

Lead Exposure and Illness in New Mexico Adults

All lead levels in blood are a notifiable condition.

In 2023, forty-nine adults had blood lead levels elevated at or above 10 μ g/dL. The pie chart depicts the distribution of the lead exposure sources. Non-occupational exposures were related to firearm hobbies, automotive repair, or a past retained bullet.



Exposure sources for forty-nine adults with elevated blood levels (at or above 10 ug/dL) in NM, 2023 Occupational Exposures Non-occupational Exposures Unknown Unable to Determine Exposure Source

What We Do







Case Management

Provides services to adults with high blood lead levels

Health Care Providers

Works with health care providers to determine the source of lead exposure and how to prevent further exposure

Data Collection

Collects additional information, such as occupation and industry in order to prevent further exposure in the workplace

Collaborations

Works with New Mexico Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) for workplace exposure prevention

Occupation and Industry Lead Exposure Sources

- Electronic component manufacturing
- Law enforcement
- Automotive body and paint repair
- Stained glass production
- Commercial painting
- Aeroparts manufacturing
- Firing range employment

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