

Controversies: Johnson Matthey

- In 2018, the company was responsible for the release of 5,000 litres of toxic iron sulphate solution following an explosion at its UK facility.
- In April 2011, Johnson Matthey's metal refinery at Brimsdown industrial estate [caught fire](#). The exact cause behind the incident is unknown, but it took 40 firefighters to control the blaze. The facility also stored large quantities of chemicals used to refine precious metals. [120 people](#) were evacuated following the incident. A [video](#) of the fire was shot by a local resident.
- In November 2010, three men were taken to a hospital after an [explosion](#) at the Johnson Matthey chemical laboratory in Royston, UK. The incident occurred when a glass vessel broke during a testing experiment at the company's headquarters of catalysts, precious metals and fine chemicals.
- Between 2010 and 2019, Johnson Matthey paid more than 238,547 USD in fines for 14 environmental violations according to the violation tracker project of Good Jobs First.