

https://www.huffingtonpost.com/annie-leonard/the-story-of-stuff-extern_b_490351.html

This source gives an in depth look at the effect of capitalism, and more importantly global capitalism on the world. It does so by analyzing the true cost of producing a \$5 radio. The article does this by studying the externalized costs of the radio. These costs are made, and are so damaging to society because of modern capitalism. The system of modern capitalism drives profit motive down workers throats, making one of the most competitive economic systems. All businesses are trying to have the lowest and most competitive price, while still making the most profit possible. This source then uses direct facts to argue its main idea, that someone else along the way pays for our products not with money but with a cost to society. It says that the \$5 wasn't enough to even pay for the shelf space the radio sits on. In other words, society pays for the radio through the pollution and waste cause by production. The source then goes on to state that all of these costs have negative impacts on the lives of humans. The loss of clean air leads to an increased number of asthma cases and cancer rates. The child laborers had to pay with the cost of their futures, as they are working instead of going to school. Essentially, all along the way people are paying for the cheap little radio your buying. It goes on to end with a question asking the reader that if the true cost of this material was on that label, would you still buy it?

<https://www.cnn.com/2015/01/27/asia/asia-air-pollution-haze/index.html>

This source looks further into the effects of Capitalism on pollution and thus the lives of innocent humans. Capitalism leads to a great increase in pollution. This is due to the fact that Capitalism urges businesses to produce their goods at the lowest possible cost. As a result of this, productions leads to a great amount of pollution. This pollution has a massive effect society, and thus the lives of humans. In this article, the author addresses the issue of dirty air in Asia, and the effects it has. He states facts, like 7 million people a year die from air pollution, almost $\frac{1}{8}$ of all deaths a year. Air pollution is caused not only by increase pollution, but also by overcrowding. In nations like India and China, that hold almost a third of the entire world population, air pollution is the worst. These nations suffer greatly from poverty and pollution due to overcrowding and reduced labor laws. As a result, they are two of the most polluted nations in the world. The reduction of labor laws in these nations allows children to work, and lets factories pay workers extremely minimal amounts in order to produce at the cheapest possible cost. In other words the reduction on labor laws for cheaper labor, a capitalist idea, leads to increased pollution in the world. Capitalism has many effects on society, but pollution may be one of the greatest.

<https://www.epa.gov/air-trends/air-quality-national-summary>

This source is more of a resource of measurements. The measurements are of air quality over a span of 37 years. This is a very important resource because it shows how air quality has changed over the years. This is of course a negative externality of production of goods. These negative externalities are due to Capitalist policies that urge producers to produce their goods at the cheapest possible cost. The source looks at pollution and emissions from 1980 to 2017, but it shows an interesting fact. Over the last 37 years, air quality has improved. This improvement in air quality is due to modern technological changes and social

changes we have made to reduce pollution. Over the last 40 years or so, the world has tried to work together to combat air pollution. One of the main reasons for this is the fact that if we keep living as we currently do, the earth won't survive. The article discusses the repercussions of air pollution, as it reduces health and thus the quality of life for humans. The EPA estimations of air quality and emissions show a drastic change from 1980 to 2017. Most of the substances researched in this source were reduced by over 50% in those 37 years. Some of the substances were even reduced up to 99% in that time, thus showing how capable the human race is of making a change.