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### *Get the Lead Out*

*Childhood Lead Poisoning Associated with Lead Dust Contamination of Family Vehicles and Child Safety Seats — Maine, 2008*

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Since the federal ban on lead in gasoline and paint, lead poisoning among children in the U.S. has decreased substantially, but there are still sources of exposure that place people at risk. A recent CDC study identified cases in Maine caused by parents getting lead dust on their clothes, shoes, or vehicles at the worksite and carrying it home, where their children were then exposed. Lead can cause long-term problems, such as learning disabilities, memory loss, and hyperactivity. Parents who work in occupations where they are potentially exposed to lead should take precautions, such as wearing personal protective equipment and cleaning themselves and their vehicles before returning home from work.

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