incidence of hemangiosarcomas was observed in female rats in a study ranked as Uninformative. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for circulatory system</i></p>	

Database Summary	Factors that Increase Strength	Factors that Decrease Strength	Summary of Key Findings and Within-Stream Strength of the Evidence Judgement	Inferences across Evidence Streams and Overall WOSE Judgement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats<sup>h</sup> subjected animals to comprehensive histological examinations for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (NCI, 1978).</li> </ul>	<p>poor survival limiting the ability to detect late-developing tumors.</p>	<p>pairwise comparison to pooled or matched vehicle controls.</p> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased incidence of hemangiosarcomas was observed in a study ranked as Uninformative.</li> </ul>	<p><i>cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
Evidence from mechanistic studies				
<p><u>Genotoxicity:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Three <i>in vitro</i> experiments evaluated reverse mutation in <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> (Zeiger et al., 1992; Milman et al., 1988; Simmon et al., 1977)</li> <li>Three <i>in vitro</i> experiments evaluated chromosomal aberrations or DNA repair in mammalian cells (Matsuoka et al., 1998; Williams et al., 1989; Milman et al., 1988)</li> <li>Two <i>in vitro</i> experiments evaluated cell transformation (Milman et al., 1988; Tu et al., 1985; Arthur D. Little Inc., 1983; Hatch et al., 1983), one evaluated DNA binding in a cell-free system (Colacci et al., 1985), and one evaluated chromosome malsegregation in fungi (Crebelli et al., 1995; Crebelli et al., 1988).</li> <li>Four <i>in vivo</i> experiments evaluated chromosomal aberrations, micronuclei,</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were significant, dose-related increases in chromosomal aberrations and micronuclei in the bone marrow of treated mice.</li> <li>1,1-dichloroethane treatment resulted in dose-related enhancement of Syrian hamster embryo cell transformation by SA7 (simian) adenovirus.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treatment induced DNA repair in cultured hepatocytes from rats and mice.</li> <li>DNA adducts were induced by treatment <i>in vivo</i> and in a cell-free system.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased chromosomal malsegregation in <i>Aspergillus nidulans</i> induced by treatment was not strictly concentration-related.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1,1-dichloroethane did not increase the percent double-stranded DNA in hepatic nuclei of mice exposed <i>in vivo</i></li> <li>Tests of reverse mutations in <i>S. typhimurium</i> yielded inconsistent results.</li> <li>Some tests of reverse mutation in <i>S. typhimurium</i> yielded negative results.</li> <li>No chromosomal aberrations were observed in Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts tested <i>in vitro</i>.</li> <li>Results were negative for cell transformation in BALB/c-3T3 cells</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The available studies did not evaluate mutagenicity in mammalian cells <i>in vitro</i> or <i>in vivo</i>.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Available data are limited but suggest that 1,1-dichloroethane may be genotoxic based on evidence of chromosomal abnormalities and micronuclei in mice <i>in vivo</i>. Bacterial mutagenicity findings were not consistent.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on mechanistic evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slight</li> </ul>	



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<p>DNA binding, or DNA unwinding in rodents (<a href="#">Patlolla et al., 2005</a>; <a href="#">Taningher et al., 1991</a>; <a href="#">Colacci et al., 1985</a>).</p>				
<p><sup>a</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>d</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>e</sup> The 52-week study in male mice was considered Uninformative because the duration of the study was not adequate to determine tumorigenicity (cancer bioassay) and because the negative control response was too strong, precluding the ability to determine if 1,1-dichloroethane increased tumor incidence (tumor promotion assay).</p> <p><sup>f</sup> The study in female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p> <p><sup>g</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>h</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality related to pneumonia.</p>				

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## M.7.2 1,2-Dichloroethane

1,2-Dichloroethane is considered a “probable human carcinogen” ([U.S. EPA, 1987b](#)) based on evidence of tumorigenicity in animal studies, including significant increases in tumors of the mammary gland (robust evidence), lung (moderate evidence), liver (slight-to-moderate evidence), circulatory system (slight evidence) and other tissues (indeterminate evidence) in male and/or female rats and/or mice by oral, inhalation, and/or dermal exposure (see Section M.8.1). The occurrence of tumors in multiple tissues and treated groups is suggestive of a genotoxic mode of action, and most data relating to mode of action for 1,2-dichloroethane carcinogenicity are assays for genetic toxicity. Recent comprehensive reviews ([ATSDR, 2022](#); [Gwinn et al., 2011](#)) were used to develop an overview of genotoxicity data for 1,2-dichloroethane and the role of metabolism, which is presented below. Potential nongenotoxic modes of action for rat mammary tumors were investigated in one study ([Lebaron et al., 2021](#)). Brief discussions of the information (both genotoxic and non-genotoxic mechanisms) that pertain to specific tumor sites associated with 1,2-dichloroethane exposure (mammary gland, lung, liver, and circulatory system) follow the general genotoxicity discussion.

### **Genotoxicity Overview**

Evidence from *in vivo* studies using multiple animal species and routes of exposure and *in vitro* studies using multiple test systems indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane and/or its metabolites can induce mutations, chromosomal aberrations, DNA damage, and DNA adducts in certain test systems. The available data show that biotransformation of 1,2-dichloroethane to reactive metabolites via a major CYP450-mediated oxidative pathway and a minor glutathione conjugation pathway contributes to the observed effects. There are species-, sex-, tissue-, and dose-related differences in the interactions between 1,2-dichloroethane and/or its metabolites and DNA.

Evidence that 1,2-dichloroethane induces gene mutation is based largely on *in vitro* studies. Reverse mutation studies in *Salmonella typhimurium* were predominantly positive, especially with metabolic activation (as reviewed by as reviewed by [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Gwinn et al., 2011](#)). Mutagenicity was seen more consistently in *Salmonella* strains that detect base-pair substitutions (*e.g.*, TA1535) than those that detect frameshift mutations (*e.g.*, TA97) (as reviewed by as reviewed by [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Gwinn et al., 2011](#)). Mutations at the HGPRT locus were increased in Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells in the presence of metabolic activation, both when 1,2-dichloroethane was incorporated in media ([Tan and Hsie, 1981](#)) and when cells were exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane as a vapor in a closed system ([Zamora et al., 1983](#)). There are limited gene mutation data from *in vivo* studies. Oral and inhalation studies assessing various types of mutations in *Drosophila* were generally positive, but many of the studies were limited by lack of methodological details and/or the use of a single exposure level (as reviewed by as reviewed by [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Gwinn et al., 2011](#)). A single study of *lacZ* mutations in the liver and testis of Muta<sup>TM</sup> mice showed no increase in the mutation frequency after exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane by oral or intraperitoneal administration at doses up to 150 or 280 mg/kg-bw, respectively ([Hachiya and Motohashi, 2000](#)).

*In vivo* rodent studies showing clastogenic effects, DNA damage, and DNA adducts in the mammary gland, lung, liver, and circulatory system tissues are discussed in the subsections below on potential mechanisms for carcinogenicity in these tissues. A small number of *in vivo* studies of genotoxicity endpoints in other tissue types showed evidence of DNA damage (Comet assay) in mouse kidney, bladder, and brain ([Sasaki et al., 1998](#)); and DNA binding or DNA adducts in mouse and rat stomach, forestomach, and kidney ([Watanabe et al., 2007](#); [Hellman and Brandt, 1986](#); [Inskeep et al., 1986](#); [Prodi et al., 1986](#); [Arfellini et al., 1984](#)) after exposure by intraperitoneal injection.

### 15463 **Role of Metabolism**

15464 Available data are not sufficient to determine whether metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane is a necessary  
15465 first step in its genotoxic action. *In vitro* studies in bacteria have shown that exogenous metabolic  
15466 activation is either required for, or increases the mutagenic activity of, 1,2-dichloroethane (as reviewed  
15467 by as reviewed by [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Gwinn et al., 2011](#)). In contrast, experiments in human lymphocytes  
15468 cultured *in vitro* with 1,2-dichloroethane showed increased micronucleus formation in the absence of S9,  
15469 but not in the presence of S9 ([Tafazoli et al., 1998](#)).

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15471 Evidence suggests that metabolism of 1,2-dichloroethane, especially via the glutathione pathway, does  
15472 lead to increased genotoxicity. [Crespi et al. \(1985\)](#) compared the genotoxicity of 1,2-dichloroethane in  
15473 human cell lines with differing metabolic capacities. [Crespi et al. \(1985\)](#) observed 25-fold higher  
15474 HGPRT mutation frequencies in AHH-1 compared with TK6 human lymphoblastoid cells. The study  
15475 authors measured 5-fold greater glutathione-S-transferase activity in the AHH-1 cells than the TK6 cells,  
15476 suggesting that the glutathione metabolic pathway increased the frequency of mutations induced by 1,2-  
15477 dichloroethane.

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15479 Several studies have inhibited or stimulated enzymes to elucidate the relative importance of the CYP450  
15480 and glutathione pathways in 1,2-dichloroethane genotoxicity. In Ames assays, supplementation of the  
15481 media with glutathione or glutathione-S-transferase increases the mutagenicity of 1,2-dichloroethane (as  
15482 reviewed by as reviewed by [ATSDR, 2022](#); [Gwinn et al., 2011](#)). *Drosophila melanogaster* pretreated  
15483 with buthionine sulfoximine (BSO, an inhibitor of glutathione synthesis) before inhalation exposure to  
15484 1,2-dichloroethane exhibited reduced mutations (measured using somatic mutation and recombination  
15485 tests [SMARTs]) compared with those that were not pretreated ([Romert et al., 1990](#)). Pretreatment of  
15486 fruit flies with an inducer of glutathione-S-transferase (phenobarbital) significantly increased mutation  
15487 frequency ([Romert et al., 1990](#)). In support of these findings, [Chroust et al. \(2001\)](#) observed increased  
15488 mutagenicity in transgenic fruit flies expressing human glutathione-S-transferase (A1 subunit), an effect  
15489 that was mitigated by pretreatment with BSO.

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15491 Inhibition of CYP450 metabolism has been shown to potentiate DNA damage and increase DNA  
15492 binding from exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane. In rats exposed to piperonyl butoxide in addition to 1,2-  
15493 dichloroethane (via intraperitoneal injection), increased levels of hepatic DNA damage (measured with  
15494 alkaline DNA unwinding assay) were seen in comparison to the levels in rats treated with 1,2-  
15495 dichloroethane alone ([Storer and Conolly, 1985](#)). Similarly, increased DNA binding in the liver, kidney,  
15496 spleen, and testes was observed in rats exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by inhalation with concurrent  
15497 dietary exposure to the CYP450 inhibitor disulfiram (relative to 1,2-dichloroethane exposure alone)  
15498 ([Igwe et al., 1986a](#)).

### 15500 **Mammary Gland Cancer Mechanisms**

15501 [Lebaron et al. \(2021\)](#) conducted *in vivo* experiments to assess potential mechanisms of rodent mammary  
15502 tumors induced by 1,2-dichloroethane. The study authors exposed female F344 rats by inhalation to 0 or  
15503 200 ppm 1,2-dichloroethane for 6 hours/day on at least 28 consecutive days. At sacrifice, blood samples  
15504 were obtained for assessment of serum prolactin, and mammary tissues were collected for  
15505 histopathology and assays of epithelial cell proliferation (Ki-67 immunohistochemistry), DNA damage  
15506 (Comet assay), and levels of glutathione, reduced glutathione, and oxidized glutathione. There was no  
15507 difference between exposed and control groups for any of these endpoints, nor was there an effect of  
15508 exposure on 8-oxo-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG) adduct levels, a marker of oxidative DNA damage.  
15509 Exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane did, however, induce a significant increase in S-(2-N7-guanylethyl)  
15510 glutathione DNA adducts, as also found in the liver in this and other studies (see below). *In vitro* studies  
15511 have shown these adducts to be mutagenic ([Gwinn et al., 2011](#)). [Lebaron et al. \(2021\)](#), however, argue

15512 that *in vivo* evidence does not support this conclusion and that these adducts should be considered  
15513 biomarkers of exposure, rather than mutagenic adducts.

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15515 No other data on potential mechanisms were located. The DNA adducts in mammary tissue resulting  
15516 from 1,2-dichloroethane exposure *in vivo* could plausibly be related to subsequent formation of  
15517 mammary tumors, although the role of these adducts in carcinogenicity of 1,2-dichloroethane has not  
15518 been conclusively demonstrated.

#### 15519 ***Lung Cancer Mechanisms***

15520 Studies relevant to carcinogenic mechanisms of 1,2-dichloroethane-induced lung cancers are limited to  
15521 measurements of DNA damage in the lung of mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection ([Sasaki et al.,](#)  
15522 [1998](#)) and quantification of DNA adducts in the lungs of rats and mice also exposed by intraperitoneal  
15523 injection ([Baertsch et al., 1991](#); [Prodi et al., 1988](#)). Increased DNA damage (measured by alkaline single  
15524 cell gel [SCG] assay and compared with measurement at time 0) was observed in the lungs of mice  
15525 when measured 3 or 24 hours after dosing with 200 mg/kg 1,2-dichloroethane ([Sasaki et al., 1998](#)).  
15526 DNA binding in the lungs of female rats was observed after 12 hours of inhalation exposure to <sup>14</sup>C-1,2-  
15527 dichloroethane ([Baertsch et al., 1991](#)). [Prodi et al. \(1988\)](#) observed higher binding of <sup>14</sup>C-1,2-  
15528 dichloroethane to DNA in the lungs of mice compared with rats, consistent with the susceptibility of  
15529 mice, but not rats, to 1,2-dichloroethane-induced lung tumors ([Nagano et al., 2006](#)). Experiments on  
15530 binding of radiolabeled 1,2-dichloroethane to calf thymus DNA in the presence of microsomes and/or  
15531 cytosol from mouse and rat lung indicated binding in the presence of lung-derived microsomes  
15532 (containing CYP450), but not cytosol (containing glutathione-S-transferase) ([Prodi et al., 1988](#)).  
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15535 In an *in vitro* experiment, [Matsuoka et al. \(1998\)](#) observed dose-related increases in chromosomal  
15536 aberrations in Chinese hamster lung fibroblast (CHL) cells when incubated with 1,2-dichloroethane in  
15537 the presence of S9. In the absence of S9, the results were judged to be equivocal ([Matsuoka et al., 1998](#)).  
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15539 No other data on potential mechanisms were located. The observed genotoxic effects and DNA  
15540 binding/adduct formation in lung tissue following 1,2-dichloroethane exposure *in vitro* and *in vivo* could  
15541 plausibly be related to subsequent formation of lung tumors, although a direct connection between these  
15542 events and 1,2-dichloroethane-induced lung carcinogenesis has not been conclusively demonstrated.  
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#### 15544 ***Liver Cancer Mechanisms***

15545 One study evaluated potential mutations in the livers of animals exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane. [Hachiya](#)  
15546 [and Motohashi \(2000\)](#) measured the frequency of hepatic tissue *lacZ* mutations in the Muta<sup>TM</sup> Mouse  
15547 model 14 and 28 days after single gavage doses up to 150 mg/kg-bw or after repeated intraperitoneal  
15548 injections resulting in cumulative doses up to 280 mg/kg-bw. No increase in mutation frequency was  
15549 observed in the liver in any of the experiments.

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15551 When measured 3 and 24 hours after mice were exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by intraperitoneal  
15552 injection, an increase in DNA damage in the liver was detected by alkaline SGC assay (when compared  
15553 to levels seen at time 0) ([Sasaki et al., 1998](#)). Significant decreases in the percentage of double-stranded  
15554 DNA were observed in mice given single intraperitoneal doses of 300 mg/kg ([Taningher et al., 1991](#)) or  
15555 2 and 3 mmol/kg (200 and 300 mg/kg) ([Storer and Conolly, 1983](#)). [Storer et al. \(1984\)](#) assessed route  
15556 differences in DNA damage in the livers of mice exposed by gavage (100–400 mg/kg), intraperitoneal  
15557 injection (100–300 mg/kg), and inhalation (4 hours at 150–2,000 ppm). The fraction of double stranded  
15558 DNA was significantly decreased in a dose-related fashion at all doses (≥100 mg/kg) after gavage  
15559 administration, at doses greater than or equal to 150 mg/kg after intraperitoneal injection, and at  
15560 concentrations greater than or equal to 1,000 ppm after inhalation exposure. While the lower doses

15561 producing DNA damage by oral and intraperitoneal exposure did not produce systemic effects in parallel  
15562 groups of similarly-treated mice, all concentrations producing DNA damage by inhalation exposure  
15563 were lethal to the similarly exposed mice (Storer et al., 1984). In a study comparing alkylation of hepatic  
15564 DNA in rats and mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by intraperitoneal injection, higher levels of  
15565 alkylation were observed in mice compared with rats (at least 40-fold higher in the first 30 minutes after  
15566 dosing) (Banerjee, 1988).

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15568 Binding of 1,2-dichloroethane or its metabolites to hepatic DNA of rats and mice exposed *in vivo* has  
15569 been demonstrated in a number of studies (Lebaron et al., 2021; Watanabe et al., 2007; Baertsch et al.,  
15570 1991; Prodi et al., 1988; Inskip et al., 1986). Available data show sex-, species-, and dose-related  
15571 differences in adduct levels. For example, an early study that compared DNA adduct levels in the livers  
15572 of male rats and mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane by intraperitoneal injection (127  $\mu\text{Ci/kg}$ ) showed  
15573 higher binding in mouse compared to rat (Prodi et al., 1988). In contrast, in hepatic tissue from male and  
15574 female mice and male rats exposed by intraperitoneal administration of a much lower dose of 1,2-  
15575 dichloroethane (21  $\mu\text{Ci/kg}$ , corresponding to 5 mg/kg), the highest levels of adducts were in female mice  
15576 (57 fmol/mg DNA), followed by male rats (46 fmol/mg DNA) and male mice (29 fmol/mg DNA)  
15577 (Watanabe et al., 2007). In rats exposed by inhalation (50 ppm) for 2 years and then given a single oral  
15578 dose of radiolabeled 1,2-dichloroethane, no exposure-related difference in DNA adduct levels was  
15579 detected (Cheever et al., 1990). Notably, this exposure level also failed to induce an increase in tumors  
15580 at any site.

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15582 DNA adducts from the glutathione metabolic pathway have been demonstrated to occur in the livers of  
15583 laboratory rodents exposed *in vivo*. In mice and rats administered 5 mg/kg 1,2-dichloroethane by  
15584 intraperitoneal injection, the primary adduct was S-(2-N7-guanylethyl) glutathione (Watanabe et al.,  
15585 2007). Similarly, in rats given 150 mg/kg  $^{14}\text{C}$ -1,2DCA by intraperitoneal injection and sacrificed 8 hours  
15586 later, prominent adducts in the liver were identified by high-performance liquid chromatography  
15587 (HPLC) as S-[2-(N7-guanyl)ethyl]glutathione and S-[2-(N7-guanyl)ethyl]cysteinylglycine (Inskip et  
15588 al., 1986). Also, after 28 days of inhalation exposure to 200 ppm 1,2-dichloroethane, a significant  
15589 increase in S-(2-N7-guanylethyl) glutathione DNA adducts was detected in the livers of female rats  
15590 (Lebaron et al., 2021). As discussed above for mammary tumors, there is some uncertainty as to the  
15591 toxicological significance of these adducts. While *in vitro* studies have shown these adducts to be  
15592 mutagenic (Gwinn et al., 2011), Lebaron et al. (2021) argue that *in vivo* evidence does not support this  
15593 conclusion and that these adducts should be considered biomarkers of exposure, rather than mutagenic  
15594 adducts.

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15596 One study was located presenting *in vitro* data pertaining to the genotoxicity of 1,2-dichloroethane in the  
15597 liver. In this study, 1,2-dichloroethane induced DNA repair in both rat and mouse primary hepatocytes  
15598 (Milman et al., 1988).

15600 No other data on potential mechanisms were located. The observed DNA damage and DNA  
15601 binding/adduct formation in liver tissue following exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane *in vitro* and *in vivo*  
15602 could plausibly be related to subsequent formation of liver tumors, although a direct connection between  
15603 these events and 1,2-dichloroethane-induced liver carcinogenesis has not been conclusively  
15604 demonstrated.

### 15606 ***Circulatory System Cancer Mechanisms***

15607 Data pertaining to mechanisms of circulatory system cancers induced by 1,2-dichloroethane consist of  
15608 genotoxicity studies, including one *in vivo* study in rats (Lone et al., 2016), three *in vivo* studies in mice  
15609 (Witt et al., 2000; Sasaki et al., 1998; Giri and Que Hee, 1988), and three *in vitro* experiments in human



15610 lymphoblastoid cells or lymphocytes ([Tafazoli et al., 1998](#); [Doherty et al., 1996](#); [Crespi et al., 1985](#)).  
15611 Rats exposed by intraperitoneal injection to doses of 80.7, 161.4, or 242.1 mg/kg-bw exhibited  
15612 statistically significant, dose-related increases in the incidences of chromosomal aberrations and  
15613 micronuclei in bone marrow, as well as DNA damage (measured by alkaline comet assay) in blood cells  
15614 ([Lone et al., 2016](#)). In mice exposed by intraperitoneal injection, significant increases in sister chromatid  
15615 exchange frequencies ([Giri and Que Hee, 1988](#)) and DNA damage ([Sasaki et al., 1998](#)) were observed in  
15616 bone marrow. However, 90 days of drinking water exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane (up to 8000 mg/L)  
15617 did not increase the frequency of micronuclei in mice ([Witt et al., 2000](#)). A study of workers exposed to  
15618 1,2-dichloroethane and vinyl chloride showed increased sister chromatid exchanges in the blood of those  
15619 exposed to moderate levels of 1,2-dichloroethane with low levels of vinyl chloride exposure ([Cheng et](#)  
15620 [al., 2000](#)).

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15622 Several *in vitro* genotoxicity experiments were conducted in cells of the circulatory system. Increases in  
15623 mutations (measured using the hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyltransferase [HGPRT] assay) and  
15624 micronuclei were observed in human lymphoblastoid cells cultured with 1,2-dichloroethane ([Doherty et](#)  
15625 [al., 1996](#); [Crespi et al., 1985](#)). Incubation with 1,2-dichloroethane resulted in increased micronuclei and  
15626 DNA damage (by Comet assay) in human peripheral lymphocytes in the absence of exogenous  
15627 metabolic activation ([Tafazoli et al., 1998](#)).

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15629 No other data on potential mechanisms were located. The observed genotoxic effects of 1,2-  
15630 dichloroethane in hematopoietic cells and tissues *in vitro* and *in vivo* could plausibly be related to  
15631 subsequent formation of tumors, although a direct connection between these events and 1,2-  
15632 dichloroethane-induced circulatory system cancers has not been conclusively demonstrated.

### 15633 **Summary**

15634 1,2-dichloroethane is likely to be carcinogenic to humans, based on evidence of tumorigenicity in animal  
15635 studies, including multiple tumor sites in male and/or female rats and/or mice by oral, inhalation, and/or  
15636 dermal exposure. The occurrence of tumors in multiple tissues and treated groups is suggestive of a  
15637 genotoxic mode of action, and most data relating to mode of action for 1,2-dichloroethane  
15638 carcinogenicity are assays for genetic toxicity. Evidence from *in vivo* studies using multiple animal  
15639 species and routes of exposure and *in vitro* studies using multiple test systems indicates that 1,2-  
15640 dichloroethane and/or its metabolites can induce mutations, chromosomal aberrations, DNA damage,  
15641 and DNA binding/adduct formation in certain test systems. The available data also show that  
15642 biotransformation of 1,2-dichloroethane to reactive metabolites via a major CYP450-mediated oxidative  
15643 pathway and a minor glutathione conjugation pathway contributes to the observed effects. *In vivo* and *in*  
15644 *vitro* data showing genotoxicity and DNA binding/adduct formation in tissues where tumors associated  
15645 with 1,2-dichloroethane exposure have been observed (mammary gland, lung, liver, and circulatory  
15646 system) support that these effects could plausibly be related to formation of tumors in these tissues,  
15647 although a direct connection between these events and 1,2-dichloroethane-induced carcinogenesis has  
15648 not been conclusively demonstrated. Potential nongenotoxic modes of action were explored only in one  
15649 study of rat mammary tissue, and no supporting results were obtained.  
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M.7.2.1 Evidence Integration Tables for Cancer for 1,2-Dichloroethane

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Table\_Apx M-44. 1,1-Dichloroethane Cancer Evidence Integration Table Based on Read-Across from 1,2-Dichloroethane

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<b>Evidence Integration Summary Judgement on Cancer Effects</b>				
Evidence from human studies				<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on integration of information across evidence streams:</i></p> <p>Evidence indicates that 1,2-dichloroethane likely causes cancer under relevant exposure circumstances.</p>
Breast cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A prospective study of women from the California Teacher Study Cohort, for which the U.S. EPA’s National-Scale Air Toxics Assessment (NATA) was used to estimate exposure, evaluated the association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and the incidence of invasive breast cancer (<a href="#">Garcia et al., 2015</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>A prospective study of women from the Sister Study Cohort, for which the U.S. EPA’s NATA was used to estimate exposure, evaluated the association between 1,2-dichloroethane and the incidence of invasive breast cancer and/or ductal carcinoma <i>in situ</i> (<a href="#">Niehoff et al., 2019</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The risk for ER+ invasive breast cancer was slightly, but significantly, increased in quintile 4 (but not quintile 5) of exposure relative to quintile 1 in the medium-quality study.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The study used quantitative exposure estimates and accounted for covariate information on individual breast cancer risk factors.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The overall risk for breast cancer (both studies) and ER- invasive breast cancer (medium-quality study) was not significantly increased in 1,2-dichloroethane-exposed women.</li> <li>Analyses based on quintiles of exposure did not show an exposure-response relationship between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and ER+ invasive breast cancer.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The significant effect estimate for ER+ invasive breast cancer was small (hazard ratio = 1.17).</li> <li>Exposure estimates based on modeling of emissions data and/or at the census tract level may have contributed to exposure misclassification.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In a medium-quality study, an association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and ER+ invasive breast cancer was observed, but it was small and did not show a clear exposure-response relationship.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
Circulatory system cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A nested case-control study of male workers from three Union Carbide facilities, for which job assignment and history of departmental use were taken to estimate exposure</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the medium-quality study, there was a nonsignificant increase in the OR for nonlymphocytic leukemia</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the medium-quality study, exposure levels of 1,2-dichloroethane were not provided.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>Significant limitations in the available studies preclude conclusions regarding associations between 1,2-</p>	

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<p>(ever/never), evaluated the association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and the incidence of hematopoietic tissue cancer (<a href="#">Ott et al., 1989</a>; <a href="#">Union Carbide, 1989</a>). Study quality: Medium</p> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A retrospective cohort study of male workers <sup>a</sup> from one Union Carbide facility (one of the three evaluated by (<a href="#">Ott et al., 1989</a>; <a href="#">Union Carbide, 1989</a>)), for which exposure (ever/never) was based on the history and/or duration of work in the chlorohydrin unit (which produced 1,2-dichloroethane as a byproduct), evaluated the association between chemical exposure and the risk of mortality due to lymphopoietic cancers (<a href="#">Benson and Teta, 1993</a>).</li> </ul>	<p>(NLL) in 1,2-dichloroethane-exposed workers, which was higher in those working more than 5 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative owing to lack of an appropriate comparison group and lack of 1,2-dichloroethane exposure levels, work in the chlorohydrin unit was significantly associated with mortality from lymphatic and hematopoietic cancers.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the medium-quality study, there was potential for confounding because covariates were not considered (race, smoking status, concurrent exposure to other chemicals).</li> <li>In the medium-quality study, statistical power was limited because cancer case numbers were low (n = 5 for NLL).</li> <li>In the medium-quality study, statistical methods were not specified and ORs were provided without CIs.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the Uninformative study, analysis was conducted based on work department rather than specific chemicals.</li> </ul>	<p>dichloroethane exposure in humans and circulatory system cancers.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
Pancreatic cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A case-control study of men and women from 24 states, which estimated intensity and probability of 1,2-dichloroethane exposure (low, medium, high) based on listed occupation and industry (from death certificates) and a job exposure matrix (JEM), evaluated the association between 1,2-Dichloroethane exposure and the risk of pancreatic cancer (<a href="#">Kernan et al., 1999</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A retrospective cohort study of male workers <sup>b</sup> from a Union Carbide facility, for which exposure</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the high-quality study, 1,2-dichloroethane exposure was associated with a slight, but borderline significant, increased OR for pancreatic cancer among Black females with low estimated exposure intensity.</li> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative owing to lack of an appropriate comparison group and lack of 1,2-dichloroethane exposure levels, work in the chlorohydrin unit was significantly associated</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the high-quality study, the risk for pancreatic cancer in Black females was not increased in groups with medium or high intensity exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the high-quality study, 1,2-dichloroethane exposure was not associated with an increased risk of pancreatic cancer in Black males, White females, or White males.</li> <li>In the Uninformative study, analysis was conducted based on</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In a high-quality study, a slight, but significant, association between low intensity 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and pancreatic cancer was observed in Black females, but the association did not show an exposure-response relationship, and no association was observed in Black males or White males or females.</p>	

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<p>(ever/never) was based on the history and/or duration of work in the chlorohydrin unit (which produced 1,2-dichloroethane as a byproduct), evaluated the association between chemical exposure and the risk of mortality due to pancreatic cancer (<a href="#">Benson and Teta, 1993</a>).</p>	<p>with mortality from pancreatic cancer.</p>	<p>work department rather than specific chemicals. <u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the high-quality study, the effect estimate in Black females was small (OR = 1.2, 95% CI 1.0–1.4).</li> <li>In the high-quality study, there was the potential for exposure misclassification based on the occupation and industry data captured on death certificates.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<b>Kidney cancer</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A population-based, case-control study of men and women from the Minnesota Cancer Surveillance System (cases) and the general population of Minnesota or the Health Care Financing administration (controls), for which exposure was estimated based on occupational history and JEMs, evaluated the association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure and the risk for renal cell carcinoma (<a href="#">Dosemeci et al., 1999</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The risk of renal cell carcinoma was significantly increased in women exposed to all organic solvents combined and all chlorinated aliphatic hydrocarbons combined.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The use of a priori assessment of exposure to solvents (including 1,2-dichloroethane) using JEMs reduced recall bias among men and women and cases and controls.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No significant increase in the risk of renal cell carcinoma was observed based on exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane among men, women, or all participants.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The number of participants exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane (40 cases and 48 controls) may have been too low to detect effects associated with 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only one medium-quality study was available to assess risk of renal cancer due to 1,2-dichloroethane exposure.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In a medium-quality study, no significant association between 1,2-dichloroethane exposure in humans and renal cell carcinoma was observed; however, the number of exposed subjects in the study population was small.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on human evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<b>Prostate cancer</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A retrospective cohort study evaluated cancer incidence in 251 employees of an herbicide manufacturing facility (bentazon unit) between 1979 and 1987, followed</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A statistically significant association was observed between employment in the bentazon unit and prostate</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The study did not directly assess the association between exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane and prostate cancer. Other chemicals</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In a medium-quality study, an association between work in bentazon production and prostate cancer was</p>	

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<p>until 2003. SMRs were calculated using age-, gender-, and race-specific cancer incidence rates in South Louisiana. (<a href="#">BASF, 2005</a>). Study quality: Medium</p>	<p>cancer incidence (SIR = 2.2, 95% CI = 1.1–3.9)</p>	<p>were also used in the bentazon unit.</p>	<p>observed; however, the association with 1,2-dichloroethane was not directly assessed. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on human evidence:</i> Indeterminate</p>	
Evidence from apical endpoints in <i>in vivo</i> mammalian animal studies				
Breast cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice examined the mammary gland for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) examined the mammary gland for neoplasms after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>• A dermal study in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer examined the mammary gland for neoplasms after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female rats<sup>d</sup> examined the mammary gland for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> <li>• An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice<sup>e</sup> examined the mammary gland for neoplasms at</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of mammary gland adenocarcinomas was observed in female mice in the 78-week gavage study using pooled vehicle controls<sup>c</sup>; pairwise comparisons showed significant increases at both doses.</li> <li>• Significant dose-related trends for increased mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and/or adenocarcinomas were observed in male and female rats after 104 weeks of inhalation exposure; pairwise comparisons showed significant increases at the highest exposure.</li> <li>• A significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of mammary gland adenocarcinoma was observed in female mice after 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> <li>• In a study ranked as Uninformative due to high</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The incidence of mammary gland tumors was not increased in a 26-week dermal study in transgenic mice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pairwise comparisons were not significant for increased incidence of mammary gland adenocarcinoma in female mice after 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> Mammary gland tumors were observed in male and female rats and in female mice exposed to 1,2-dichloroethane orally or via inhalation in high-quality studies. <i>Overall WOSE judgement for breast cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robust</li> </ul>	

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<p>natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Maltoni et al., 1980</a>).</p>	<p>mortality from pneumonia, significant dose-related trends for increased mammary gland adenocarcinomas or adenocarcinomas and fibroadenomas were observed in female rats in the 78-week study; pairwise comparisons showed a significant increase at the high dose for adenocarcinomas and at both doses for combined tumors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a study ranked uninformative due to lack of inhalation exposure details, the incidence of mammary gland fibromas and fibroadenomas was significantly increased in rats after 78 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of mammary gland tumors in rats and mice was observed in high-quality studies.</li> </ul>			
Liver cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female mice examined the liver for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) examined the liver for neoplasms after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of hepatocellular carcinomas was observed in male (but not female) mice in the 78-week gavage study using pooled and matched vehicle controls<sup>f</sup>, and the pairwise comparison to pooled vehicle controls showed a significant increase at the high dose.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of liver tumors was not increased in transgenic mice following 26 weeks of dermal exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In female mice, incidences of hepatocellular adenomas and adenomas or carcinomas in the 104-week inhalation study were not significantly increased based</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In high-quality studies, increased liver tumor incidence was observed in male or female mice following exposure via gavage or inhalation, respectively.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for liver cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slight to Moderate</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A dermal exposure study in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer examined the liver for neoplasms after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Nine-week gavage studies in male rats evaluated the potential for tumor initiation and/or promotion in the liver based on numbers of gamma-glutamyltranspeptidase (GGT)-positive foci (<a href="#">Milman et al., 1988</a>; <a href="#">Story et al., 1986</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>g</sup> examined the liver for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A cancer bioassay and a tumor promotion assay in male mice <sup>h</sup> assessed the incidence of liver adenomas and/or carcinomas after 52 weeks drinking water exposure (<a href="#">Klaunig et al., 1986</a>).An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice <sup>i</sup> examined the liver for neoplasms at natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Maltoni et al., 1980</a>).</li> <li>• A dermal exposure study in female mice <sup>j</sup> examined the liver for neoplasms after up to 85 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Van Duuren et al., 1979</a>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of hepatocellular adenomas and adenomas or carcinomas was observed in female (but not male) mice following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of increased liver tumor incidence was observed in high-quality studies.</li> </ul>	<p>on pairwise comparisons to controls.</p>		
Lung cancer				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice examined the lung for</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p>	



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<p>neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) examined the lung for neoplasms after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>A dermal exposure study in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer examined the lung for neoplasms after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>k</sup> examined the lung for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> <li>A cancer bioassay and a tumor promotion assay in male mice <sup>l</sup> assessed the incidence of lung adenomas and/or carcinomas after 52 weeks of drinking water exposure (<a href="#">Klaunig et al., 1986</a>).</li> <li>An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice <sup>m</sup> examined the lungs for neoplasms at natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Maltoni et al., 1980</a>).</li> <li>A dermal exposure study in female mice <sup>n</sup> reported neoplasms in the lung (not routinely examined) after up to 82 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Van Duuren et al., 1979</a>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significant trends and pairwise comparisons for increased incidence of alveolar/bronchiolar adenomas were observed in male and female mice in the 78-week gavage study.</li> <li>Significant trends for increased incidence of bronchiolo-alveolar carcinomas and carcinomas or adenomas were observed in female mice following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> <li>Significant increases in the incidence and multiplicity of bronchiolo-alveolar adenomas and adenocarcinomas were observed in both sexes in the dermal study using transgenic mice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the dermal study ranked as Uninformative due to the use of methods that did not account for the volatility of 1,2-dichloroethane, a significantly increased incidence of benign lung papillomas was observed in female mice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of lung tumors was observed in three high-quality studies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pairwise comparisons did not show a significant increase in the incidence of lung tumors in female mice in the 104-week study.</li> </ul>	<p>In high-quality studies, increased lung tumor incidence was observed in male and/or female mice following gavage, inhalation, or dermal exposure.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for lung cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	

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Mesothelioma of the peritoneum				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>• A dermal exposure study in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>o</sup> conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> <li>• An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice <sup>p</sup> conducted comprehensive histopathological examination at natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Maltoni et al., 1980</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significant trend for increased incidence of mesothelioma of the peritoneum was observed in male rats following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of mesothelioma of the peritoneum was observed in a high-quality study.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pairwise comparisons did not show a significant increase in the incidence of mesothelioma of the peritoneum in male rats in the 104-week inhalation study.</li> </ul> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was no significant increase in incidence of mesothelioma of the peritoneum in female rats following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> <li>• The incidence of mesothelioma of the peritoneum was not increased in transgenic mice following 26 weeks of dermal exposure.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In a high-quality study, a trend for increased incidence of mesothelioma of the peritoneum was observed in male mice following inhalation exposure; no significant increase was noted in pairwise comparison, and no increase was seen in female mice.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for mesothelioma of the peritoneum based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	

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<b>Endometrial stromal polyps</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in female mice conducted histopathological examination of the uterus after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> <li>• Two inhalation studies in female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) conducted histopathological examination of the uterus after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>• A dermal exposure study in female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer conducted histopathological examination of the uterus after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in female rats<sup>4</sup> examined the uterus for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significant trend for increased incidence of endometrial stromal polyps or sarcomas was observed in female mice in the 78-week gavage study using pooled vehicle controls<sup>7</sup>, and the pairwise comparison showed a significant increase at both doses.</li> <li>• A significant trend for increased incidence of endometrial stromal polyps was observed in female mice following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of endometrial stromal polyps in mice was observed in high-quality oral and inhalation studies.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The incidence of endometrial stromal polyps in female mice was not significantly increased in a 26-week dermal exposure study in transgenic mice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pairwise comparisons using matched controls did not show a significant increase in the incidence of stromal polyps or sarcomas, and the incidence of sarcomas (alone) was not significantly increased in female mice in the 78-week gavage study.</li> <li>• Pairwise comparisons did not show a significantly increased incidence in stromal polyps in female mice in the 104-week inhalation study.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <p>The relevance to humans of endometrial stromal polyps in mice is uncertain due to differences in etiology and hormone sensitivity (<a href="#">Davis, 2012</a>)</p>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In high-quality oral and inhalation studies, the incidence of endometrial stromal polyps was increased in female mice. The relevance of these findings to humans is uncertain due to differences in etiology and hormone sensitivity among rodents and humans. In addition, there is uncertainty within the scientific community whether endometrial stromal polyps should be considered benign tumors or nonneoplastic lesions.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for uterine cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<b>Circulatory System Cancer</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female mice subjected animals to comprehensive histological examinations for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant pairwise increases in the incidence of hemangiosarcoma in the liver were observed in male mice at the two highest exposure</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was not a significant dose-related trend for increased hemangiosarcomas of the liver in male mice following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>In medium- and high-quality studies, the incidence of circulatory system tumors (e.g., hemangiosarcomas) was increased in mice</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer subjected animals to histological examinations after 40 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1995</a>). Study quality: Medium</li> <li>• Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) subjected animals to comprehensive histological examinations for neoplasms after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>• A dermal study in transgenic mice susceptible to cancer subjected animals to comprehensive histological examinations for neoplasms after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male and female rats<sup>s</sup> subjected animals to comprehensive histological examinations for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> </ul>	<p>concentrations following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significantly increased incidence of malignant lymphoma was observed in female transgenic mice in a 40-week gavage study.</li> <li>• In a study ranked as Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia, there was a significant trend for increased hemangiosarcomas in male and female rats in a 78-week gavage study using pooled vehicle controls<sup>t</sup>, and the pairwise comparison showed a significant increase at both doses.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased incidences of circulatory system cancers were observed in medium- and high-quality studies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The incidence of circulatory system cancers was not increased in mice in a 78-week gavage study. There was a significant trend for <i>decreased</i> malignant lymphomas of the hematopoietic system in females using matched vehicle controls.</li> <li>• No hemangiomas or hemangiosarcomas were observed in male or female transgenic mice in a 26-week dermal study.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the 78-week gavage study ranked Uninformative, the trends for increased hemangiosarcomas in male and female rats were not significant using matched controls.</li> </ul>	<p>following inhalation and dermal exposure.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for circulatory system cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slight</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gavage study in male transgenic mice<sup>u</sup> susceptible to cancer examined the incidence of malignant lymphomas after 40 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Storer et al., 1995</a>).</li> <li>• An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice<sup>v</sup> examined animals for neoplasms at natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Maltoni et al., 1980</a>).</li> </ul>				
Gastrointestinal tract cancer				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female mice examined the gastrointestinal tract for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (NTP, 1978). Study quality: High</li> <li>Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (Nagano et al., 2006; Cheever et al., 1990) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (Nagano et al., 2006) examined the gastrointestinal tract for neoplasms after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>A dermal exposure study in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer examined the gastrointestinal tract for neoplasms after 26 weeks of exposure (Suguro et al., 2017). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p><u>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>x</sup> examined the gastrointestinal tract for neoplasms after 78 weeks of exposure (NTP, 1978).</li> <li>An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice <sup>y</sup> examined the stomach and intestines for neoplasms at natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (Maltoni et al., 1980).</li> <li>A dermal exposure study in female mice <sup>z</sup> examined the stomach for neoplasms after up to 85 weeks of exposure (Van Duuren et al., 1979).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A significant trend for increased incidence of squamous-cell carcinomas in the stomach was observed in female mice in the 78-week gavage study using pooled vehicle controls.</li> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative owing to high mortality from pneumonia, a significant trend for increased incidence of squamous-cell carcinomas in the stomach was observed in male rats in the 78-week gavage study using pooled and matched vehicle controls <sup>w</sup>; the pairwise comparisons showed a significant increase at the highest dose.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of gastrointestinal tumors (forestomach tumors) was not increased in rats or mice following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure.</li> <li>The incidence of gastrointestinal tumors was not increased in two dermal studies, including a study in transgenic male and female mice treated for 26 weeks, and an 85-week study in female mice ranked as Uninformative due to the use of methods that did not account for the volatility of 1,2-dichloroethane.</li> </ul> <p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The trend for increased incidence of squamous-cell carcinomas in female mice in the 78-week gavage study was not significant using matched controls, and the pairwise comparisons using pooled and matched controls were not significant.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In high-quality and Uninformative gavage studies, increased incidences of gastrointestinal tract tumors were observed in female mice and male rats. The effect appears to be route-specific because several high-quality studies did not identify gastrointestinal tumors following inhalation or dermal exposure.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for gastrointestinal cancer effects based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
Subcutaneous fibromas				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female mice conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 78</li> </ul>	<p><u>Biological gradient/dose-response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A significant trend for increased incidence subcutaneous fibroma</li> </ul>	<p><u>Magnitude and precision:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i> In a high-quality study, an increased incidence of</p>	

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<p>weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>). Study quality: High</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two inhalation studies in male and female rats (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>; <a href="#">Cheever et al., 1990</a>) and one inhalation study in male and female mice (<a href="#">Nagano et al., 2006</a>) conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 104 weeks of exposure. Study quality: High</li> <li>A dermal exposure study in male and female transgenic mice susceptible to cancer conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 26 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Suguro et al., 2017</a>). Study quality: High</li> </ul> <p>Study quality ranked as Uninformative:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A gavage study in male and female rats <sup>aa</sup> conducted comprehensive histopathological examination after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">NTP, 1978</a>).</li> <li>An inhalation study in male and female rats and mice <sup>bb</sup> conducted comprehensive histopathological examination at natural death after 78 weeks of exposure (<a href="#">Maltoni et al., 1980</a>).</li> </ul>	<p>was observed in male and female rats following 104 weeks of inhalation exposure; pairwise comparisons showed a significant increase at the high dose in female rats only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a study ranked as Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia, a significant dose-related trend for increased incidence of subcutaneous fibromas was observed in male rats in the 78-week gavage study using pooled vehicle controls <sup>dd</sup>; pairwise comparisons showed significant increases at both doses.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of subcutaneous fibroma was observed in a high-quality study.</li> </ul>	<p>subcutaneous fibromas was not observed in male rats in the 78-week gavage study using matched vehicle controls.</p> <p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The incidence of subcutaneous tumors was not increased in transgenic mice following 26 weeks of dermal exposure.</li> </ul>	<p>subcutaneous fibromas in male and female rats was seen following inhalation exposure.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for subcutaneous fibromas based on animal evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indeterminate</li> </ul>	
<b>Evidence from mechanistic studies</b>				
<p><u>Genotoxicity:</u> <sup>cc</sup></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two recent authoritative reviews (<a href="#">ATSDR, 2022</a>; <a href="#">Gwinn et al., 2011</a>) were the primary sources used to provide an overview of the database of genotoxicity studies available for 1,2 dichloroethane, including numerous studies of gene mutation in <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i>; gene</li> </ul>	<p><u>Consistency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In most of the available studies, 1,2 dichloroethane induced mutations in <i>S. typhimurium</i> in the presence of metabolic activation. Many of these studies also reported positive results without metabolic activation.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alternative modes of action were investigated only for mammary gland tumors and not for other tumor types induced by 1,2-dichloroethane.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Key findings:</i></p> <p>1,2-dichloroethane has induced mutations, clastogenic effects, DNA damage, and DNA binding/adduct formation <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i>. The preponderance of the substantial database consists</p>	



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<p>mutation in fruit flies; gene mutation, micronucleus formation, DNA damage, and DNA binding/adduct formation in mammalian cells/tissue isolates <i>in vitro</i>; and clastogenicity, DNA damage, and DNA binding/adduct formation in mammals <i>in vivo</i>.</p> <p><u>Other mechanisms:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 28-day inhalation exposure experiment in female rats evaluated cell proliferation in mammary tissue and serum prolactin levels (<a href="#">Lebaron et al., 2021</a>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1,2 dichloroethane induced gene mutations in multiple studies of fruit flies.</li> <li>1,2 dichloroethane yielded positive results in gene mutation assays in Chinese hamster ovary cells and human lymphoblastoid cells <i>in vitro</i>.</li> <li>1,2 dichloroethane produced clastogenic effects including micronuclei in human lymphocytes <i>in vitro</i> and micronuclei, chromosomal aberrations, and sister chromatid exchanges in rat and mouse bone marrow <i>in vivo</i>.</li> <li>DNA damage was observed in human lymphocytes and rat and mouse hepatocytes exposed to 1,2 dichloroethane <i>in vitro</i> and in multiple tissues from rats and mice exposed <i>in vivo</i>.</li> <li>DNA binding/adduct formation after 1,2 dichloroethane exposure was observed <i>in vitro</i> and in multiple tissues from rats and mice <i>in vivo</i>.</li> </ul> <p><u>Biological plausibility and human relevance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Several metabolites of 1,2-dichloroethane, particularly those from the glutathione conjugation pathway, have been shown to bind DNA and induce DNA damage <i>in vivo</i>, and to induce mutations in <i>S. typhimurium in vitro</i>.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quality of the database:</u></p>		<p>of positive results. While these effects could plausibly be related to formation of tumors, a direct connection between these events and 1,2 dichloroethane induced carcinogenesis has not been conclusively demonstrated. Few mechanistic data examining alternative modes of carcinogenic action are available.</p> <p><i>Overall WOSE judgement for cancer effects based on mechanistic evidence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The genotoxicity database includes numerous <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> studies evaluating a wide variety of genotoxic endpoints in multiple test systems.</li> </ul>			
<p><sup>a</sup> The study was ranked as Uninformative because SMRs were calculated based on expected deaths from a reference population matched on sex, but not age, and exposure was assessed based on duration of work in the facility; no information was provided on levels of exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> The study was ranked as Uninformative because SMRs were calculated based on expected deaths from a reference population matched on sex and exposure was assessed based on duration of work in the facility; no information was provided on levels of exposure to 1,2-dichloroethane.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>d</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>e</sup> Pending evaluation.</p> <p><sup>f</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>g</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>h</sup> The study in male mice was considered Uninformative due to inadequate study duration (52-week cancer bioassay) and a high tumor response rate in the initiation-only control group (tumor promotion assay).</p> <p><sup>i</sup> This chronic inhalation study was ranked Uninformative due to lack of information on the inhalation exposure methodology.</p> <p><sup>j</sup> The study in female mice was considered Uninformative because methods used to conduct the study did not account for volatility of the test substance.</p> <p><sup>k</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>l</sup> The study in male mice was considered Uninformative due to inadequate study duration (52-week cancer bioassay) or a high tumor response rate in the initiation-only control group (tumor promotion assay).</p> <p><sup>m</sup> This chronic inhalation study was ranked Uninformative due to lack of information on the inhalation exposure methodology.</p> <p><sup>n</sup> The study in female mice was considered Uninformative because methods used to conduct the study did not account for volatility of the test substance.</p> <p><sup>o</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>p</sup> This chronic inhalation study was ranked Uninformative due to lack of information on the inhalation exposure methodology.</p> <p><sup>q</sup> The study in female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>r</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>s</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>t</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p> <p><sup>u</sup> The study in male transgenic mice was considered Uninformative because the duration of the study was potentially inadequate for tumor development and no tumors were observed (the same study in female transgenic mice was considered Informative because tumors were observed).</p> <p><sup>v</sup> This chronic inhalation study was ranked Uninformative due to lack of information on the inhalation exposure methodology.</p> <p><sup>w</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p>				

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<p><sup>x</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>y</sup> Pending evaluation.</p> <p><sup>z</sup> The study in female mice was considered Uninformative due to the use of methods that did not account for the volatility of 1,2-dichloroethane.</p> <p><sup>aa</sup> The study in male and female rats was considered Uninformative due to high mortality from pneumonia in all groups (including controls).</p> <p><sup>bb</sup> This chronic inhalation study was ranked Uninformative due to lack of information on the inhalation exposure methodology.</p> <p><sup>cc</sup> Including experiments reviewed by <a href="#">Gwinn et al. (2011)</a>, and/or <a href="#">ATSDR (2022)</a> that were not flagged as inconsistent with OECD guidance on genotoxicity testing, as well as the one study published subsequently (<a href="#">Lone et al., 2016</a>).</p> <p><sup>dd</sup> Pooled controls from several bioassays were used based on data for the same strain, tested by the same laboratory no more than 6 months apart, and diagnosed by the same pathologist.</p>				

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## M.8 Cancer Dose-Response Assessment (Read-Across from 1,2-Dichloroethane)

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The available cancer dose-response data for 1,1-dichloroethane are not adequate for use in deriving cancer PODs. The only available human study was confounded by co-exposure to vinyl chloride ([Garcia et al., 2015](#)). Animal studies included a 78-week study in rats and mice exposed by gavage that was limited by premature mortality in both species (due to pneumonia in rats, and with no cause of death identified for mice) ([NCI, 1978](#)); a drinking water study in which animals were sacrificed after only 52 weeks ([Klaunig et al., 1986](#)); and a 9-week study of GGT+ foci in partially hepatectomized rats ([Milman et al., 1988](#)). In the absence of chemical-specific data, as described in Section 5.2.1.3, the cancer risk assessment for 1,1-dichloroethane uses read-across from data for the identified analog 1,2-dichloroethane.

### *1,2-Dichloroethane IUR for Inhalation Exposures*

In 1987, the IRIS program derived an IUR of  $2.6 \times 10^{-5}$  (per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) based on route-to-route extrapolation from the oral CSF derived at the same time. The inhalation cancer bioassay by [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) was not available at the time of the IRIS assessment.

IUR estimates based on the tumor data sets in [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) were calculated using the following equation:  $\text{IUR} = \text{BMR} \div \text{HEC}$ , where BMR is the benchmark response and HEC is the human equivalent concentration in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

A BMR of 10 percent extra risk was selected for all datasets. HECs were calculating using the ratio of blood:gas partition coefficients, as shown in Appendix M.1.2. [Gargas and Andersen \(1989\)](#) estimated blood:air partition coefficients for 1,2-dichloroethane of 19.5 and 30.4 in humans and rats, respectively. Because the rat partition coefficient is greater than the human partition coefficient, the default ratio of 1 is used in the calculation in accordance with [U.S. EPA \(1994\)](#) guidance. A blood:air partition coefficient for mice was not available from the literature reviewed; thus, the default ratio of 1 was used to calculate HECs for data in mice.

Details of the BMD modeling are provided in a Supplemental File and the BMCL, HEC, and IUR estimate for each dataset is shown in Table\_Apx M-45.

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**Table\_Apx M-45. IUR Estimates for Tumor Data from [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#) Study of 1,2-Dichloroethane Using Linear Low-Dose Extrapolation Approach**

Species and Sex	Tumor Type	Selected Model	BMCL10% (ppm)	BMCL10% (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	HEC (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	IUR Estimate (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>-1</sup>
Male rats	Subcutaneous fibroma	Multistage 1-degree	7	28,332	28,332	3.5E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas	Multistage 1-degree	17	68,807	68,807	1.5E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas and adenomas combined	Multistage 3-degree	15	60,712	60,712	1.6E-06
	Peritoneal mesothelioma	Multistage 3-degree	19	76,901	76,901	1.3E-06
	Combined mammary gland, subcutaneous, and peritoneum tumors	MS Combo	5	20,237	20,237	4.9E-06
Female rats	Subcutaneous fibroma	Multistage 1-degree	17	68,807	68,807	1.5E-06
	Mammary gland adenomas	Multistage 1-degree	9	36,427	36,427	2.7E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas	Multistage 1-degree	8	32,380	32,380	3.1E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas and adenomas combined	Multistage 1-degree	5	20,237	20,237	4.9E-06
	Mammary gland adenocarcinoma	Multistage 3-degree	23	93,091	93,091	1.1E-06
	Mammary gland fibroadenomas adenomas, and adenocarcinomas combined	Multistage 1-degree	4	16,190	16,190	6.2E-06
	Combined mammary gland and subcutaneous tumors	MS Combo	4	16,190	16,190	6.2E-06
Female mice	Bronchiolo-alveolar adenomas	Multistage 3-degree	9	36,427	36,427	2.7E-06
	Bronchiolo-alveolar carcinomas	Multistage 2-degree	14	56,664	56,664	1.8E-06
	Bronchiolo-alveolar adenomas and carcinomas combined	Multistage 2-degree	7	28,332	28,332	3.5E-06
	Mammary gland adenocarcinomas	Multistage 3-degree	10	40,474	40,474	2.5E-06
	Hepatocellular adenomas	Multistage 3-degree	11	44,522	44,522	2.2E-06
	Hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas combined	Multistage 2-degree	10	40,474	40,474	2.5E-06
	Combined lung, mammary gland, and liver tumors <sup>a</sup>	MS Combo	5	20,237	20,237	4.9E-06

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The highest estimated IUR is  $6.2 \times 10^{-6}$  (per µg/m<sup>3</sup>) for combined mammary gland adenomas, fibroadenomas, and adenocarcinomas and subcutaneous fibromas in female rats in the inhalation study by [Nagano et al. \(2006\)](#).

**CSF for Oral Exposures**

The IRIS program derived an oral CSF of  $9.1 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) for 1,2-dichloroethane in 1987 based on the incidence of hemangiosarcomas in male rats in the chronic bioassay by [NTP \(1978\)](#), however, this study did not pass EPA systematic review. The oral CSF for male mice based on hepatocarcinomas of  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) in a reliable study [NTP \(1978\)](#). No oral cancer bioassays of 1,2-dichloroethane have been published since the IRIS assessment. The IRIS CSF was derived using time-to-tumor modeling to account for intercurrent mortality of the rats in the [NTP \(1978\)](#) study. No updates to the time-to-tumor modeling approach have been made since the 1987 assessment. Hemangiosarcomas in male rats were determined to be the most sensitive species, strain, and site, however this study was deemed unacceptable by EPA systematic review. Although CSF does not account for other tumor types induced by 1,2-dichloroethane in the male rat, there is currently no time-to-tumor modeling approach available that accounts for multiple tumor types. Therefore, the oral CSF for 1,2-dichloroethane from the reliable NTP mouse cancer study [NTP \(1978\)](#) was selected for use in assessment of cancer risks associated with exposure to 1,1-dichloroethane. This mouse CSF was used to calculate a drinking water unit risk of  $1.8 \text{ E-}6$  per ug/L using a drinking water intake of 2 L/day and body weight of 70 kg.

**CSF for Dermal Exposures**

There are no reliable dermal cancer studies of 1,2-dichloroethane; thus, the CSF for 1,2-dichloroethane was obtained from route-to-route extrapolation using oral data. There are uncertainties associated with extrapolation from both oral and inhalation. Use of an oral POD for dermal extrapolation may not be preferred for chemicals known to undergo extensive liver metabolism because the “first-pass effect” that directs intestinally absorbed chemicals directly to the liver applies only to oral ingestion. In contrast, the accuracy of extrapolation of inhalation toxicity data for dermal PODs is dependent on assumptions about inhalation exposure factors such as breathing rate and any associated dosimetric adjustments. Whole-body inhalation studies may also already be incorporating some level of dermal absorption. Given these competing uncertainties, in the absence of data to support selection of either the oral CSF or inhalation IUR, the method resulting in the most protective dermal CSF was selected. The value of the oral CSF is  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day). For comparison, a CSF of  $3.3 \times 10^{-2}$  (per mg/kg-bw/day) was obtained using route-to-route extrapolation from the IUR of  $6.0 \times 10^{-6}$  per  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  ( $6.0 \times 10^{-3}$  per  $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ ) per Equation\_Apx M-15 as follows:

**Equation\_Apx M-15.**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dermal CSF (per mg/kg-bw/day)} &= 6.0 \times 10^{-03} \text{ (per mg/m}^3\text{)} * (80 \text{ kg}/14.7 \text{ m}^3\text{/day)} \\ &= 3.3 \times 10^{-02} \text{ (per mg/kg-bw/day)} \end{aligned}$$

The more protective value of  $6.2 \times 10^{-2}$  per mg/kg-bw/day based on the oral CSF was selected for the dermal CSF.

**M.8.1 Summary of Continuous and Worker PODs**

The continuous IUR was adjusted for occupational scenarios using equations provided in Appendix M.3 Table\_Apx M-46 provides a summary of the cancer PODs for both continuous and occupational exposure scenarios.



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**Table\_Apx M-46. Summary of Cancer PODs for 1,1-Dichloroethane (Read-Across from 1,2-Dichloroethane)**

Route	Continuous POD	Worker POD	Reference
Inhalation	6.0E-06 (per $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	2.1E-06 (per $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	<a href="#">Nagano et al. (2006)</a>
Oral	6.2E-02 (per mg/kg-bw/day)	Same as continuous	<a href="#">NTP (1978)</a>
Dermal	6.2E-02 (per mg/kg-bw/day)	Same as continuous	Route-to-route extrapolation from oral

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## Appendix N DRAFT OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE VALUE DERIVATION

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EPA has calculated a draft 8-hour existing chemical occupational exposure value to summarize the occupational exposure scenario and sensitive health endpoints into a single value. This calculated draft value may be used to support risk management efforts for 1,1-dichloroethane under TSCA section 6(a), 15 U.S.C. §2605. EPA calculated the draft value rounded to 0.044 ppm (0.178 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) for inhalation exposures to 1,1-dichloroethane as an 8-hour time-weighted average (TWA) and for consideration in workplace settings (see Section N.1 below) based on the lifetime cancer inhalation unit risk (IUR) for a combined cancer model.

TSCA requires risk evaluations to be conducted without consideration of cost and other non-risk factors, and thus this draft occupational exposure value represents a risk-only number. If risk management for 1,1-dichloroethane follows the final risk evaluation, EPA may consider cost and other non-risk factors, such as technological feasibility, the availability of alternatives, and the potential for critical or essential uses. Any existing chemical exposure limit (ECEL) used for occupational safety risk management purposes could differ from the draft occupational exposure value presented in this appendix based on additional consideration of exposures and non-risk factors consistent with TSCA section 6(c).

This calculated draft value for 1,1-dichloroethane represents the exposure concentration below which workers and occupational non-users are not expected to exhibit any appreciable risk of adverse toxicological outcomes, accounting for potentially exposed and susceptible populations (PESS). It is derived based on the most sensitive human health effect (*i.e.*, cancer) relative to benchmarks and standard occupational scenario assumptions of 8 hours per day, 5 days per week exposures for a total of 250 days exposure per year, and a 40-year working life.

All hazard values used in these calculations are based on non-cancer HECs and associated uncertainty factor derivations and the IUR from this draft Risk Evaluation for 1,1-Dichloroethane (Section 5.2.6.3).

EPA expects that at the lifetime cancer occupational exposure value of 0.044 ppm (0.178 mg/m<sup>3</sup>), a worker or an occupational non-user also would be protected against degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory mucosa and decreases in sperm concentration resulting from acute and intermediate occupational exposures. This calculated lifetime cancer occupational exposure value would protect against excess risk of cancer above the  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  benchmark value resulting from lifetime exposure if ambient exposures are kept below this draft occupational exposure value. EPA has also separately calculated a short-term occupational exposure value or ceiling limit for 1,1-dichloroethane.

Of the identified occupational monitoring data for 1,1-dichloroethane, there have been measured workplace air concentrations below the calculated draft exposure value. A summary table of available monitoring methods from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and EPA is included in Section N.2. The table covers validated methods from governmental agencies and is not intended to be a comprehensive list of available air monitoring methods for 1,1-dichloroethane. The calculated draft exposure value is above the limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ) using at least one of the monitoring methods identified.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a permissible exposure limit ([PEL](#)) as an 8-hour TWA for 1,1-dichloroethane of 100 ppm. However, as noted on OSHA's website, "OSHA recognizes that many of its permissible exposure limits (PELs) are outdated and inadequate for ensuring

15791 protection of worker health. Most of OSHA’s PELs were issued shortly after adoption of the  
 15792 Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act in 1970 and have not been updated since that time.” In  
 15793 addition, OSHA’s PEL must undergo both risk assessment and feasibility assessment analyses before  
 15794 selecting a level that will substantially reduce risk under the OSH Act. EPA’s calculated draft calculated  
 15795 exposure value is a lower value and is based on newer information and analysis from this draft risk  
 15796 evaluation.

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 15798 Other governmental agencies and independent groups have also set recommended exposure limits  
 15799 established for 1,1-dichloroethane. The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
 15800 (ACGIH) has set a Threshold Limit Value (TLV) at 100 ppm TWA and 100 ppm STEL. This chemical  
 15801 also has a NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limit ([REL](#)) of 100 ppm TWA (400 mg/m<sup>3</sup>).

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 15803 NIOSH considers the chloroethanes: ethylene dichloride (1,2-dichloroethane); hexachloroethane;  
 15804 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane; and 1,1,2-trichloroethane; to be potential occupational carcinogens.

15805 Additionally, NIOSH recommends that the other five chloroethane compounds—1,1-dichloroethane,  
 15806 ethyl chloride, methyl chloroform, pentachloroethane, and 1,1,1,2-tetrachloroethane—be treated in the  
 15807 workplace with caution because of their structural similarity to the four chloroethanes shown to be  
 15808 carcinogenic in animals.

## 15809 N.1 Draft Occupational Exposure Value Calculations

15810 This section presents the calculations used to estimate the draft occupational exposure values using  
 15811 inputs derived in this draft risk evaluation. Multiple values are presented below for hazard endpoints  
 15812 based on different exposure durations. For 1,1-dichloroethane, the most sensitive occupational exposure  
 15813 value is based on cancer and the resulting 8-hour TWA is rounded to 0.044 ppm. The human health  
 15814 hazard values (HECs, IUR) used in the equations are derived in the risk evaluation for 1,1-  
 15815 dichloroethane.

### 15817 *Draft Lifetime Cancer Occupational Exposure Value*

15818 The EV<sub>cancer</sub> is the concentration at which the extra cancer risk is equivalent to the benchmark cancer  
 15819 risk of 1×10<sup>-4</sup>:

$$15821 \quad EV_{cancer} = \frac{Benchmark_{cancer}}{IUR} \times \frac{AT_{IUR}}{ED \times EF \times WY} \times \frac{IR_{resting}}{IR_{workers}}$$

$$15822 \quad = \frac{1 \times 10^{-4}}{9.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ per ppm}} \times \frac{24 \frac{h}{d} \times \frac{365d}{y} \times 78y}{8 \frac{h}{d} \times \frac{250d}{y} \times 40y} \times \frac{0.6125 \text{ m}^3/hr}{1.25 \text{ m}^3/hr}$$

$$15823 \quad = 0.044 \text{ ppm} = 0.179 \text{ mg/m}^3$$

$$15826 \quad EV_{cancer} \text{ (mg/m}^3\text{)} = \frac{EV \text{ ppm} \times MW}{Molar \text{ Volume}} = \frac{0.044 \text{ ppm} \times 98.96 \frac{g}{mol}}{24.45 \frac{L}{mol}} = 0.179 \text{ mg/m}^3$$

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 15829 Where:

15830 *Molar Volume* = 24.45 L/mol, the volume of a mole of gas at 1 atm and 25 °C

15831  $MW$  = Molecular weight of 1,1-dichloroethane (98.96 g/mole)

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15833 ***Draft Chronic Non-cancer Occupational Exposure Value***

15834 The draft chronic occupational exposure value ( $EV_{\text{chronic}}$ ) was calculated as the concentration at which  
15835 the chronic margin of exposure (MOE) would equal the benchmark MOE for 8-hour chronic  
15836 occupational exposures with the following equation:  
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$$15838 \quad EV_{\text{chronic}} = \frac{HEC_{\text{chronic}}}{\text{Benchmark } MOE_{\text{chronic}}} \times \frac{AT_{HEC \text{ chronic}}}{ED * EF * WY} \times \frac{IR_{\text{resting}}}{IR_{\text{workers}}}$$

$$15839 \quad = \frac{22 \text{ ppm}}{300} \times \frac{\frac{24h}{d} \times \frac{365d}{y} \times 40 y \times 0.6125 \frac{m^3}{hr}}{\frac{8h}{d} \times \frac{250d}{y} \times 40 y \times 1.25 \frac{m^3}{hr}}$$

$$15840 \quad = 0.157 \text{ ppm}$$

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$$15842 \quad EV_{\text{chronic}} \left( \frac{mg}{m^3} \right) = \frac{EV \text{ ppm} \times MW}{\text{Molar Volume}} = \frac{0.157 \text{ ppm} \times 98.96 \frac{g}{mol}}{24.45 \frac{L}{mol}} = 0.637 \text{ mg}/m^3$$

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15844 ***Draft Intermediate Non-cancer Occupational Exposure Value***

15845 The draft intermediate occupational exposure value ( $EV_{\text{intermediate}}$ ) was calculated as the concentration at  
15846 which the intermediate MOE would equal the benchmark MOE for intermediate occupational exposure  
15847 using the following equation:  
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$$15849 \quad EV_{\text{intermediate}} = \frac{HEC_{\text{intermediate}}}{\text{Benchmark } MOE_{\text{intermediate}}} \times \frac{AT_{HEC \text{ intermediate}}}{ED * EF} \times \frac{IR_{\text{resting}}}{IR_{\text{workers}}}$$

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$$15851 \quad = \frac{22 \text{ ppm}}{30} \times \frac{\frac{24h}{d} \times 30d}{\frac{8h}{d} \times 22d} \times \frac{0.6125 \frac{m^3}{hr}}{1.25 \frac{m^3}{hr}} = 1.47 \text{ ppm}$$

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$$15853 \quad EV_{\text{intermediate}} \left( \frac{mg}{m^3} \right) = \frac{EV \text{ ppm} \times MW}{\text{Molar Volume}} = \frac{1.47 \text{ ppm} \times 98.96 \frac{g}{mol}}{24.45 \frac{L}{mol}} = 5.95 \text{ mg}/m^3$$

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15855 ***Draft Acute Non-cancer Occupational Exposure Value***

15856 The draft acute occupational exposure limit ( $EV_{\text{acute}}$ ) was calculated as the concentration at which the  
15857 acute MOE would equal the benchmark MOE for acute occupational exposures using the following  
15858 equation:  
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$$15860 \quad EV_{\text{acute}} = \frac{HEC_{\text{acute}}}{\text{Benchmark } MOE_{\text{acute}}} \times \frac{AT_{HEC \text{ acute}}}{ED} \times \frac{IR_{\text{resting}}}{IR_{\text{workers}}}$$

$$15861 \quad = \frac{10.14 \text{ ppm}}{30} \times \frac{\frac{24h}{d}}{\frac{8h}{d}} \times \frac{0.6125 \frac{m^3}{hr}}{1.25 \frac{m^3}{hr}} = 0.497 \text{ ppm} = 2.011 \text{ mg}/m^3$$

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$$EV_{\text{acute}} \left( \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{m}^3} \right) = \frac{EV \text{ ppm} \times MW}{\text{Molar Volume}} = \frac{0.497 \text{ ppm} \times 98.96 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}}}{24.45 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{mol}}} = 2.011 \text{ mg/m}^3$$

Where:

- 15866  $AT_{\text{HECchronic}}$  = Averaging time for the POD/HEC used for evaluating non-cancer, chronic occupational risk, based on study conditions and/or HEC adjustments (24 hours/day for 365 days/yr) and assuming the number of years matches the high-end working years (WY, 40 yrs) for a worker
- 15871  $AT_{\text{HECintermediate}}$  = Averaging time for the POD/HEC used for evaluating non-cancer, intermediate occupational risk, based on study conditions and/or any HEC adjustments (24 hours/day for 30 days)
- 15874  $AT_{\text{HECacute}}$  = Averaging time for the POD/HEC used for evaluating non-cancer, acute occupational risk, based on study conditions and/or any HEC adjustments (24 hours/day)
- 15877  $AT_{\text{IUR}}$  = Averaging time for the cancer IUR, based on study conditions and any adjustments (24 hours/day for 365 days/year) and averaged over a lifetime (78 years)
- 15880 Benchmark  $MOE_{\text{chronic}}$  = Chronic non-cancer benchmark margin of exposure, based on the total uncertainty factor of 300 (Table 5-51)
- 15882 Benchmark  $MOE_{\text{intermediate}}$  = Intermediate non-cancer benchmark margin of exposure, based on the total uncertainty factor of 30 (Table 5-50)
- 15884 Benchmark  $MOE_{\text{acute}}$  = Acute non-cancer benchmark margin of exposure, based on the total uncertainty factor of 30 (Table 5-49)
- 15886 Benchmark $_{\text{cancer}}$  = Benchmark for excess lifetime cancer risk
- 15887  $EV_{\text{acute}}$  = Draft occupational exposure value based on degeneration with necrosis of the olfactory mucosa
- 15889  $EV_{\text{intermediate}}$  = Draft occupational exposure value based on decrease in sperm concentration
- 15891  $EV_{\text{chronic}}$  = Draft occupational exposure value based on decrease in sperm concentration
- 15893  $EV_{\text{cancer}}$  = Draft occupational exposure value based on excess cancer risk
- 15894 ED = Exposure duration (8 hours/day)
- 15895 EF = Exposure frequency (250 days/year)
- 15896  $HEC_{\text{acute, intermediate, or chronic}}$  = Human equivalent concentration for acute, intermediate, or chronic occupational exposure scenarios (Table 5-49, Table 5-50, and Table 5-51)
- 15899 IUR = Inhalation unit risk (per ppm) (Table 5-52)
- 15900 IR = Inhalation rate (default is 1.25 m<sup>3</sup>/hr for workers and 0.6125 m<sup>3</sup>/hr for the general population at rest)
- 15902 WY = Working years per lifetime at the 95th percentile (40 years)

*Unit conversion:*1 ppm = 4.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (based on the molecular weight of 98.96 g/mol for 1,1-dichlorethane)

## N.2 Summary of Air Sampling Analytical Methods Identified

EPA conducted a search to identify relevant NIOSH, OSHA, and EPA analytical methods used to monitor for the presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in air (see Table\_Apx N-1). This table covers validated methods from governmental agencies and is not intended to be a comprehensive list of available air monitoring methods for 1,1-dichloroethane. The sources used for the search included the following:

1. NIOSH Manual of Analytical Methods ([NMAM](#)); 5th Edition
2. NIOSH [NMAM 4th Edition](#)
3. OSHA [Index of Sampling and Analytical Methods](#)
4. EPA [Environmental Test Method and Monitoring Information](#)

**Table\_Apx N-1. Limit of LOD and LOQ Summary for Air Sampling Analytical Methods Identified**

Air Sampling Analytical Methods	Year Published	LOD <sup>a</sup>	LOQ	Notes	Source
<a href="#">NIOSH Method 1003</a>	2003	2.0 µg/sample	5.1 µg/sample	The working range is 4 to 250 ppm at 15 L.	NIOSH <a href="#">NMAM, 4th Edition</a>
<a href="#">OSHA Method 07<sup>b</sup></a>	1979 (last update: 2000)	N/A	N/A	The estimated detection limit is based on the lowest mass per sample injected as a standard.	<a href="#">OSHA Index of Sampling and Analytical Methods</a>

ppm = parts per million; ppb = parts per billion; ppt = parts per trillion  
<sup>a</sup> These sources cover a range of LOD including both below and above the ECEL value.  
<sup>b</sup> This method has been withdrawn and is provided for historical record only.



## Appendix O 1,1-DICHLOROETHANE CONDITIONS OF USE

### O.1 Additions and Name Changes to Conditions of Use Based on Updated 2020 CDR Reported Data and Stakeholder Engagement

After the final scope ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)), EPA received updated submissions under the 2020 CDR reported data. In addition to new submissions received under the 2020 CDR, the reporting name codes did not change for the 2020 CDR reporting cycle.

### O.2 Consolidation and Other Changes to Conditions of Use Table

When developing this draft risk evaluation, EPA concluded that an additional subcategory of the conditions of use listed in the final scope ([U.S. EPA, 2020b](#)) was needed. EPA added the COU processing – repackaging to account for the repackaging for distribution of 1,1-dichloroethane for use as a laboratory chemical. Table\_Apx O-1 summarizes the change to the COU subcategory descriptions.

**Table\_Apx O-1. Subcategory Editing from the Final Scope Document to the Draft Risk Evaluation**

Life Cycle Stage and Category	Original Subcategory in the Final Scope Document	Occurred Change	Revised Subcategory in the 2024 Draft Risk Evaluation
Processing	N/A	Added “Processing: Repackaging” subcategory	Processing: Repackaging

### O.3 Descriptions of 1,1-Dichloroethane Conditions of Use

#### O.3.1 Manufacturing

Manufacturing means to manufacture or produce 1,1-dichloroethane within the United States. For purposes of the 1,1-dichloroethane risk evaluation, this included the production of 1,1-dichloroethane. This risk evaluation does not include the manufacture of 1,1-dichloroethane as a byproduct during the manufacture of 1,2-dichloroethane (that exposure will be assessed in the risk evaluation for 1,2-dichloroethane).

##### O.3.1.1 Domestic Manufacturing

1,1-Dichloroethane can be manufactured by chlorination of ethane or chloroethane, via thermal chlorination, photochlorination, or oxychlorination. Alternatively, 1,1-dichloroethane can be produced by adding hydrogen chloride to acetylene.

#### O.3.2 Processing – As a Reactant

Processing as a reactant or intermediate is the use of 1,1-dichloroethane as a feedstock in the production of another chemical via a chemical reaction in which 1,1-dichloroethane is consumed to form the product.

##### O.3.2.1 Intermediate in All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacture

Processing as an intermediate in all other basic organic chemical manufacture includes the use of 1,1-dichloroethane as an intermediate for the manufacture of chlorinated solvents, mainly 1,1,1-trichloroethane, 1,2-dichloroethane, and vinylchloride.

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**O.3.2.2 Intermediate in All Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing**

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15955 Processing as an intermediate in all other chemical product and preparation manufacturing includes the  
15956 use of 1,1-dichloroethane as chlorinated solvent intermediate.  
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**O.3.2.3 Repackaging**

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15958 Repackaging refers to preparation of 1,1-dichloroethane for distribution into commerce in a different  
15959 form, state, or quantity than originally received or stored. Such activities include transferring 1,1-  
15960 dichloroethane from a bulk storage container into smaller containers.  
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**O.3.2.4 Recycling**

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15962 This COU refers to the process of treating generated waste streams (i.e., which would otherwise be  
15963 disposed of as waste) that are collected, either on-site or transported to a third-party site, for commercial  
15964 purpose.  
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**O.3.3 Distribution in Commerce**

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15966 For purposes of assessment in this risk evaluation, distribution in commerce consists of the  
15967 transportation associated with the moving of 1,1-dichloroethane. 1,1-Dichloroethane is expected to be  
15968 distributed in commerce for processing as a reactive intermediate and commercial laboratory use. EPA  
15969 expects 1,1-dichloroethane to be transported from manufacturing sites to downstream processing and  
15970 repackaging sites, or for final disposal of 1,1-dichloroethane. More broadly under TSCA, “distribution  
15971 in commerce” and “distribute in commerce” are defined under TSCA section 3(5).  
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**O.3.4 Commercial Use in Laboratory Chemicals**

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15973 This COU refers to the use of 1,1-dichloroethane as laboratory chemical, such as a chemical standard or  
15974 reference material during analysis. A commenter (EPA-HQ-OPPT-2018-0426-0026) provided  
15975 descriptions of their use of 1,1- dichloroethane in analytical standard, research, equipment calibration  
15976 and sample preparation applications, including reference sample for analysis of terrestrial and  
15977 extraterrestrial material samples.  
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**O.3.5 Disposal**

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15979 Each of the conditions of use of 1,1-dichloroethane may generate waste streams of the chemical that are  
15980 collected and transported to third-party sites for disposal, treatment, or recycling. Wastes of 1,1-  
15981 dichloroethane that are generated during a condition of use and sent to a third-party site for treatment  
15982 and disposal include wastewater and solid waste. 1,1-dichloroethane may be contained in wastewater  
15983 discharged to POTW or other, non-public treatment works for treatment. Industrial wastewater  
15984 containing 1,1-dichloroethane discharged to a POTW may be subject to EPA or authorized NPDES state  
15985 pretreatment programs. Solid wastes are defined under RCRA as any material that is discarded by being:  
15986 abandoned; inherently waste-like; a discarded military munition; or recycled in certain ways (certain  
15987 instances of the generation and legitimate reclamation of secondary materials are exempted as solid  
15988 wastes under RCRA). The presence of 1,1-dichloroethane in the reuse of produced water is included in  
15989 the disposal condition of use.  
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