




Score:  **4**

Data available: **Limited**

Product Summary

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Benefit Cosmetics Benefit They're Real! Mascara

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EWG scientists reviewed Benefit Cosmetics Benefit They're Real! Mascara for safety according to the methodology outlined in our Skin Deep Cosmetics Database. We assess the ingredients listed on the labels of personal care products based on data in toxicity and regulatory databases, government and health agency assessments and the open scientific literature. EWG's rating for Benefit Cosmetics Benefit They're Real! Mascara is 4.



Ingredient Concerns:	low	moderate	high
Overall Hazard	<input type="text"/>		
Cancer	<input type="text"/>		
Developmental & reproductive toxicity	<input type="text"/>		
Allergies & immunotoxicity	<input type="text"/>		
Use restrictions	<input type="text"/>		

Other HIGH concerns: Multiple, additive exposure sources, Contamination concerns, Irritation (skin, eyes, or lungs), Occupational hazards, Persistence and bioaccumulation; **Other MODERATE concerns:** Cancer, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive); **Other LOW concerns:** Enhanced skin absorption, Data gaps, Ecotoxicology

Ingredient Concerns

Ingredient	Concerns	Score
BHT	Cancer, Developmental/reproductive toxicity, Allergies/immunotoxicity, Irritation (skin, eyes, or lungs), Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive)	 Data: Fair
CHROMIUM OXIDE GREENS	Enhanced skin absorption, Ecotoxicology, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Persistence and bioaccumulation	 Data: Limited
TRIETHANOLAMINE	Allergies/immunotoxicity, Contamination concerns (NITROSAMINES -in the presence of nitrosating agents), Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Use restrictions	 Data: Fair
ULTRAMARINES	Multiple, additive exposure sources	 Data: Limited

CHROMIUM HYDROXIDE GREEN

Ecotoxicology, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Persistence and bioaccumulation

Data: **None**PHENOXYETHANOL

Allergies/immunotoxicity, Irritation (skin, eyes, or lungs), Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Occupational hazards, Use restrictions

Data: **Limited**SODIUM LAURETH-12 SULFATEContamination concerns (ETHYLENE OXIDE, 1,4-DIOXANE), Irritation (skin, eyes, or lungs), Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive)Data: **Limited**POTASSIUM SORBATE

Allergies/immunotoxicity, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive)

Data: **Limited**SORBIC ACID

Allergies/immunotoxicity, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive)

Data: **Fair**TOCOPHERYL ACETATECancer, Ecotoxicology, Allergies/immunotoxicity, Contamination concerns (HYDROQUINONE)Data: **Fair**TITANIUM DIOXIDE

Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Occupational hazards

Data: **Fair**ACACIA SENEGAL GUM

Data gaps, Allergies/immunotoxicity, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Use restrictions

Data: **Fair**IRON OXIDES

Enhanced skin absorption, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Persistence and bioaccumulation

Data: **Fair**TETRASODIUM EDTA

Enhanced skin absorption, Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Occupational hazards

		
		Data: Fair
CI 77499	Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive), Persistence and bioaccumulation	
		Data: Fair
CITRIC ACID	Use restrictions	
		Data: Fair
SERICIN	Allergies/immunotoxicity	
		Data: Limited
PARAFFIN	Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive)	
		Data: Fair
POLYBUTENE	Data gaps, Irritation (skin, eyes, or lungs), Organ system toxicity (non-reproductive)	
		Data: Limited
BUTYLENE GLYCOL	Irritation (skin, eyes, or lungs)	
		Data: Limited
PALMITIC ACID	Ecotoxicology	
		Data: Fair
STEARIC ACID	Ecotoxicology	
		Data: Fair
STYRENE/ ACRYLATES/ AMMONIUM METHACRYLATE COPOLYMER	Use restrictions	
		Data: None

BIS-DIGLYCERYL
POLYACYLADIPATE-2

None Identified



Data: None

TILIA TOMENTOSA BUD
EXTRACT

None Identified



Data: None

CI 77492

None Identified



Data: Limited

C18-36 ACID TRIGLYCERIDE

None Identified



Data: None

VP/ EICOSENE COPOLYMER

None Identified



Data: Limited

GLYCERIN

None Identified



Data: Fair

CALCIUM CHLORIDE

None Identified



Data: Fair

BEESWAX

None Identified



Data: Limited

HYDROXYETHYLCELLULOSE

None Identified



Data: Fair

CAPRYLYL GLYCOL

None Identified

Data: **Limited**SODIUM HYALURONATE*None Identified*Data: **Fair**WATER*Innocuous*Data: **Robust***N° 05827/N**Unknown -- Not identified in Skin Deep***About the ratings**

EWG provides information on personal care product ingredients from the published scientific literature, to supplement incomplete data available from companies and the government. The ratings below indicate the relative level of concern posed by exposure to the ingredients in this product - not the product itself - compared to other product formulations. The ratings reflect potential health hazards but do not account for the level of exposure or individual susceptibility, factors which determine actual health risks, if any. [Learn more](#) | [Legal Disclaimer](#)

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