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HEI's RIOPA and Other Air Quality Databases

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The HEI Strategic Plan – 2010 - 2015

Fiscal Year:	FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 2012 FY 2013 FY 2014 FY 2015 FY 2016 and beyond
Major Upcoming Standard-Setting and Other Regulatory Events	- NO ₂ , NAAQS - PM, O ₃ ,
HEI Strategic Plan 2010–2015	Research Synthesis/Assessment
Multipollutant Exposure and Health	Systematic investigation of toxicity of PM components and sources (NPACT) Manage studies Publish
	Conduct new methods and RIOPA exposure research — Publish; disseminate Issue ozone/PM RFA — Select studies — Conduct research — Publish; disseminate
	Workshop: Climate-air quality nexus Implement research/evaluation of climate-air quality health effects/co-benefits
	Publish air toxics "hot spot" studies
Emerging Technologies for Air Quality and Climate	Complete Advanced Collaborative Emissions Study (ACES) Short-term and chronic testing 2010 engines: emissions characterization Review, publish, and disseminate
	Special Committee on Emerging Technologies sets priorities for rapid workshop/review of fuels/technologies, potential new research
	Workshop/review fuel/technology Workshop/review fuel/technology Workshop/review fuel/technology
	Initiate new studies on key fuel/technology data gaps
Assessing Health Impact of Air Quality Actions (Accountability)	Complete initial studies on shorter-term interventions Accountability workshop
	Initiate new studies on long- and short-term interventions, continue new methods development
	Continue building of networks and alliances with CDC and state public health tracking programs
International Perspective	Publish APHENA and initial PAPA studies Publish review of Asian Studies Update PAPA-SAN database Update PAPA-SAN database
	Initiate additional developed and developing world studies
Cross-Cutting Issues	Identification and integration of sensitive populations (e.g., elderly, lower SES) into HEI studies
	Continuous innovation, validation, and data access for state-of-the-art biologic methods, statistics

Cross-Cutting Issues in HEI Research

- Sensitive Populations
- Innovation and Validation:
 - Enhanced Statistical Techniques
 - New Methods for Toxicity Testing
 - New Biomarkers
 - Increasing Access to High Quality Air Pollution
 Data: Three Web-based Databases
 - Air Quality Databases
 - RIOPA Databases
 - iHAPSS Database



HEI Databases

- HEI Policy on Data Access "..... it is the policy of the Health Effects Institute to provide access expeditiously to data for studies that it has funded and to provide that data in a manner that facilitates review and validation of the work but also protects the confidentiality of any subjects who may have participated in the study and respects the intellectual interests of the investigator in the work."
- HEI has developed publicly-accessible databases:
 - Where underlying data can be made public
 - Information would be of wide interest in the scientific community
 - Where HEI development or support can make the database more accessible and user friendly

HEI Air Quality Database*

Sources of Raw Data:

- EPA's AQS Particulate Matter Air Quality Data Station Meta Data
- NEI PM_{2.5} Emission Inventory Data
- Census Population Data
- EPA's AQS Particulate Matter Air Quality Data
- EPA's AQS Gaseous Air Quality Data
- Meteorological Data
- Goal: Provide a user-friendly portal for all these data
- > Updated every six months
- > HEI has more flexibility in selecting data sources and data presentation

* Site Maintained by: AER at http://hei.aer.com;

For access: contact hei@aer.com

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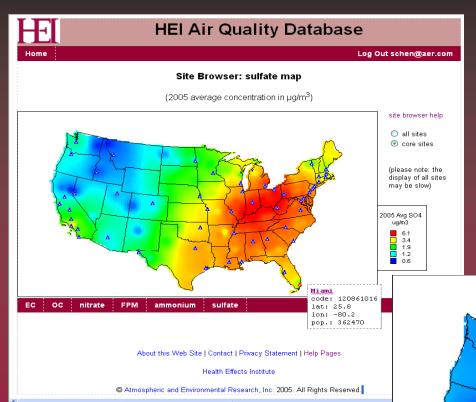


Available Data

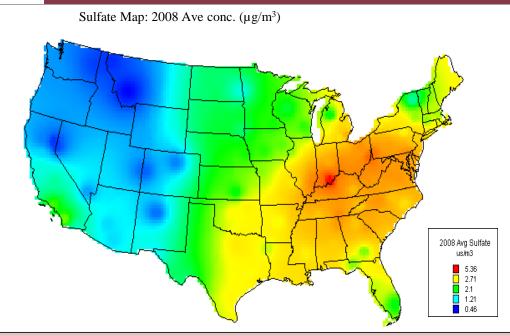
- Speciated PM measurements from the EPA's AQS Database
 - PM_{2.5} mass
 - Ions: sulfate, nitrate, ammonium
 - Carbon: elemental and organic
 - Many metals
- Meteorology data from both EPA's AQS Database and the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC)
- Gases: SO_2 , O_3 , NO_x , CO
- Census population data
- Emission estimates from EPA's National Emissions Inventory (NEI)
- Includes detailed and useful description of data sources, collection methods, analytical procedures, etc.



Searching for information



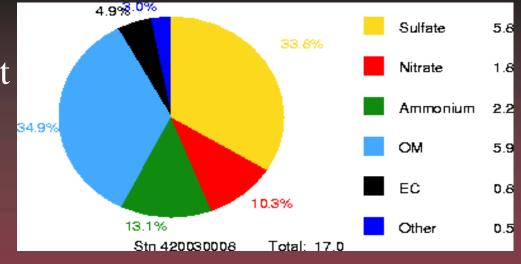
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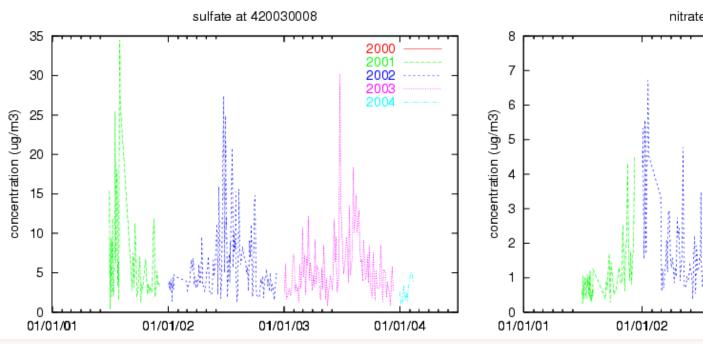


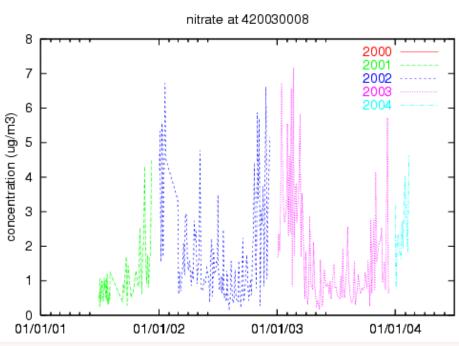
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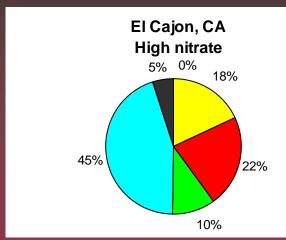
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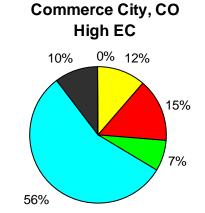


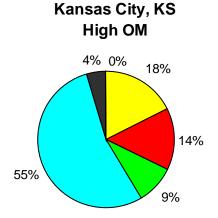


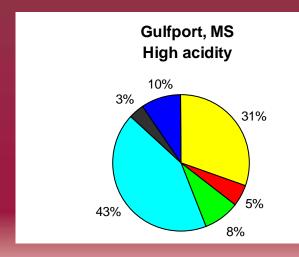
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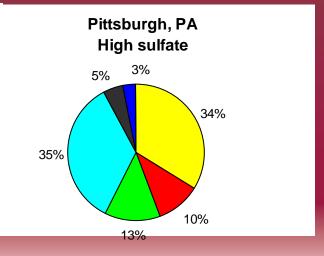
PM Composition Varies Among Cities











- Sulfate
- Nitrate
- Ammonium
- OM
- EC
- Other

The RIOPA Data

- Relationships between indoor, outdoor, and personal air (RIOPA)
- Pollutant measurements:
 - Indoor, Outdoor and Personal Sampling
 - Three urban centers, 100 homes each
 - Elizabeth, NJ: mixture of point, mobile, area & commercial sources near residences
 - Houston, TX: predominantly industrial point sources
 - Los Angeles, CA: predominantly mobile sources
- Co-funded by HEI and NUATRC
- Investigators: Barbara Turpin, Clifford Weisel, et al.
- Results of initial analyses published as HEI Research Report 130 (2005, 2007)
- Web Database maintained by AER; http://riopa.aer.com
- Secure



The RIOPA Database

Includes measurements of:

- VOCs (18)
- carbonyl compounds (10)
- PM2.5 mass and species
- OC and EC
- elements (22)
- PAHs (32) and chlordanes (6) (gas and particle)
- In-vehicle carbonyls

• Other data

- Household
- air exchange rates
- neighborhood / surroundings
- subject
- activity



Data recently added to the RIOPA Database

- Traffic flow for nearest highway
- Traffic intensity
- Elevation
- Intensity of development in developed areas
- Wind speed
- Prevailing wind direction



Use of the RIOPA Data

- HEI recently funded two new studies to further analyze the RIOPA data
 - Stuart Batterman, University of Michigan
 - Patrick Ryan, University of Cincinnati
- Many investigators have used this database, resulting in many published articles



The iHAPPS Database

- Contains data and and analytical software from HEI's National Morbidity, Mortality and Air Pollution Study (NMMAPS) – published as HEI Reports and multiple publications from Johns Hopkins group
- Study evaluated associations between air pollutants and morbidity and mortality in 108 US cities from 1987-2000
- Data include multiple pollutants (EPA's AQS Database), meteorological (National Climatic Data Center), and census
- Site found at Dept. of Biostatistics, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, http://www.ihapss.jhsph.edu/



HEI Annual Conference

- Boston. May 1 3, 2011
- Sessions on: how low can NAAQS go; emissions and exposure with emphasis on remote sensing; long range transport; others
- 40+ posters (HEI and other studies)
- EPA, Auto industry and lot of other scientists
- Contact HEI for more information: www.HealthEffects.org



Pre-Conference Workshop:

The Evolution of Statistical Methods Used to Assess the Health Effects of Air Pollution

- Assessing Health Effects of Short-Term Exposures to Air Pollution
 - From Single-City to Multi-City Coordinated Analyses (F Dominici)
 - Alternative Models and Approaches (R Smith)
- Assessing Health Effects of Long-Term Exposures to Air Pollution
 - Impact of Long-Term Exposures to Air Pollution (A Pope)
 - Characterizing Exposure Measurement Error (A Szpiro)
 - Summary and New Directions (L Sheppard)
- Boston. SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2011, 8:30–11:30 AM



Thank you!!!

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