### Factsheet on Asbestos and Asbestos-Related Diseases

**Chapter**

1. Asbestos Exposure Assessment, Risk Identification, and Substitutes

**Section**

D. High Risk Occupation and Industries in regards to ARDs

**No./Title**

16. Asbestos in the non-mining industry on the Witwatersrand, South Africa

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## Introduction

**Asian context**

Majority (54%) of the cases arose from exposure in primary asbestos industries, i.e. companies selling, distributing, refining, milling or using raw asbestos to manufacture products. This information will be practical for the Asian countries where the major portion of asbestos related industry is non-mining sector.

**Critical appraisal**

The cases were collected from compensation system; therefore the information from exposure might be limited to high exposure industries.

**Unique keywords**

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### Abstract

Background: Asbestos was commonly found in most sectors of South African industry. Consequently there is a large but indeterminate pool of formerly exposed workers, will present possible asbestosis, the pneumoconiosis.

Objective: Review the specific situation of asbestos exposure in 141 cases of asbestosis identified for the years 1980-2000 in South Africa. Patients were included in if they had no asbestos exposure in mining, and had been certified with asbestosis by a compensation panel.
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Annotation

Fact 1
- Annotation is not provided for this factsheet.

Fact 2

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References