

REGULATE

WASTE DISCHARGES TO LAND-NON15

GROUP: MUNICIPAL WASTE NON15 FACILITIES

MEASURE: NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS
NUMBER OF FACILITIES INSPECTED

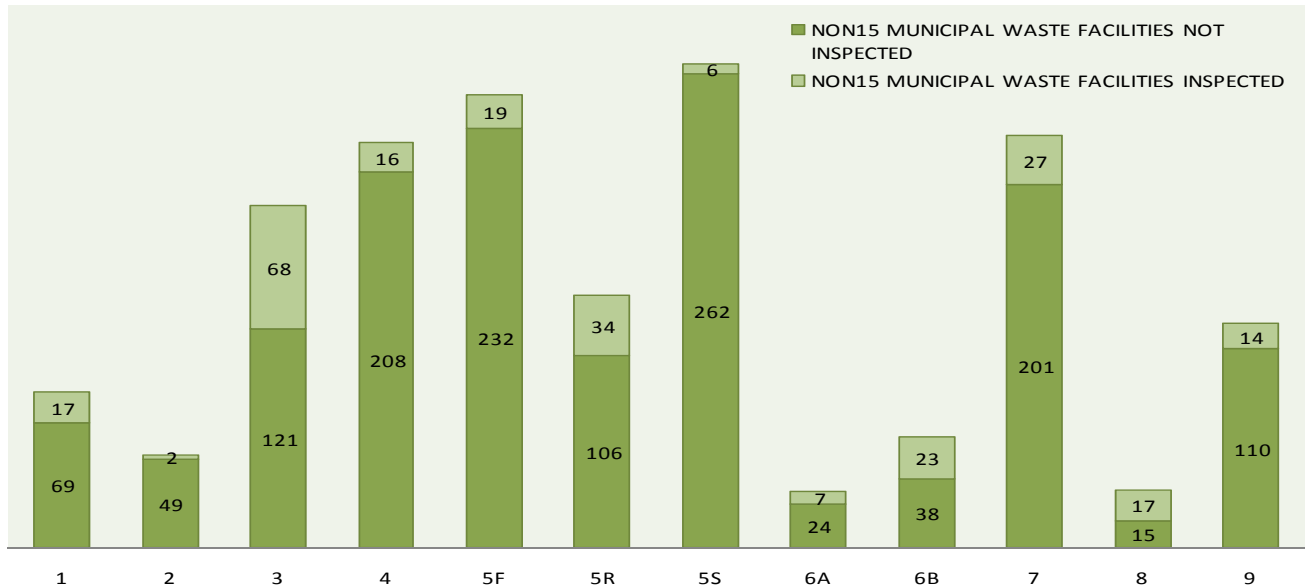
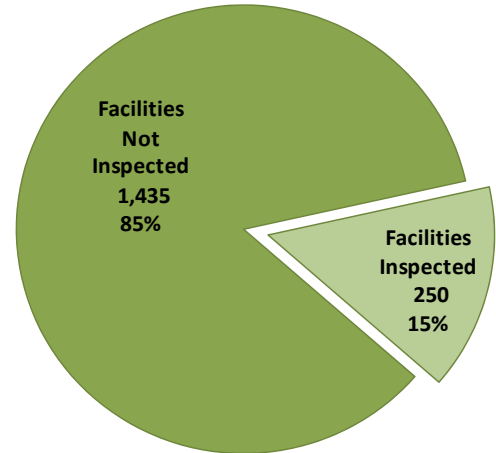
MESSAGE: Significant variation in inspection frequency across the regions.

KEY STATISTICS FOR FY 2008-09

NUMBER OF ACTIVE FACILITIES: 1,685
NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS: 311
NUMBER OF FACILITIES INSPECTED: 250

MEASUREMENTS:

Region	Facilities	Inspections	Facilities Inspected	Percentage Facilities Inspected
1	86	21	17	20%
2	51	2	2	4%
3	189	81	68	36%
4	224	18	16	7%
5	659	88	59	9%
6	92	37	30	33%
7	228	28	27	12%
8	32	22	17	53%
9	124	14	14	11%
TOTAL	1,685	311	250	15%



WHAT THE MEASURE IS SHOWING:

Although the percentage of facilities inspected varies among the different Regional Water Boards, the statewide percentage of facilities inspected is relatively low. Overall, only 15% of the facilities were inspected. Some facilities are inspected more than once a year; that is why the total number of inspections is greater than the total number of facilities inspected.

WHY THIS MEASURE IS IMPORTANT:

Inspections are a primary tool used in the NON15 program to assess compliance with requirements. Inspection frequencies for NON15 facilities are based on threats to water quality. In addition, the Regional Boards assess compliance by reviewing self-monitoring reports submitted by the discharger and responding to complaints. Validation of conditions described by self-monitoring data must be done through periodic inspection, and inspection is the only means to evaluate system maintenance and to observe unreported activities. Inspections are performed by priority, with high-risk sites and registered complaints receiving more attention.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Data source: CIWQS. Period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009. Extracted on August 15, 2009.
- Unit of Measure: Number of facilities inspected at least once during FY 08-09.
- Data Definitions: Inspections conducted by Regional Water Board staff, State Water Board staff, or contractors.
- References: More information on the Water Boards' WDR NON15 program is available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/land_disposal/waste_discharge_requirements.shtml
- Public reports and data are available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ciwqs/publicreports.shtml
- Enforcement and compliance assurance information is available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/enforcement/

GLOSSARY:**Municipal Sources**

Facilities that treat sewage or a mixture of predominantly sewage and other waste from districts, municipalities, communities, hospitals, schools, and publicly or privately owned systems (excluding individual surface leaching systems disposing of less than 1,000 gallons per day).

Waste Discharge Requirements-NON15 Program

The Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Program regulates all point source discharges of waste to land that do not require full containment (which falls under the [Land Discharge Program](#)), or are not subject to the NPDES Program.