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Environmental Benefits Mapping and Analysis Program

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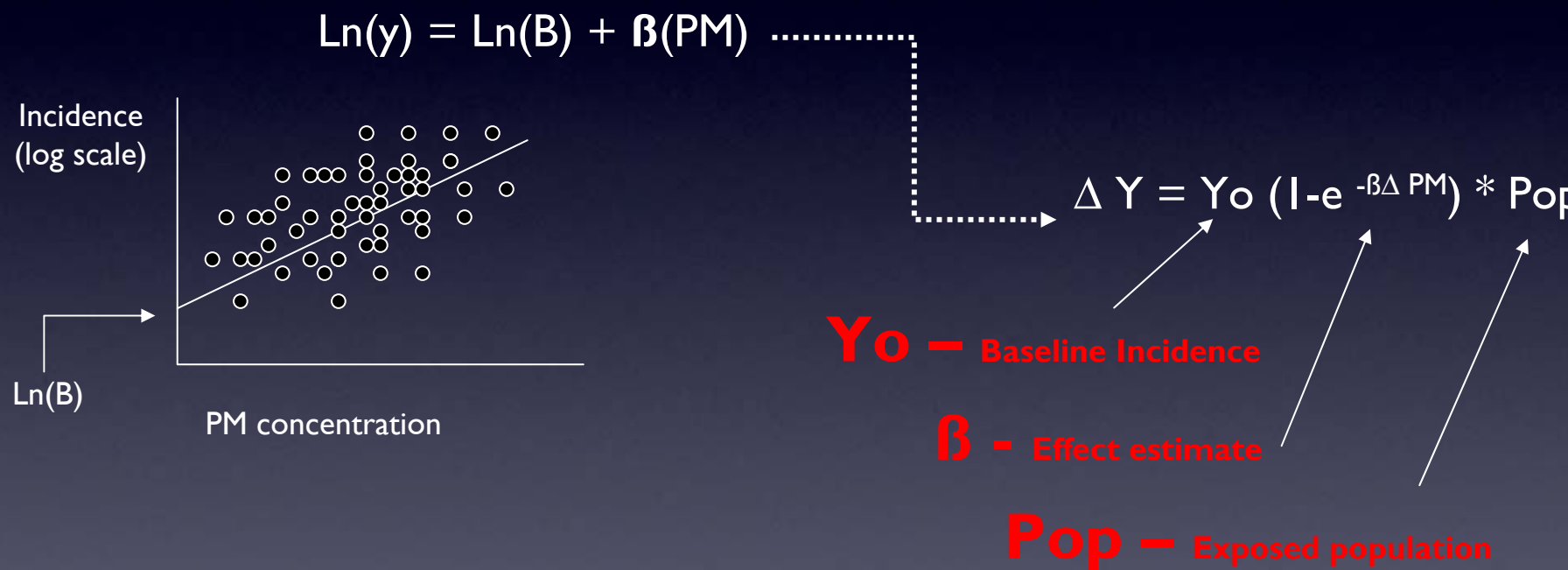
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Air Benefits and Cost Group

Overview

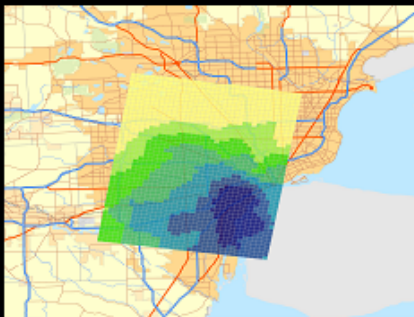
- Principles of health benefits analysis
- Running BenMAP
- Interpreting BenMAP results
- Training opportunities

Scientific Foundation for BenMAP: Derivation of Health Impact Functions

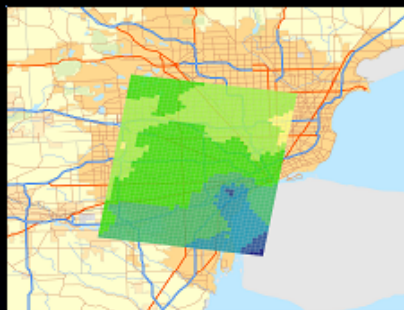


Epidemiology studies – derivation of concentration-response functions (beta values)

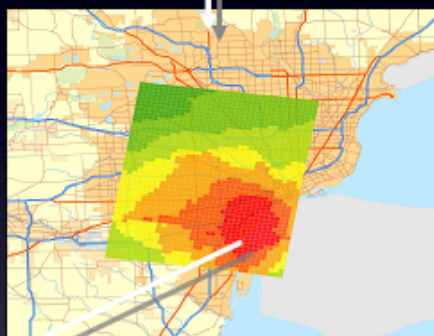
Baseline Air Quality



Post- Policy Scenario Air Quality

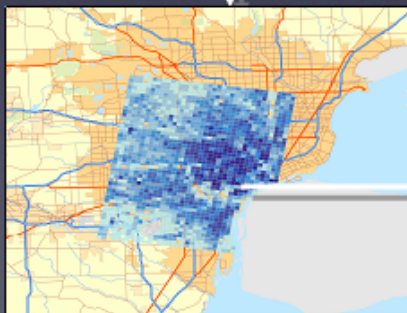


Incremental Air Quality Improvement



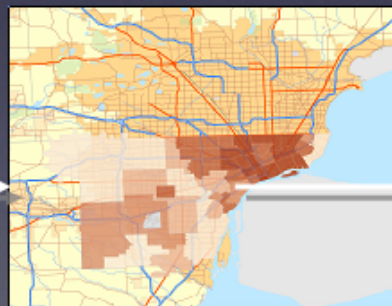
$$\Delta Y = Y_0 (1 - e^{-\beta \Delta PM}) * Pop$$

PM_{2.5}
Reduction



Exposed Population

Population
Ages 18-65



Baseline Incidence
Rate for Each Endpoint

Baseline
Incidence Rate



Effect
estimate

Mortality
Reduction

What Health Effects Does EPA Quantify?

<i>Health Endpoint</i>	<i>Particulate Matter</i>	<i>Ozone</i>
Mortality	✓	✓
Chronic bronchitis	✓	
Nonfatal heart attacks	✓	
Hospital admissions	✓	✓
Asthma ER visits	✓	✓
Acute respiratory symptoms	✓	✓
Asthma attacks	✓	✓
Work loss days	✓	
Worker productivity		✓
School absence rates		✓

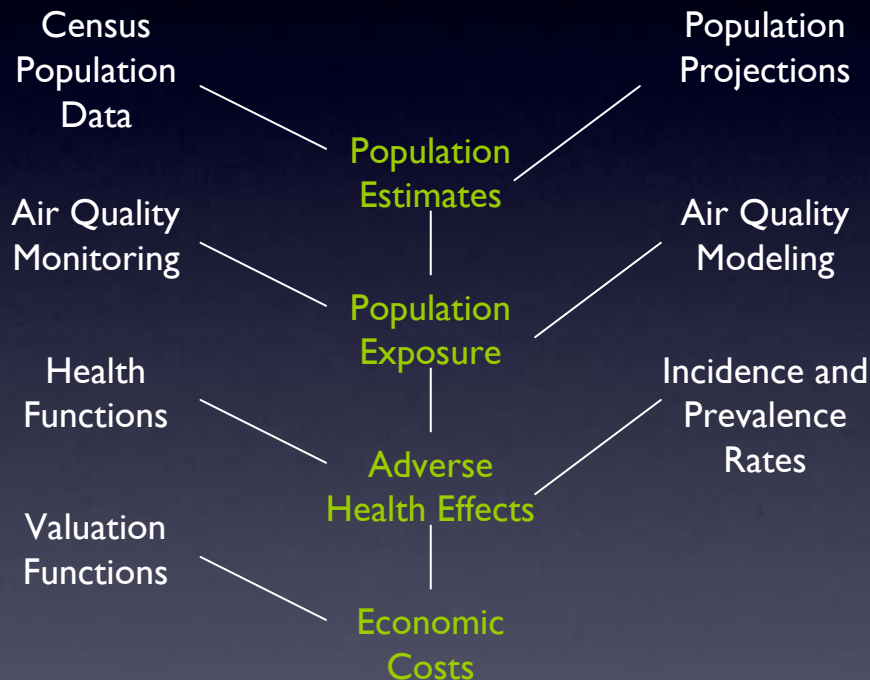
Scientific Foundation for BenMAP: Valuing Health Outcomes

- Cost of Illness (COI)
 - Medical expenses for treatment of illness
 - Captures the money savings to society of reducing a health effect
 - Ignores the value of reduced pain and suffering
- Willingness To Pay (WTP)
 - Lost wages, avoided pain and suffering, loss of satisfaction, loss of leisure time, etc.
 - Measures the complete value of avoiding a health outcome
- Quality adjusted life years (QALY) – measured in terms of “healthy” life year equivalents rather than dollars

Scientific Foundation for BenMAP: Valuing Health Outcomes

- Example: Value of a *statistical* life saved
 - 1 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ reduction in pollutant concentration produces decrease in mortality risk of 1/10,000
 - For every 10,000 individuals, one individual would be expected to die in the absence of the reduction in PM concentrations
 - WTP for this 1/10,000 decrease in mortality risk is \$500
 - Value of a *statistical* life is $10,000 \times \$500 = \5 million
- Mortality benefits have accounted for about 90% of the total benefits of PM_{2.5} air rules

The Data BenMAP Uses to Perform a Benefits Analysis

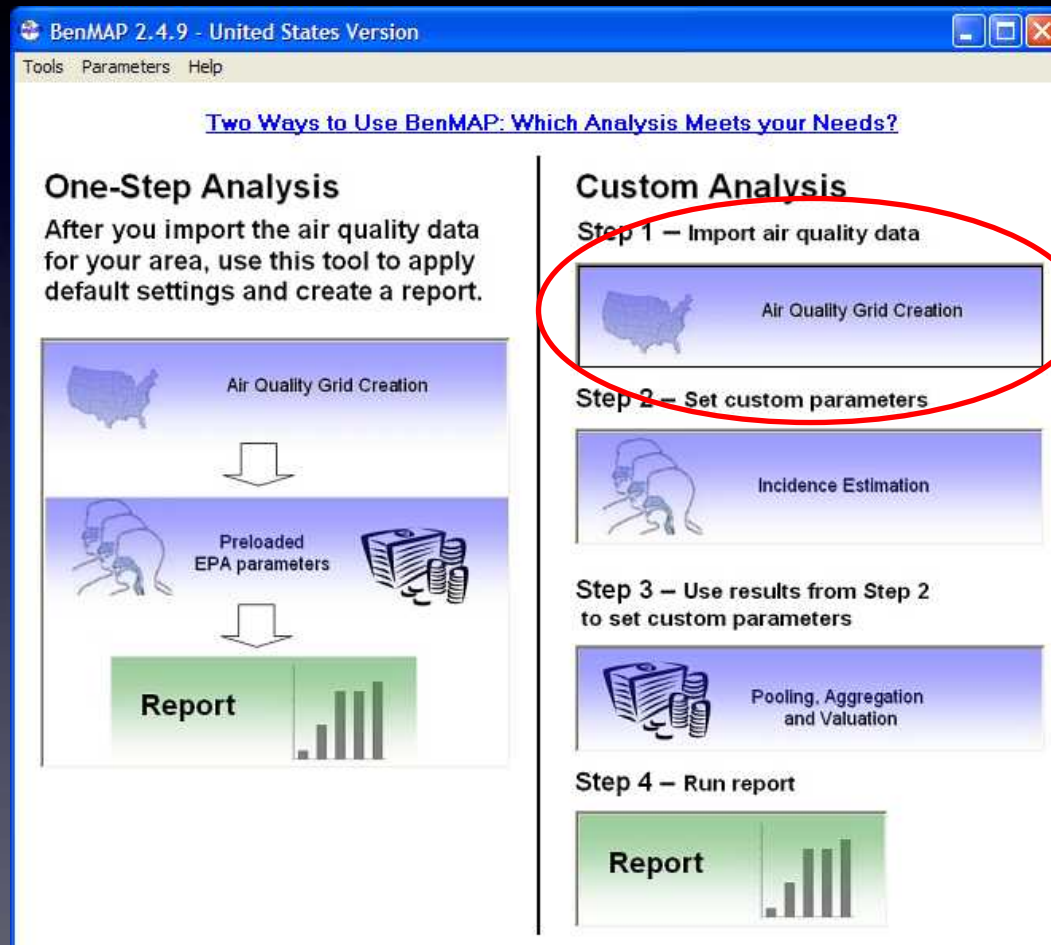


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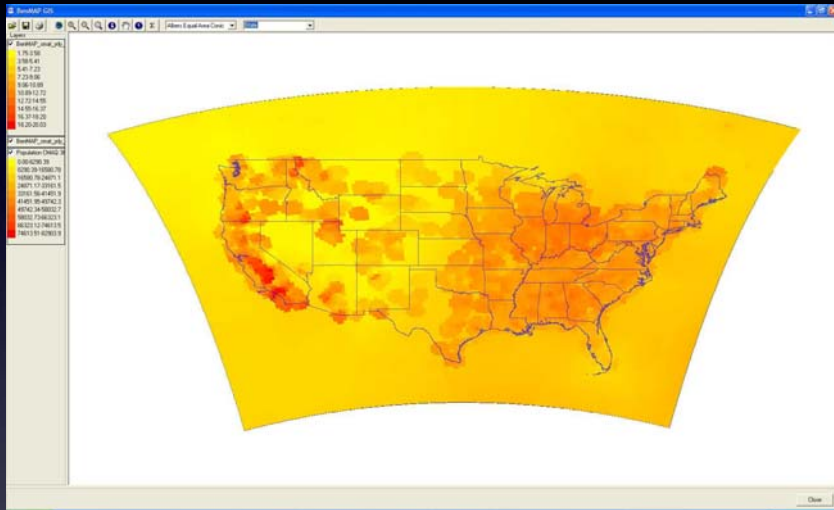
Step One: Specifying Air Quality Data and Calculating Changes in Exposure

- Goal: estimate population exposure to pollutant of interest
- Option 1: Apply user-generated modeled data
 - Easy to import CMAQ, CAMx data
 - Minor modifications required to accept other model data such as AERMOD
- Option 2: Apply built-in monitor data
 - AIRS data for ozone, PM_{10} , and $PM_{2.5}$ for a number of recent years (1996-2004)
 - In process of importing Pb, NO_x, SO_x and CO monitoring data

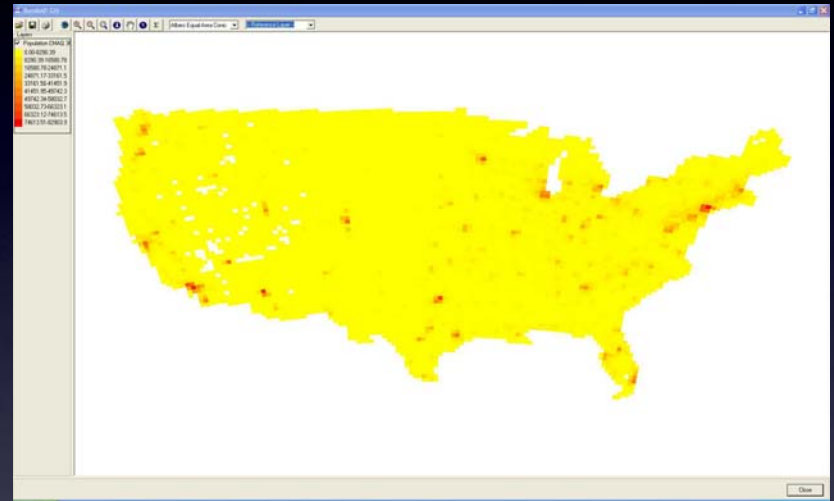
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Air Quality Distribution



Population Distribution

Step Two: Specifying the Benefits Analysis Options

- Select health impact and valuation functions
 - BenMAP pre-loaded with hundreds of PM_{2.5} and O₃ health impact functions
 - Users can add import additional functions through equation editor
- Model will “pool” functions and aggregate results
- BenMAP uses Monte Carlo methods to estimate distributions of incidence and valuation results

Step Two: Specifying the Benefits Analysis Options

Configuration Settings

Available CR Functions:

Tree	DataSet	Endpoint Group	Endpoint	Metric	Seasonal Metric	Metric Statistic	Author	Year	Location	Other Pollutants	Qualifier	Reference	Race	Gender	Start Age	End Age	Function
+	Complete BenM...																
+	CRFunctionData																
+	Detroit Test Fun...																

Function Identification

DataSet	Endpoint Group	Endpoint	Metric	Seasonal Metric	Metric Statistic	Author	Year	Location	Other Pollutants	Qualifier	Reference	Race	Gender	Start Age	End Age	Incidence DataSet	Prevalence Data...	Variable DataSet
Alternative Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Laden et al	2006	6 cities			Threshold a				30	99	2020 Mortality Inci...		
Alternative Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Pope et al	2002	51 cities			Threshold a				30	99	2020 Mortality Inci...		
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Alternative Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Pope et al	2002	51 cities			No threshol				30	99	2020 Mortality Inci...		
Alternative Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Woodruff et	2006	204 counties			Threshold a				30	99	2020 Mortality Inci...		
EPA Standard Chronic Bronchitis	Chronic Bron	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Abbey et al	1995	SF, SD, Sou				Abbey, D.E., B			27	99	2000 Incidence and	2000 Incidence and	
EPA PM2.5 Chronic Bronchitis	Chronic Bron	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Abbey et al	1995	SF, SD, Sou				Abbey, D.E., B			27	99	2000 Incidence and	2000 Incidence and	
EPA PM2.5 Acute Bronchitis	Acute Bronch	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Dockery et al	1996	24 communit				Dockery, D.W.			8	12	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Acute Myocardial Infarction	Acute Myocard	D24Hour		None	Peters et al	2001	Boston, MA				Peters, A., D.V.			18	24	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Acute Myocardial Infarction	Acute Myocard	D24Hour		None	Peters et al	2001	Boston, MA				Peters, A., D.V.			25	44	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Acute Myocardial Infarction	Acute Myocard	D24Hour		None	Peters et al	2001	Boston, MA				Peters, A., D.V.			45	54	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Acute Myocardial Infarction	Acute Myocard	D24Hour		None	Peters et al	2001	Boston, MA				Peters, A., D.V.			55	64	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Acute Myocardial Infarction	Acute Myocard	D24Hour		None	Peters et al	2001	Boston, MA				Peters, A., D.V.			65	99	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Hospital Admissions	HA, Chronic	D24Hour		None	Moolgavkar, S	2003	Los Angeles		Los Angeles		Moolgavkar, S			65	99	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Hospital Admissions	HA, Chronic	D24Hour		None	Ito	2003	Detroit, MI		Detroit, MI		Ito, K. Associat			65	99	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Hospital Admissions	HA, Chronic	D24Hour		None	Moolgavkar, S	2000	Los Angeles		Los Angeles		Moolgavkar, S			18	64	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Hospital Admissions	HA, Pneumo	D24Hour		None	Ito	2003	Detroit, MI		Detroit, MI		Ito, K. Associat			65	99	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Hospital Admissions	HA, Asthma	D24Hour		None	Sheppard	2003	Seattle, WA		Seattle, WA		Sheppard, L. A			0	64	2000 Incidence and		
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EPA PM2.5 Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Woodruff et	1997	86 cities			Infant Morta	Woodruff, T.J.			0	0	2020 Mortality Inci...		
EPA PM2.5 Acute Respiratory System	Minor Restric	D24Hour		None	Ostro and	1989	Nationwide	Ozone			Ostro, B.D. and			18	64			
EPA PM2.5 Lower Respiratory System	Lower Respir	D24Hour		None	Schwartz, J	2000	6 U.S. cities				Schwartz, J. ar			7	14			
EPA PM2.5 Asthma Exacerbations	Asthma Exac	D24Hour		None	Ostro et al	2001	Los Angeles		African-Ame		Ostro, B., M. Li			6	18			
EPA PM2.5 Asthma Exacerbations	Asthma Exac	D24Hour		None	Vedal et al	1998	Vancouver, I		Pollutant list		Vedal, S., et al			6	18			
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EPA PM2.5 Asthma Exacerbations	Asthma Exac	D24Hour		None	Ostro et al	2001	Los Angeles		African-Ame		Ostro, B., M. Li			6	18			
EPA PM2.5 Work Loss Days	Work Loss D	D24Hour		None	Ostro	1987	Nationwide				Ostro, B.D. Air			18	64	2000 Incidence and		
EPA PM2.5 Upper Respiratory System	Upper Respir	D24Hour		None	Pope et al	1991	Utah Valley		Pollutant list		Pope, C.A., et			9	11			
Expert Elicitation Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Expert A	2006				Full Range				30	99	2020 Mortality Inci...		
Expert Elicitation Mortality	Mortality, All	D24Hour	QuarterlyMean	Mean	Expert B	2006				D range, A to				30	99	2020 Mortality Inci...		

Cancel Previous Run

Step Two: Specifying the Benefits Analysis Options

Incidence Pooling and Aggregation

Available Incidence Results: PM2.5

Select Pooling Methods: Basic Functions

Endpoint Group	Start Age	Author	Endpoint	Qualifier	Location	End Age	Year	Other Pollutants	Reference	Race	Gender	Function	Pollutant	Pooling Method
Mortality	25	Laden et al.	Mortality, All Cause	Adjusted Coefficient	6 cities	99	2006		Laden, F., J. Schwa			(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*MA	PM2.5	None
	30	Pope et al.	Mortality, All Cause	Adjusted Coefficient	51 cities	99	2002		Pope, C.A., 3rd, R.T			(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*MA	PM2.5	None
	0	Woodruff et al.	Mortality, All Cause	Adjusted Coefficient	204 counties	0	2006		Woodruff, T.J., J.D.			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
		Woodruff et al.	Mortality, All Cause	Adjusted Coefficient	86 cities	0	1997		Woodruff, T.J., J. Gr			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
Chronic Bronchitis	27	Abbey et al.	Chronic Bronchitis	Adjusted Coefficient	SF, SD, South Coas	99	1995		Abbey, D.E., B.E. O.			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
Acute Myocardial In	18	Peters et al.	Acute Myocardial In	Adjusted Coefficient	Boston, MA	24	2001		Peters, A., D.W. Do			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
	25	Peters et al.	Acute Myocardial In	Adjusted Coefficient	Boston, MA	44	2001		Peters, A., D.W. Do			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
	45	Peters et al.	Acute Myocardial In	Adjusted Coefficient	Boston, MA	54	2001		Peters, A., D.W. Do			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
	55	Peters et al.	Acute Myocardial In	Adjusted Coefficient	Boston, MA	64	2001		Peters, A., D.W. Do			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
	65	Peters et al.	Acute Myocardial In	Adjusted Coefficient	Boston, MA	99	2001		Peters, A., D.W. Do			(1-1)/(1-Incidence)*	PM2.5	None
Hospital Admissions	65	Moolgavkar	HA, Chronic Lung D	Adjusted Coefficient	Los Angeles, CA	99	2003		Moolgavkar, S.H. Ai			(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*MA	PM2.5	None
		Ito	HA, Chronic Lung D	Adjusted Coefficient	Detroit, MI	99	2003		Ito, K. Associations c			(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*MA	PM2.5	None
		Ito	HA, Pneumonia	Adjusted Coefficient	Detroit, MI	99	2003		Ito, K. Associations c			(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*MA	PM2.5	None

Pooling Window Name: Expert Functions

Endpoint Group	Endpoint	Author	Location	Qualifier	Start Age	End Age	Year	Other Pollutants	Reference	Race	Gender	Function	Pollutant	Pooling Method
Mortality	Mortality, All Cause	Expert A		Full Range	30	99	2006					(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*DEL	PM2.5	Sum (Dependent)
		Expert B		Range from 4 to 10	30	99	2006					if ((Q1<A) or (Q1>B))	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
				Range from 4 to 10	30	99	2006					Beta	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
				No Causality	30	99	0					Beta	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
				Range from > 10 to	30	99	2006					if ((Q1<=A) or (Q1>B	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
		Expert C		Full Range	30	99	2006					(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*DEL	PM2.5	Sum (Dependent)
		Expert D		Full Range	30	99	2006					(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*DEL	PM2.5	Sum (Dependent)
				No Causality	30	99	0					Beta	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
		Expert E		Full Range	30	99	2006					(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*DEL	PM2.5	Sum (Dependent)
				No Causality	30	99	0					Beta	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
				Full Range	30	99	2006					(1-1)/Exp(Beta)*DEL	PM2.5	Sum (Dependent)
		Expert F		Range from 4 to 7 us	30	99	2006					if ((Q1<A) or (Q1>B))	PM2.5	Subjective Weights
				Range from > 7 to 30	30	99	2006					if ((Q1<=A) or (Q1>B	PM2.5	Subjective Weights

Target Grid Type: CMAQ 35km

Configuration Results File Name(s): C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\Configuration

Advanced

Window to Delete: Delete Add

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Step Three: Reporting the Results

APV Configuration Results Report

Audit Trail Report

C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\National PM2.5 Rollback.apv

- Configuration Results: C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\National PM2.5 Rollback.cfg
 - Latin Hypercube Points: 10
 - Population Dataset: United States Census - County
 - Year: 2020
 - Threshold: 0
- Grid Definition
 - Name: CMAQ 36km
 - ID: 3
 - Columns: 148
 - Rows: 112
 - Grid Type: Shapefile
 - Shapefile Name: CMAQLC
- Selected Studies
 - Baseline Air Quality Grid: C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\Air Quality Grids\BenMAP_smat_yrly_2020bk_15_65.agg
 - Pollutant: PM2.5
 - Model Filename: C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\Air Quality Grids\BenMAP_smat_yrly_2020bk_15_65.csv
 - Grid Definition
 - Control Air Quality Grid: C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\Air Quality Grids\BenMAP_smat_yrly_2020bk_14_35.agg
 - Pollutant: PM2.5
 - Model Filename: C:\Program Files\Abt Associates Inc\BenMAP 2.4 US Version\Air Quality Grids\BenMAP_smat_yrly_2020bk_14_35.csv
 - Grid Definition
- Advanced
 - Default Advanced Pooling Method: Round Weights to Two Digits
 - Default Monte Carlo Iterations: 5000
 - Random Seed: -1
 - QALY Random Seed: -1
 - Sort Incidence LHPs: False
 - Incidence Aggregation
 - Name: Nation
 - ID: 2
 - Columns: 1
 - Rows: 1
 - Grid Type: Shapefile
 - Shapefile Name: Nation
 - Valuation Aggregation
 - QALY Aggregation
 - Incidence Pooling Windows
 - Incidence Pooling Window: Basic Functions
 - Incidence Pooling Window: AMI summed incidence
 - Incidence Pooling Window: AMI 7% Calcs
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 - Valuation Pooling Windows
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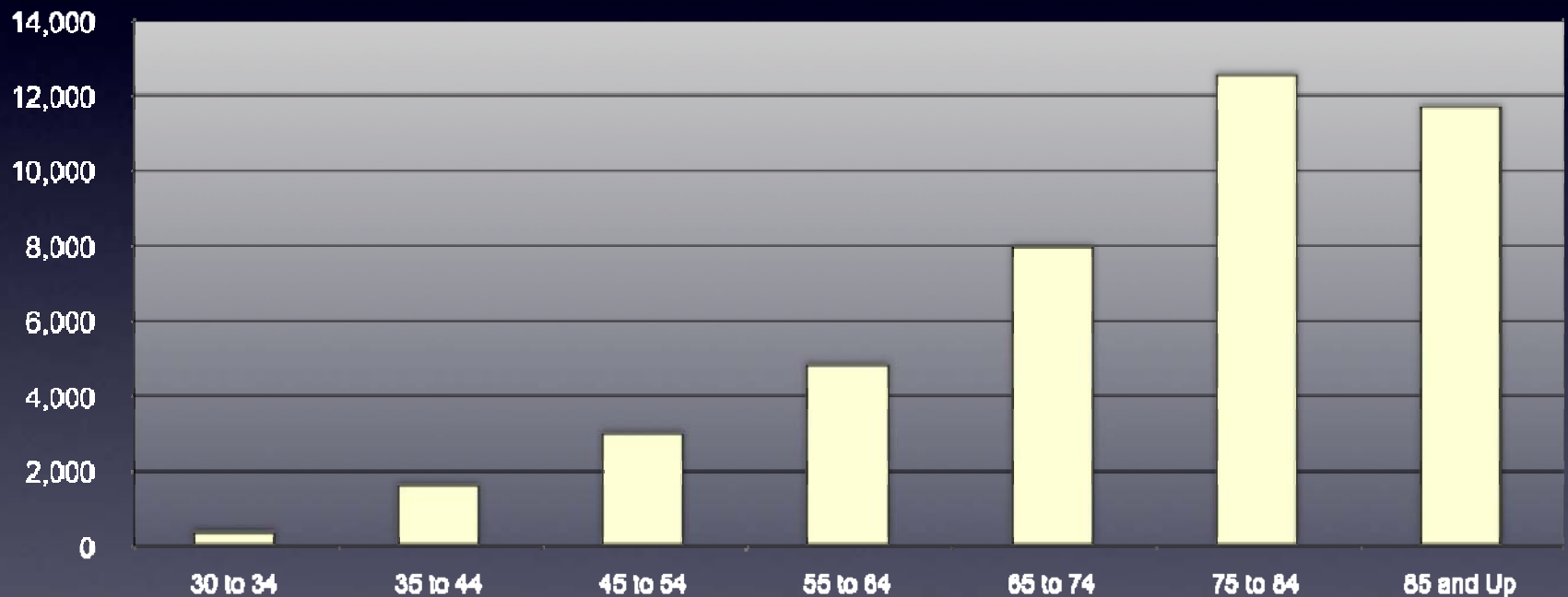
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Step Three: Reporting the Results

(I) Age Group Impacts

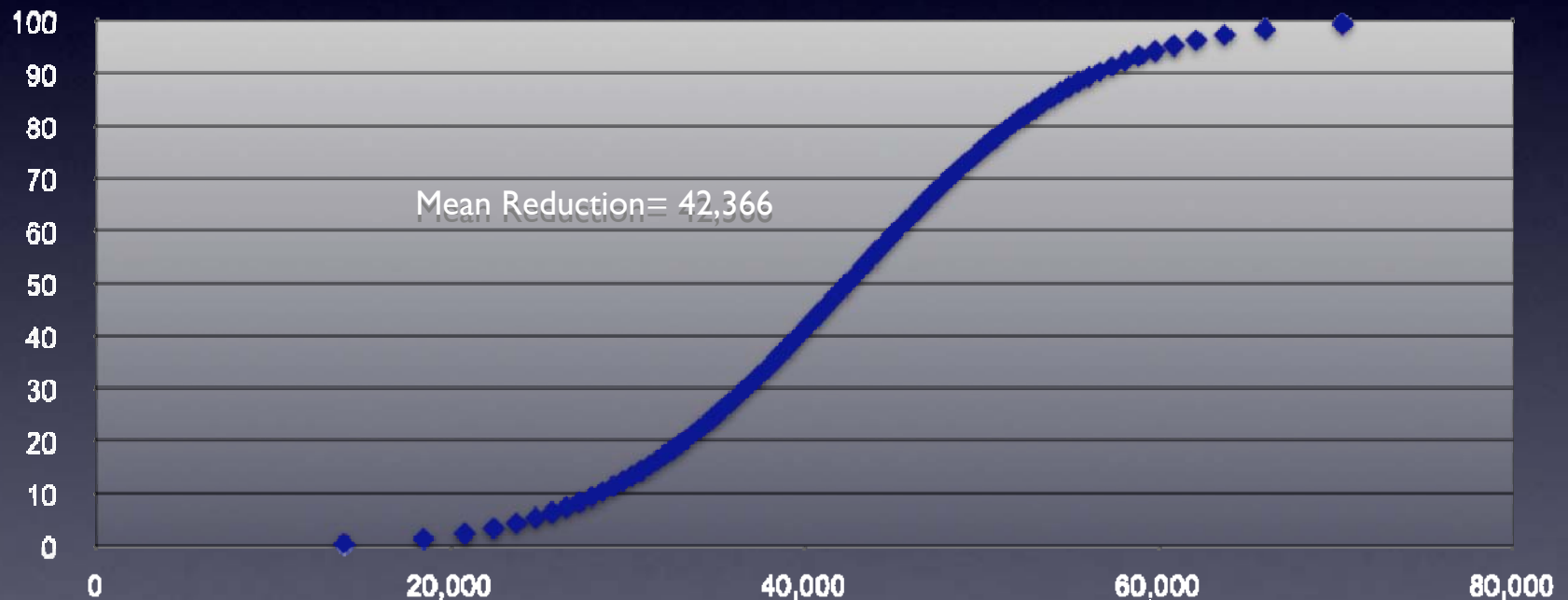
Mortality Impacts by Age Group



Step Three: Reporting the Results:

(2) Distributions of Incidence

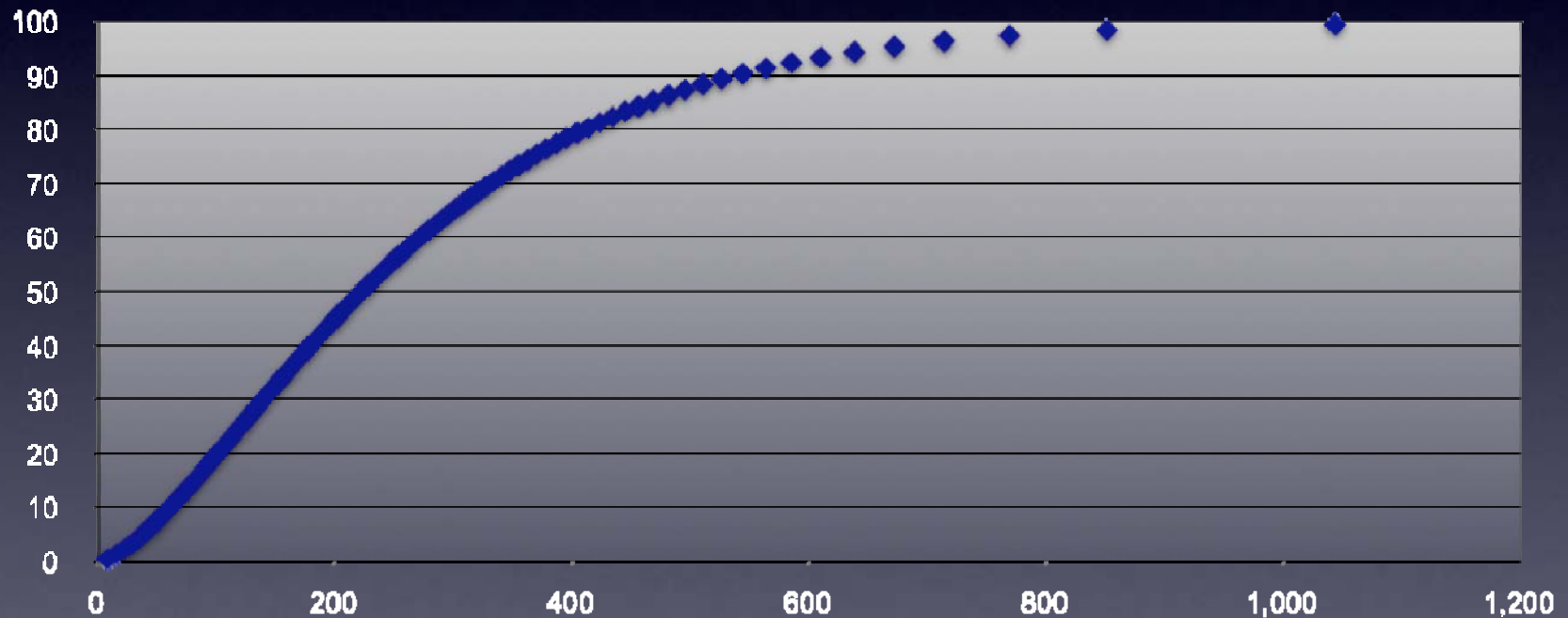
Cumulative Distribution of Total Change in Mortality from a 30% Reduction in $PM_{2.5}$ Levels



Step Three: Reporting the Results:

(3) Distributions of Monetized Benefits

Cumulative Distribution of Value of Reductions in Premature Mortality from a 30% Reduction in $PM_{2.5}$ Levels



Use of BenMAP in EPA Analyses

- Past Projects:
 - Non-Road Diesel Rule
 - Clean Air Interstate Rule
 - PM_{2.5} NAAQS
 - Small Spark Ignition Rule
 - Locomotive and Marine Diesel Rule
 - Ozone NAAQS
- Upcoming Projects:
 - SO₂ NAAQS
 - NO_x NAAQS

Other BenMAP Projects

- FAA aircraft analysis
- Washington and Oregon woodstove analyses
- New York City Department of Health borough-level analysis
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources SIP planning

BenMAP International Projects

- China: Benefits analysis of EGU control strategy.
- South Korea: Health benefits of Seoul air quality management plan
- Latin America: Benefits of air quality improvements in Mexico City, São Paulo, Santiago
- India: Benefits analysis in Mumbai

BenMAP Training

- Two providers of BenMAP Training:
 - [Abt Associates Inc.](#)
 - [Community Modeling Analysis System](#)