Around 8910 tonnes of heavy metal nuclear waste are generated each year. This waste mainly comes from nuclear power stations. Three territories produce over 1000 tonnes a year: the United States, Canada and France. Canada also produces the most waste per person living there, although Sweden is not far behind.

Some islands in the Southern hemisphere with notable areas are: New Caledonia, the Islas Malvinas / Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and Reunion. On these maps they are assigned to France and the United Kingdom, and resized according to their combined data. Little or no nuclear waste is from these islands.

Territory size shows the proportion of all heavy metal nuclear waste produced by nuclear power stations worldwide that is produced there.