

REGULATE

NPDES STORMWATER

GROUP: NPDES STORMWATER INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES

MEASURE: NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS
NUMBER OF FACILITIES INSPECTED

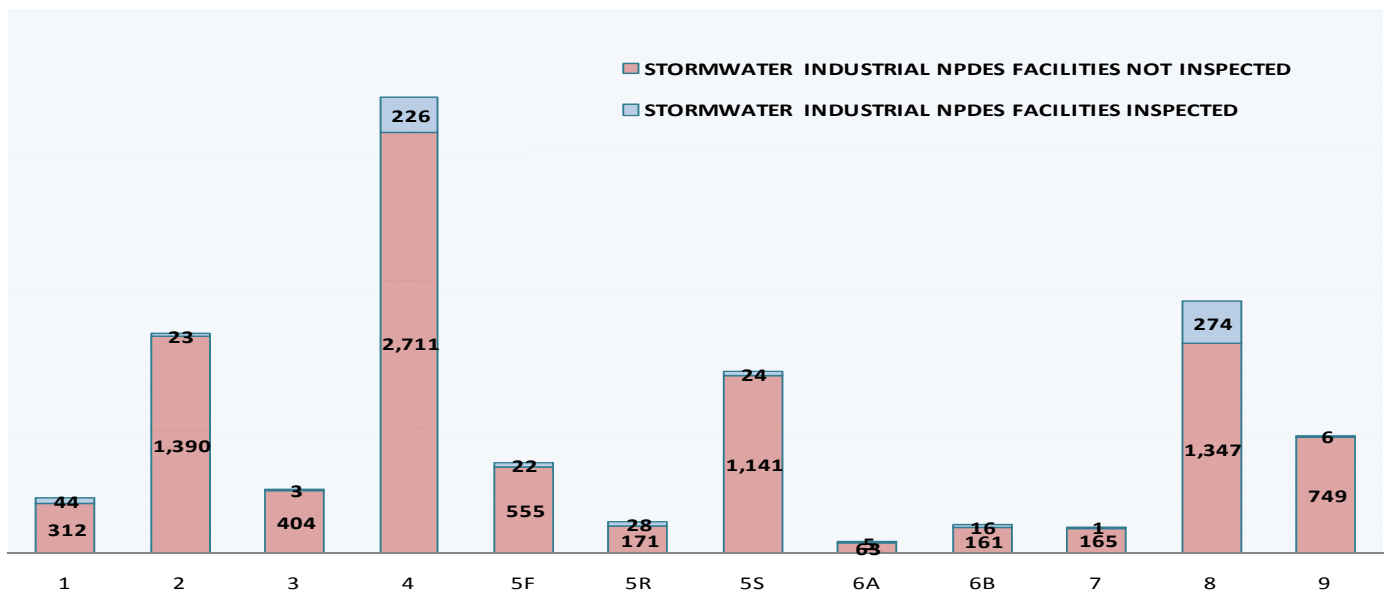
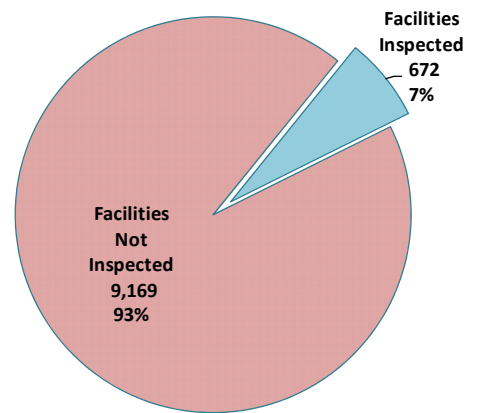
MESSAGE: Industrial stormwater facilities are inspected less frequently than construction stormwater facilities.

KEY STATISTICS FOR FY 2008-09

NUMBER OF ACTIVE FACILITIES: 9,841
NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS: 760
FACILITIES INSPECTED: 672

MEASUREMENTS:

| Region | Facilities | Inspections | Facilities Inspected | Percentage Facilities Inspected |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | 356 | 48 | 44 | 12% |
| 2 | 1,413 | 29 | 23 | 2% |
| 3 | 407 | 3 | 3 | 1% |
| 4 | 2,937 | 236 | 226 | 8% |
| 5 | 1,941 | 92 | 74 | 4% |
| 6 | 245 | 21 | 21 | 9% |
| 7 | 166 | 1 | 1 | 1% |
| 8 | 1,621 | 320 | 274 | 17% |
| 9 | 755 | 10 | 6 | 1% |
| TOTAL | 9,841 | 760 | 672 | 7% |



WHAT THE MEASURE IS SHOWING:

Although only 7% of industrial stormwater facilities were inspected during fiscal year 2008-09, the program inspected 672 facilities statewide. Industrial stormwater facilities may not change significantly over time and the frequency of inspections necessary to verify compliance may be lower than the frequency necessary for construction stormwater facilities .

WHY THIS MEASURE IS IMPORTANT:

Inspections are a primary tool used in the NPDES Stormwater Industrial program to assess compliance with NPDES requirements. The General Industrial Permit requires that an annual report be submitted each July 1. In addition to inspections, this report is used to verify compliance with requirements. However, the number of inspections and the number of facilities inspected are the only measures reported at this point related to compliance assurance activities.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Data Source: CIWQS. Period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009. Extracted on August 15, 2009.
- Unit of Measure: Number of facilities inspected at least once during FY 08-09.
- Data Definitions: Inspections conducted by Regional Water Board staff, State Water Board staff, or contractors paid by US EPA.
- References: More information on the Water Boards' NPDES program is available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/npdes/
- Public reports and data are available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ciwqs/publicreports.shtml
- Enforcement and compliance assurance information is available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/enforcement/

GLOSSARY:**General Permit**

An NPDES permit issued under 40 CFR 122.28 that authorizes a category of discharges within a geographical area. A general permit is not specifically tailored for an individual discharger.

Industrial Stormwater Program

Discharges associated with 10 broad categories of industrial activities are regulated under the Industrial Storm Water General Permit Order 97-03-DWQ ([General Industrial Permit](#)) which is an NPDES permit..

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

The NPDES permit program (Section 402 of the Clean Water Act) controls water pollution by regulating point sources that discharge pollutants into waters of the United States. Point sources are discrete conveyances such as pipes or man-made ditches. Individual homes that are connected to a municipal system, use a septic system, or do not have a surface discharge do not need an NPDES permit; however, industrial, municipal, and other facilities must obtain permits if their discharges go directly to surface waters. US EPA has approved the Water Board's program to issue NPDES permits.