

Table 2. Estimated average daily intake (retention) of total mercury and mercury compounds in the general population not occupationally exposed to mercury (from the EHC on Methylmercury; WHO, 1990).

Exposure	Estimated daily intake (retention) of mercury compounds (ug mercury/day)					
	Mercury vapour mercury		Inorganic mercury		Methylmercury	
Air	0.030	(0.024)	0.002	(0.001)	0.008	(0.0064)
Food						
Fish	0		-0.006	(0.042)	2.4	(2.3)
Non-fish	0		4.2	(0.29)	0	
Drinking-water	0		0.050	(0.0035)	0	
Dental amalgam	3.8-21	( 3-17)	0	0		
Total	3.9-21	(3.1-17)	4.9	(0.34)	2.44	(2.33)