



10
REASONS
NOT
TO BUY
BOTTLED
WATER

Every 27 hours
Americans consume **1**
enough plastic bottles to
circle the planet with empty
plastic containers

Production and
transportation for U.S. **2**
market alone, consumes 30
million barrels of oil a year. In
an era of climate change, it is
an irresponsible system.

Many of the leading **3**
bottled waters are
owned by giant corporations
with questionable business
practices, including the pri-
vatization of water sources.
It is important to know what
your money is supporting.

Chemicals in the **4**
plastics can leach
into the water, especially at
higher temperatures and over
time. If a bottle sits in a car,
outside in the sun, or in a
hot place for too long, there
is risk that harmful toxins
will contaminate the water.

There is an island of **5**
plastic in the Pacific
Ocean the size of Texas!
Hundreds of millions of
metric tons of plastic debris
currently floats in the ocean.

6 Over half of the 173
bottled water brands
surveyed flunked an EWG
transparency test and did not
disclose their water source.
32 percent disclosed nothing
about the treatment or purity
of the water. ALL bottled water
was found to have at least some,
if not significant levels of
contamination.

7 BPA- Bisphenol A- is
an organic compound
found in hard plastic bottles
and is considered to be toxic,
with links to neurological,
reproductive and immune
system disorders.

8 Only 23.5% of plastic
bottles get recycled. More
than \$1 billion worth of plastic is
thrown away every year.

9 Bottled water is
expensive. The average
markup on bottled water is
about 2000%. Americans
spend more money every year
on bottled water than on ipods
or movie tickets.

10 Help stop the cycle of
plastic waste!