

Air Quality in Texas



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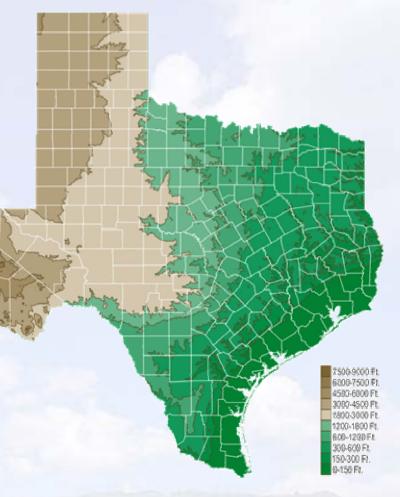


Welcome to Texas

 Population: 22,859,968 nice folks and a few old soreheads, all spread out into 252 counties

Size: 268,581 square miles

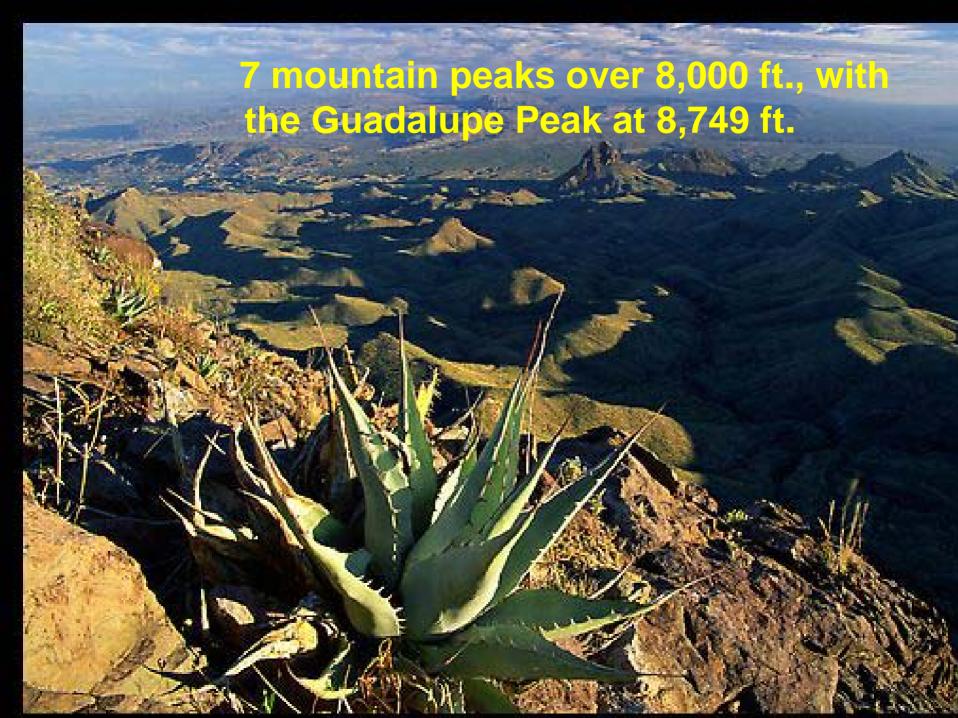
 And yes, you can drive from Texarkana, Tx., to Chicago (677 miles), faster than you can drive from Texarkana to El Paso (795 miles)



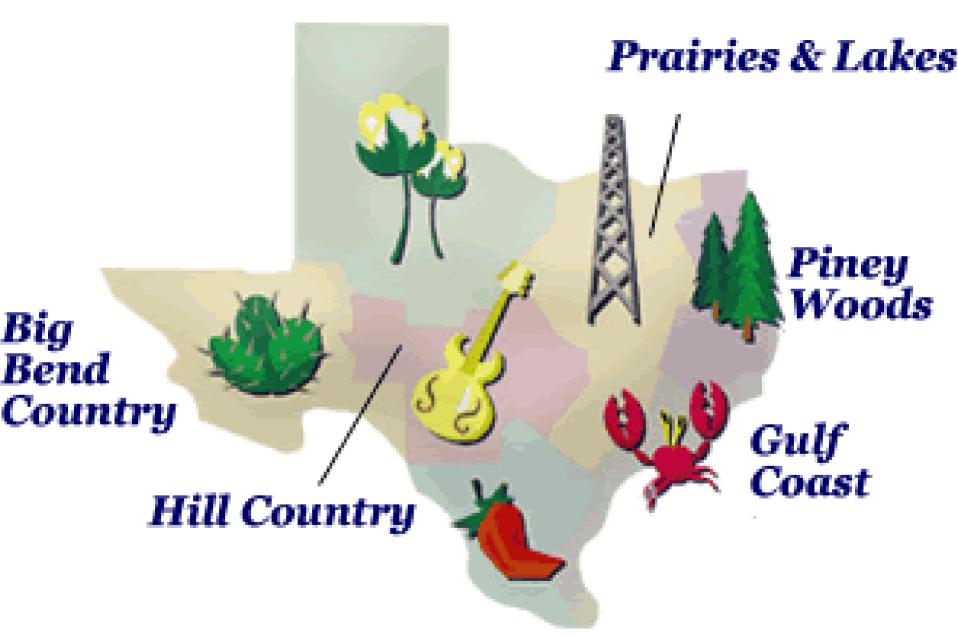


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Panhandle Plains



South Texas Plains



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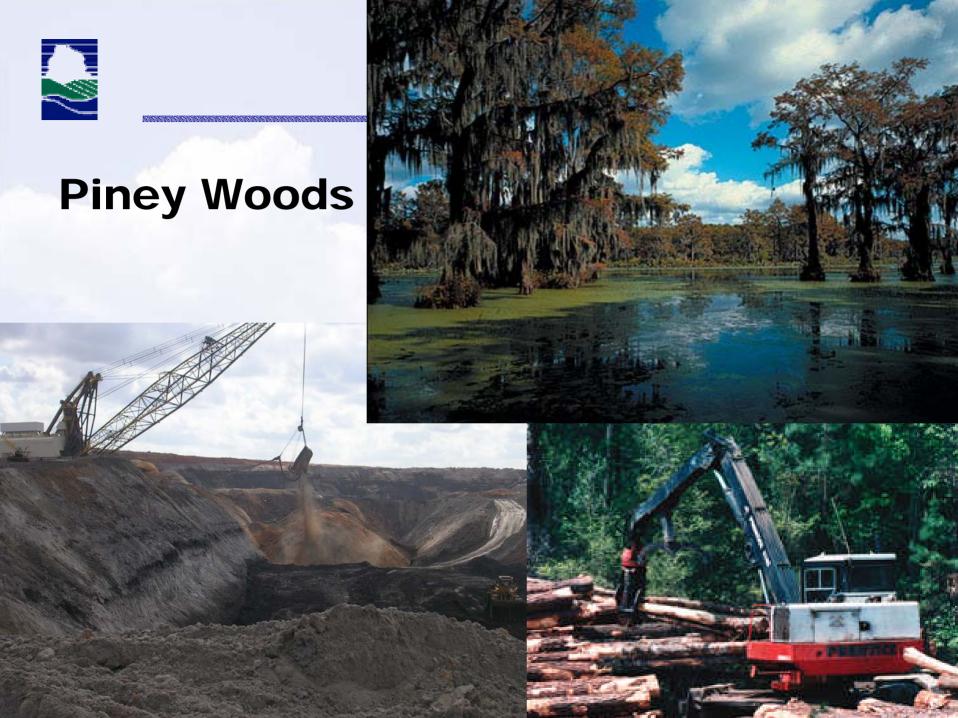




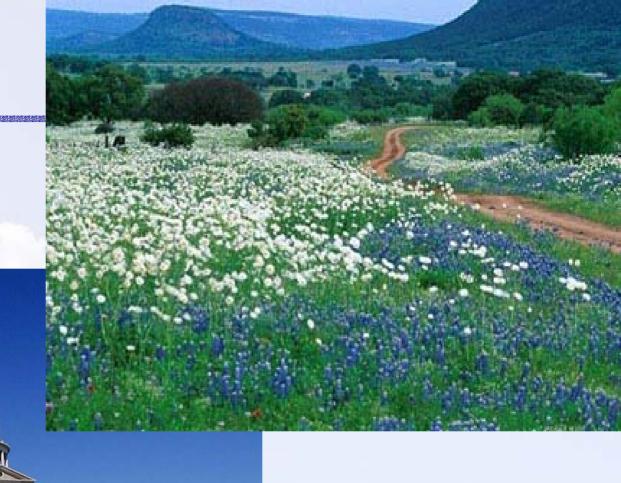


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Big Bend Country







Gulf Coast









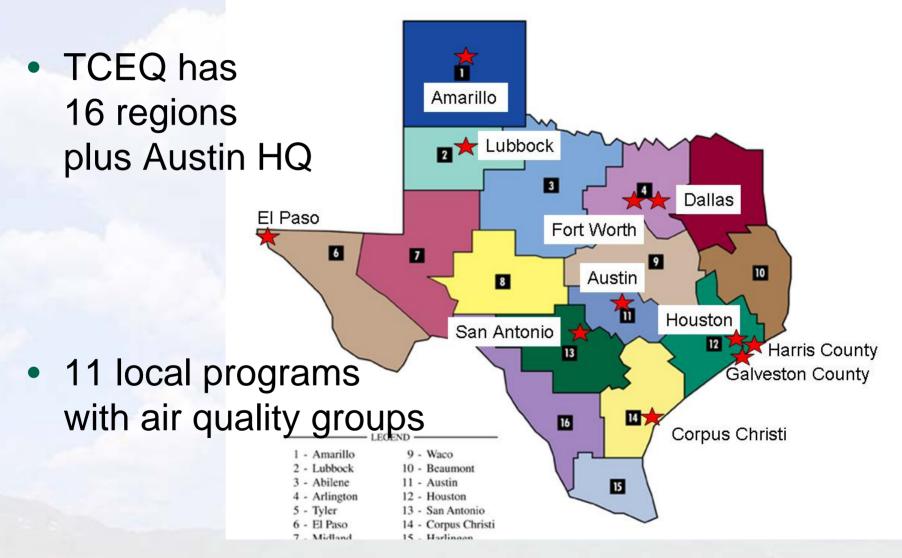
South Texas Plains







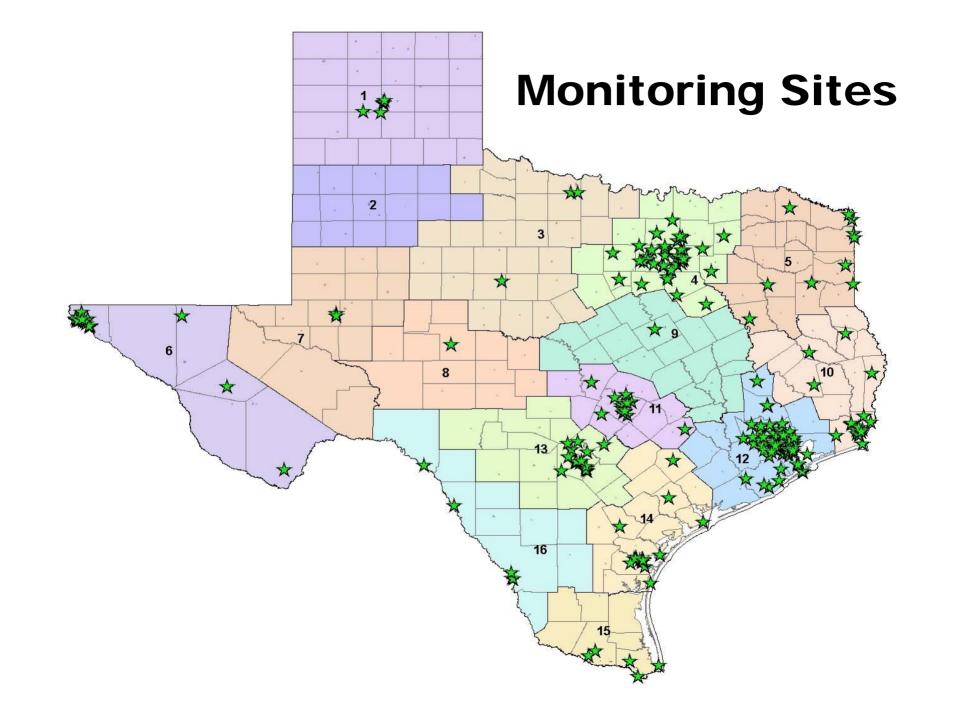
TCEQ Regions and Local Programs





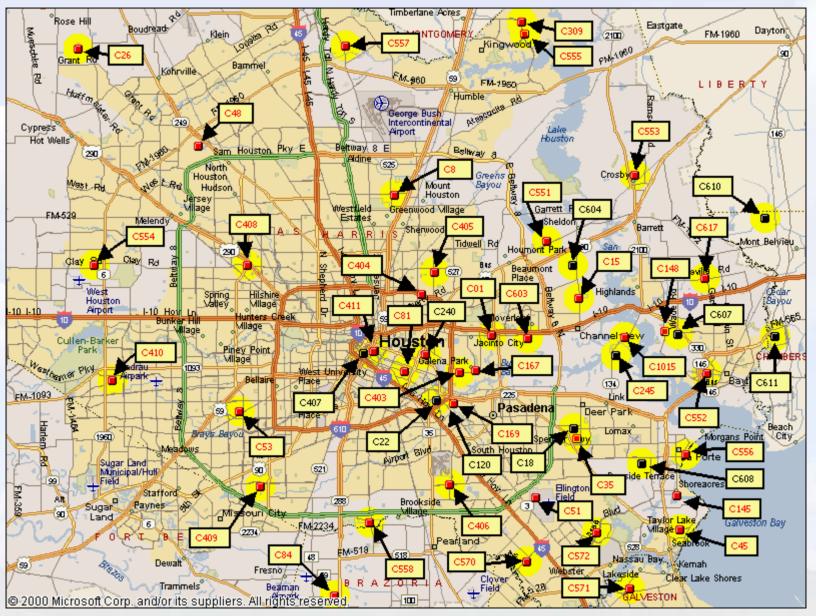
Monitoring Sites

- TCEQ receives data from 188 air monitoring sites
- TCEQ owns 114 site, with 582 instruments being operated at those sites
- 66 sites are owned by cities, counties, councils of governments, industry, and one Native American tribe
- 8 sites are in Juarez, Mexico





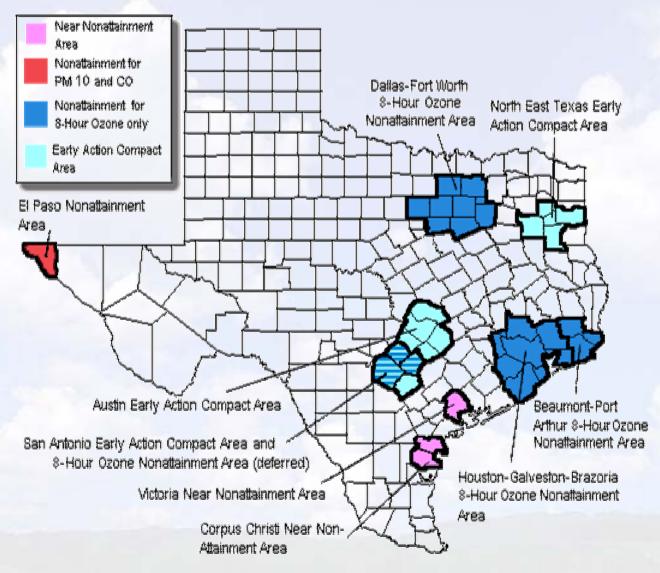
Houston Monitors



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NAAQS Non-attainment areas



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National Ambient Air Quality Standards

- NOx no nonattainment areas
- SO2 no nonattainment areas
- Lead no nonattainment areas, one maintenance area (part of Collin County)
- PM2.5 no nonattainment areas, but we could be getting close in HGB, we are working with local governments and industry to reduce levels



El Paso

- Previously the area was nonattainment for the 1-hour ozone standard, but now designated as attainment for the 8-hour ozone standard.
- Designated as moderate nonattainment for PM10 and CO.



 Submitted a maintenance plan for the ozone standard and submitted a maintenance plan and redesignation request to EPA for El Paso for CO this year.



El Paso

 Area is currently <u>monitoring attainment</u> for CO and O3

 The TCEQ has published a proposed Natural Events Action Plan (NEAP) for



El Paso concerning PM, hopefully this will allow EPA to flag data and we can work towards being classified as attainment for PM10



8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Areas

- Houston-Galveston
 -Brazoria (HGB)
 8 county area
- Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) 9 county area
- Beaumont-Port Arthur (BPA) 3 county area



 San Antonio EAC (deferred until 2007) 3 county area



HGB and **DFW**

- 8-hour ozone standard designation: Moderate
- Attainment deadline:
 June 15, 2010
- Attainment demonstration:
 Ozone season 2009
- Control strategy compliance dates: Prior to ozone season 2009

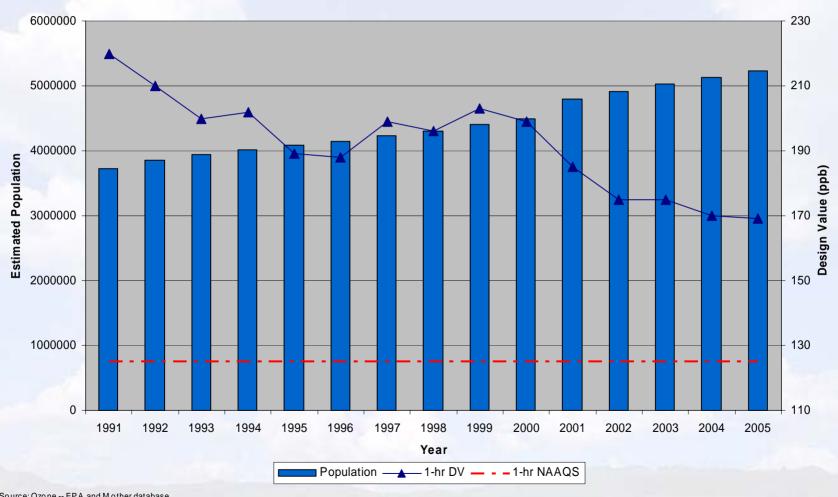






Houston Area 1-Hour Ozone Trends

Houston Non-Attainment Area Estimated Population and 1-Hour Design Values, 1991-2005



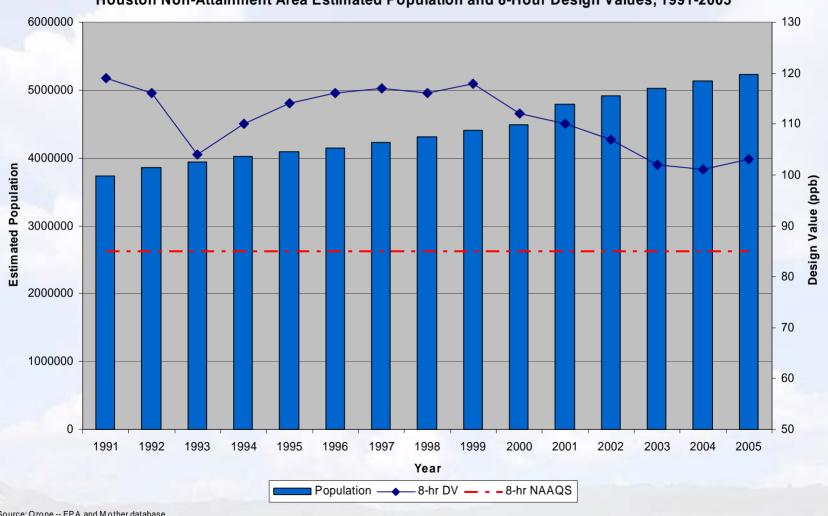
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Existing HGB Control Strategies

- Major point source NOx reduced 80%
- Highly Reactive Volatile Organic Compounds (HRVOC) site-wide cap and monitoring and testing requirements
- Stationary diesel engine requirements
- Gas-fired heaters and small boilers
- Variety of VOC regulations
- Airport Ground Support Equipment (GSE) electrification



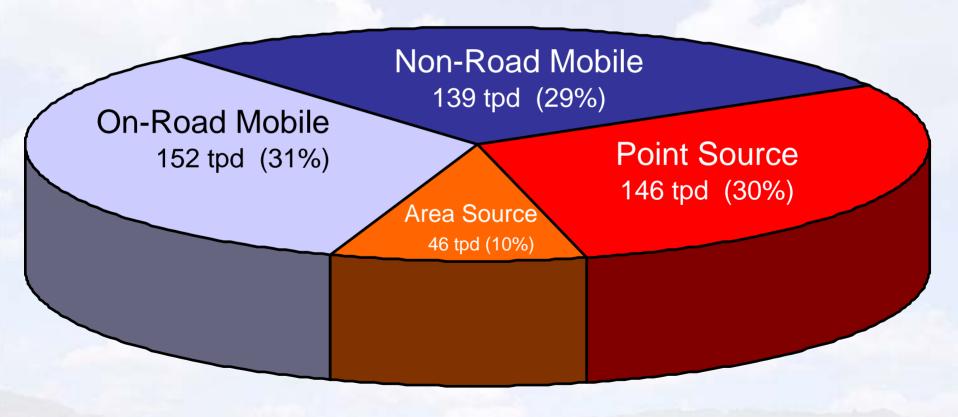
Existing HGB Control Strategies

- Texas emissions reduction plan (TERP)
- Low emission diesel in east and central Texas
- Vehicle inspection/maintenance
- Speed limit reduction
- Transportation control measures
- Voluntary Mobile Emission Reduction Program
- Portable fuel containers (statewide)



HGB 2009 Emissions Inventory

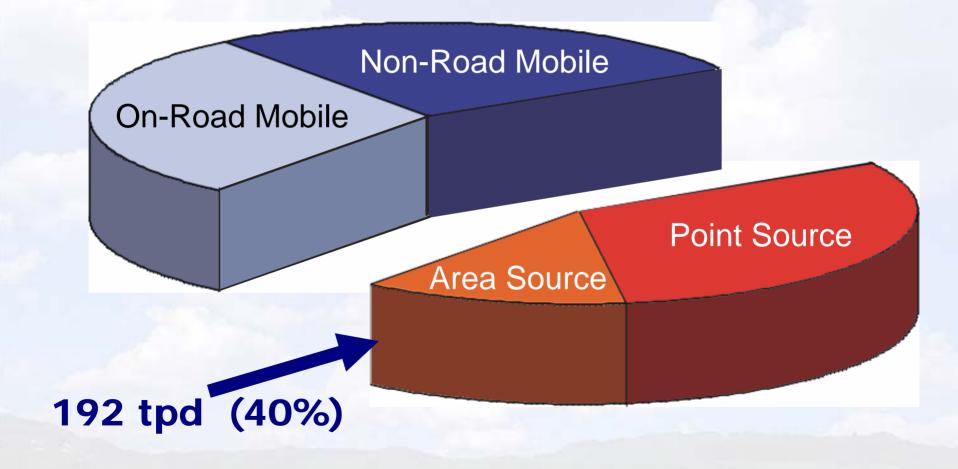
NOx: Source Category Estimates





HGB 2009 Emissions Inventory

HGB NOx Sources Directly Regulated by TCEQ





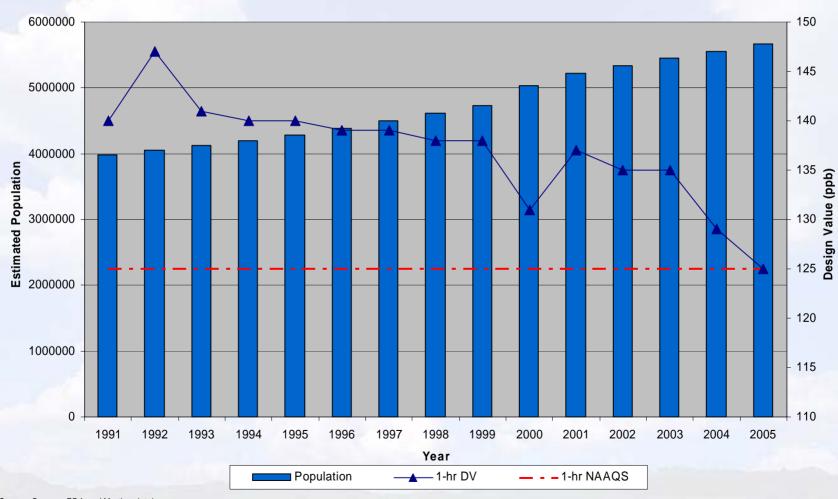
HGB Concepts Under Consideration

- Major Source NOx reduced an <u>additional 50%</u>
 - Area-wide cap currently reduces 80% from 2000
- Texas low emission diesel for marine fuel in the 8-county area
- Storage and transfer operations requirements (VOC)
- Locally implemented controls Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC)



Dallas-Fort Worth 1-Hour Ozone Trends

Dallas-Fort Worth -- Estimated population and 1- hour Ozone Design Values, 1991 to 2005



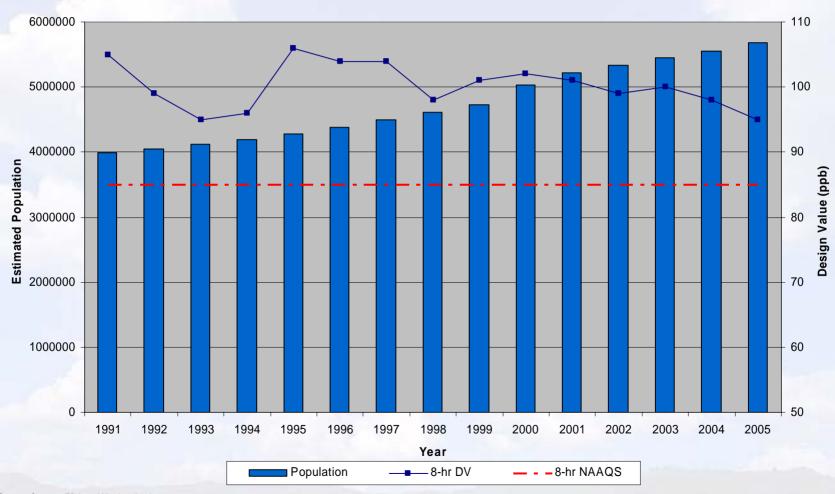
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Existing DFW Control Strategies

- Major Point Source NOx reductions in four 1-hour ozone area counties
- Cement kilns
- East and central Texas electric generating facilities controls
- Lean-burn and rich-burn engine rule
- Surface coating requirements
- Stage I vapor recovery
- Stage II vapor recovery in four counties
- Variety of VOC regulations



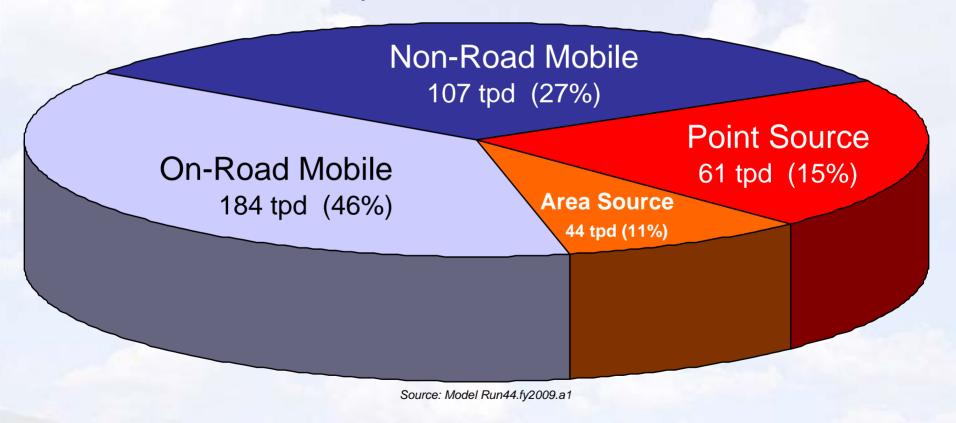
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- Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP)
- Vehicle inspection and maintenance
- Low emission diesel in east and central Texas
- Airport ground support equipment (GSE) electrification in four counties
- Energy efficiency
- Portable fuel containers (statewide)
- Speed limit reduction
- Voluntary Mobile Emission Reduction Program
- Transportation control measures in four counties



2009 Modeling Inventory

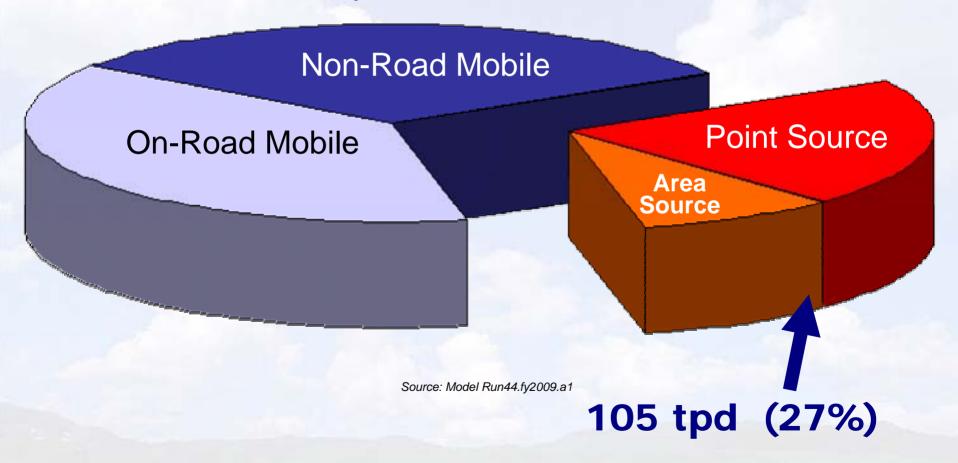
9 County Dallas/Fort Worth NOx





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DFW Concepts Under Consideration for 8-hour ozone

- Cement kilns
- Major sources in DFW area [potential to emit (PTE) equal to or greater than 50 tons/year]
 - Examples: electric generating units (EGUs), boilers, reciprocating internal combustion engines, metallurgical furnaces, incinerators, gas turbines
- Minor sources in DFW area (PTE less than 50 tons/year)
 - Examples: boilers, process heaters, engines



DFW Concepts Under Consideration for 8-hour ozone

- Gas-fired reciprocating internal combustion engines in approx. 200 km area around DFW
- VOC Reasonable Available Control Technology (RACT) requirements
 - Expands existing requirements in Dallas, Tarrant, Collin, and Denton counties to Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, and Rockwall counties
 - Examples: industrial wastewater treatment, transport vessels, refining, natural gas and petrochemical processes, pharmaceutical manufacturing
- Locally implemented control strategies
 - Effort led by the North Central Texas Council of Governments



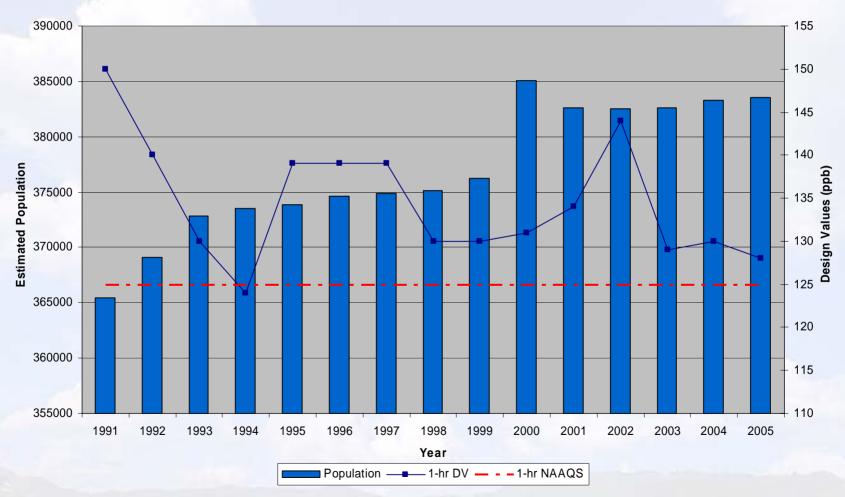
Beaumont-Port Arthur

- 8-hour ozone standard designation: Marginal
- Attainment deadline: June 15, 2007
- TCEQ submitted a BPA 1-hour and an 8-hour ozone attainment demonstration SIP in 2004 and a revision in 2005
- 8-hour average: 84 ppb (from 2004 to June 30, 2006)



Beaumont-Port Arthur 1-Hour Ozone Trends

Beaumont-Port Arthur Estimated Population and 1-Hour Design Values, 1991-2005



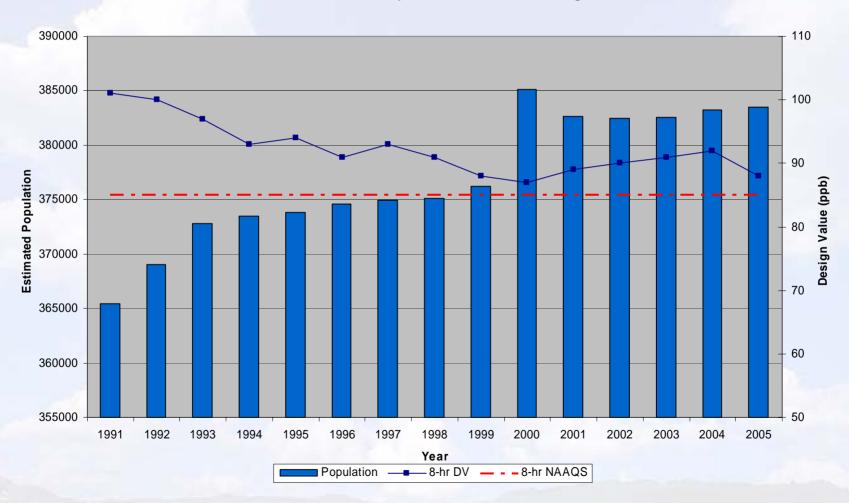
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Beaumont-Port Arthur - Estimated Population and 8-Hour Design Value, 1991-2005



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Early Action Compact (EAC) Areas

- San Antonio, Austin, northeast Texas
- Early planning, implementation and emission reductions for expeditious attainment and maintenance
- TCEQ submitted EAC SIPs in 2004
- EPA deferred the effective date of nonattainment designation for San Antonio
- 8-hour ozone average (from 2004 to July 27, 2006)
 - San Antonio 87 ppb
 - Northeast Texas 85 ppb
 - Austin 82 ppb



Other Areas

- Corpus Christi
 (Ozone Near Nonattainment Area)
- Victoria
 (Ozone Maintenance Area)
- Lower Rio Grande Valley
- These 3 areas are monitoring attainment of the 8-hour ozone standard
- Occasionally experience exceedances



General Challenges

- Magnitude of reductions needed
 - Numerous control strategies were implemented under the 1-hour ozone standard
- For DFW and HGB, reductions needed are greater than the amount of emissions that TCEQ directly regulates
 - Existing control strategies at the state level focus on stationary sources



General Challenges

- Difficulty synchronizing control strategies with potential requirements under the EPA Clean Air Interstate Rule, Clean Air Mercury Rule and regional haze
- The state is dependent on the federal government to address emissions from federally pre-empted sources (e.g., mobile sources)



Landing of floating roof





50% VOC Ship Channel Increase

Preliminary estimates show landing loss emissions may increase reported total point source VOCs by 6,000 to 7,000 tpy or an approximate 50% increase in the Houston Ship Channel area, not including Baytown.



Next? Oil and Gas flash emissions

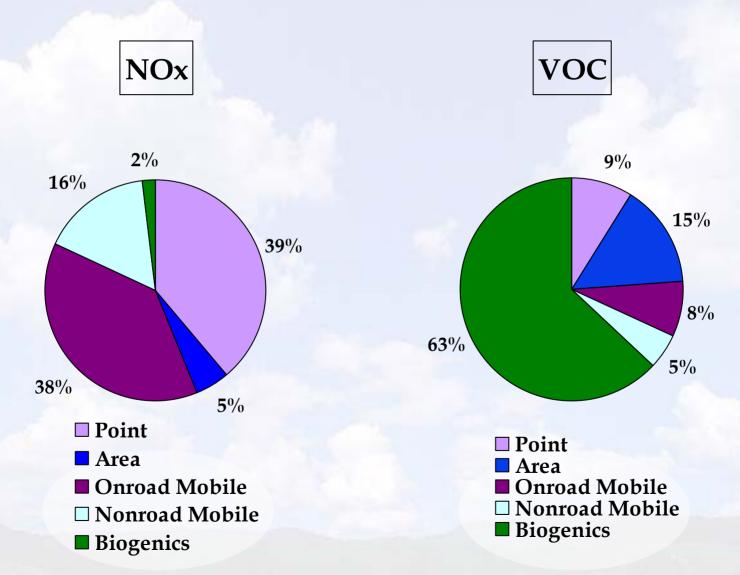


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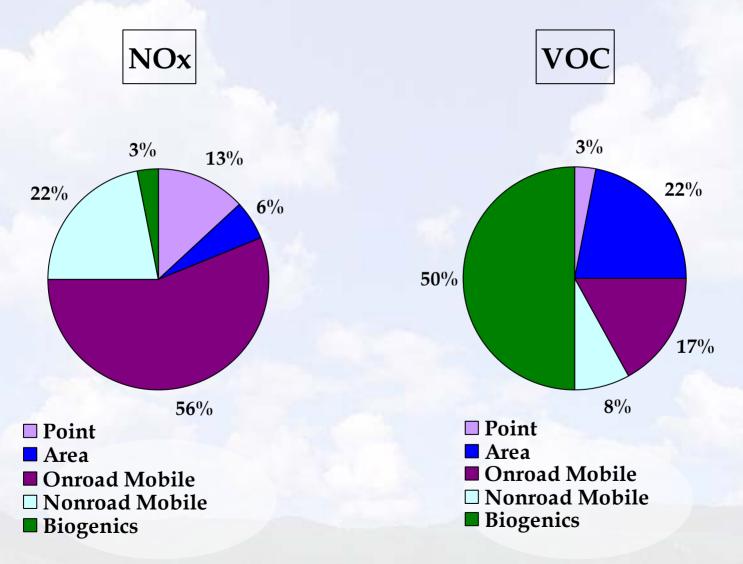


Houston-Galveston-Brazoria Area Emissions



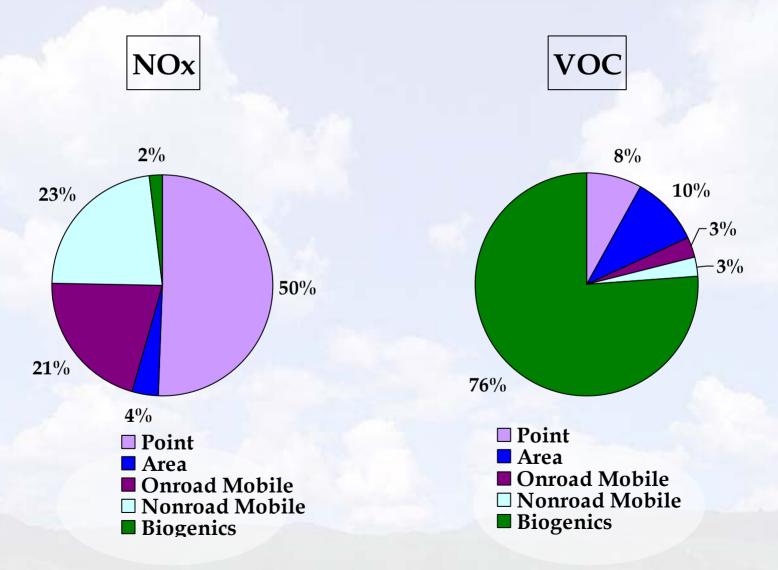


Dallas-Fort Worth Area Emissions



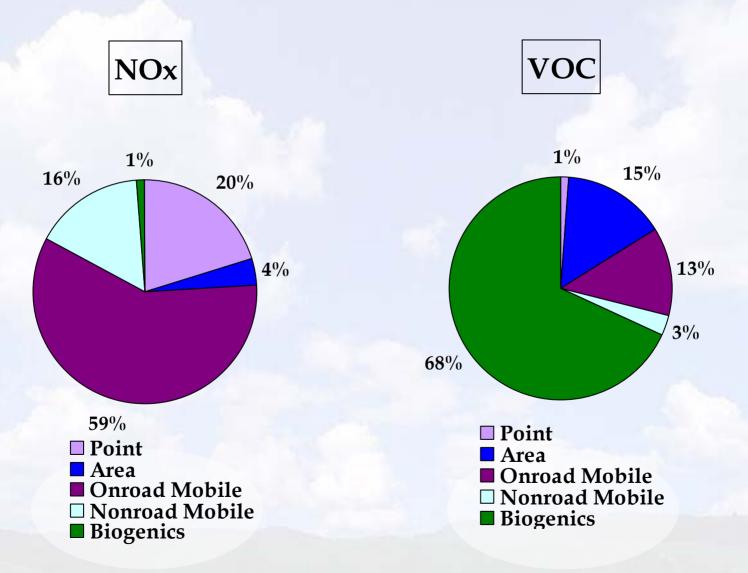


Beaumont-Port Arthur Area Emissions



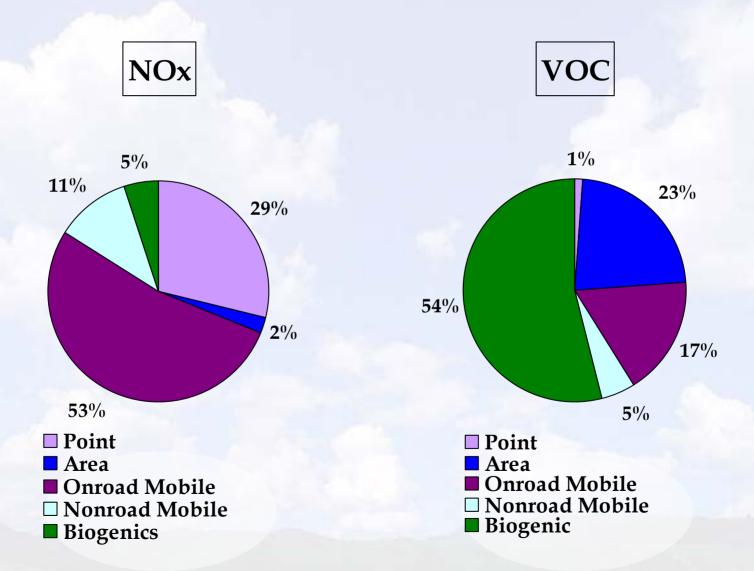


El Paso Emissions



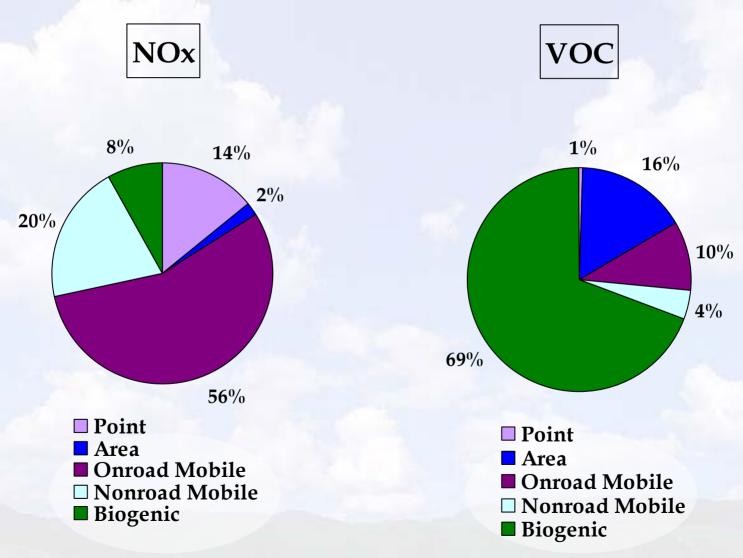


San Antonio Area Emissions





Austin Area Emissions





Northeast Texas Area Emissions

