

Table 15.1 The world's most polluted places (alphabetically by city or site), 2013

Site Name and Location	Major Pollutants and Sources
Agbogbloshie Dumpsite, Ghana	Heavy metals and particulates from e-waste recycling and processing
Chernobyl, Ukraine	Radioactive materials from 1986 nuclear reactor explosion
Citarum River Basin, Indonesia	Heavy metals and particulates from industry
Dzerzhinsk, Russia	Chemicals and toxic by-products, lead from chemical weapons, and industrial manufacturing
Hazarlbagh, Bangladesh	Chemicals and toxic by-products from tannery manufacturing
Kabwe, Zambia	Heavy metals and particulates from mining and smelting operations
Kallantan, Indonesia	Heavy metals and particulates from mining and smelting operations
Matanza-Riachuelo, Argentina	Heavy metals and particulates from chemical manufacturers
Niger River Delta, Nigeria	Oil and hydrocarbons from petroleum operations
Norilsk, Russia	Heavy metals and particulates from mining and smelting operations

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