

Food Recalls By The Numbers

— 2019 Statistics in the US & Canada * —

*source: Food Safety Magazine

337

food recalls issued in 2019, which is down from 2018.



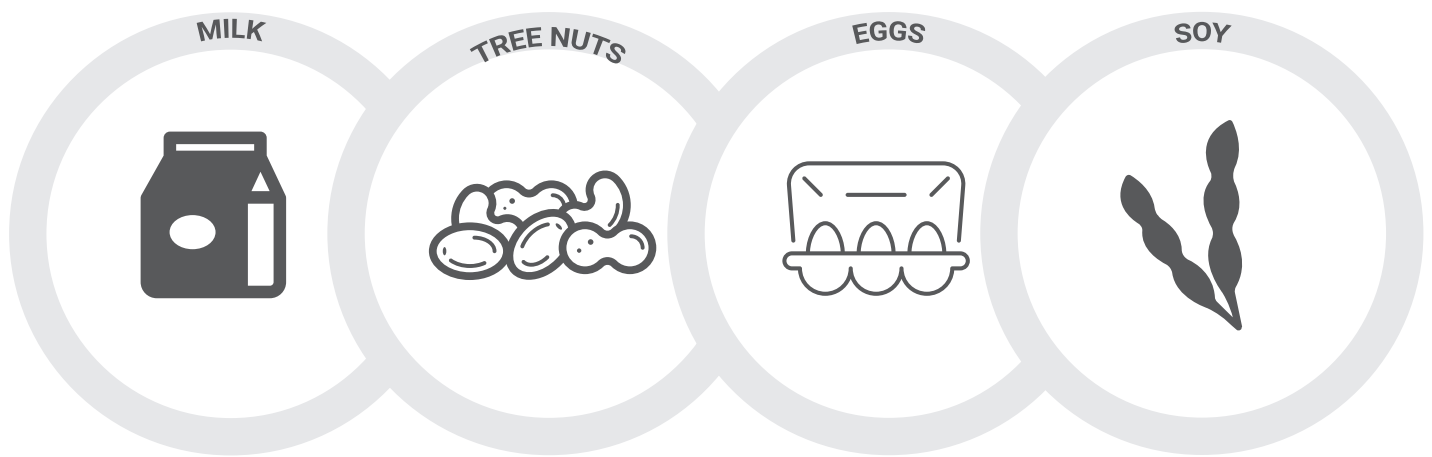
The USDA reported 125 recalls in 2019.



Romaine lettuce, was the leading product recalled in 2019. Towards the end of 2019, there was a “larger outbreak that sickened 167 people was traced back to romaine lettuce that was grown in Salinas Valley, CA, growing region, prompting the CDC to issue a warning to U.S. consumers and retailers not to eat, buy or sell romaine from that region.”

52%

of the food recalls were caused by undeclared allergens, leading form of contamination. The biggest offenders were:



60

Listeria recalls

Salmonella recalls

24

21

E.coli recalls