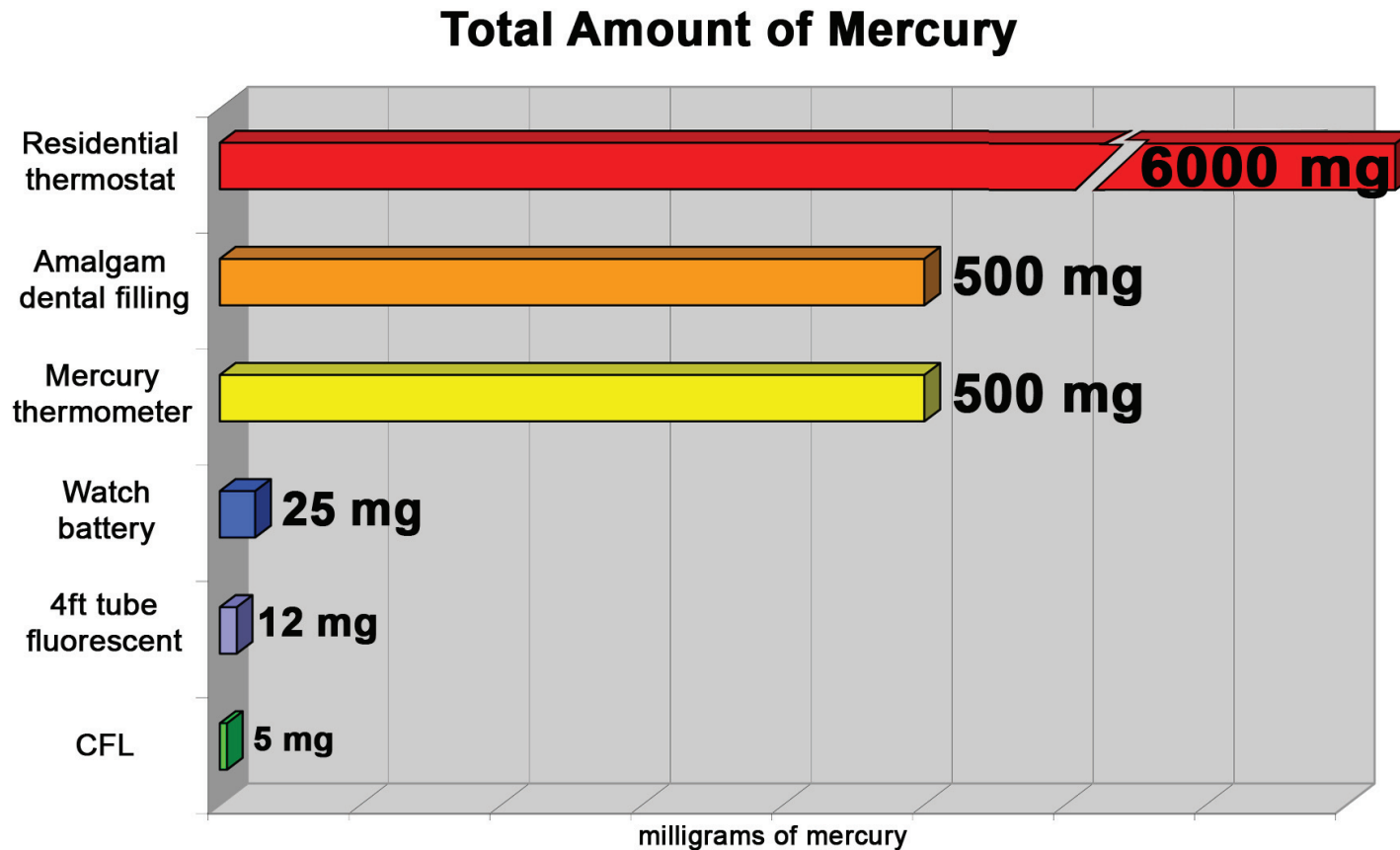


Mercury All-Around Us

Mercury is a naturally occurring element that is used safely in many of the products and items that we come in contact with every day at home and at work. The following chart compares the amount of mercury contained in a single CFL to the amount found in other commonplace items.



Source: [Energystar.gov](http://energystar.gov)

Recycling CFLs

Although CFLs only contain 5 mg of mercury they still need to be recycled properly. You can return broken or burnt out CFLs to any of Berkeley Electric's four district offices for recycling. Additional recycling centers can be found at Charleston County recycling centers or by visiting www.epa.gov/bulbrecycling or www.earth911.org.

If you happen to break a CFL, please follow the recommended guidelines for proper clean-up and disposal of the bulb which can be found at www.energystar.gov