



# *Air Quality in San Diego County*

# San Diegans most sensitive to air pollution:

→ People with cardiovascular disease	175,000
→ People with chronic respiratory disease	225,000
→ Elderly (over 65)	240,000
→ Children under 14	500,000
→ Athletes	175,000
→ Total	1.3 million

Source: American Lung Association

# Monitoring Stations



# Attainment Status

Pollutant	Attainment Status	
	State	Federal
Carbon Monoxide	Attainment	Attainment
Lead	Attainment	Attainment
Nitrogen Dioxide	Attainment	Attainment
Ozone	<b>Non-Attainment</b>	<b>Non-Attainment</b>
PM-10	<b>Non-Attainment</b>	Attainment
Sulfur Dioxide	Attainment	Attainment

# Health Effects

- **Particulate Matter (PM 10)**
  - **Collects in lungs where it can increase number and severity of asthma attacks, cause aggravated bronchitis, and cause other lung diseases**
  - **Can also exacerbate other illnesses**

# State PM-10 Standard

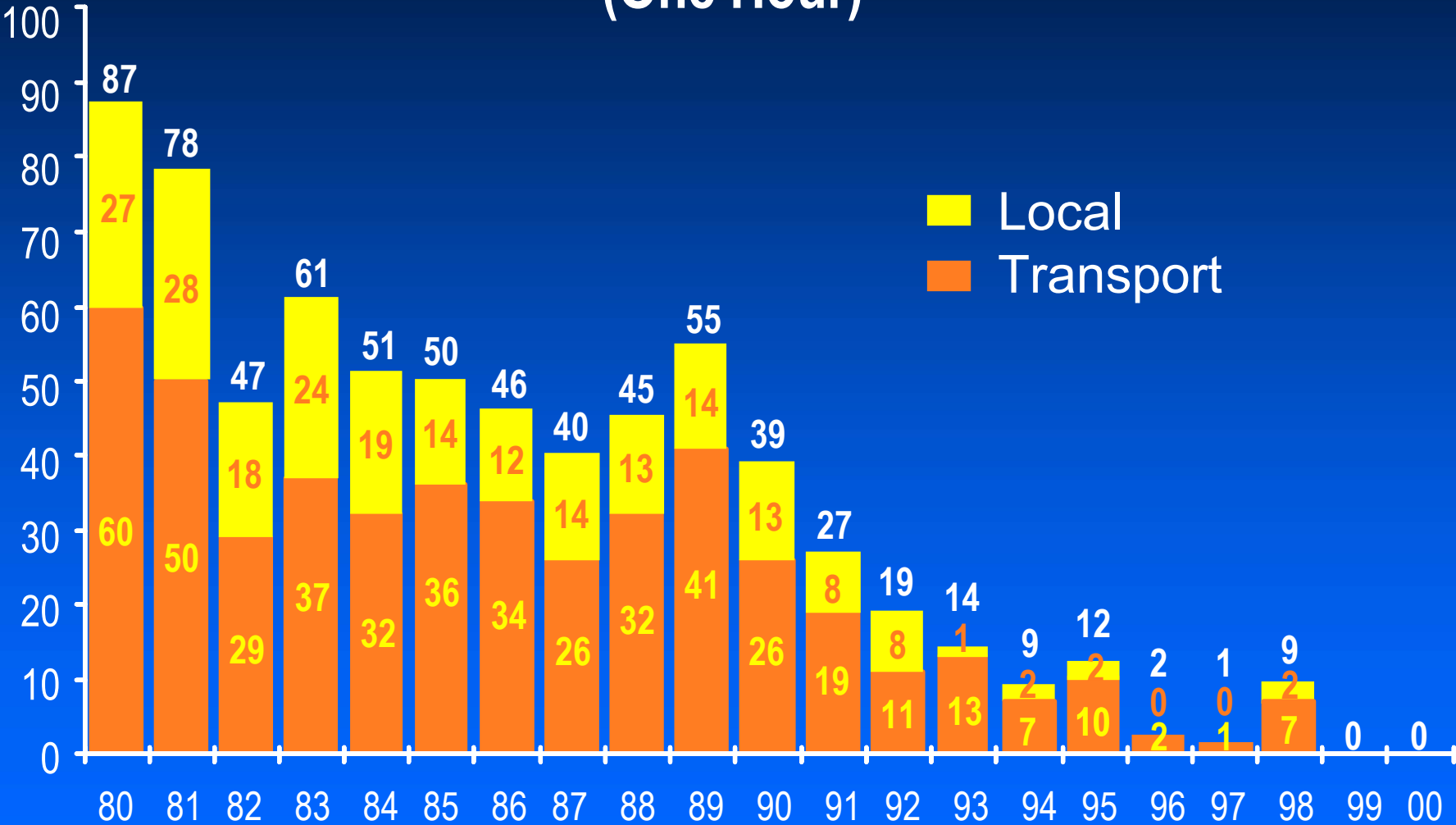
- Extremely difficult to meet because of natural PM sources
- Only one California air district in attainment (Lake County)
- Emission reduction plan not required by ARB for PM-10
- APCD motor vehicle emission reduction incentive programs (particulates)
- Diesel particulate reductions planned by ARB

# Health Effects

## ■ Ozone

- Strong irritant, can restrict airways resulting in difficulty breathing and forcing respiratory and cardiovascular systems to work harder
- Chronic exposure reduces lung capacity, lowers stamina, and leaves people vulnerable to long-term respiratory problems
- Especially harmful to children, senior citizens and those suffering from asthma or existing heart and lung disease

# Number of Days Exceeding Federal Clean Air Standard (One Hour)



# California Ozone Trend

Region	Days Over Federal Standard		
	1990	2000	% Change
Los Angeles	131	33	-75%
San Joaquin	45	30	-33%
Sacramento	16	5	-68%
Bay Area	2	3	+33%
San Diego	39	0	-100%

# Federal 1-hour Ozone Status

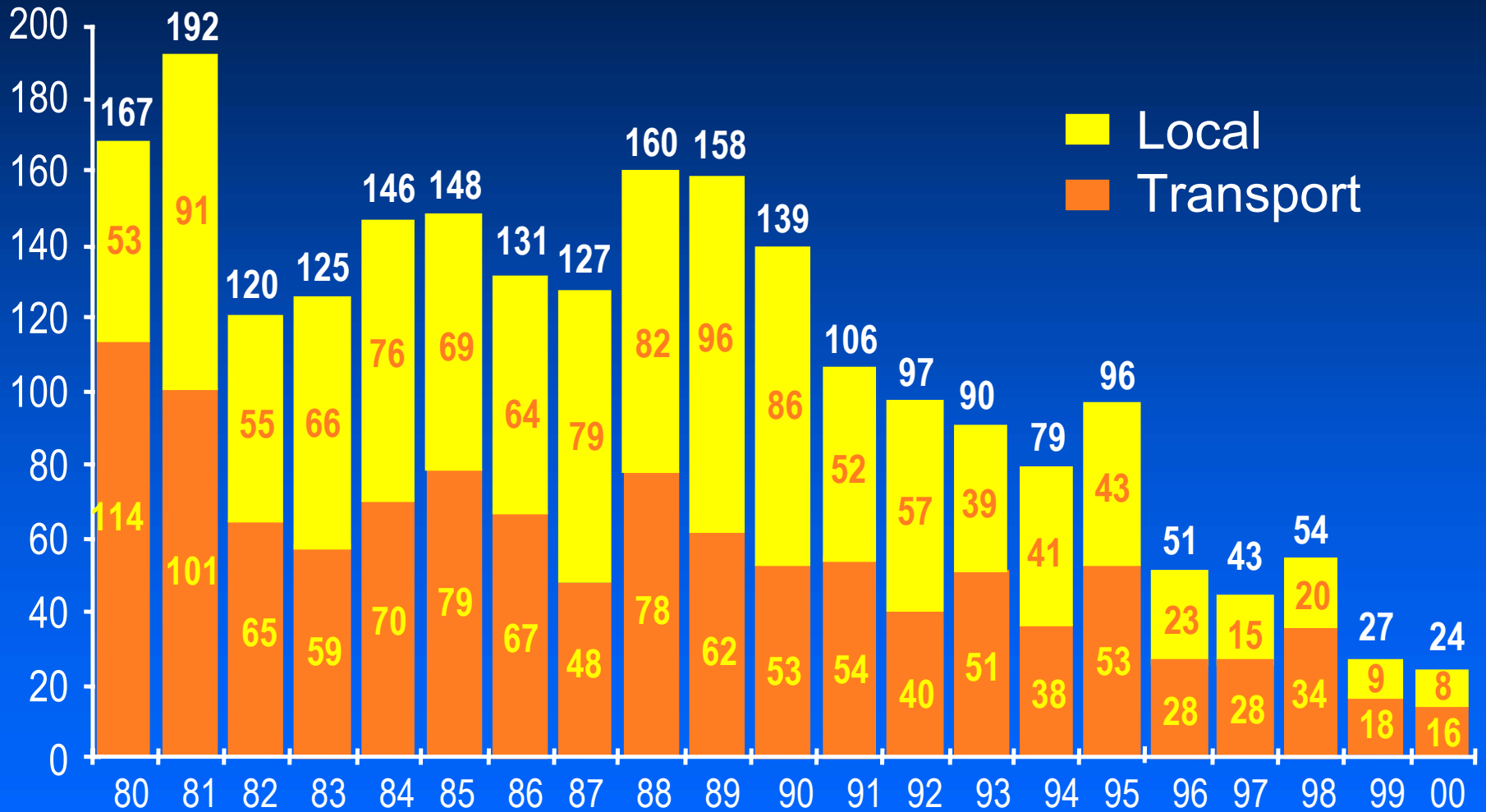
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Chula Vista	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Cajon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oceanside	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kearny Mesa	0	0	0	0	0	1
Escondido	0	0	0	0	0	1
Alpine	2	1	8	0	0	1
Downtown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otay Mesa	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Federal 1-hour Ozone Status

Alpine Monitoring Station  
(exceedances > 12 pphm)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Local	0	0	1	0	0	0
Transport	2	1	7	0	0	1
TOTAL	2	1	8	0	0	1

# Number of Days Exceeding State Clean Air Standard (More Stringent) (One Hour)



# California Ozone Trend

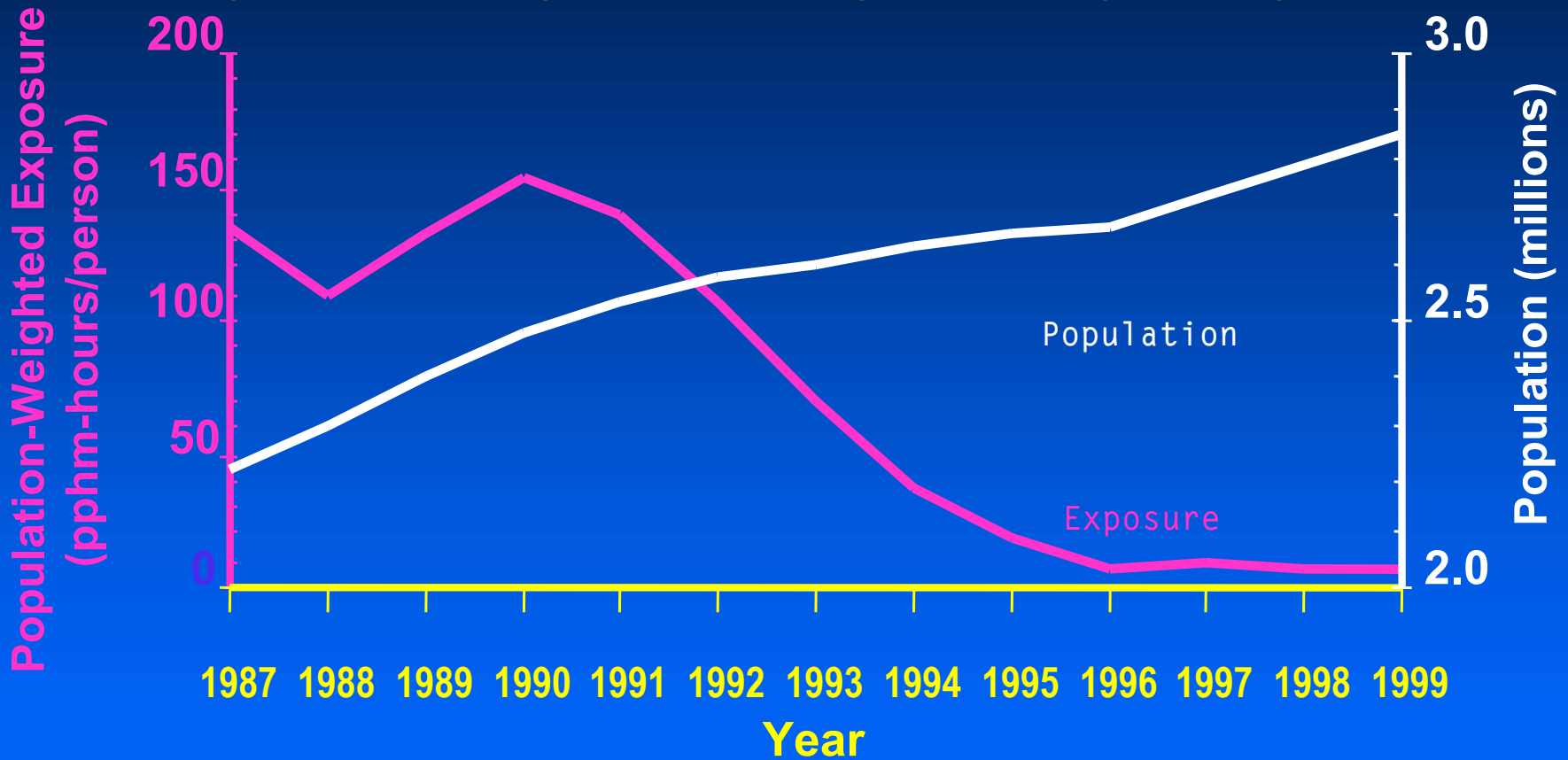
Region	Days Over State Standard		
	1990	2000	% Change
Los Angeles	185	115	-38%
San Joaquin	131	114	-13%
Sacramento	50	42	-16%
Bay Area	14	12	-14%
San Diego	139	24	-83%

# California Ozone Trend

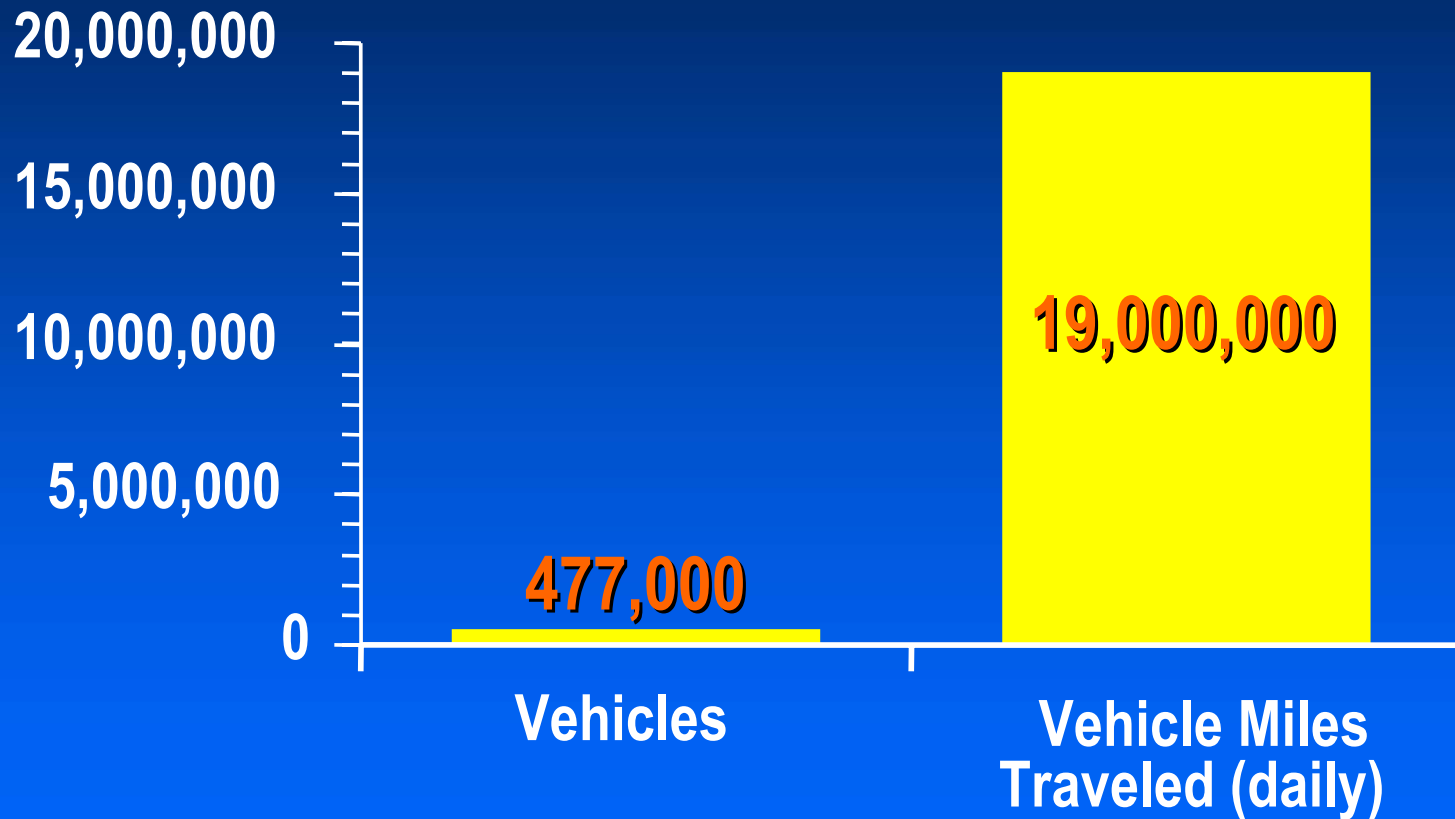
Region	Peak Levels (parts per billion)		
	1990	2000	% Change
Los Angeles	330	184	-44%
San Joaquin	170	165	-3%
Sacramento	150	138	-8%
Bay Area	130	152	+17%
San Diego	200	124	-38%

# Air Quality Improvement

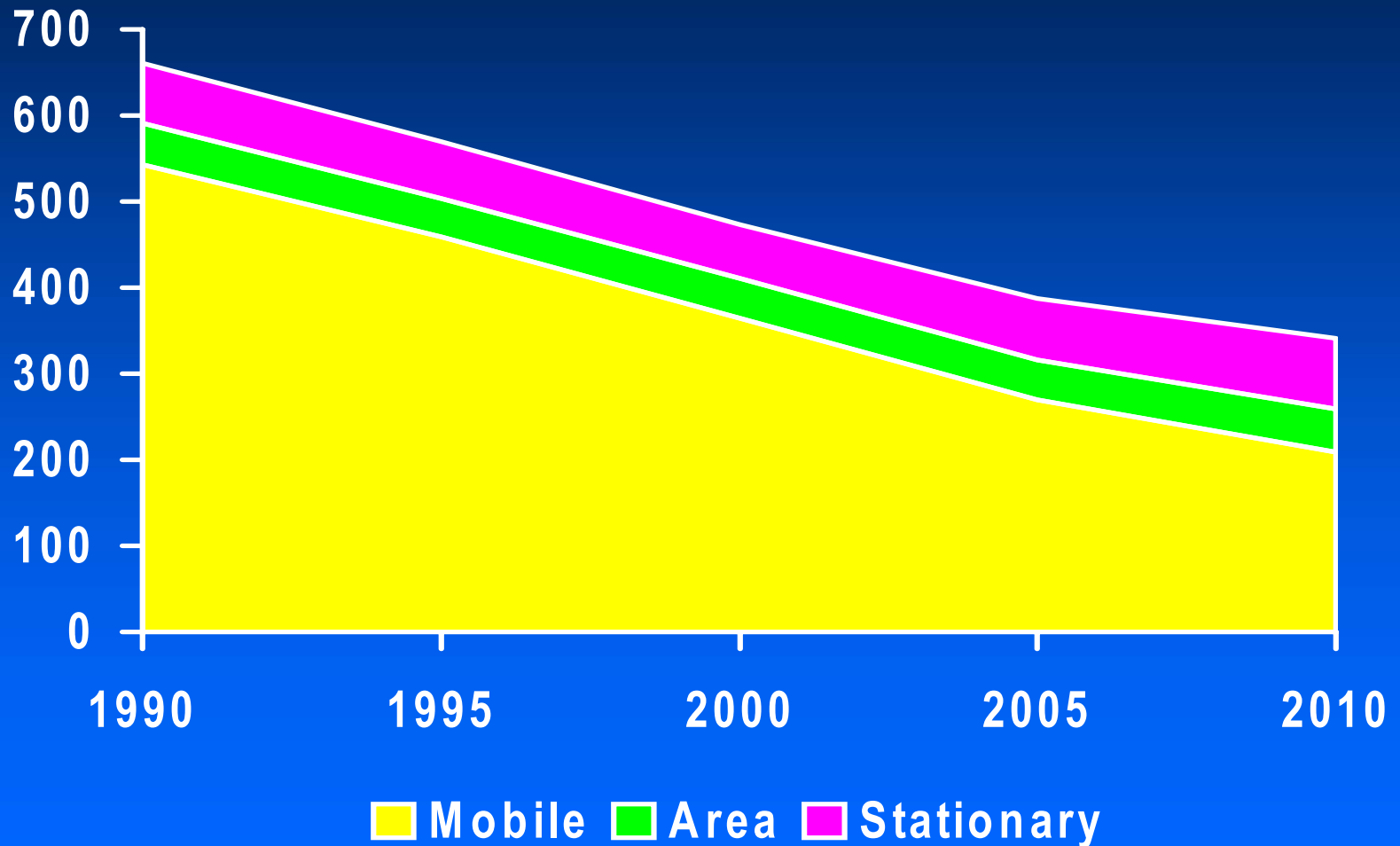
Progress in Reducing Population-Weighted Ozone (State Std) Exposure



# Growth Increase 1987 - 1999



# Local Ozone Precursor Emissions Trends (tons/day)



# Reductions on the Horizon

- Passenger cars and trucks
- Heavy-duty trucks
- Off-road equipment
- Interstate transportation sources
- Motorcycles
- Pleasure craft
- BACT, BARCT
- Regional Air Quality Strategy (S/S)

# Regional Air Quality Strategy

- Updated in August 2001
- Additional future emission reductions
  - Architectural coatings (paints & varnishes)
  - Enhanced vapor recovery (gasoline stations)
  - Above-ground gasoline storage tanks
  - Solvent degreasers
  - Large bakery ovens
  - Coatings on plastic parts, rubber & glass
  - New residential water heaters

# New Federal Standards

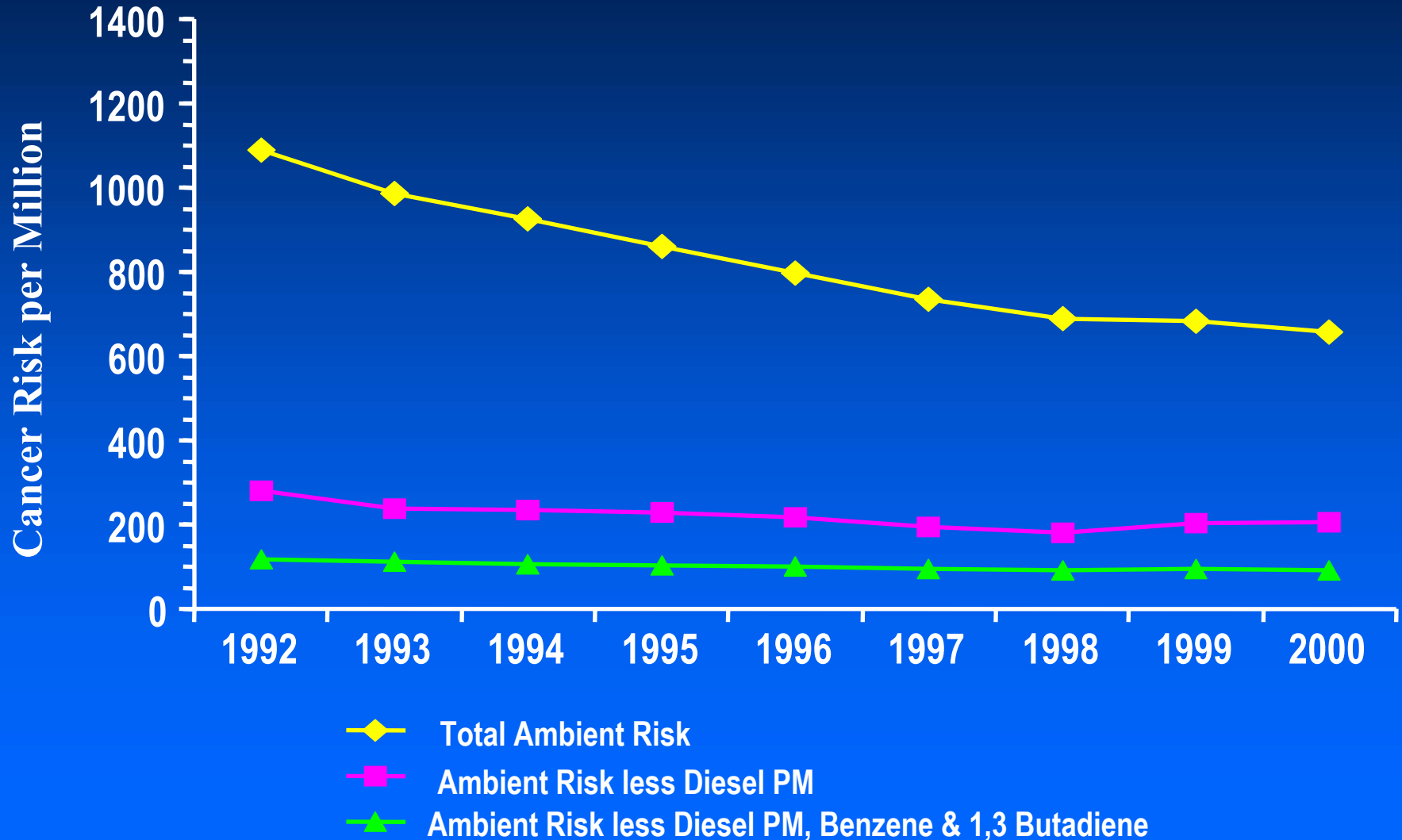
- New standards established in 1997
- 8-hour ozone standard to protect against longer exposure periods
  - More stringent than federal 1-hour standard
- Daily & yearly fine particulate matter standards (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) for particles reaching deepest into lungs
  - Daily standard less stringent than state standard
  - Annual standard more stringent than state standard

# Status of New Standards

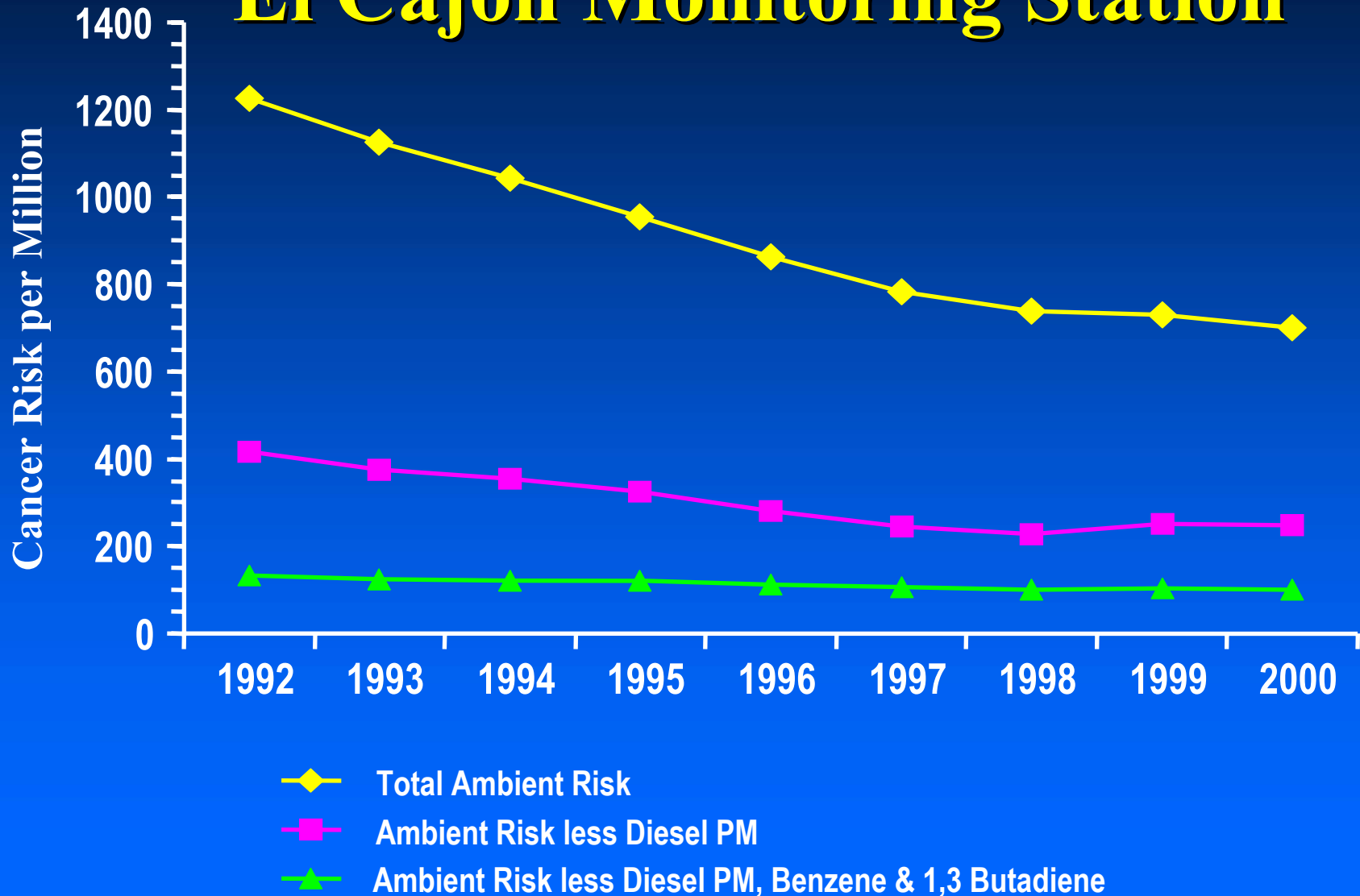
- Standards suspended due to litigation
- Court decision expected in mid-2002
- Additional delays are possible
- If standards affirmed in 2002:
  - Attainment status decided in 2003
  - If nonattainment, attainment plan with control measures due in 2006
- Nonattainment for 8-hour ozone
- Likely nonattainment for PM<sub>2.5</sub>

# **Toxic Air Contaminants**

# Incremental Cancer Risk Chula Vista Monitoring Station

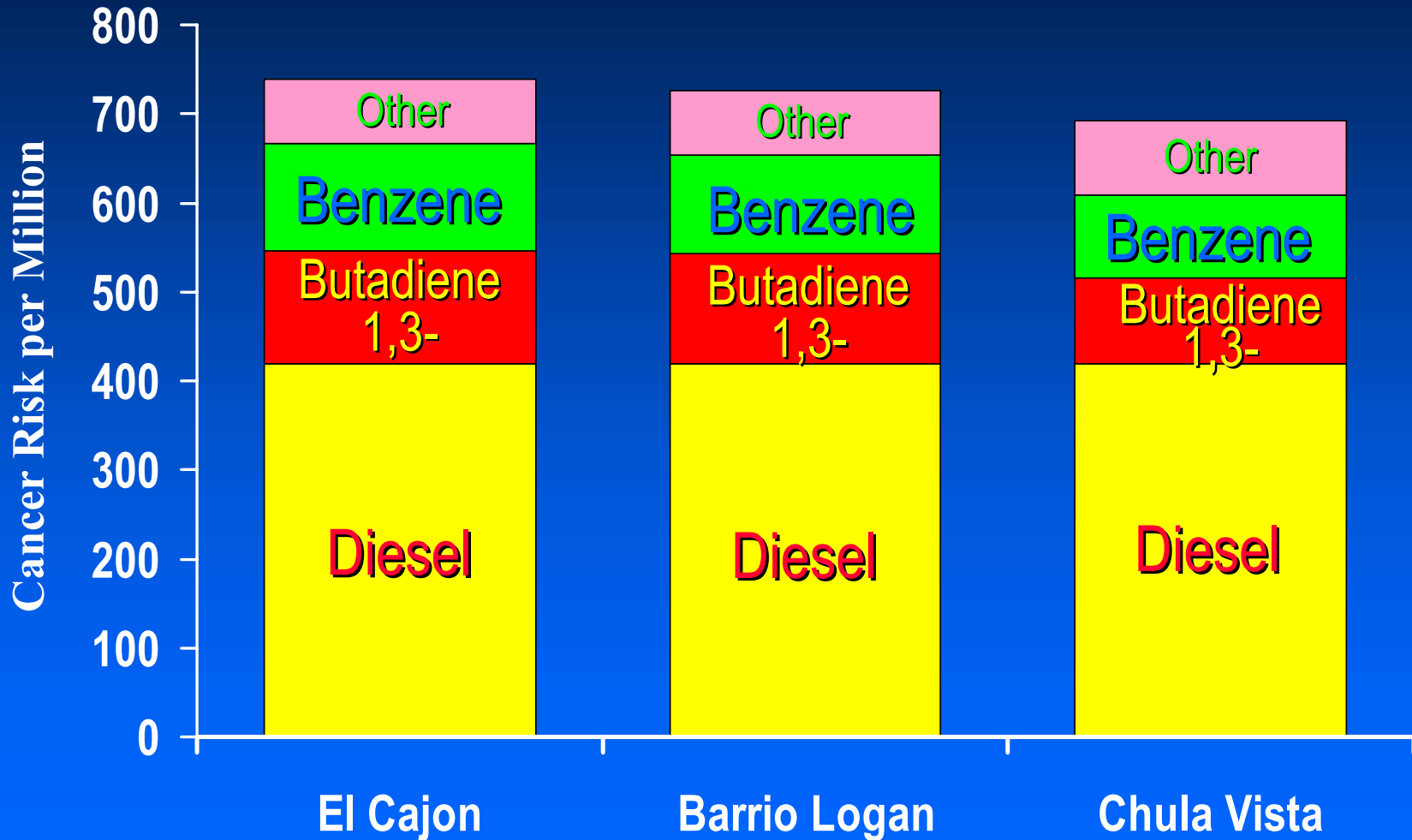


# Incremental Cancer Risk El Cajon Monitoring Station



# Estimated Cancer Risk

October 1999 to March 2000



# Toxic Emission Reductions

- **67% (4,300 tons per year) reduction in estimated permitted source emissions since 1989**
- **Unknown reductions in mobile, area, natural source emissions**

# **Toxic Emission Reduction Programs**

- **Air Toxics “Hot Spots” (Rule 1210)**
- **Air Toxics New Source Review (Rule 1200)**
- **ATCM’s (state) and NESHAPS (federal)**
- **APCD motor vehicle emission reduction incentive programs**
- **Motor Vehicle emission reduction programs, including diesel reductions (state and federal)**

# California Cancer Risks

<b>Region</b>	<b>Cancer Risks (including diesel)</b>
<b>Los Angeles</b>	<b>995</b>
<b>Bay Area</b>	<b>619</b>
<b>San Diego</b>	<b>612</b>
<b>San Joaquin</b>	<b>555</b>
<b>Sacramento</b>	<b>494</b>

# California Cancer Risks

