

Action on Leaded Aviation Fuel in the US... and Australia

Did you know...?

That in the US, leaded fuel for motor vehicles was banned nearly 25 years ago and yet -

“The use of leaded avgas [aviation gas/fuel] persists in approximately 170,000 piston-engine aircraft spread across some 20,000 airports nationwide. Emissions from these aircraft are responsible for about 70% of lead released into the atmosphere.” ✈️



Photo: Two Planes by Dennis Leight

VAP entry <https://leadsafeworld.com/LAN-two-planes>

The US EPA recently came to a decision after a community petition urging emission standards to reduce lead pollution from these aircraft, impacting children and causing severe health issues.

Over 5 million, including 360,000+ children, reside near these sites, facing heightened lead exposure risks. “Most general aviation airports with the highest lead emissions are located in communities of color.”

🌐 Get further details (Fitzgerald 2023 EPA Issues Endangerment Finding for Leaded Aviation Gas) <https://leadsafeworld.com/LAN-aviation-fuel>

Closer to home, the Australian government is currently consulting with stakeholders on this very topic... and has produced a Green Paper to which people can respond.

✈️ We've sent through our submission urging the government to consider the health of communities living near general aviation airports as well as pilots and refuelling staff.

🌐 Find the Green Paper here <https://leadsafeworld.com/LAN-avgas>

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