

THE TRUE COST OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY'S PRODUCTS



\$977,000,000,000

Annual costs related to childhood lead exposure in low- and middle-income countries

\$236,000,000,000

Annual costs for pollution associated with the production and use of volatile organic compounds

€157,000,000,000

Median annual health cost for diseases associated with endocrine disrupting chemicals in the European Union

\$90,000,000,000

Health-related pesticide costs in Sub-Saharan Africa from 2005 - 2020

At least \$1 TRILLION

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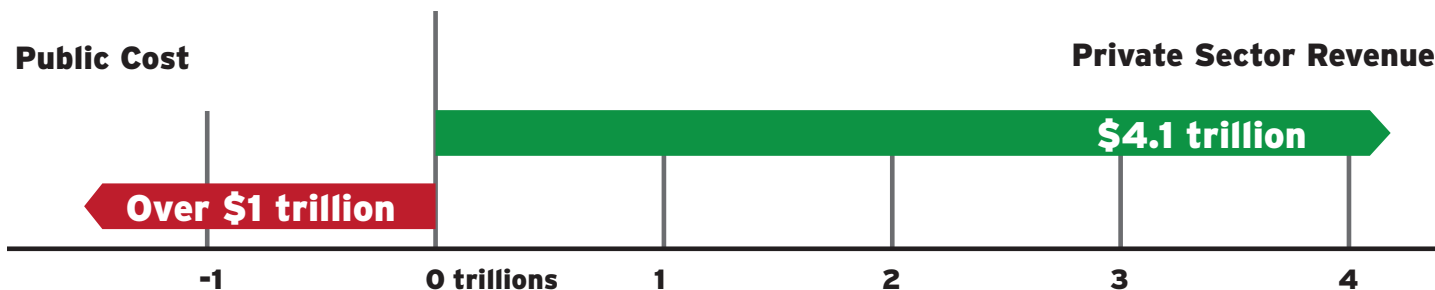
THEIR STORIES: [IPEN.ORG/CHEMICAL-VICTIMS](https://ipen.org/chemical-victims)

\$4,100,000,000,000

The global chemical industry has a turn-over of about USD **\$4.1 trillion per year.**

“The vast majority of human health costs linked to chemicals production, consumption and disposal are not borne by chemicals producers, or shared down the value-chain. Uncompensated harms to human health and the environment are market failures that need correction.”

— UNEP (*Global Chemicals Outlook, 2012*)



A RESPONSIBLE chemical industry would pay the true costs for managing their products, instead of externalizing their toxic liabilities.