

WHERE DOES RADIATION COME FROM? SOURCES OF AVERAGE RADIATION EXPOSURE IN THE UK



13.5%

Direct radiation from traces of uranium and related elements in rocks and soil



12%

Radiation from outer space



< 0.1%

Routine discharges from the entire nuclear industry



0.2%

Radiation dose to workers



0.2%

Fallout from nuclear weapons testing



10%

Radiation from our own bodies and from food and drink



50%

Radon and Thoron are given off from rocks and soil and are concentrated inside buildings



< 0.1%

Consumer products



14%

Mainly from 'X' rays

