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## Liquid discharges from nuclear installations in 200J

### **OSPAR Convention**

The Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic (the "OSPAR Convention") was opened for signature at the Ministerial Meeting of the former Oslo and Paris Commissions in Paris on 22 September 1992. The Convention entered into force on 25 March 1998. It has been ratified by Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom and approved by the European Union and Spain.

### **Convention OSPAR**

La Convention pour la protection du milieu marin de l'Atlantique du Nord-Est, dite Convention OSPAR, a été ouverte à la signature à la réunion ministérielle des anciennes Commissions d'Oslo et de Paris, à Paris le 22 septembre 1992. La Convention est entrée en vigueur le 25 mars 1998. La Convention a été ratifiée par l'Allemagne, la Belgique, le Danemark, la Finlande, la France, l'Irlande, l'Islande, le Luxembourg, la Norvège, les Pays-Bas, le Portugal, le Royaume-Uni de Grande Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord, la Suède et la Suisse et approuvée par l'Union européenne et l'Espagne.

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## Executive summary

***Discharges of radioactive substances, measured as total alpha and total beta activity and excluding tritium, from nuclear installations have decreased over the period 1990 – 2009. The discharges of tritium peaked in 2004.***

This annual report includes the data of 2009 on liquid radioactive discharges from nuclear installations and temporal trends for the period 1990 - 2008. On this basis, an assessment has been made for the discharges from nuclear power stations, nuclear fuel reprocessing plants, nuclear fuel fabrication and enrichment plants, and research and development facilities. Discharges are reported as total alpha, tritium and total beta activity (excluding tritium) in terabecquerel per year (TBq/y) for each type of nuclear installation.

There is a decrease in the **total alpha activity** discharged from all nuclear installations over the 19-year period. Although there was a very slight increase in the total alpha activity discharged in 2009 from nuclear installations relative to 2008, discharges still account less than one-tenth of the peak value in 1993. There was a 23% decrease compared to 2008 in alpha discharges from the fuel fabrication sub-sector at the Springfields site. However, there was a 22% increase of alpha discharges from the reprocessing plant at Sellafield compared to 2008. The figures for the reprocessing plant at La Hague showed a reduction of 18%. Total alpha discharges arising from decommissioning are insignificant.

Downward trends for discharges of **tritium** since 2004 were re-established. However, such trends were related to reprocessing throughput and could rise or fall in the future. Due to the increase in reprocessing throughput, tritium discharges also rose in 2009. Both La Hague and Sellafield registered an increase in discharges in 2009. Discharges of tritium from nuclear power stations contributed nearly 22% of the total tritium discharges, an increase by 34% compared to 2008.

**Total beta discharges** (excluding tritium) from all nuclear installations are dominated by discharges from the reprocessing plant which contributed approximately 70% of the overall discharges. There was a 30% increase in Tc-99 discharges in 2009 at Sellafield, representing 17% of total beta discharges from that site. However, total beta discharges from the fuel fabrication sub-sector at Springfields decreased by 29% compared to the 2008 figure. Total beta discharges (excluding tritium) arising from decommissioning were insignificant.

## Récapitulatif

***La mesure des activités d'alpha total et de bêta total, à l'exclusion du tritium, révèle que les rejets de substances radioactives, provenant des installations nucléaires, ont diminué entre 1990 et 2009. Les rejets de tritium ont atteint leur maximum en 2004.***

Le présent rapport annuel comporte les données de 2009 sur les rejets radioactifs liquides provenant des installations nucléaires et les tendances temporelles pour la période de 1990 à 2008. Une évaluation a été réalisée, à partir de ces informations, portant sur les rejets provenant des centrales nucléaires, des usines de retraitement de combustible nucléaire, des usines de production de combustible nucléaire et des usines d'enrichissement ainsi que des installations de recherche et de développement. Les rejets sont notifiés au titre des activités d'alpha total, de tritium et de bêta total (à l'exclusion du tritium) et exprimés en terabecquerel par an (TBq/y) pour chaque type d'installation nucléaire.

**L'activité d'alpha total** rejetée par toutes les installations nucléaires a diminué au cours des dix-neuf dernières années. Bien qu'on ait relevé une légère augmentation de l'activité d'alpha total en 2009 des installations nucléaires à comparer à 2008, les rejets d'activité alpha représentent un dixième du maximum enregistré en 1993. Par rapport à 2008, on note une réduction de 23 % des rejets d'activité alpha des usines de production de combustible nucléaire à Springfields et une augmentation de 22 % des usines de

retraitement de combustible nucléaire. On enregistre une réduction de 18 % des rejets de l'usine de retraitement à La Hague. Les rejets de total alpha provenant du déclassé sont insignifiants.

Les tendances à la baisse des rejets de **tritium** que l'on observe depuis 2004 se sont confirmées. Toutefois, ces tendances sont liées au débit des usines de retraitement, et pourraient augmenter ou diminuer à l'avenir. En raison de l'augmentation du débit des usines de retraitement, les rejets totaux de tritium ont également augmenté en 2009. On enregistre une hausse des rejets de La Hague et de Sellafield en 2009. Les rejets de tritium des centrales nucléaires contribuent presque 22 % des rejets totaux de tritium, une hausse de 34% par rapport à 2008.

Les **rejets totaux de total bêta** (à l'exclusion du tritium) émanant de toutes les installations nucléaires représentent pour la plupart les rejets des usines de retraitement, contribuant environ 70% de l'ensemble des rejets. On relève une hausse de 30 % des rejets de Tc-99 de Sellafield, représentant 17 % des rejets de total bêta de cette usine. Toutefois, on note une diminution de 29 % de l'usine de production de combustible nucléaire à Springfield par rapport à 2008. Les rejets de total alpha provenant du déclassé sont insignifiants.

## 1. Introduction

The possibility of harm to the marine environment and its users (including the consumers of food produced from the marine environment) from inputs of radionuclides caused by human activities was always a subject with which the 1972 Oslo and 1974 Paris Conventions were concerned – a concern taken over by the 1992 OSPAR Convention and taken forward in the work of implementing it. When the Paris Convention was adopted in 1974, in order to provide for international action against land-based sources of marine pollution, the Contracting Parties undertook “to adopt measures to forestall and, as appropriate, eliminate pollution of the maritime area from land-based sources by radioactive substances”.

When the first Ministerial Meeting under the 1992 Convention of the OSPAR Commission was held in 1998 at Sintra, Portugal, agreement was reached on a strategy to guide the future work of the OSPAR Commission on protecting the marine environment of the North-East Atlantic against radioactive substances arising from human activities. This strategy was revised by the Ministerial Meeting of the OSPAR Commission at Bergen in 2010. The OSPAR Radioactive Substances Strategy thus now provides that:

“The OSPAR Commission’s strategic objective with regard to radioactive substances is to prevent pollution of the OSPAR maritime area from ionising radiation through progressive and substantial reductions of discharges, emissions and losses of radioactive substances, with the ultimate aim of concentrations in the environment near background values for naturally occurring radioactive substances and close to zero for artificial radioactive substances. In achieving this objective the following issues should, *inter alia*, be taken into account:

- a. radiological impacts on man and biota;
- b. legitimate uses of the sea;
- c. technical feasibility.”

The Strategy further provides that:

“The Radioactive Substances Strategy will be implemented progressively by making every endeavour, through appropriate actions and measures to ensure that by the year 2020 discharges, emissions and losses of radioactive substances are reduced to levels where the additional concentrations in the marine environment above historic levels, resulting from such discharges, emissions and losses, are close to zero.”

The Programme for More Detailed Implementation of the Strategy with regard to Radioactive Substances (the "RSS Implementation Programme" - OSPAR Agreement Number: 2001-03) and the agreements made at the second OSPAR Ministerial Meeting, in effect, provide that

- a. the Contracting Parties will each prepare a national plan for achieving the objective of the Strategy;
- b. they will monitor and report on progress in implementing those plans, and
- c. the OSPAR Commission will periodically evaluate progress against an agreed baseline.

Regular reporting from Contracting Parties is therefore required in order to review progress towards this target.

## 1.1 Programmes and measures

Since the mid 1980s, liquid discharges of radioactive substances from nuclear installations have been addressed under the former Paris Convention (PARCOM) and under the OSPAR Convention. The following relevant measures<sup>1</sup> are applicable<sup>2</sup> under the OSPAR Convention:

PARCOM Recommendation 88/4 on Nuclear Reprocessing Plants;

PARCOM Recommendation 91/4 on Radioactive Discharges<sup>3</sup>;

PARCOM Recommendation 94/8 Concerning Environmental Impact Resulting from Discharges of Radioactive Discharges<sup>4</sup>;

OSPAR Decision 2000/1 on Substantial Reductions and Elimination of Discharges, Emissions and Losses of Radioactive Discharges, with Special Emphasis on Nuclear Reprocessing;

The OSPAR Radioactive Substances Committee agreed at its meeting in 2006 that discharges from "decommissioning and recovery of old waste" should be reported by Contracting Parties as "exceptional discharges".

The OSPAR First and Third Periodic Evaluation of the Progress in Implementing the OSPAR Radioactive Substances Strategy, published in 2006 and 2009, have also informed this report (OSPAR, 2006 and OSPAR, 2009).

## 1.2 Annual reporting

In 1985, Contracting Parties to the former Paris Convention initiated reporting on liquid discharges from nuclear installations. These data have subsequently been submitted annually by Contracting Parties and collated by the Secretariat and, following examination by the Expert Assessment Panel (EAP), published by the Commission in the form of annual reports; at first as part of the OSPAR Commission's general annual report, and from 1991 onwards in annual reports on discharges from nuclear sectors. From 1998 onwards, the annual reports (starting with 1996 data) also contain an assessment of liquid discharges which include a description of the trends from 1989 until the date of the latest report. The OSPAR Commission also published

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<sup>1</sup> All measures referred to in this chapter can be downloaded from the OSPAR website [www.ospar.org](http://www.ospar.org) (under "programmes and measures").

<sup>2</sup> OSPAR Decision 2000/1: France and the United Kingdom abstained from voting.

<sup>3</sup> The implementation of this Recommendation requires an assessment to be carried out as to whether BAT is being applied in nuclear installations. Contracting Parties submit national reports that also contain discharge data on a regular basis thereby using the Guidelines for the submission of information about, and the assessment of, the application of BAT in nuclear facilities (reference number: 2004-03).

<sup>4</sup> Assessments of the effect and relative contributions of remobilised historical discharges and current discharges of radioactive substances, including wastes, on the marine environment have been published in the Quality Status Report 2000 published by the OSPAR Commission in 2000 (ISBN 0 946956 52 9) and in the MARINA II Report published by the European Commission (EC, 2003).

in 1998 a summary of the report on sources, inputs and temporal trends of radioactive discharges from nuclear installations for the years 1989 to 1995 (OSPAR, 1998).

Over time, reporting requirements and formats for data collection as regards nuclear installations have been regularly reviewed and updated in the light of experience and ongoing work under the Commission. With a view to harmonising the way in which data and information are being established and reported, the OSPAR Commission adopted in 1996 the reporting format used for annual data up to 2005 (OSPAR agreement number: 1996-02).

RSC decided at the meeting in 2006, that for data from 2005 onwards, discharges arising from decommissioning and the recovery and conditioning of legacy wastes should be reported separately from operational nuclear discharges. The discharges from such activities were reported as “Exceptional Discharges” and appear in this report in a separate table. The reporting format was last updated in 2010.

### 1.3 Parameters monitored and reported

The tables in this annual report contain data on total alpha, total beta, tritium and individual radionuclides. The assessment in Chapter 2 and the Figures 1, 2 and 3 show trends in discharges of total alpha activity, total beta activity and tritium.

Total alpha and total beta values are useful as they will encompass the contribution to the overall activity from a wide range of radionuclides which, individually, would be difficult to measure or could be below detection limits. However, total alpha and total beta values provide limited information about the potential harm as such information should be based on the characteristics of individual radionuclides. Tritium is reported separately.

There is currently little consistency in the approach adopted by Contracting Parties in the assessment of total alpha and total beta quantities. Consequently, for the purposes of this report total alpha quantities include measurements that are strictly gross alpha; similarly for total beta, quantities as gross beta measurements are included.

Total alpha represents the measured radioactivity of alpha particle emitting radionuclides. These particles, which are composed of two protons and two neutrons, are emitted as a result of the decay of certain radionuclides, the so-called  $\alpha$ -emitters. On average, the total liquid discharges of  $\alpha$ -emitters from all nuclear sites represent mainly Pu-239, Pu-240 and Am-241 and, to a lesser extent, Th-230, Pu-238 and some other nuclides.<sup>5</sup>

Total beta represents the measured radioactivity of beta particle emitting radionuclides. These particles, that are similar to electrons, except that they originate from (processes within) the atomic nucleus, are emitted as a result of the decay of certain radionuclides, the so-called  $\beta$ -emitters. On average, the total liquid discharges of  $\beta$ -emitters from all nuclear sites represent mainly Ru-106, Sr-90, Pu-241, Cs-137, Tc-99 and, to a lesser extent, a range of other radionuclides. Total beta in this report excludes tritium, which is reported separately.

Tritium (H-3) is an isotope of hydrogen that emits low-energy radiation in the form of beta particles. Tritium is discharged from most nuclear power plants, reprocessing plants and some research and development facilities.

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<sup>5</sup> For abbreviations of radionuclides see Chapter 3.

## 2. Assessment of the liquid radioactive discharges from nuclear installations in 2009

### Introduction

Tables 1-3 summarise liquid radioactive discharges from nuclear installations for the period 1990 – 2009; data for 1990–2008 are taken from the previous OSPAR Annual Reports on Liquid Discharges from Nuclear Installations. Reported discharges include data from nuclear power stations, nuclear fuel reprocessing plants, nuclear fuel fabrication and enrichment plants, research and development facilities. Since 2006, discharges from decommissioning are reported separately.

For each type of nuclear installation, Table 1 gives total alpha activity, Table 2 gives tritium and Table 3 gives total beta activity (excluding tritium) in TBq/y as well as the ratio, as a percentage, of the total discharges from all installations. To facilitate comparison of the discharges year by year, Figures 1 to 3 show trends for total alpha, tritium and total beta (excluding tritium) for the time period 1990 to 2009.

### Trends in total alpha discharges

Figure 1 shows a very slight increase in the total alpha activity discharged in 2009 from all nuclear installations relative to 2008. The position remains that discharges of alpha activity are still less than one-tenth of the peak value in 1993, and are still lower than 2006 and all previous years.

Fuel reprocessing sub-sector - in 2009 the total alpha discharge from Sellafield was 22% higher than the previous year (2005, 0.25TBq; 2006, 0.21TBq; 2007, 0.125TBq; 2008, 0.127TBq; 2009, 0.154TBq). The increase at Sellafield was offset to some degree as a result of reductions in discharges from the reprocessing plant at La Hague. The La Hague plant contributed only 0.013TBq (7%) to the overall total alpha discharge, which is a 23% reduction on 2008 (0.017TBq).

The decline in discharges from the fuel fabrication sub-sector continues, with the total alpha discharge from the Springfields site during 2009 some 23% lower than in 2008 (2005, 0.25TBq; 2006, 0.11TBq; 2007, 0.026TBq; 2008, 0.022TBq; 2009, 0.017TBq). This amounts to 7% of the overall total alpha discharge.

Discharges from research and development facilities continue to decline and for 2009 were only 72MBq in total, a 20% reduction on 2008. Total alpha discharges arising from decommissioning have been recorded separately since 2006, but do not contribute significantly to the overall total.

### Trends in tritium discharges

Figure 2 presents the discharges of tritium, in terms of activity. The sum of the tritium discharges from all installations increased from around 8000TBq/y during the period 1990 - 1992 to a peak of 20634TBq in 2004. This increase was mainly due to the discharges from La Hague (2001, 9650TBq; 2002, 12000TBq; 2003, 11900TBq; 2004, 13900TBq). During the period 2005 to 2006 discharges of tritium from La Hague fell significantly (2005, 13500TBq; 2006, 11100TBq), but rose by 8% in 2007 (12000TBq). In 2008 the tritium discharges from La Hague fell to 8190TBq, but rose by 11% in 2009 to 9130TBq. As mentioned in earlier reports, tritium discharges tend to follow trends in reprocessing throughput. The reprocessing plant at La Hague contributed 67% of the total tritium discharge from all sectors in 2009 (13593TBq).

The tritium discharges from Sellafield declined over the four-year period 2004-2007 to a low point of 628TBq in 2007, but increased in 2008 (778TBq) and increased further in 2009 to 1510TBq.

During 2009 nuclear power stations contributed nearly 22% of the total tritium discharges from the nuclear sector. The discharges of tritium from this sector increased by 34% in 2009 (2948TBq) ending a 6-year



downward trend. The UK AGRs contributed 53% (1560TBq) of the tritium discharges from the nuclear power sub-sector; this is a rise of 8% (114TBq) over the previous year, but only accounts for 15% of the increase from this sector. 2008 will probably prove to have been an abnormally low year for tritium discharges from the nuclear power sub-sector.

The contribution to discharges from the research and development facilities (2.4TBq) is less than half the previous year (6TBq). Tritium discharges arising from decommissioning have been recorded separately since 2006, and though they are a very minor contributor they are quite variable. Discharges in 2009 (1.9TBq) were only 17% of those reported in 2008 (11.2TBq).

## Trends in total beta discharges

Figure 3 shows that the sum of total beta activity (excluding tritium) from all nuclear installations has decreased markedly over the past 19 years, from 491TBq (1990), down to 29.9TBq (2009). Historically, total beta discharges have been dominated by discharges from the reprocessing plant at Sellafield and the nuclear fuel plant at Springfields. The top three 2009 contributions were: Sellafield, 60%; La Hague, 12%; and Springfields, 11%. Reprocessing contributes approximately 70% of the overall discharges.

Prior to 2002 the high total beta discharges from Sellafield (2001, 123TBq) were mainly attributable to the radionuclide Technetium-99 (2001, 79TBq). The contribution from Technetium-99 to the total beta discharge at Sellafield has been reducing steadily over the period 2001-2008 (2001, 79TBq; 2002, 85TBq; 2003, 37TBq; 2004, 14TBq; 2005, 6.7TBq; 2006, 5.6TBq; 2007, 4.9TBq; 2008, 2.37TBq), but there was a 30% increase in Tc-99 discharges in 2009 (3.08TBq), but still accounts for only 17% of the total beta discharge from that site. The 7-year downward trend (to 2008) in total beta discharges from Sellafield (2001, 123TBq; 2002, 112TBq; 2003, 83TBq; 2004, 73TBq; 2005, 43TBq; 2006, 29TBq; 2007, 24.8TBq; 2008, 14.3TBq) ended in 2009 with a 24% rise relative to 2008, mostly due to radionuclides other than Tc-99.

In the 3 years prior to 2008, the most significant change noted in total beta discharges was the decline in beta discharges from the fuel fabrication sub-sector, in particular from the Springfields site (2005, 103TBq; 2006, 20.7TBq; 2007, 3TBq). However, in 2008 the total beta discharges from Springfields rose by 53% to 4.58TBq, but in 2009 there was a 29% reduction on the 2008 figure to 3.27TBq, which highlights the variability of these much reduced discharges.

**Table 1.** Total alpha discharges 1990-2009

## TOTAL ALPHA

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
All Nuclear Installations (TBq)	2.43	2.43	1.84	2.88	1.36	0.68	0.57	0.38	0.43	0.41	0.33	0.41	0.61	0.62	0.54	0.52	0.34	0.19	0.17	0.19
Reprocessing Plants (TBq)	2.20	2.25	1.71	2.70	1.10	0.47	0.32	0.23	0.22	0.17	0.16	0.25	0.39	0.43	0.31	0.27	0.23	0.15	0.14	0.17
% of all installations	90.5	92.6	92.9	93.8	80.9	69.1	56.1	61.0	50.9	41.2	47.7	59.9	63.3	69.8	57.3	51.7	68.2	76.54	83.46	88.9
Nuclear Power Plants (TBq)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% of all installations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuclear Fuel Fabrication (TBq)	0.21	0.15	0.10	0.08	0.16	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.20	0.24	0.17	0.16	0.22	0.18	0.23	0.25	0.11	0.04	0.02	0.02
% of all installations	8.6	6.2	5.4	2.8	11.8	17.6	21.1	31.8	46.1	58.1	51.7	39.7	36.3	29.5	42.5	48.1	31.6	23.09	12.84	9.1
R&D Facilities (TBq)	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.13	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of all installations	0.8	1.2	1.6	3.5	7.4	13.2	22.8	7.2	3.0	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.06	0.05	0.03
Decommissioning (TBq)																	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
% of all installations																	0.2	0.31	3.65	1.9

**Table 2.** Tritium discharges 1990-2009

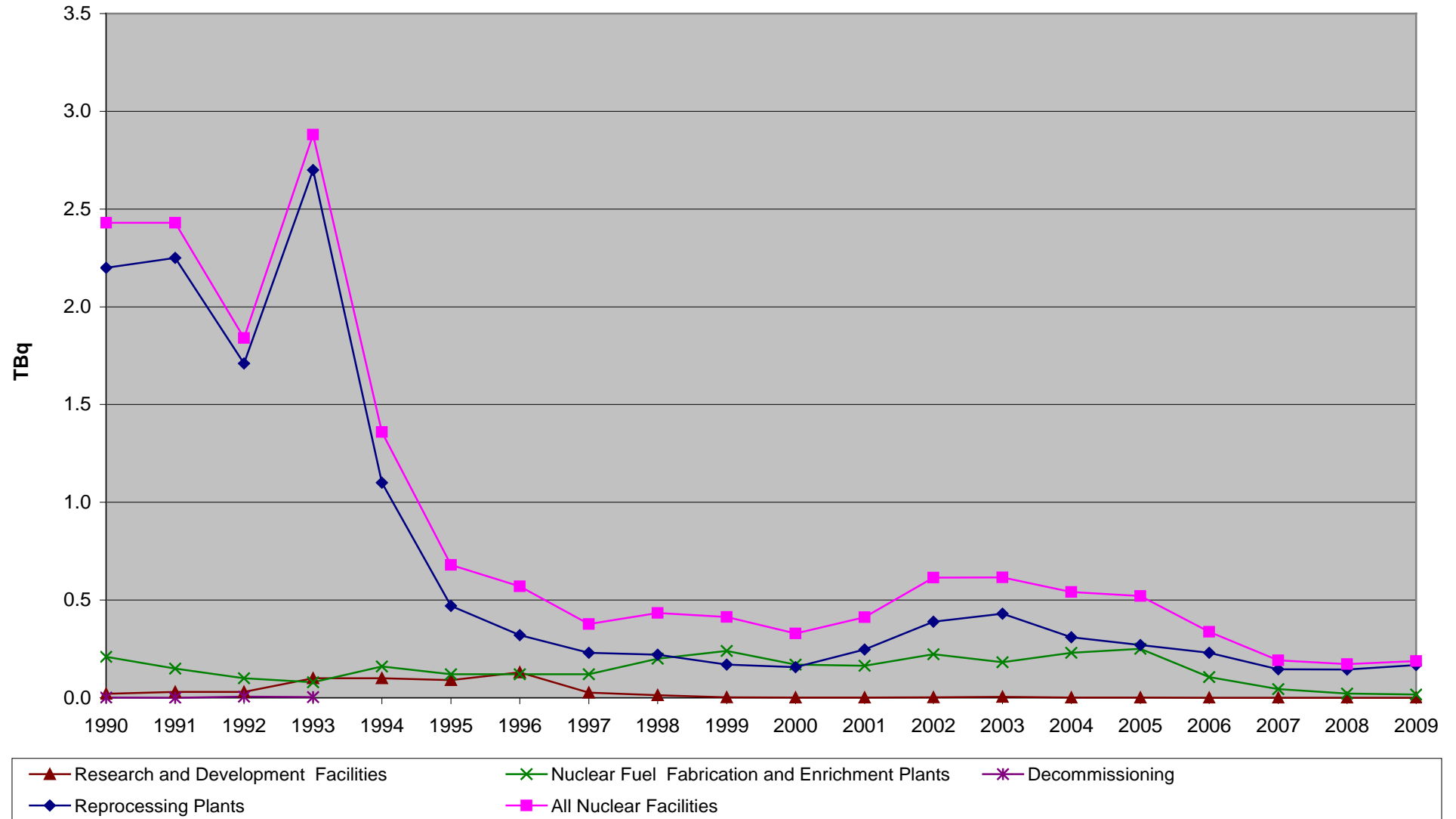
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	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
All Nuclear Installations (TBq)	7224	8798	7658	10902	12931	15040	16779	17956	16244	18771	16548	15759	18880	19637	20637	18517	15607	15594	11178	13593
Reprocessing Plants (TBq)	4959	6513	4969	7460	9770	12310	13500	14500	12800	15420	13300	12210	15220	15800	17070	15070	12190	12628	8968	10640
% of all installations	68.6	74.0	64.9	68.4	75.6	81.8	80.5	80.8	78.8	82.1	80.4	77.5	80.6	80.5	82.7	81.4	78.6	81.0	80.2	78.3
Nuclear Power Plants (TBq)	2164	2252	2666	3354	3044	2713	3264	3440	3430	3335	3241	3543	3648	3819	3560	3429	3394	2936	2193	2948
% of all installations	30.0	25.6	34.8	30.8	23.5	18.0	19.5	19.2	21.1	17.8	19.6	22.5	19.3	19.4	17.3	18.5	21.7	18.8	19.6	21.7
Nuclear Fuel Fabrication (TBq)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% of all installations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R&D Facilities (TBq)	101	32	24	88	118	17	15	16	14	16	7	6	12	18	7	18	5	6	6	2.40
% of all installations	1.4	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Decommissioning (TBq)																	16.90	25.07	11.18	1.90
% of all installations																	0.1	0.16	0.10	0.0

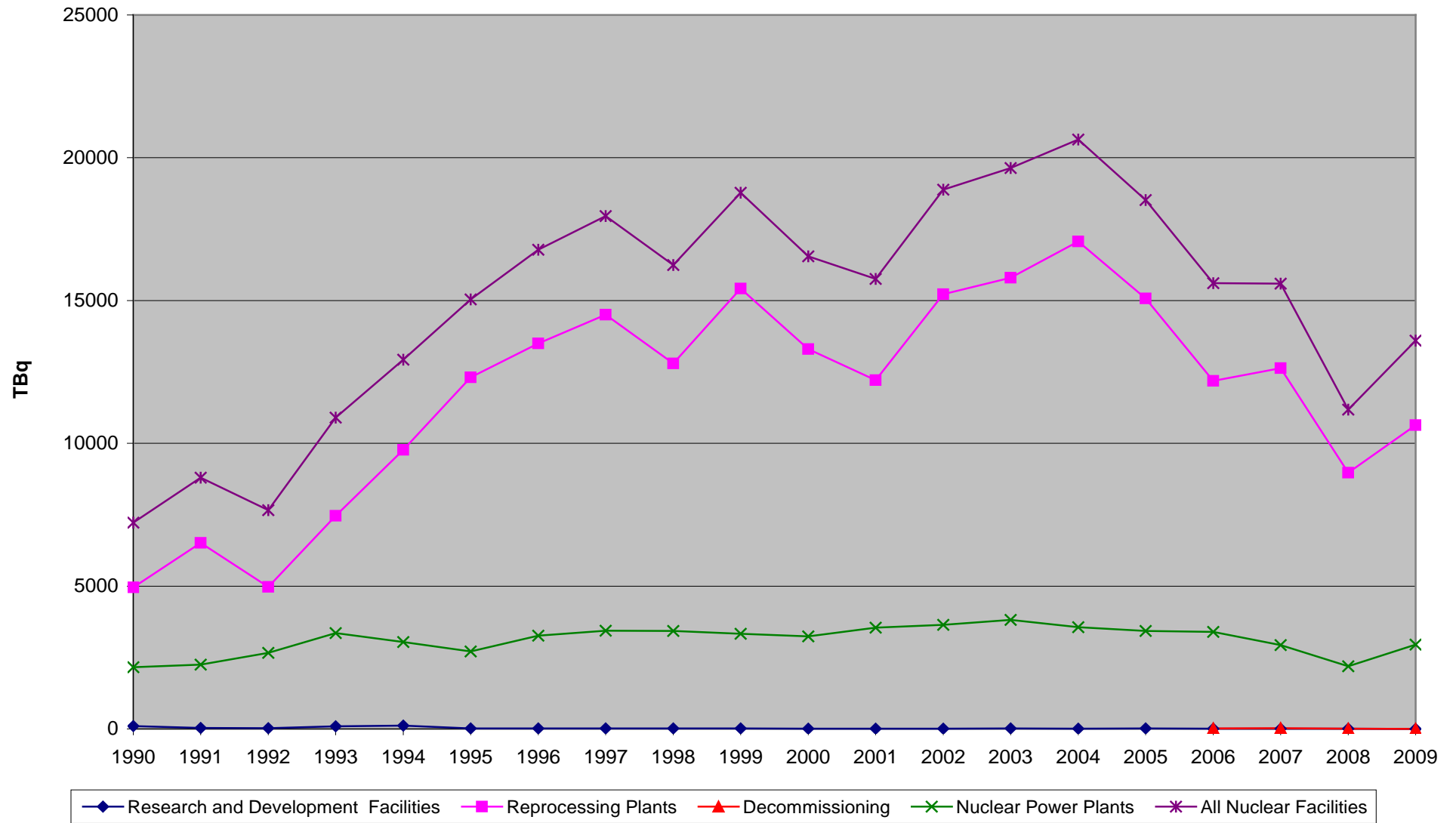
**Table 3.** Total beta (excl tritium) discharges 1990-2009

TOTAL BETA	(OTHER RADIONUCLIDES EXCLUDING TRITIUM)																			
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
All Nuclear Installations (TBq)	491	227	269	252	321	365	332	315	265	256	172	231	235	198	204	105	58	33.42	27.23	29.81
Reprocessing Plants (TBq)	384	178	134	170	195	243	169	167	112	126	98	141	125	97	86	54	37	29.61	20.67	21.34
% of all installations	78.2	78.4	49.7	67.4	60.8	66.5	50.9	53.0	42.3	49.1	56.9	61.2	53.1	49.0	42.3	51.8	62.5	88.6	75.9	71.6
Nuclear Power Plants (TBq)	10.3	3.8	8.9	11.1	2.8	3.4	5.2	7.4	2.0	2.0	3.0	4.2	3.6	3.2	1.3	2.0	0.75	0.46	1.53	2.1
% of all installations	2.1	1.7	3.3	4.4	0.9	0.9	1.6	2.3	0.8	0.8	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.6	0.6	1.9	1.3	1.4	5.6	7
Nuclear Fuel Fabrication (TBq)	92	39	120	63	114	112	150	140	150	128	71	85	106	97	116	103	21	3	5	3
% of all installations	18.7	17.1	44.6	25.0	35.5	30.7	45.1	44.4	56.7	49.9	41.2	36.8	45.1	49.1	56.8	98.0	35.4	8.9	16.8	11
R&D Facilities (TBq)	4.5	6.3	6.6	8.2	9.1	7.0	8.1	1.0	0.66	0.36	0.30	0.46	0.46	0.44	0.47	0.09	0.06	0.13	0.07	2.31
% of all installations	0.9	2.8	2.5	3.2	2.8	1.9	2.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	7.7
Decommissioning (TBq)																	0.40	0.04	0.38	0.80
% of all installations																	0.0	0.1	1.4	2.7

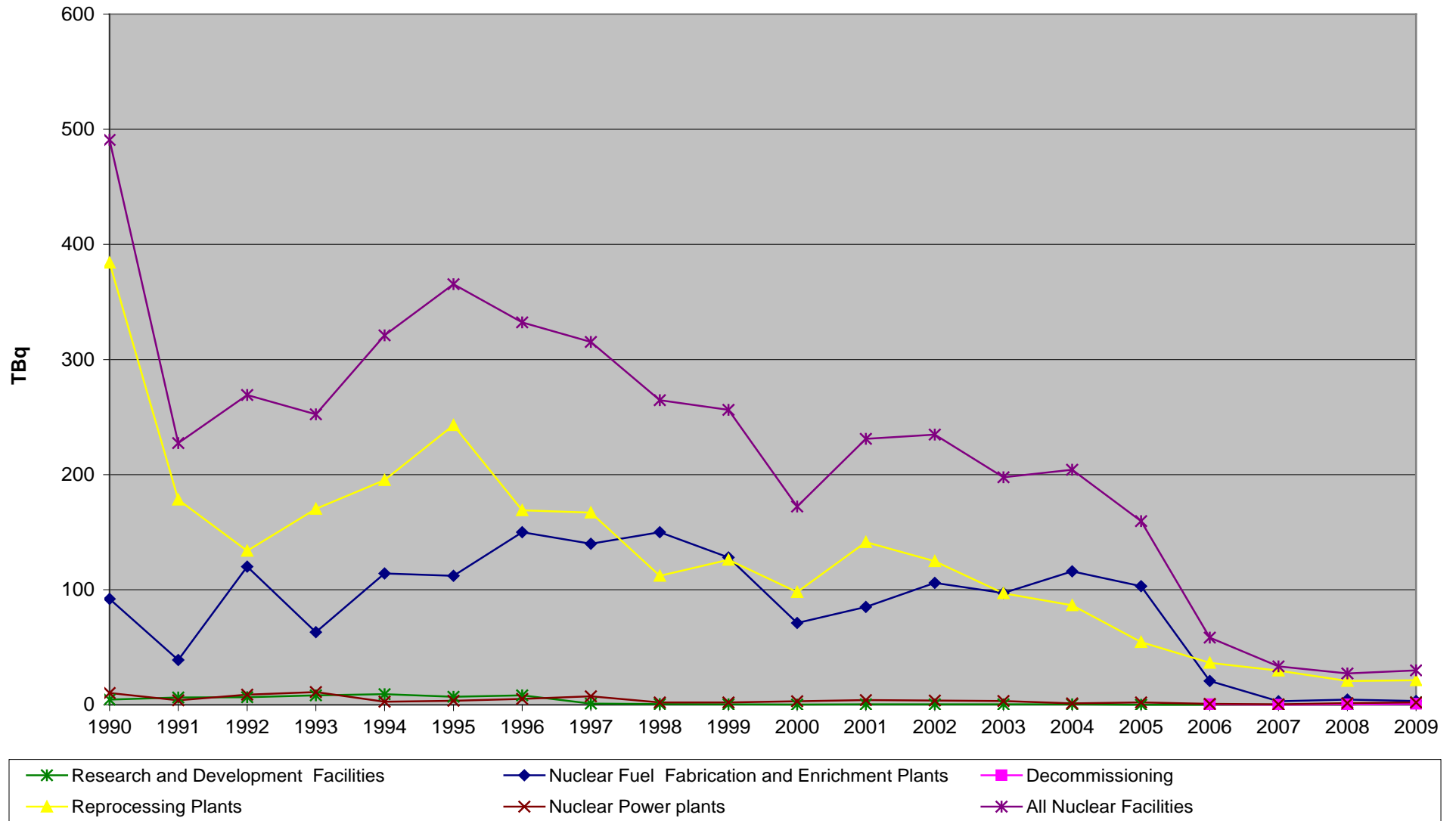
### Total Alpha Discharges



### Tritium Discharges



### Total Beta Discharges



### 3. 2009 data and information

This chapter presents information on the location of the nuclear installations and data and information on liquid discharges for each Contracting Party under the following categories of nuclear installations draining into the OSPAR maritime area:

- Table 4: Nuclear Power Stations;
- Table 5: Nuclear Fuel Reprocessing Plants;
- Table 6: Nuclear Fuel Fabrication and Enrichment Plants;
- Table 7: Research and Development Facilities;
- Table 8: Discharges from decommissioning and treatment/recovery of old radioactive waste.

Further detailed information with respect to individual plants is presented in endnotes after the entire set of tables.

The columns, headings and abbreviations used in the tables correspond to the reporting requirements set out in the current reporting format (OSPAR Agreement No. 1996-02). The following abbreviations are used in the tables:

- AGR: Advanced Gas Cooled Reactor;
- GCR: Gas Cooled Reactor;
- UNGG: Natural Uranium Gas Graphite (French equivalent for GCR);
- PWR: Pressurised Water Reactor;
- THTR: Thorium High Temperature Reactor;
- BWR: Boiling Water Reactor;
- NA: Not applicable;
- NI: No information;
- ND: Not detectable.

*For radionuclides:*

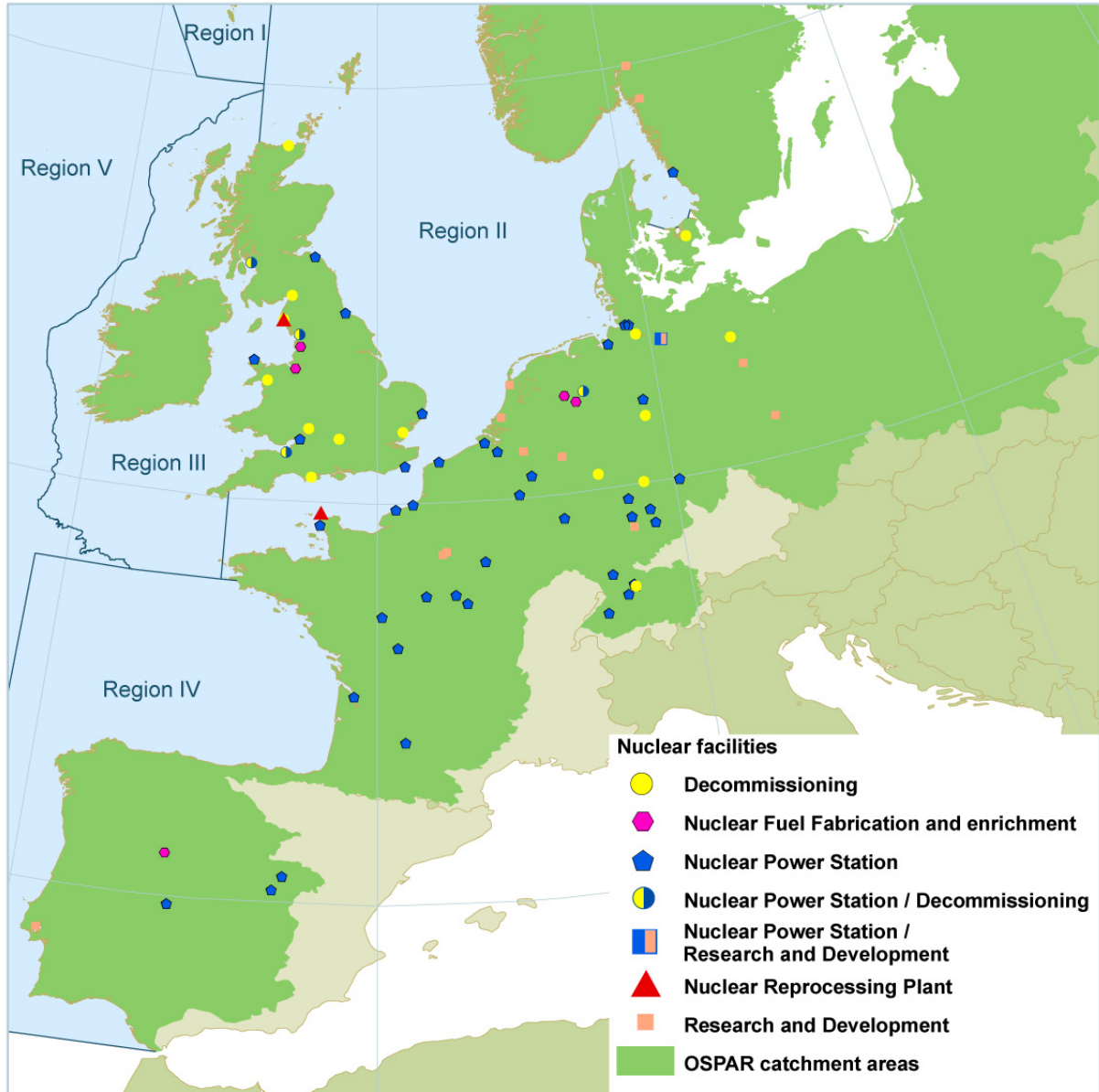
Ag: Silver	Gd: Gadolinium	Rh: Rhodium
Am: Americium	I: Iodine	Ru: Ruthenium
Ba: Barium	Mn: Manganese	S: Sulphur
Be: Beryllium	Na: Sodium	Sb: Antimony
C: Carbon	Nb: Niobium	Se: Selenium
Ce: Cerium	Ni: Nickel	Sr: Strontium
Cm: Curium	Np: Neptunium	Tc: Technetium
Co: Cobalt	Pm: Promethium	Th: Thorium
Cr: Chromium	Pr: Praseodymium	U: Uranium
Cs: Caesium	Pu: Plutonium	Y: Yttrium
Eu: Europium	Ra: Radium	Zn: Zinc
Fe: Iron	Rb: Rubidium	Zr: Zirconium

All data on discharge limits and releases of radionuclides have been entered in the tables using continental decimal system. The data values are expressed in scientific number format, e.g. 0.0009 as 9.0E-04.



### 3.1 Map of nuclear installations

The map shows the location of nuclear facilities in Contracting Parties discharging directly or indirectly to the OSPAR Regions.



### 3.2 Location of nuclear installations

The location and type of each installation is listed in the table below.

Country / Code	Name of installation	Type	Discharging into
<b>Belgium</b>			
BE1	Doel	NPS	Schelde
BE2	Tihange	NPS	Meuse
BE3	Mol	RDF	River Mol-Neet
<b>Denmark</b>			
DK1	Risø	DMLRW	Kattegat through Roskilde Fjord
<b>France</b>			
FR1	Bellevalle	NPS	Loire
FR2	Cattenom	NPS	Mosel
FR3	Chinon	NPS	Loire
FR4	Chooz	NPS	Meuse
FR5	Civaux	NPS	Vienne
FR6	Dampierre en-Burly	NPS	Loire
FR7	Fessenheim	NPS	Rhine
FR8	Flamanville	NPS	Channel
FR9	Fontenay-aux- Roses	RDF	Seine
FR10	Golfech	NPS	Garonne
FR11	Gravelines	NPS	North Sea
FR12	Le Blayais	NPS	Gironde Estuary
FR13	La Hague	NFRP	English Channel
FR14	Nogent-sur-Seine	NPS	Seine
FR15	Paluel	NPS	Channel
FR16	Penly	NPS	Channel
FR17	Saclay	RDF	Etang de Saclay
FR18	Saint Laurent	NPS	Loire
<b>Germany</b>			
DE1a	Biblis A	NPS	Rhine
DE1b	Biblis B	NPS	Rhine
DE2	Brokdorf	NPS	Elbe
DE3	Brunsbüttel	NPS	Elbe
DE4	Grafenrheinfeld	NPS	Main
DE5	Grohnde/Emmerthal	NPS	Weser
DE7	Kahl	DMLRW	Main – Shut down
DE8a	Krümmel/Geesthacht	NPS	Elbe
DE8b	Geesthacht	RDF	Elbe
DE9a	Lingen/Emsland	NPS	Ems
DE9b	Lingen	DMLRW	Ems - via municipal sewer system – Shut down
DE10	Mülheim-Kärlich	DMLRW	Rhine – Shut down
DE11a	Neckar-westheim 1	NPS	Neckar
DE11b	Neckar-wesheim 2	NPS	Neckar
DE12	Obrigheim	DMLRW	Neckar – Shut down
DE13a	Philippsburg KKP1	NPS	Rhine
DE13b	Philippsburg KKP2	NPS	Rhine
DE14	Rheinsberg	DMLRW	Havel – Shut down
DE15	Stade	DMLRW	Elbe – Shut down
DE16	Rodenkirchen-Unterweser	NPS	Weser
DE17	Würgassen/Beverungen	DMLRW	Weser – Shut down
DE18	Karlsruhe	RDF	Rhine
DE19	Gronau	NFFEP	Vechte, IJsselmeer
DE20	Hanau	NFFEP	Main - via municipal sewer system – Shut down
DE22	HMI Berlin	RDF	Havel
DE23	Jülich	RDF	Rur
DE24	Rosendorf	RDF	Elbe – Shut down

Country / Code	Name of installation	Type	Discharging into
<b>The Netherlands</b>			
NL1	Borssele	NPS	Scheldt Estuary
NL3	Almelo	NFFEP	Municipal sewer system
NL4	Delft	RDF	Sewage system
NL5	Petten	RDF	North Sea
<b>Norway</b>			
NO1	Halden	RDF	River Tista (Skagerrak)
NO2	Kjeller	RDF	River Nitelva (Skagerrak)
<b>Portugal</b>			
PT1	Campus de Sacavém	RDF	Tagus River
<b>Spain</b>			
ES1	Almaraz	NPS	Tagus
ES2	José Cabrera	NPS	Tagus
ES3	Trillo	NPS	Tagus
ES4	Juzbado	NFFEP	River Tormes - Duero
<b>Sweden</b>			
SE2	Ringhals 1-4	NPS	Kattegat
<b>Switzerland</b>			
CH1	Beznau	NPS	Aare
CH2	Gösgen	NPS	Aare
CH3	Leibstadt	NPS	Rhine
CH4	Mühleberg	NPS	Aare
CH5	Paul Scherrer Institute	RDF	Aare
CH6	ZWILAG Würenlingen	DMLRW	Aare
<b>United Kingdom</b>			
UK1	Berkeley	DMLRW	Severn Estuary
UK2	Bradwell	DMLRW	North Sea
UK3	Calder Hall	DMLRW	Irish Sea
UK4	Chapelcross	DMLRW	Solway Firth
UK5a	Dungeness A	NPS	English Channel
UK5b	Dungeness B	NPS	English Channel
UK6	Hartlepool	NPS	North Sea
UK7a	Heysham 1	NPS	Morecambe Bay
UK7b	Heysham 2	NPS	Morecambe Bay
UK8a	Hinkley Point A	DMLRW	Severn Estuary
UK8b	Hinkley Point B	NPS	Severn Estuary
UK9a	Hunterston A	DMLRW	Firth of Clyde
UK9b	Hunterston B	NPS	Firth of Clyde
UK10	Oldbury	NPS	Severn Estuary
UK11a	Sizewell A	NPS	North Sea
UK11b	Sizewell B	NPS	North Sea
UK12	Torness	NPS	North Sea
UK13	Trawsfynydd	DMLRW	Trawsfynydd lake
UK14	Wylfa	NPS	Irish Sea
UK15	Sellafield	NFRP	Irish Sea
UK16	Capenhurst	NFFEP	Irish Sea via Rivacre Brook and Mersey Estuary
UK17	Springfields	NFFEP	Irish Sea via River Ribble
UK18	Dounreay	DMLRW	Pentland Firth
UK19	Harwell	DMLRW	River Thames
UK20	Winfrith	DMLRW	Weymouth Bay (English Channel)

NPS: Nuclear Power Stations

NFRP: Nuclear Fuel Reprocessing Plants

RDF: Research and Development Facilities

NFFEP: Nuclear Fuel Fabrication and Enrichment Plants

DMLRW: Decommissioning and Management of Legacy Radioactive Wastes

**Table 4 Nuclear Power Stations**

Location Ref.	Country Site	Discharges to	Reactors Number and Type	Installed Capacity MW (e) 2009	Net Electrical Output MW (e).h 2009	Operational discharges of radioactive substances in 2009 (TBq)																		
						Tritium	other (1) radio-nuclides	Specific radionuclides																
								Total-α activity	Total-β activity (excluding tritium)	Co 58	Co 60	Zn 65	Sr 90	Zr/Nb 95	Ru 106	Ag 110m	Sb 125	Cs 134	Cs 137	Ce 144	S 35			
<b>Belgium (2)</b>																								
BE1	Doel	Schelde	4 PWR	392,5	2 868 181,0	5,31E+01	7,00E-04	0,00E+00	3,53E-03	5,69E-04	8,63E-04	4,60E-06	0,00E+00	2,94E-05	3,22E-05	4,95E-04	4,04E-04	2,10E-06	3,59E-04	0,00E+00	0,00E+00			
				433,0	3 464 167,0											6,95E-05								
				1006,0	7 974 081,0																			
				1013,4	6 860 377,0																			
BE2	Tihange	Meuse	3 PWR	962,0	8 264 928,8	5,34E+01	3,91E-04	1,27E-09	5,53E-03	9,09E-04	3,49E-03	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,58E-05	0,00E+00	2,57E-04	4,19E-06	1,06E-04	3,08E-04	0,00E+00	0,00E+00			
				1008,0	7 714 471,1											5,42E-05								
				1040,5	7 694 304,4																			
<b>France (3)</b>																								
3.22E-08 MWh (4)																								
FR1	Belleville	Loire	2 PWR	2600		5,35E+1	3,69E-04			1,38E-04	6,79E-05					2,32E-05	4,89E-05	1,01E-05	3,44E-05					
FR2	Cattenom	Mosel	4 PWR	5200		8,26E+1	7,94E-4			1,66E-4	2,74E-4					4,05E-5	5,48E-5	3,10E-05	9,01E-5					
FR3	Chinon	Loire	4 PWR	3600		5,11E+1	3,00E-4			5,43E-5	9,24E-5					3,43E-5	3,84E-5	1,33E-5	1,67E-5					
FR4	Chooz	Meuse	2 PWR	2900		4,17E+1	5,38E-4			4,48E-5	1,77E-4					2,47E-5	1,30E-4	1,26E-5	4,40E-5					
FR5	Civaux	Vienne	2 PWR	2900		3,92E+1	2,43E-4			1,11E-5	4,06E-5					1,14E-4	1,54E-5	5,48E-6	8,10E-6					
FR6	Dampierre-	Loire	4 PWR	3600		4,22E+1	6,45E-4			1,42E-4	7,71E-5				1,98E-7	2,50E-4	5,12E-5	1,99E-5	2,53E-5					
FR7	Fessenheim	Rhine	2 PWR	1800		2,43E+1	3,26E-4			8,29E-5	3,70E-5					1,49E-4	1,49E-5	4,89E-6	1,03E-5					
FR8	Flamanville	North Sea	2 PWR	2600		5,70E+1	2,74E-4			7,22E-5	8,98E-5					1,19E-5	3,18E-5	1,10E-5	1,30E-5					
FR10	Golfech	Garonne	2 PWR	2600		5,73E+1	1,77E-4			5,69E-5	4,65E-5					8,06E-6	1,84E-5	6,63E-6	9,60E-6					
FR11	Gravelines	North Sea	6 PWR	5400		7,07E+1	8,58E-4			7,15E-5	3,02E-4					1,84E-4	6,96E-5	2,66E-5	1,07E-4					
FR12	Le Blayais	Gironde	4 PWR	3600		3,62E+1	7,44E-4			1,60E-4	2,40E-4					1,71E-4	3,98E-5	1,58E-5	2,30E-5					
FR14	Nogent-	Seine	2 PWR	2600		4,53E+1	2,40E-4			8,30E-5	3,48E-5					1,27E-5	3,00E-5	1,28E-5	1,71E-5					
FR15	Paluel	North Sea	4 PWR	5200		8,62E+1	1,10E-3			3,91E-4	2,80E-4					4,61E-5	1,07E-4	3,85E-5	5,08E-5					
FR16	Penly	North Sea	2 PWR	2600		5,66E+1	4,03E-4			8,36E-5	1,43E-4					3,67E-5	3,05E-5	9,33E-6	1,28E-5					
FR18	Saint Laurent	Loire	2 PWR	1800		2,20E+1	2,67E-4			8,11E-5	5,55E-5	7,36E-7		2,90E-6		1,91E-5	1,84E-5	7,31E-6	8,76E-6					
<b>Federal Republic of Germany</b>																								
DE1a	Biblis A	Rhine	1 PWR	1225	1098261	1,1E+01	8,6E-05			1,3E-06	4,0E-05					8,6E-06	7,3E-06	2,6E-07	3,0E-06					
DE1b	Biblis B	Rhine	1 PWR	1300	1614042	8,8E+00	1,0E-04			7,0E-06	1,5E-05					7,6E-07	1,9E-05	1,5E-06	8,9E-06					
DE2	Brokdorf	Elbe	1 PWR	1440	12050357	2,0E+01																		
DE3	Brunsbüttel	Elbe	1 BWR	806	0	1,7E-02	4,6E-05				1,9E-05	1,2E-05	6,6E-08							6,3E-06				
DE4	Grafenrheinfeld	Main	1 PWR	1345	11056120	2,7E+01	2,4E-05			1,1E-06	1,2E-05			1,6E-07		9,0E-08				5,4E-08				
DE5	Grohnde/Emme	Weser	1 PWR	1430	11505158	2,4E+01	1,9E-05				8,6E-06													
DE8a	Krümmel/Geest	Elbe	1 BWR	1402	349362	6,5E-02	4,5E-07				3,3E-07	1,2E-07												
DE9a	Lingen/Emsland	Ems	1 PWR	1400	11429673	1,5E+01																		
DE11a	Neckar-Westhe	Neckar	1 PWR	840	4825484	7,8E+00																		
DE11b	Neckar-Westhe	Neckar	1 PWR	1400	11515750	2,7E+01																		
DE13a	Philippsburg 1	Rhine	1 BWR	926	6448081	4,6E-01	9,1E-05			2,7E-06	3,3E-05	3,1E-05			8,5E-07			1,5E-07	5,4E-06					
DE13b	Philippsburg 2	Rhine	1 PWR	1458	11582804	1,7E+01	3,9E-05			4,3E-06	7,0E-06			1,1E-06				1,1E-07	1,7E-05					
DE16	Rodenkirchen/U	Weser	1 PWR	1410	10542429	1,9E+01	8,6E-05			3,4E-06	6,7E-05													
<b>The Netherlands</b>																								
(5)																								
NL1	Borssele	Westerscheld	1 PWR	520	4,02E+6	7,49E+0	NI	3,42E-7	1,76E-4	1,15E-6	5,45E-5	<MDA	2,27E-6	2,14E-6	4,40E-7	8,02E-6	<MDA	8,60E-7	1,15E-5	2,30E-7	NI			

Location Ref.	Country Site	Discharges to	Reactors Number and Type	Installed Capacity MW (e) 2009	Net Electrical Output MW (e).h 2009	Operational discharges of radioactive substances in 2009 (TBq)															
						Tritium	other (1) radio-nuclides	Specific radionuclides		Co 58	Co 60	Zn 65	Sr 90	Zr/Nb 95	Ru 106	Ag 110m	Sb 125	Cs 134	Cs 137	Ce 144	S 35
								Total-α activity	Total-β activity (excluding tritium)												
<b>Spain (6) (7) (8)</b>																					
ES1	Almaraz	Tagus	2 PWR	1 957	13 744 681	2,74E+1	1,09E-2	ND		1,49E-3	1,67E-3	3,45E-5	1,29E-4	2,04E-3	ND	5,06E-4	1,63E-4	1,85E-5	2,27E-4	8,17E-5	ND
ES2	José	Tagus	1 PWR	(9)	- -	2,57E-1	6,73E-5	ND		ND	6,73E-5	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
ES3	Trillo	Tagus	1 PWR	1 066	7 197 095	2,02E+1	9,53E-4	ND		1,82E-5	2,28E-4	ND	ND	2,66E-5	ND	2,18E-5	9,91E-6	ND	1,88E-5	ND	ND
<b>Sweden</b>																					
(9)																					
SE2	Ringhals 1-4	Kattegatt (11)	BWR	855		3,60E-1	3,25E-4	4,36E-7	8,22E-3	7,20E-4	6,80E-3	2,20E-6	5,50E-6	6,50E-5		4,10E-5	4,60E-5		2,20E-4		
		12	PWR	815		1,10E+1	1,02E-5	7,32E-7	1,47E-4	7,70E-6	2,80E-5		4,90E-7	4,80E-7		8,70E-5	8,40E-6		5,80E-6		
		13	PWR	1080		2,50E+1	3,02E-5	7,95E-7	2,12E-4	4,10E-5	7,50E-5			1,37E-5		4,00E-5	1,20E-5		6,80E-7		
		14	PWR	951		9,00E+0	7,11E-5	5,82E-8	5,68E-4	4,30E-4	3,80E-5			2,66E-5		6,10E-7	1,20E-6		7,40E-7		
<b>Switzerland</b>																					
CH1	Beznau	Aare	2 PWR	380/380	6 001 300	1,10E+1		3,20E-8	5,30E-4	1,40E-4	4,30E-5		1,20E-6			2,20E-6	1,50E-5	2,90E-6	1,60E-4		
CH2	Gösgen	Aare	1 PWR	1020	8 179 500	1,50E+1		<1.3E-7	7,00E-6		1,30E-6										
CH3	Leibstadt	Rhine	1 BWR	1220	9 385 000	2,90E+0		2,70E-7	6,40E-5	5,60E-6	5,00E-5	2,10E-6							6,60E-7		
CH4	Mühleberg	Aare	1 BWR	390	2 977 700	1,40E-1		6,00E-8	1,30E-3	1,10E-4	7,10E-4	3,40E-5	7,10E-7						3,10E-5		
<b>United Kingdom</b>																					
UK5b	Dungeness B	English	2 AGR			2,25E+2	4,11E-3				1,95E-3								1,52E-3		1,99E-01
UK6	Hartlepool	North Sea	2 AGR			2,68E+2	2,09E-3				1,40E-4								1,42E-3		3,63E-01
UK7a	Heysham 1	Morecambe	2 AGR			2,77E+2	4,88E-3				9,80E-5								2,40E-3		2,20E-01
UK7b	Heysham 2	Morecambe	2 AGR			3,22E+2	1,09E-2				5,40E-5								1,27E-3		7,73E-02
UK8b	Hinkley Point B	Severn	2 AGR			1,05E+2	6,96E-3				3,83E-4								4,48E-3		2,16E-01
UK9b	Hunterston B	Firth of Clyde	2 AGR	1150		1,53E+2		5,71E-5	1,24E-2		2,70E-4										5,60E-01
UK10	Oldbury	Severn	2 GCR			1,52E-1	9,07E-2												1,99E-1		
UK11b	Sizewell B	North Sea	1 PWR			5,27E+1	2,20E-2												5,00E-3		
UK12	Torness	North Sea	2 AGR	1264		3,64E+2		6,71E-6	2,67E-3		1,16E-4										2,21E-02
UK14	Wylfa	Irish Sea	2 GCR			1,91E+0	9,48E-3														

**Table 5 Nuclear Fuel Reprocessing Plants**

Location ref	La Hague (FR13)		Sellafield (UK15)
Discharges to	English Channel		Irish Sea
Type of Fuel Reprocessed Capacity (t/y)	PWR + BWR		Magnox, AGR, LWR
Radionuclide	TBq released per annum (1)	Normed releases in TBq per GWye (32,3 GWye in 2009)	TBq released in 2009 (2) (3)
Tritium	9,13E+3		1,51E+3
Total-α	1,32E-2	4,09E-4	1,54E-1
Total-β	3,54	1,10E-1	1,78E+1
C 14	6,12		8,19E+0
S 35			
Mn 54	1,83E-3		
Fe 55			
Co 57	3,93E-5		
Co 58	6,92E-5		
Co 60	8,57E-2		8,25E-2
Ni 63	5,06E-2		
Zn 65	ND		
Sr 89	ND		
Sr 90	1,01E-1		2,86E+0
(Sr 90 + Cs 137)			
(Zr + Nb 95)	ND		1,93E-1
Tc 99	5,16E-2		3,08E+0
Ru 103	ND		
Ru 106	1,58		3,16E+0
(Ru + Rh) 106	3,16		
Ag 110m	ND		
Sb 124	ND		
Sb 125	1,37E-1		
I 129	1,07		2,53E-1
Cs 134	6,89E-2		1,41E-1
Cs 137	9,41E-1		4,27E+0
Ce 144	1,14E-4		4,98E-1
(Ce + Pr) 144	2,28E-4		
Pm 147			
Eu 152			
Eu 154	4,24E-4		
Eu 155	6,47E-5		
Np 237	5,22E-5		5,21E-2
Pu 239+240	1,27E-3		1,20E-1
Pu 241	1,05E-1		2,87E+0
Am 241	1,86E-3		4,63E-2
Cm 242	7,13E-6		
Cm 243+244	9,08E-4		4,52E-3
Uranium (in kg)	19,6		4,09E+2

ND: not detectable

**Table 6 Nuclear Fuel Fabrication and Enrichment Plants**

Location Ref.	Country/ site	Discharges to	Type of Fuel	Capacity (t/y)	Production	Activity	TBq released in 2009
	<b>Federal Republic of Germany</b>						
DE19	Gronau	Vechte, IJsselmeer	Uranium enrichment			total - $\alpha$	4,6E-09
	<b>Netherlands</b>						
NL3	Urenco, Almelo	Municipal sewer system	Uranium enrichment	4950	4078	total - $\alpha$	2,00E-7
						total - $\beta$ ( $\beta$ - & $\gamma$ - emitting rn)	2,40E-6
	<b>Spain</b>						
ES4	Juzbado (6)	River Tormes - Duero	PWR, BWR	400	368,7	total - $\alpha$	2,09E-5
	<b>United Kingdom</b>						
UK16	Capenhurst	Irish Sea via Rivacre Brook and Mersey Estuary	Uranium enrichment			Uranium - $\alpha$	8,00E-5
						Uranium daughters	1,00E-5
						other - $\alpha$	2,00E-5
						Tc 99	1,00E-5
						Tritium	
UK17	Springfields	Irish Sea via River Ribble	GCR, AGR, PWR fuel fabrication			total - $\alpha$	1,70E-2
						total - $\beta$	3,27E+0
						Tc 99	5,35E-3
						Th 230	4,05E-3
						Th 232	2,05E-4
						Uranium $\alpha$	1,09E-2
						Np 237	2,23E-4

**Table 7 Research and Development Facilities**

Location Ref.	Country/site	Discharges to	Reactors Number & Type	Installed Capacity	Radionuclides	TBq released per annum in 2009
	<b>Belgium</b>			(1)		
BE3	Mol	River Mol-Neet	2	129MW (th)	Total $\alpha$	1,60E-05
					Total $\beta$	1,88E-04
					H-3	2,29E+00
					Sr-90/Y-90	2,05E-05
					Co-60	9,00E-06
					Cs-134	0,00E+00
					Cs-137	9,60E-05
					Total activity	2,29E+00
	<b>France</b>					
FR17	Saclay	Étang de Saclay	Centre de recherches du Commissariat à l'énergie atomique		$\alpha$	<4,35E-05
					other radionuclides	4,71E-04
					Tritium	1,26E-02
	<b>Germany</b>					
DE8b	Geesthacht	Elbe	1		Tritium	3,3E-05
					$\beta/\gamma$ – emitting radionuclides	8,3E-06
DE18	Karlsruhe	Rhine	No reactors		Tritium	7,5E-02
					$\beta/\gamma$ – emitting radionuclides	2,0E-05
DE22	HZ Berlin	Havel	1		Tritium	3,6E-04
					$\beta/\gamma$ – emitting radionuclides	1,2E-07
DE23	Jülich	Rur	1		Tritium	1,9E-01
					$\beta/\gamma$ – emitting radionuclides	1,1E-04
	<b>Netherlands</b>					
NL4	Delft (2) (3) (4)	Sewage system	1 Research reactor	2 MWth	$\alpha$ – emitting radionuclides	1,0E-07
					$\beta$ – emitting radionuclides including tritium	2,0E-06
					$\gamma$ – emitting radionuclides	1,0E-06
					total	
NL5	Petten (5) (6) (7)	North Sea	1 high flux Research reactor 1 low flux Research reactor	50 MWth 30kWth	Tritium	6,69E-02
					$\alpha$ - emitting radionuclides	2,40E-06
					$\beta/\gamma$ – emitting radionuclides	1,47E-02
					total	8,55E-02



<b>Norway (8)</b>						
NO1	Halden (9)	River Tista (Skagerrak)	1 BWR D2O as moderator	(10)	Tritium	1,80E+00
					Total $\alpha$	ND
					Total $\beta$	2,11E-04
					Ag-110m	2,10E-06
					Cr-51	4,30E-05
					Mn-54	4,50E-07
					Mn-56	NA
					Co-58	3,90E-06
					Co-60	4,00E-05
					Sr-90	1,00E-06
					Zr-95	3,90E-06
					Nb-95	9,00E-06
					Sb-125	2,50E-08
					Cd-109	ND
					I-131	2,40E-06
					Cs-134	8,10E-06
					Cs-137	9,10E-05
Ce-141	5,70E-07					
Ce-144	4,90E-06					
NO2	Kjeller (9)	River Nitelva (Skagerrak)	1 JEEP II, heavy water and cooled Research Reactor	(10)	Tritium	4,00E-04
					Total- $\alpha$	2,66E-08
					Total- $\beta$	2,73E-05
					Co 58	ND
					Co 60	1,56E-06
					Zn 65	0,00E+00
					Sr 90	3,56E-07
					Zr/Nb 95	ND
					Ru 103	ND
					Ru 106	ND
					Ru/Rh 106	ND
					Ag 110m	ND
					Sb 125	ND
					I 125	2,50E-05
					I 131	5,45E-09
					Cs 134	ND
					Cs 137	3,98E-07
Ce 144	ND					
Pu 238	1,11E-10					
Pu 239/240	1,41E-08					
Am 241	2,21E-09					
Pu 241	NA					
<b>Portugal</b>						
PT1	Campus de Sacavém	Residual Water Treatment Municipal Plant	1 Research Swimming Pool Reactor		Total- $\beta$	5,0E-04

	Switzerland					
CH5	Paul Scherrer Institute	Aare	1 research reactor		Tritium	2,50E-01
					Total-β	1,70E-04
					other radionuclides	
					β- and γ- emitting radionuclides	
					Be-7	1,50E-04
					Na-22	4,90E-08
					S-35	4,10E-06
					Sc-46	8,00E-08
					Mn-52	2,30E-08
					Mn-54	4,90E-06
					Co-56	1,20E-07
					Co-57	2,60E-07
					Co-58	2,40E-07
					Co-60	4,90E-07
					Sr/Y-90	1,50E-06
					Sb-124	3,10E-07
					I-125	5,00E-07
					I-131	1,50E-06
					Cs-134	1,90E-07
					Cs-137	3,00E-06
					Lu-177	2,40E-06
					α - emitting radionuclides	
					U-234/238	1,00E-07
Pu-238/Am-241	1,40E-08					
Pu-239/240	2,20E-08					

**Table 8 Discharges from decommissioning and treatment/recovery of old radioactive waste in 2009**

Location Ref.	Country Site	Discharges to	Reactors Number and Type	Exceptional discharges of radioactive substances in 2009 (TBq)																
				Tritium	other (1) radio-nuclides	Specific radionuclides		Co 58	Co 60	Zn 65	Sr 90	Na22	Ru 106	Ag 110m	Sb 125	Cs 134	Cs 137	Ce 144	S 35	Pu-241
						Total-α activity	Total-β activity (excluding tritium)													
<b>Denmark</b>				(2) (3)																
DK1	Risø	Kattegat through Roskilde Fjord	No reactors	1,21E-01																
<b>France</b>				Type of fuel reprocessed																
FR4	Chooz (4)	Meuse	1 PWR	8,3E-04	4,1E-04			1,7E-06	6,0E-06					1,9E-06	5,9E-06	1,8E-06	3,8E-04			
FR9	Fontenay-aux-Roses	Seine	No reactor	5,5E-06	1,0E-05	1,6E-06														
FR13	La Hague	English Channel	PWR + BWR			3,0E-03	1,6E-01		3,0E-03		1,4E-02						9,9E-02			
<b>Federal Republic of Germany</b>																				
DE9b	Lingen	Ems	1 BWR	9,2E-07	2,6E-06				5,7E-08		2,2E-09						2,4E-06			
DE10	Mülheim-Kärlich	Rhine	1 PWR	2,0E-04	7,2E-06				2,9E-06											
DE12	Obrigheim	Neckar	1 PWR	1,2E-02	3,8E-04				6,9E-05		7,7E-08						6,2E-06			
DE14	Rheinsberg	Havel	1 PWR	7,3E-04	5,8E-06				7,8E-07		5,0E-07						8,1E-07			
DE15	Stade	Elbe	1 PWR	6,5E-02	7,4E-06	6,3E-08			1,5E-06								7,2E-07			
DE17	Würgassen/Beverungen	Weser	1 BWR	2,9E-03	6,7E-06				2,9E-06		1,9E-07						2,6E-06			
<b>Switzerland</b>																				
CH6	ZWILAG (5)	Aare		1,0E-01		6,4E-08	3,5E-03		1,2E-05			1,4E-06	4,2E-06		1,1E-05	3,9E-05	3,4E-03			
<b>United Kingdom</b>																				
UK1	Berkeley	Severn	2 GCR	2,0E-03	1,9E-03												1,1E-03			
UK2	Bradwell	North Sea	2 GCR	2,4E-02	8,2E-02												8,2E-02			
UK3	Calder Hall (6)	Irish Sea	4 GCR			REPORTED WITH SELLAFIELD DISCHARGES														
UK4	Chapelcross (7)	Solway Firth	4 GCR	2,4E-02		7,7E-05	7,4E-04													
UK5a	Dungeness A	English	2 GCR	7,7E-02	5,5E-03												1,6E-02			
UK8a	Hinkley Point A	Severn	2 GCR	2,3E-01	3,7E-01												6,3E-02			
UK9a	Hunterston A (8)	Firth of Clyde	2 GCR	3,9E-04		2,1E-04	2,3E-02													1,0E-04
UK11a	Sizewell A	North Sea	2 GCR	5,3E-02	6,0E-02												1,2E-01			
UK13	Trawsfynydd (9)	Trawsfynydd	2 GCR	5,7E-03	1,0E-03						2,2E-05						5,4E-04			
UK18	Dounreay (10)	Pentland Firth	No reactors	1,0E-01		2,6E-04	6,0E-04			3,1E-02	1,19E-5						6,2E-03			
UK19	Harwell	River Thames	No reactors	7,9E-03		9,3E-06	2,5E-04		7,2E-07								4,4E-05			
UK20	Winfrith	Weymouth Bay	No reactors	1,1E+00	8,2E-03	5,6E-05											4,9E-02			

### 3.3 Endnotes to data tables 4 to 8

**Table 4**

(1) The value indicated corresponds to the sum of individually assessed nuclides.

(2) For Belgium, the nuclides included are:

$\beta$ -Activity for Tihange: Sr-89, Sr-90,  $\beta$ -Activity for Doel: Sr-89, Sr-90, Other radionuclides for Tihange: Na-24, Cr-51, Mn-54, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Fe-59, Zn-65, Zr-95, Nb-95, Mo-99, Tc-99m, Ru-103, Ru-106, Ag-110m, Sb-122, Te-123m, Sb-124, Sb-125, I-131, Cs-134, Cs-136, Cs-137, Ba-140, La-140, Ce-141, Ce-144, Other radionuclides for Doel: Cr-51, Mn-54, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Fe-59, Zn-65, Zr-95, Nb-95, Ru-103, Ru-106, Ag-110m, Te-123m, Sb-124, Sb-125, I-131, Cs-134, Cs-137, Ba-140, La-140, Ce-141, Ce-144.

(3) France explains that there is no simple relationship between the production of electricity and discharges of radioactive effluent other than tritium. This is because the amounts of effluent discharged depend on many factors: the condition of fuel cladding (first barrier), the processing carried out in the various existing plants, the operational mode of the reactor (load-following or providing basic power) and, above all, the volume of work carried out during shutdowns for refuelling.

Moreover, electricity is produced according to a programme fixed station by station at national level, and deliberate shutdowns, either during stand-by periods or for work to be carried out, are fixed by national criteria: the end of a natural cycle, arrangements for maintenance depending on the availability of teams of workers, constraints of the national grid and the demand for electricity.

It is easy to understand that a unit can operate over a calendar year and can produce a lot of power if it has been refuelled at the end of the previous year and if it is made to extend its cycle. In this case, the production of effluent will be minimised (no work is carried out). On the other hand, a unit shutdown for a long time (decennial shut-down, typically) will show an increase in the production of effluent and a decrease in the power supplied. During the next year, these two scenarios may be reversed. There is therefore good reason not to attempt a comparison of one site with another over short periods (= 10 years) as regards the quantity of radioactive effluent (other than tritium) discharged for a given amount of electrical energy produced.

In order to eliminate the variability associated with specific operating conditions of each reactor, it is more appropriate for a given year to consider the total amount of electricity generated by the French facilities in the OSPAR area. In 2009, their net electrical output was 322 millions of MWh.

(4) Data from the producers EDF.

(5) "Total- $\beta$ " values represent an assimilation of  $\beta$ -emitting and  $\gamma$ -emitting radionuclides.

(6) Regarding the nuclear power plants, the discharge data have been estimated taking into account the 2004/2/Euratom recommendation criteria.

(7) Although José Cabrera nuclear power plant was shut down in 2006, its effluent data are reported in table 2 instead than in table 6 because the liquid effluents were produced during operations carried out prior to the dismantling of the plant. Other radionuclides for José Cabrera: Co-60.

(8) Other radionuclides for Almaraz: Cr-51, Mn-54, Fe-55, Fe-59, Co-58, Co-60, Ni-63, Zn-65, Sr-89, Sr-90, Nb-95, Zr-95, Ag-110m, Sb-122, Sb-124, Sb-125, Te-123m, I-131, Cs-134, Cs-137, Ba-140, La-140, Ce-141, Ce-144. Other radionuclides for Trillo: Cr-51, Mn-54, Fe-55, Co-58, Co-60, Ni-63, Nb-95, Zr-95, Ag-110m, Te-123m, Sb-124, Sb-125, I-131, Cs-137. In both

cases activities for Fe-55 and Ni-63 have been estimated from Co-60 using factors that have been obtained as a result of the 2009 compound samples analyses.

- (9) Shut down in 2006.
- (10) The value reported corresponds to the sum of individually assessed alpha emitting radionuclides
- (11) For Ringhals unit 1 the following radionuclides were detected: Cr-51, Mn-54, Fe-59, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Zn-65, Zr-95, Nb-95, Ag-110m, Sb-124, Sb-125, Sr-89, Sr-90, Cs-137, H-3, Pu-238, Pu-239/240, Am-241, Cm-242, Cm-244
- (12) For Ringhals unit 2 the following radionuclides were detected: Cr-51, Mn-54, Co-58, Co-60, Zr-95, Nb-95, Ag-108m, Ag-110m, Sb-124, Sb-125, Sr-89, Sr-90, Cs-137, H-3, Pu-238, Pu-239/240, Am-241, Cm-242, Cm-244
- (13) For Ringhals unit 3 the following radionuclides were detected: Cr-51, Mn-54, Co-58, Co-60, Zr-95, Nb-95, Ag-110m, Sb-124, Sb-125, Cs-137, H-3, Pu-238, Pu-239/240, Am-241, Cm-242, Cm-244
- (14) For Ringhals unit 4 the following radionuclides were detected: Cr-51, Mn-54, Fe-59, Co-57, Co-58, Co-60, Zr-95, Nb-95, Ag-110m, Sn-113, Sb-124, Sb-125, Cs-137, H-3, Pu-238, Pu-239/240, Am-241, Cm-244

**Table 5**

- (1) Discharges of the Centre de Stockage de la Manche (low and intermediate level waste disposal site) are included in the La Hague discharges.
- (2) The values of the liquid discharge limits for tritium and iodine-129 vary depending on the annual mass throughput of uranium in THORP (Thermal Oxide Reprocessing Plant), at Sellafield which was 613 tonnes in 2002.
- (3) Discharges from Calder Hall Nuclear Power Station are included in the discharges from Sellafield.

**Table 6**

- (1) For Juzbado Fuel Fabrication Plant the authorised capacity is 400 tonnes of uranium/year since 2006.

**Table 7**

- (1) The installed capacity is the maximum value. The reactors function in a discontinuous way, often at a fraction of their maximum.
- (2) Delft site refers to Research reactor of Technical University Delft and different laboratories.
- (3) The data represent the total emissions/discharges from the Reactor Institute Delft (RID) complex, including the Research Reactor (HOR) and different laboratories (it is not possible to make a distinction between the various sources). The discharges from the RID-HOR are substantially lower than the total values reported.
- (4) "Total-β" value represents all β-emitting nuclides, including tritium.
- (5) The data represent the total emissions/discharges from the Petten complex. This will lead to a substantial overestimate of the discharges of the two reactors (it is not possible to distinguish the

discharges from each separate reactor). In all cases concentrations of  $\alpha$ -emitters were lower than the detection limit, which is used for load calculations.

- (6) Petten site refers to Research reactor of EU-JRC, the low-flux research reactor, Hot Cell Laboratories, Mo Production Facilities and Decontamination and Waste Treatment of NRG.
- (7) "Total- $\beta$ " value represents an assimilation of  $\beta$ -emitting and  $\gamma$ -emitting radionuclides.
- (8) Some radionuclides reported to be discharged in small amounts by IFE are not included as specific nuclides in the spreadsheet.

From IFE Kjeller, these radionuclides are: U-234, U-235, U-238 and Cm-244

From IFE Halden, these radionuclides are: Ru-103, Fe-59

All these have been included in the total-beta or total-alpha.

- (9) Annual discharge data of gaseous effluents are also available.
- (10) Figure for Total- $\beta$  does not include tritium.

### Table 8

- (1) The value indicated corresponds to the sum of individually assessed nuclides.
- (2) Additionally reporting required at discharges of H-3 above 2 TBq in one month.  
Additionally reporting required at discharges of Gross beta above 0.3E-03 TBq in one month.
- (3) All three Danish research reactors have been taken out of operation and the process of decommissioning has started. As a consequence the discharge limits and the reporting obligations set in the Operational limits and Conditions have been revised. The annual discharges reported are now exclusively from the Waste Management Plant.
- (4) France informs that the column entitled "other radionuclides" corresponds to the sum of individual radionuclides measured by gamma spectrometry. It includes mainly: 54Mn, 58Co, 60Co, 110mAg, 123mTe, 124Sb, 125Sb, 131I, 134Cs, 137Cs. It does not take into account pure beta emitters (14C, 63Ni) owing to the fact that their measurement was initiated in 2002 and has not been implemented yet in all French nuclear power plants.
- (5) A central interim storage facility including a waste treatment plant (ZWILAG) was put in operation in Switzerland. First year of reporting of discharges from this facility in 2005.
- (6) Calder Hall permanently shut down in March 2003.
- (7) Gross alpha and beta activity excluding tritium.
- (8) Hunterston A gross alpha and beta activity excluding tritium. This value includes Pu-241 discharge limit 1 TBq, discharged 6.3E-05 TBq.
- (9) Trawsfynydd shut down in 1993, reactors decommissioned.
- (10) The prototype fast reactor was shut down on 31 March 1994 and there is to be no further fuel reprocessing at Dounreay.

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