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# *★ Facility-Specific Speed/Non-FTP Correction Factors and VMT Weighting Estimates*

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## *Background*

- MOBILE5
- Real-world driving
- Transportation models
- Air Quality Models



## *Facilty-Specific Cycles*

- Include non-FTP driving, including enrichment effects
- Different roadway (facility) types, at different average speeds
- Based on chase car data
- Details in Report “Development of Speed Correction Cycles” by Sierra Research



## *Testing*

- 50 vehicles under contract / 20" twin-roll dynamometer
- 23 vehicles at EPA / 48" dynamometer (with and without air conditioning)



## *73 Vehicles*

- Randomized order of cycles
- 55 passenger cars (48 1988+, 7 pre-1988)
- 18 light duty trucks (13 1988+, 5 pre-1988)



## *Preliminary Analysis*

- Emission level
- Freeways vs. Arterial/Collectors
- Low speed (2.5 - 12.9 mph)

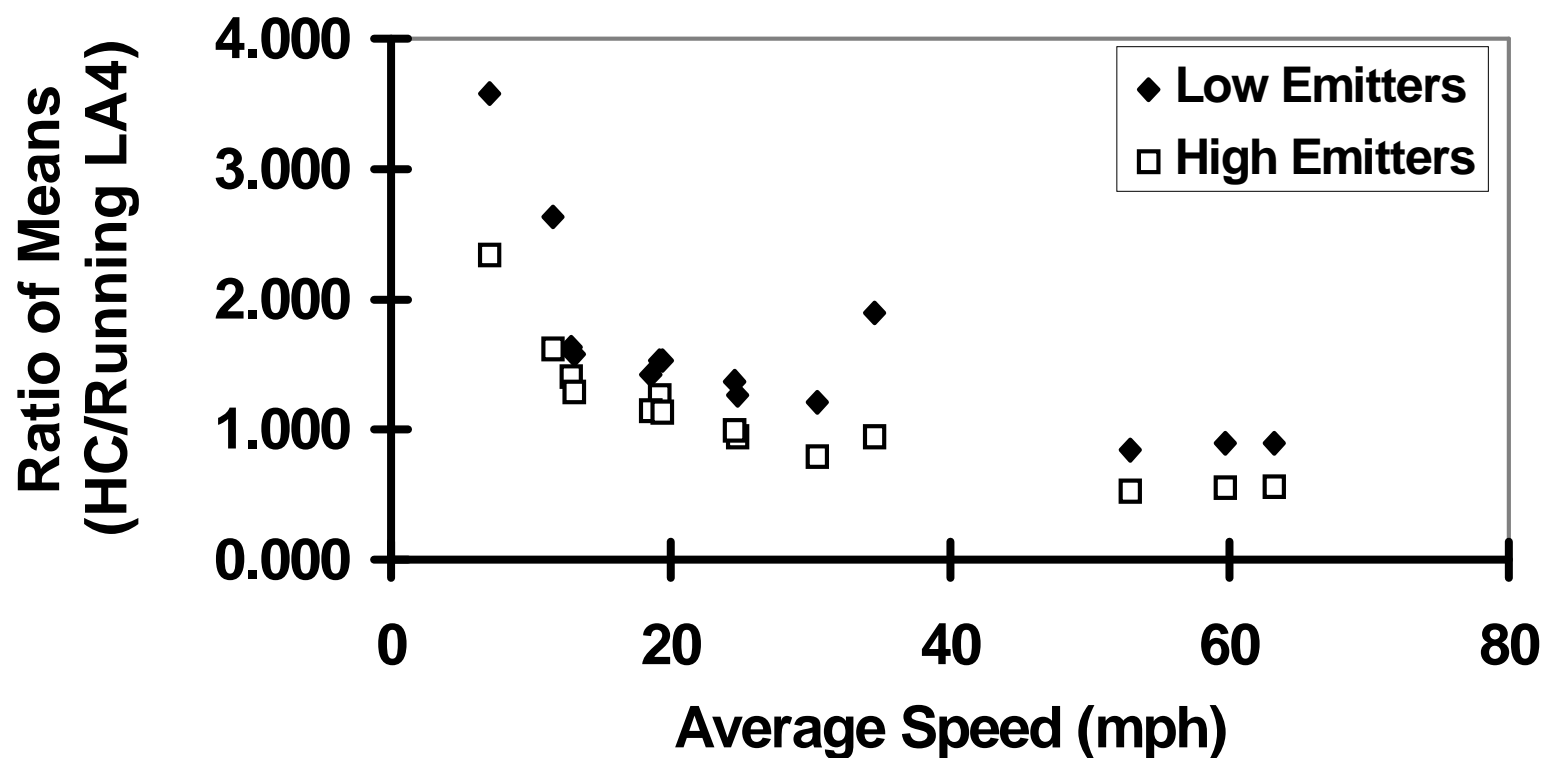


## *Emission Level*

- Calculated LA4 Running Emissions:  
LA4 Running = (Running 505 \* .479) +  
(Bag 2 \* .521)
- Cutpoints (low/high):  
HC: LA4 Running > 0.8 grams/mile  
CO: LA4 Running > 15 grams/mile  
NOx: LA4 Running > 2.0 grams/mile
- Propose separate speed curves by  
emission level for all pollutants

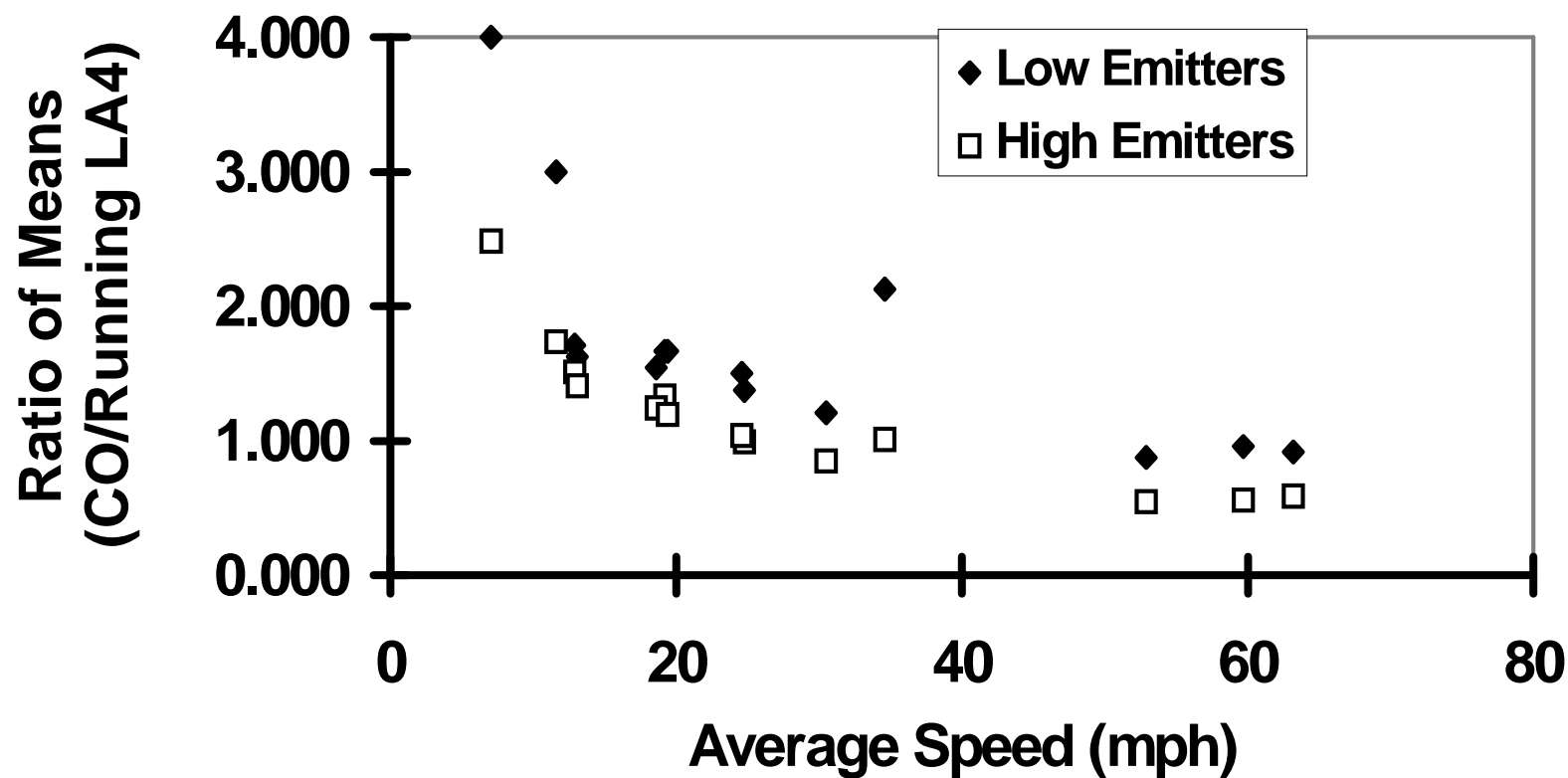


## Facility Cycles Ratio of Means, HC by Emitter Level Groups



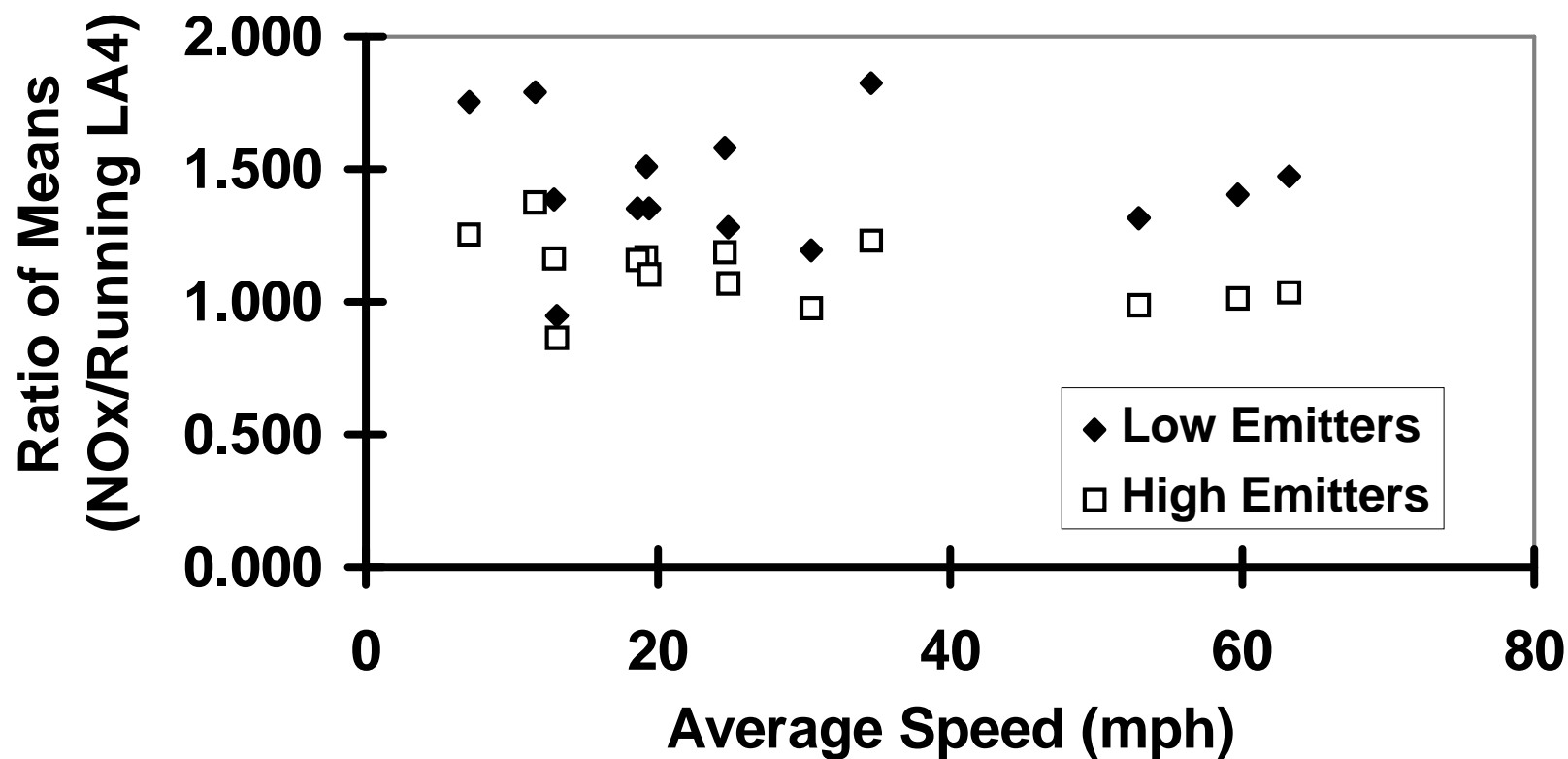


## Facility Cycles Ratio of Means, CO by Emitter Level Groups





## Facility Cycles Ratio of Means, NOx by Emitter Level Groups



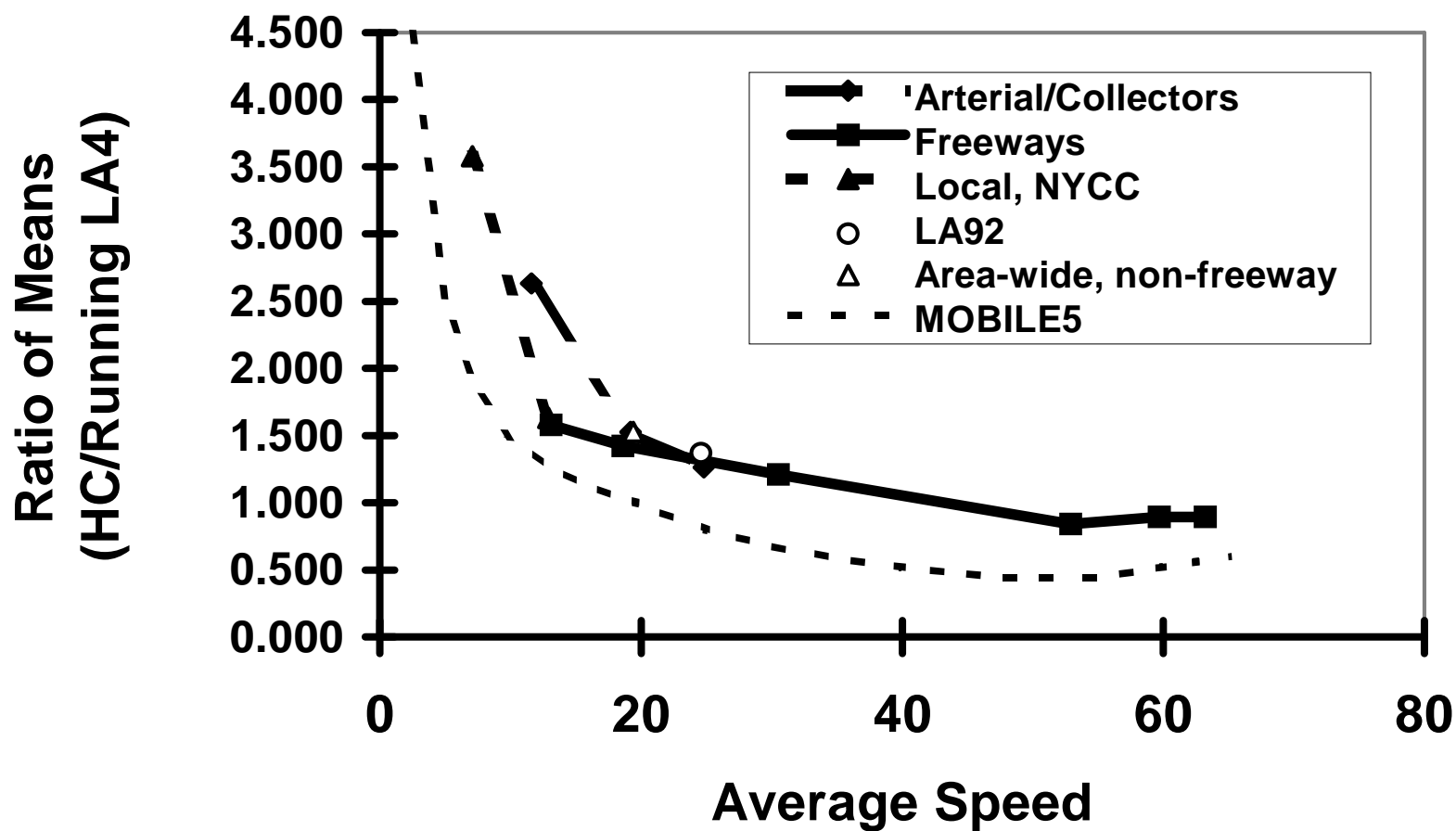


## *Freeway vs. Arterial/Collector*

- Speed overlap range 13-25 mph
- NOx strong statistical difference
- HC some difference for low emitters
- CO no statistical difference

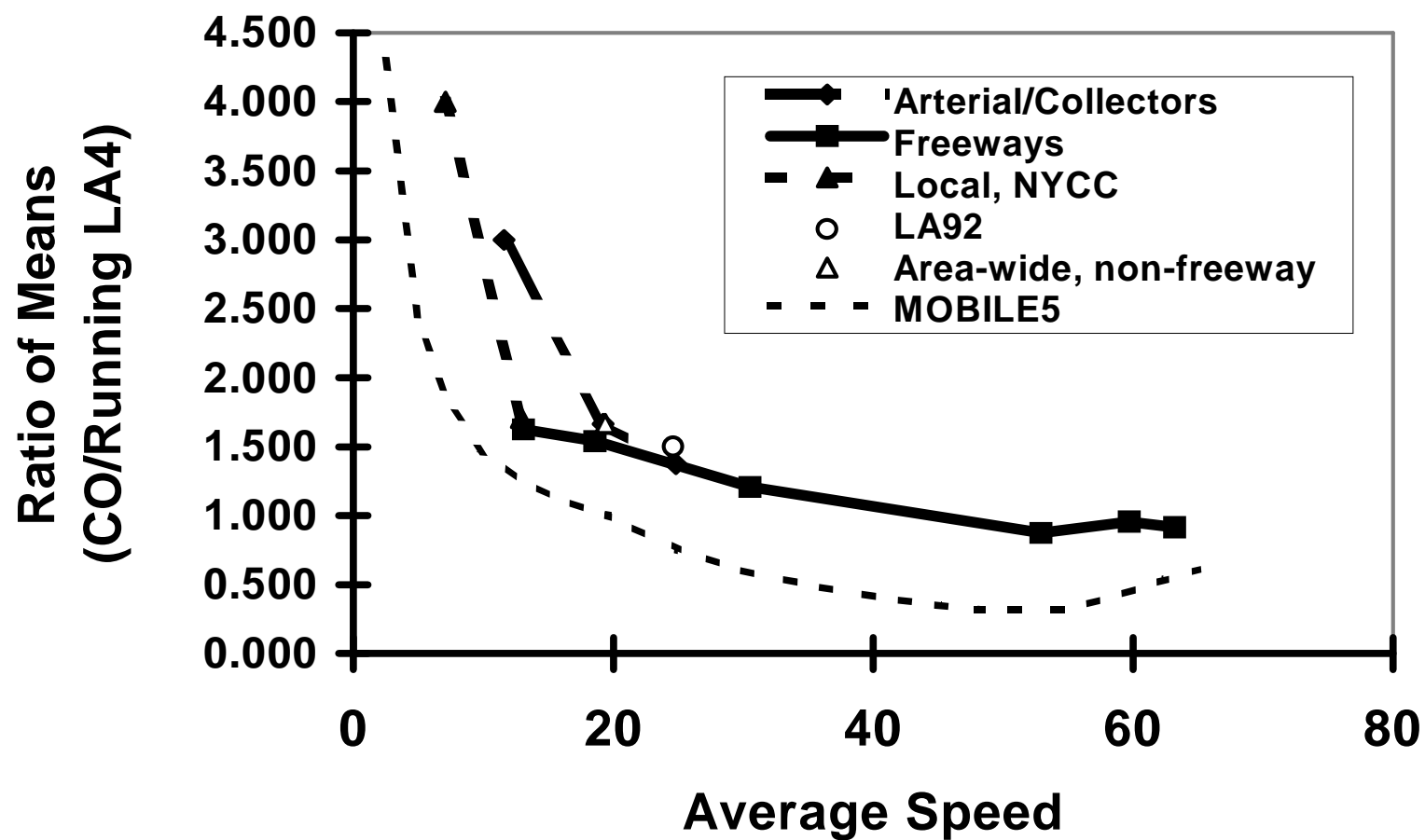


## Facility Cycle Data, HC



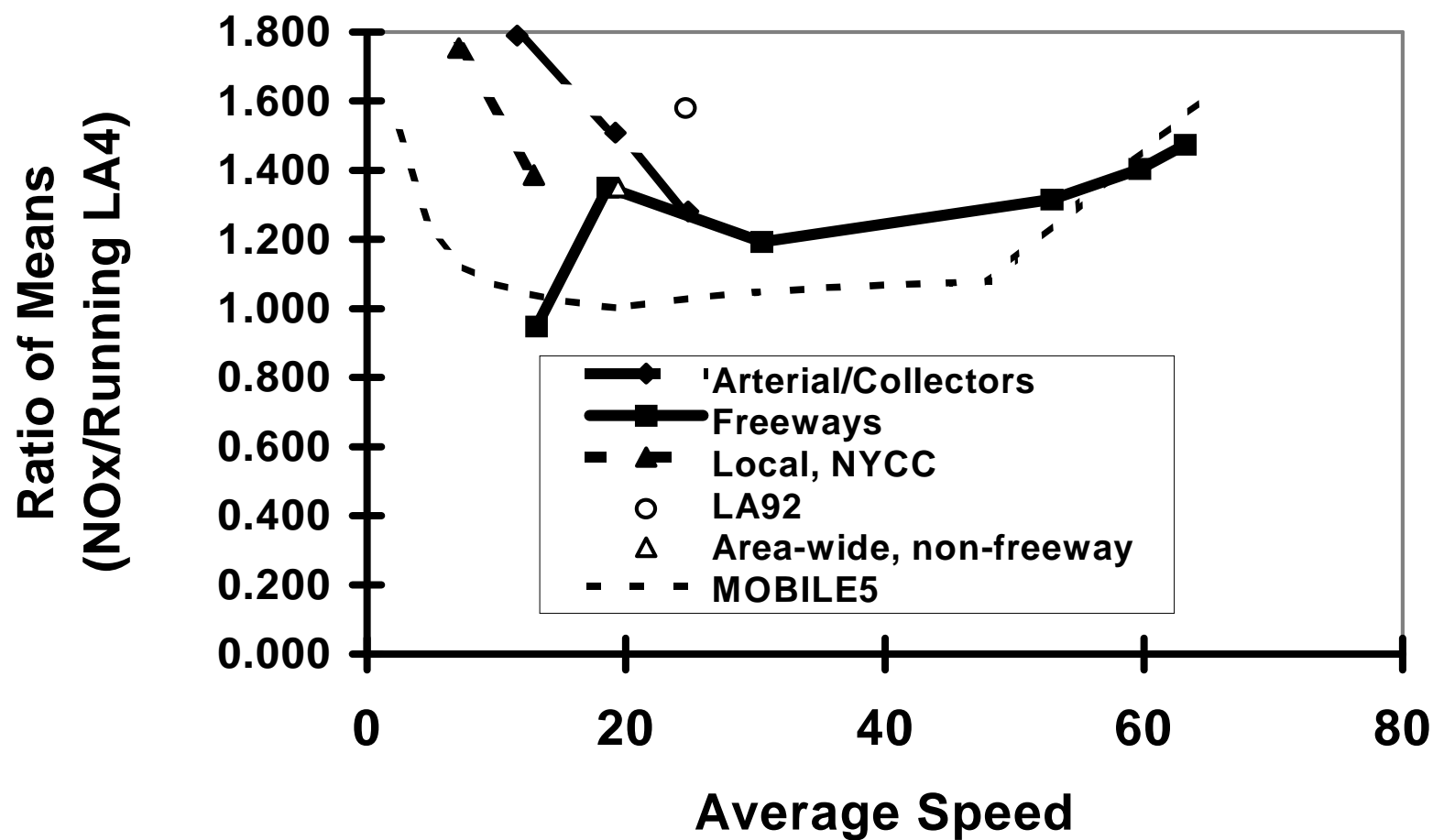


## Facility Cycle Data, CO





## Facility Cycle Data, NOx







# *Proposal for MOBILE6*

- Facility-specific (freeways and arterial/collectors) speed adjustments for:
  - NO<sub>x</sub> for both low and high emitters
  - HC for low emitters, same curve for high emitters
  - CO same curve used for both roadway types, different for low and high emitters



## *Comparison to MOBILE5*

- True “Running emission” correction factor
- Higher due to non-FTP effects
- Flatter at high speed end (freeways)



## *Low-Speed Data*

- Local Cycle 12.9 mph
- Old low-speed data (2.5, 3.6, 4.0, 7.1-NYCC, 12.0 mph)
- NYC cycle in both data sets to link



## *Proposal for MOBILE6*

- Lowspeed curve utilizing local and NYC cycles with old speed correction data



## *Cycle Speed Ranges*

- Freeways 13.1 - 63.2 mph
- Arterial/Collectors 11.6 - 24.8 mph
- Lowspeed/Local 2.5 - 12.9 mph



## *Proposed Model Capability*

- Appropriate speed ranges for all roadway types
- Issue: how to deal with speeds outside data range



## *Area-wide VMT Weighting Factors for Roadtype and Speed*

- Work assignment in progress to develop guidance for States
- Examples for several sizes of cities
- Determine National Average VMT Weighting factors as default for MOBILE6



# *Area-wide VMT Weighting Factors Methodologies*

- Traffic Count Data
- Travel Demand Models





## *Traffic Count Data Method*

- Available for at least subset of roadways
- Can be proportionately weighted to reflect average landuse characteristics
- Speed estimation procedures:
  - Highway Capacity Manual
  - Bureau of Public Roads



## *Travel Demand Model Method*

- Set up to give %VMT for functional classes by speed ranges
- More accurate method if available



## *Example Cities*

- Ada County, Idaho (Boise Region)
- Charlotte, NC
- Chicago, IL
- Houston, TX
- New York City, NY



## *National Averages*

- Based on:
  - Cities with chase car and instrumented vehicle data (Baltimore, Spokane)
  - Weighted with distributions of example cities



## *Reports*

- “Development of Speed Correction Cycles” by Sierra Research on website
- EPA Facility Cycle Analysis report should be posted for Stakeholder review by December
- Area-wide VMT Weighting Guidance and Report on development of National VMT weighting factors should be posted on website by December