Prior to 2011, Merck reported the portion of dues used for advocacy and/or political activities by those associations where our dues were >$50,000. In 2011, we lowered our reporting threshold to >$25,000 in response to stakeholder input.

*Includes associations where dues are > $25,000. Because the U.S. tax law that requires this reporting does not apply outside the United States, trade associations that are not subject to this do not provide breakouts of lobbying expenditures from membership dues.

**In 2011, we began reporting trade association dues used for advocacy and/or political activities for our animal and consumer health businesses.