

Pesticide Misuse Complaint Update

- Calendar year 2011:** The Department has received **97** formal pesticide complaint forms which have been assigned for investigation, and has received **87** investigation reports from field staff. As a result, **43** cases has been closed (no misuse determined), **35** warning letters have been issued, and **12** cases have been set for an administrative hearing seeking monetary penalties (four \$750 fines for alleged pesticide misuse, four \$500 fines for alleged applicator licensing violations, and four \$250 fines for Lawn-care Products Application & Notice Act violations).

- Previous years data:**

Item	Calendar Year					
	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Number of Formal Complaints received	103	92	115	117	93	76
Cases Closed -- no misuse determined	62	57	68	65	49	63
Warning letters issued	36	34	32	42	23	41
Administrative hearings held	6	8	19	25	9	24
\$2,500 monetary penalty	0	0	1	0	1	1
\$1,000 monetary penalty	0	0	0	3	2	2
\$750 monetary penalty	2	1	6	4	1	2
\$500 monetary penalty	3	6	12	19	4	4
\$250 monetary penalty	1	0	0	0	0	0
\$200 monetary penalty	0	0	1	0	0	0
\$100 monetary penalty	0	1	1	1	1	1