HOW MUCH DOES POLLUTION COST CANADIANS?



Based on available data, we estimate it was at least

\$39 billion in 2015

For a family of four, that's about \$4,300 per year



Smog alone cost Canadians \$36 billion in 2015



Scientists believe

persistent organic pollutants

found in common household items have many harmful health effects, including links to obesity and diabetes Costs may be in the billions



While we can't calculate the full costs of **climate change** yet, related **heat waves** cost Canadians **\$1.6 billion** in 2015

The total costs of climate change are likely far higher



The federal government spent \$238 million on average between 2005/06 and 2014/15 managing contaminated sites,

including former mines, factories, and gas stations



Find out more in our new report, *The Costs of Pollution in Canada: Measuring the impacts on families, businesses and governments* **www.iisd.org/library/cost-pollution-canada**