



VEHICLE IDLING FACT SHEET

Idling is when drivers leave the engine running while the vehicle is parked. Every day, millions of cars and trucks idle needlessly, but idling has negative environmental, economic, and health impacts.



IDLING POLLUTES THE ENVIRONMENT

Idling for 10 minutes releases 1 pound of CO₂ into the atmosphere.

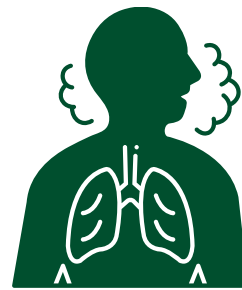


IDLING WASTES FUEL AND MONEY

Just 10 seconds of idling uses more fuel than turning off and restarting the engine.

One hour of idling burns up to a half gallon of gas.

Idling results in unnecessary wear and tear on cars, which increases maintenance bills.



IDLING IS UNHEALTHY

Idling puts hazardous pollutants in the air that are linked to serious illnesses, including asthma, heart disease, chronic bronchitis, and cancer.



IDLING IS BANNED

Idling bans already exist in 32 states, including California and New York.

WHENEVER POSSIBLE, PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR ENGINE.



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