

The Truth About Mercury

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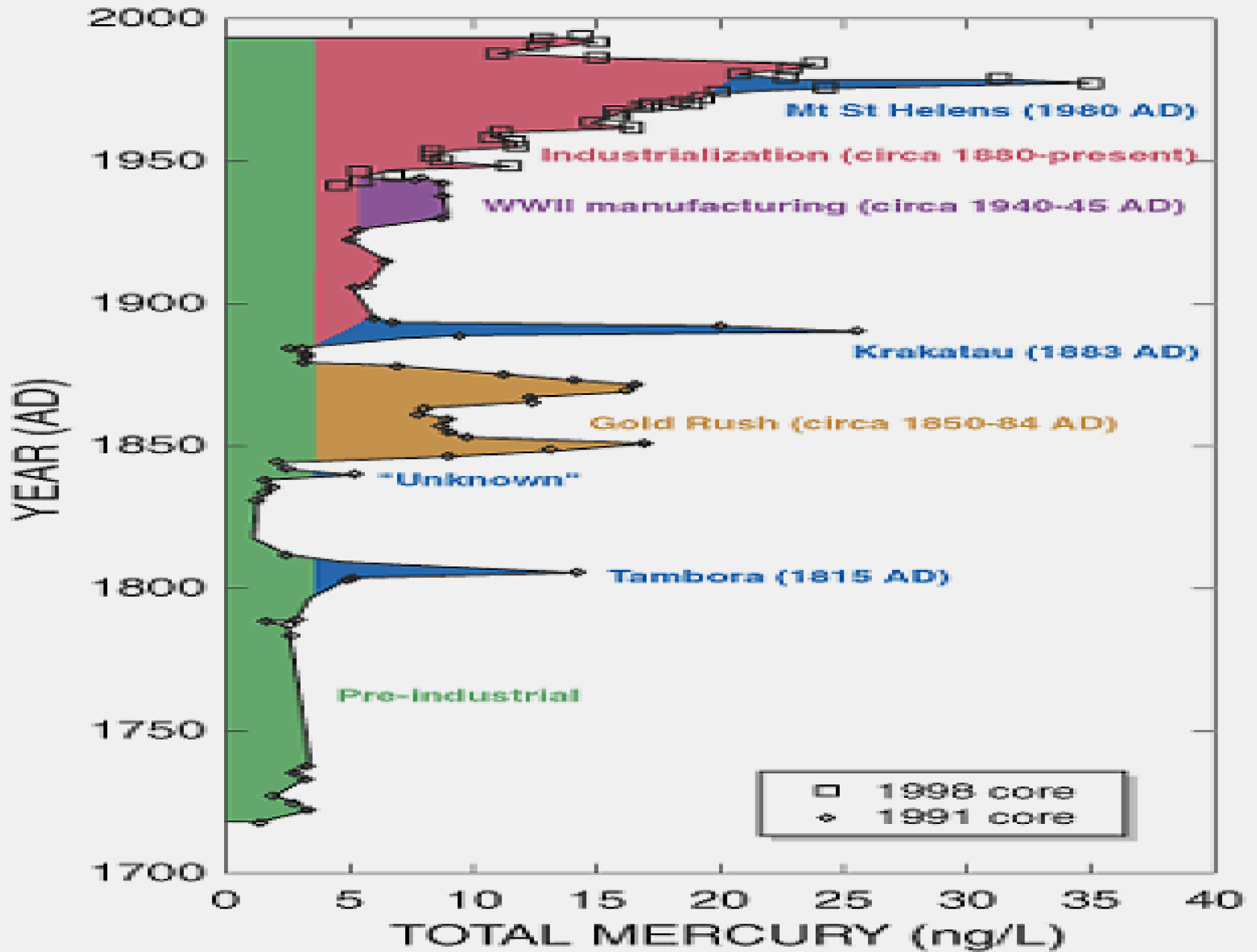
Reaction of the Right

The push to regulate mercury emissions from power plants is an attempt by extreme environmental groups to hinder economic growth and force jobs overseas. These anti-job, anti-growth extremists need to quit scaring the public with bogus information.

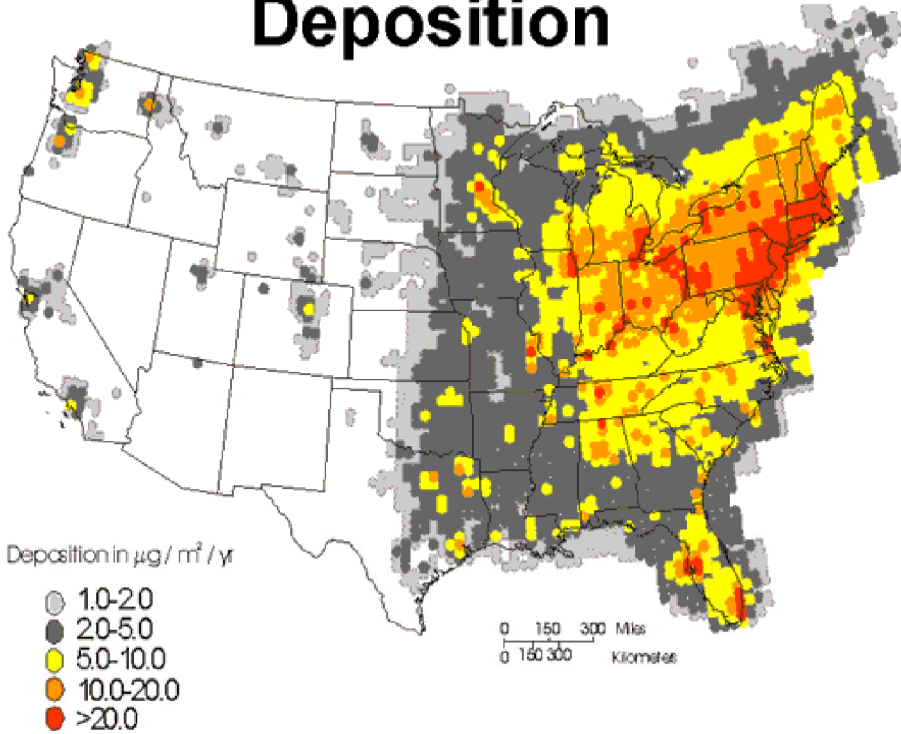
Chamber of Commerce

The Case for Doing Nothing

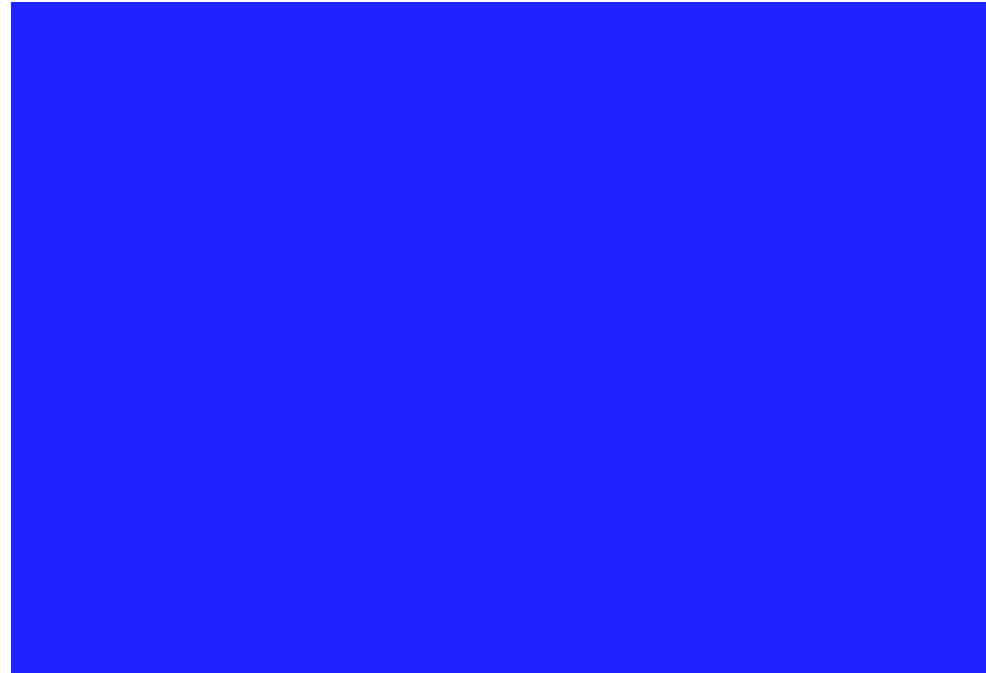
- Mother Nature did it
- China did it
- Who knows who did it
- Fish are fine
- People will die because they won't have air conditioning



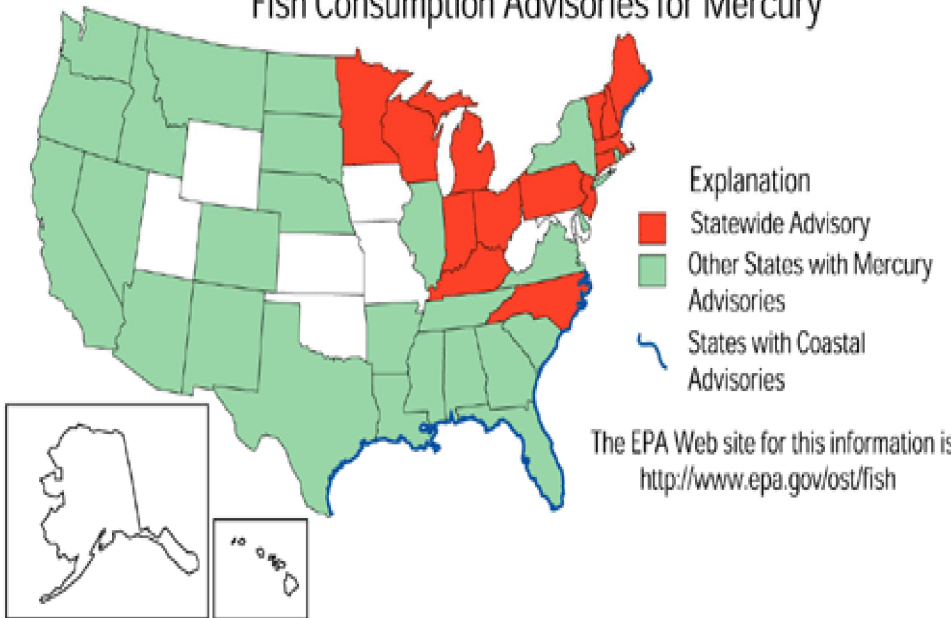
National Atmospheric Hg Deposition



Source: US EPA, 1998, Mercury Report to Congress



Fish Consumption Advisories for Mercury



Health Impact



- 630,000 babies/4 million annually
- 8% women childbearing age
- NAS endorse EPA reference dose
- WHO lower PTWI

Four Critical Issues for Regulatory Science

- Corpuscular approach
- Disclosure of funding sources, transparency re conflicts
- Honesty re scientific results
- Burden of proof