

Environmental Health

ABOUT THE COVER



This month's cover reflects the findings of our feature, "Global Benefits From the Phaseout of Leaded Fuel," including a best-estimate

global savings of \$2.45 trillion and a decrease in average blood lead levels from 17.1 µg/dL to 2.7 µg/dL due to the transition from leaded to unleaded gasoline. The authors point out that environmental health programs have to be financially justified especially in today's tough economic times, so they take data from previous studies that examined the detrimental health effects and costs of lead exposure in the U.S. to estimate the global cost savings of leaded gasoline phaseout.

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