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Description of Reports from the Incident Data System

Reports the Office of Pesticide Program's (OPP's) Incident Data System display information about incidents associated with a specified chemical or active ingredient. The chemical name and number is displayed on the top of the report; in these reports, the incidents listed are associated with **paraquat** and **paraquat dichloride** and represent all incident reports submitted to EPA on these chemicals from **January 1, 2001 through November 24, 2010**.

Displayed on the first row is the **Package Number** which is the unique identifier of the submission, as well as the party that submitted the package and a general description of the entire package. If a package contained many incident reports involving different exposure types, they all will be summarized in the Package Description.

Indented below the package information is information about any incident within that package that is associated with a product that contains the specified active ingredient.

The **fields in the incident record** are as follows:

- The Incident # is the unique number of the incident within the package. It is displayed along with reported information about:
 - the date the incident occurred, the city, county and state in which the incident occurred, the exposure type code (see below),
 - the EPA Registration Number of the product (if known),
 - the name of the product,
 - the registrant of the product.
- Note that the state code **ZZ** indicates an incident which occurred outside of the U.S.
- One extra field notes whether the report is a new report or an update to a previous report.

It is important to note that not all incident reports include all data items the data base is capable of managing; they include the data that was included in the report. For example, some incident reports do not include the date the incident occurred, the state where it occurred, etc. In some cases, the registration number of the product associated with the incident may not have been known or reported to the registrant and only a general identification of the product or active ingredient is provided. In those cases, the EPA Registration Number field may be blank, but the name of the active ingredient may be included in the product name field.

Exposure Type Codes:

H	Human
HA	Human death
HB	Major human incident
HC	Moderate human incident
HD	Minor human incident
HE	Human incident; symptoms unknown or unspecified
C	Contamination
D	Domestic animal
DA	Domestic animal death
DB	Major domestic animal incident
DC	Moderate domestic animal incident
DD	Minor domestic animal incident
E	Property damage
EA	Major property damage incident
EB	Moderate property damage incident
EC	Minor property damage incident
F	Other
W	Wildlife
WA	Major wildlife incident
WB	Minor wildlife incident
G	Groundwater
GA	Major groundwater incident
GB	Moderate groundwater incident
GC	Minor groundwater incident
G1	Major groundwater incident (In Well)
G2	Moderate groundwater incident (In Well)
G3	Minor groundwater incident (In Well)
S	Surface Water
S1	Major surface water incident
S2	Moderate surface water incident
S3	Minor surface water incident
D1	Major drinking water incident
D2	Moderate drinking water incident
D3	Minor drinking water incident
P	Plant
PA	Major plant damage incident
PB	Minor plant damage Incident
ON	Other Non-Target (Shrimp, Lobster, Honeybees, etc.)