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New Study by Health Canada Shows Levels of BPA in Soft Drinks Far Below Established Regulatory Levels

The latest research findings to determine the presence of bisphenol A (BPA) in soft drinks has found levels well below those established by Health Canada as safe for consumers. The study, conducted by the Food Research Division of Health Canada, tested 72 soft drink products sold in Canada and found BPA levels to be exceedingly low and far below the provisional Tolerable Daily Intake (TDI) level established by the Canadian government. To put the detected BPA levels found in this study into perspective, based on the average level detected in canned soft drinks, a 130 pound individual would have to consume more than 7,400 twelve-ounce cans in order to exceed the provisional TDI.

The report concludes: “The results of this survey clearly indicate that exposure to BPA through the consumption of canned drink products would be extremely low. The low levels of BPA found in canned drink products available for sale in Canada confirm Health Canada’s previous assessment conclusion that the current dietary exposure to BPA through food packaging uses is not expected to pose a health risk to the general population.”

The levels seen in the Health Canada survey also are well below the maximum acceptable dose and TDI for BPA established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the European Food Safety Authority.

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