

Possible Sources of Lead

Occupational

Painters
Home remodelers/renovators
Construction/demolition workers
Bridge maintenance/repair
Auto body repairers/painters
Battery manufacturers/recyclers
Radiator repairers/manufacturing
Furniture refinishers
Plumbers, pipe fitters
Roofers
Lead miners, smelters, & refiners
Glass, copper and brass manufacturers
Boat builders/painters/repair/maintenance
Ceramics making /glaze mixing
Printers (ink)
Plastic & rubber manufacturers
Police officers
Firing range instructors
Steel welders or cutters
Jewelry-making
Gas station attendants
Aircraft repair
X-ray shielding/film radiology

Hobbies and Related Activities

Home remodeling/renovation
Car or boat repair
Glazing/making pottery
Reloading/target shooting at firing ranges
Furniture refinishing
Making/handling lead shot and fishing weights/sinkers
Using lead soldering/welding
Oil painting (artistic)
Using pastel art pencils
Making stained glass
Jewelry making
Using/making diving & exercise weights
Repairing old painted wooden or metal toys

Environmental/Other

Lead-based paint (pre-1978)
Soil/dust near lead industries, roadways, lead-painted houses
Plumbing and solder
Cosmetics & hair dye
Imported vinyl mini-blinds
Imported ceramic tiles for the kitchen/bathroom
Building materials:
Gutters, flashing, tile, window glazing
Ceramicware/glazed pottery
Porcelain bathtubs
Leaded glass/pewter
Leaded gasoline (race, collector cars)
Soldered seams-imported canned food
Soldered copper pipes
Submersible pumps in wells
Brass plumbing fixtures
Bronze, pewter, leaded crystal
Electronics manufacturers
Pesticides
Imported crayons
Storage batteries
Plastic insulation on electrical wiring and old telephone wiring
Candle wicks

Ingested Sources

Traditional/home remedies (Azarcon, Greta, Pay-loo-ah, Kohl, Ayurvedic).
See our website for a listing of other home remedies that may contain lead.
Imported candy and candy wrappers
Supplements (calcium)

For more on sources of lead or preventing lead poisoning, visit our website at www.healthoregon.org/lead.