# Overview of Global Warming, Ozone Depletion, and Air Quality

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#### Class Web Sites:

http://www2.atmos.umd.edu/~rjs/class/fall2020 https://myelms.umd.edu/courses/1291919



https://www.videoblocks.com/video/earth-sunset-spacewalk-view-from-space-station-r7dydlcsgjd23vml0

## Lecture 2 8 September 2020

## **Announcements**

1) AOSC Weekly Seminar Sept 3: 3:30 pm (Thursday)



https://aosc.umd.edu/seminars/department-seminar

AOSC Seminar by Dr. Bob Brammer, 09/10/2020

2020-09-10 3:30 p.m.

Zoom

**AOSC Seminar** 

Dr. Bob Brammer

Brammer Technology, LLC

Title: An Introductory Survey of Corporate and Investment Climate Finance and Implications for Atmospheric and Oceanic Science

Professionals and Students

Contact: Tim Canty

- 2) I have to sign off at 3:14 pm today due to UMD Senate meeting
- 3) However, Laura McBride will remain on the Zoom call and do her best to answer any questions. If you have further questions on today's material, please send me an email (with appropriate subject) and I will either try to answer via email or a personal Zoom meeting between now and Thursday

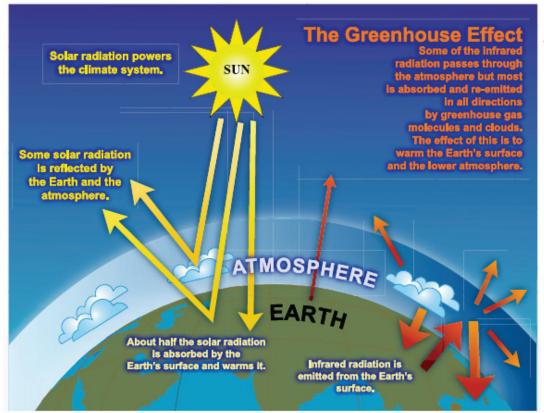
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## Course theme: effect of human activity on:

- climate change
- air quality
- stratospheric ozone depletion and recovery

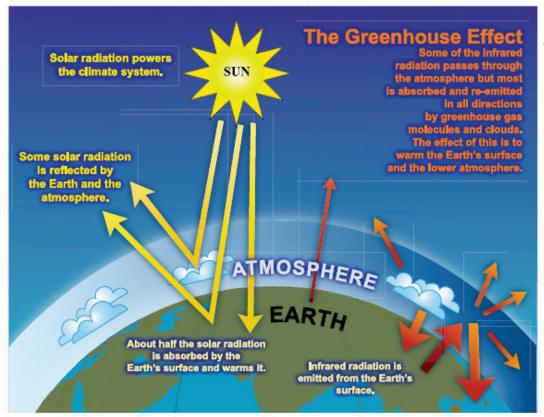
## Today's goals:

- 1) Overview of climate change, air quality, and ozone depletion
- 2) Will provide lots of "detail" today ... do not expect all of these details to "stick". Expect that when you review this lecture for the first and second exam, details will be understandable
- 3) Current events & linkages between topics, often thought of as "disparate" but connected in **profoundly important manners**



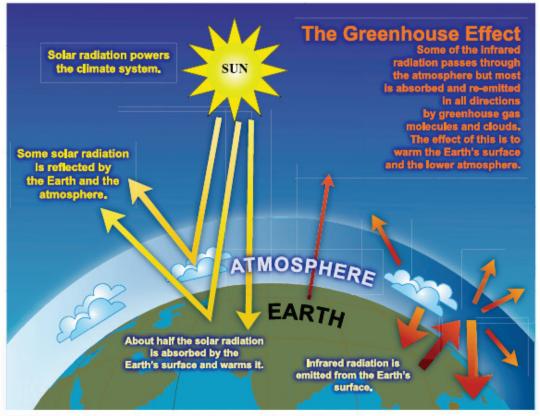
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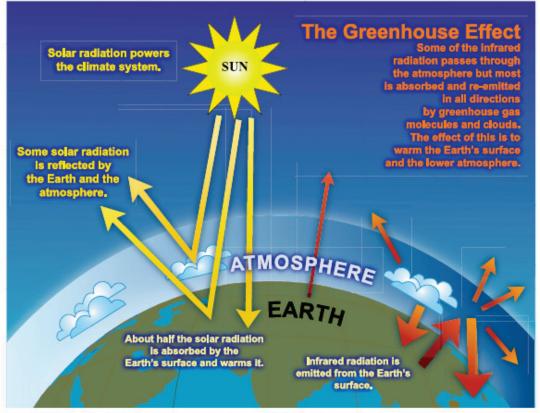
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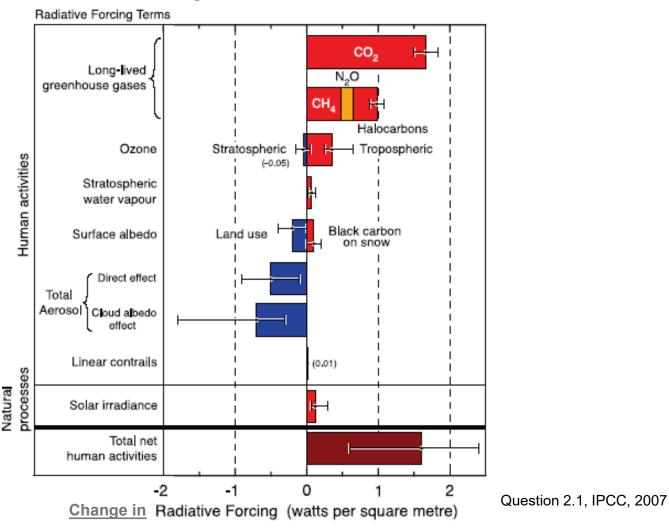
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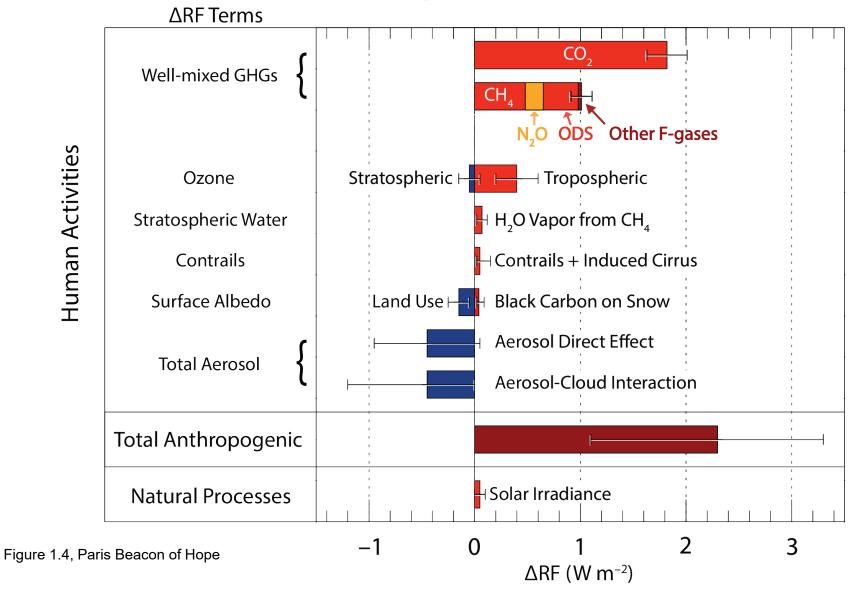
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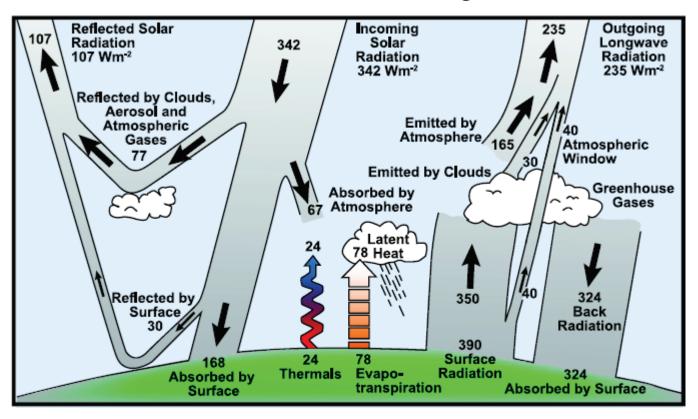
Radiative forcing of climate between 1750 and 2005



FAQ 2.1, Figure 2. Summary of the principal components of the radiative forcing of climate change.



## Radiative Forcing



FAQ 1.1, Figure 1. Estimate of the Earth's annual and global mean energy balance. Over the long term, the amount of incoming solar radiation absorbed by the Earth and atmosphere is balanced by the Earth and atmosphere releasing the same amount of outgoing longwave radiation. About half of the incoming solar radiation is absorbed by the Earth's surface. This energy is transferred to the atmosphere by warming the air in contact with the surface (thermals), by evapotranspiration and by longwave radiation that is absorbed by clouds and greenhouse gases. The atmosphere in turn radiates longwave energy back to Earth as well as out to space. Source: Kiehl and Trenberth (1997).

Question 1.1, IPCC, 2007

#### Radiative Forcing of Climate is Change in Energy

reaching the lower atmosphere (surface to tropopause) as GHGs rise. "Back Radiation" is most important term.

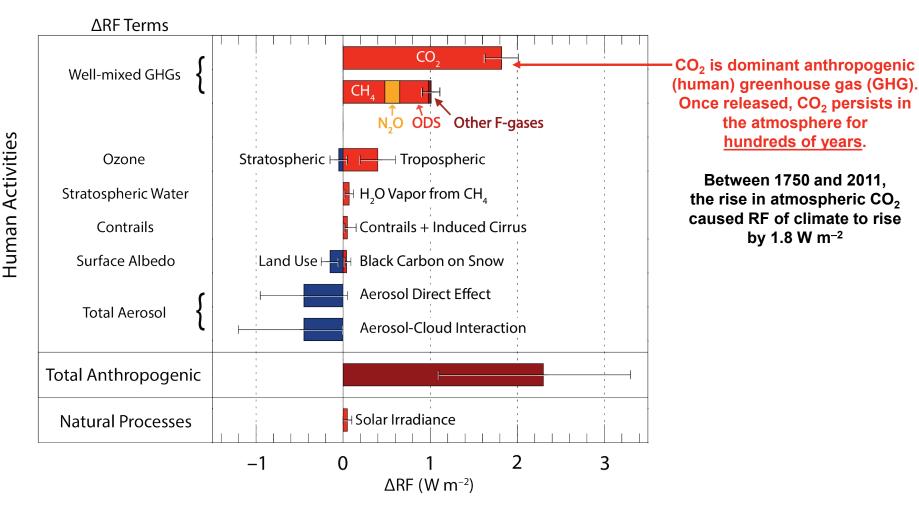


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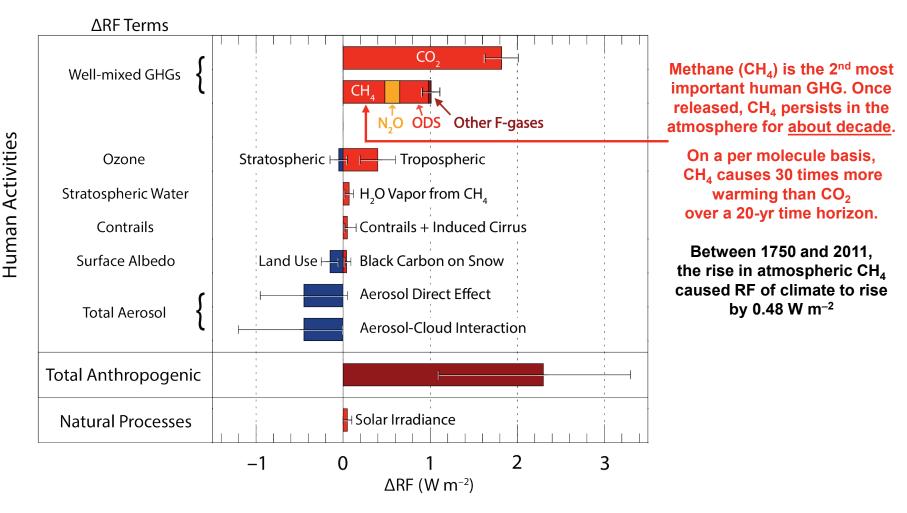


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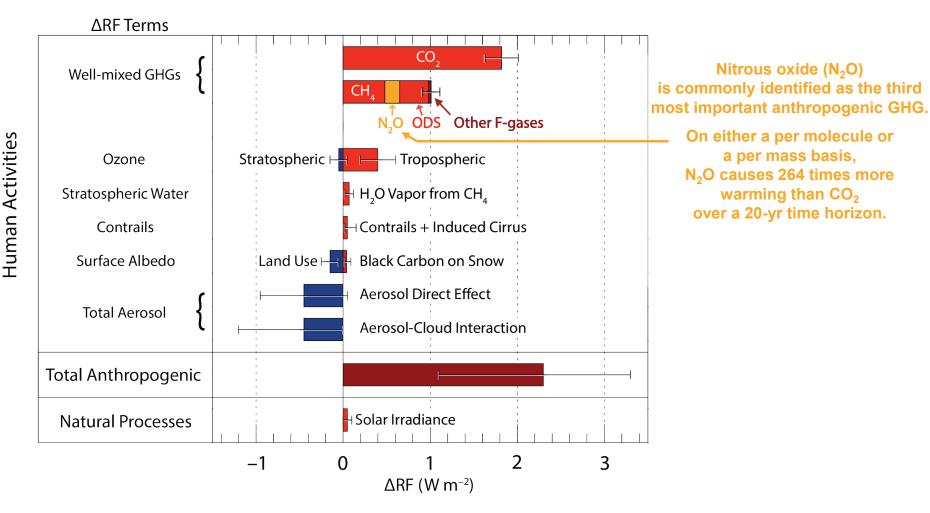


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Human Activities

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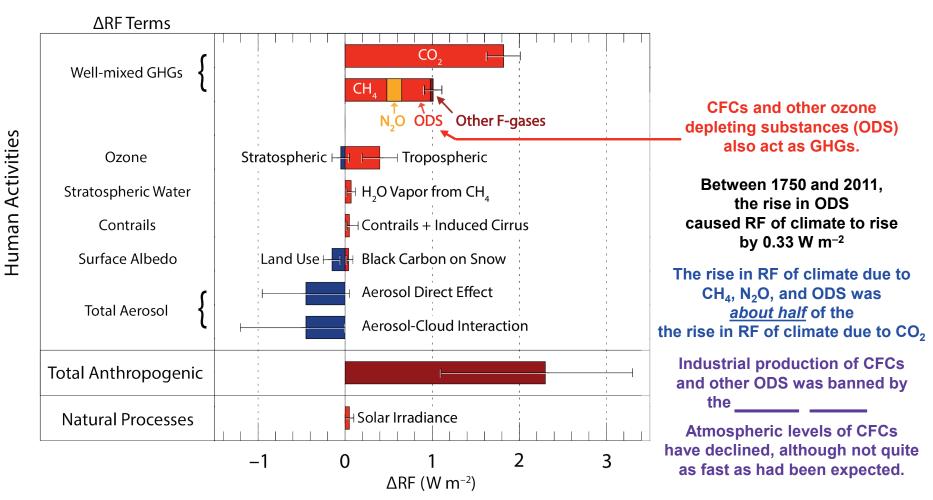


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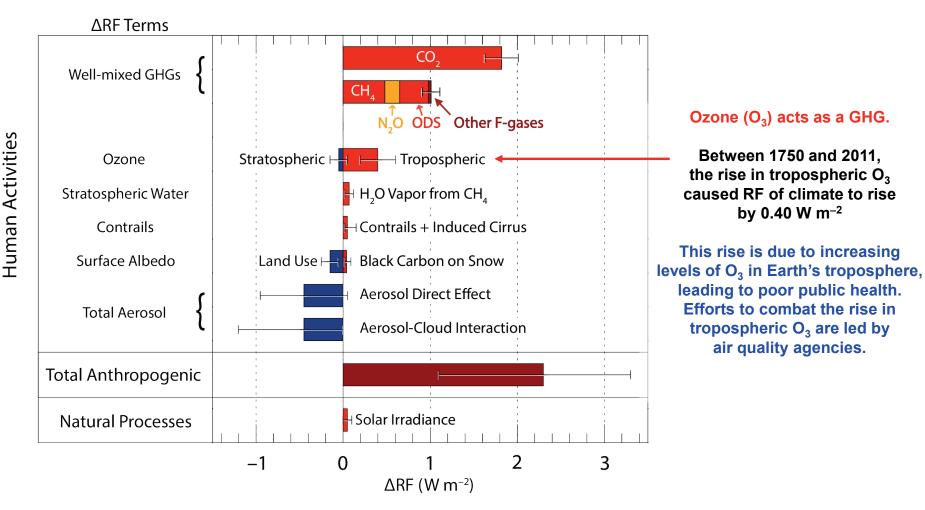


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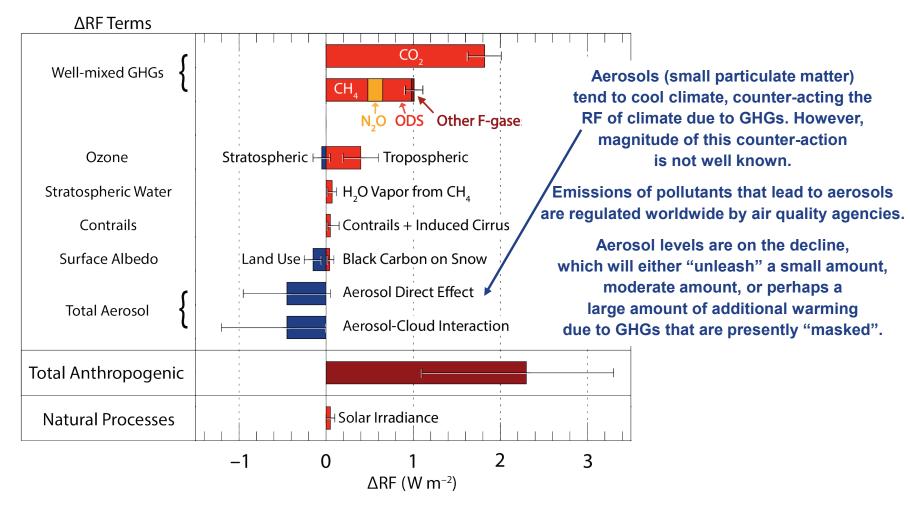
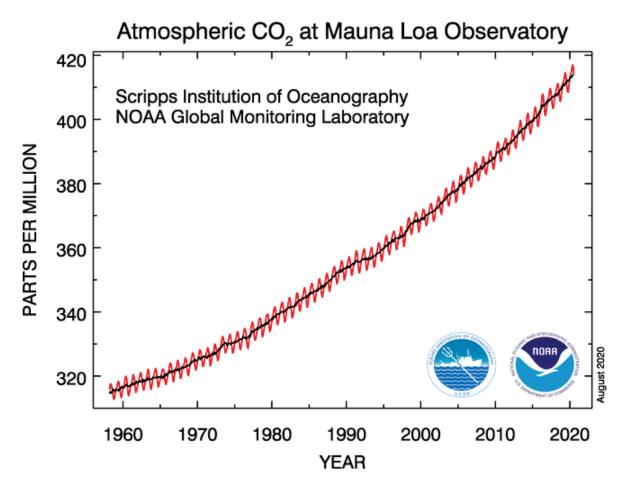


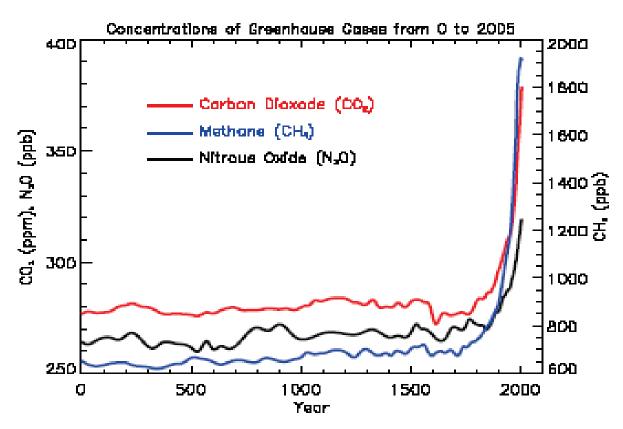
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## Modern CO<sub>2</sub> Record

CO<sub>2</sub> at MLO (Mauna Loa Observatory) on 6 Sept 2020: 411.9 parts per million (ppm) 6 Sept 2019: 408.5 parts per million (ppm)



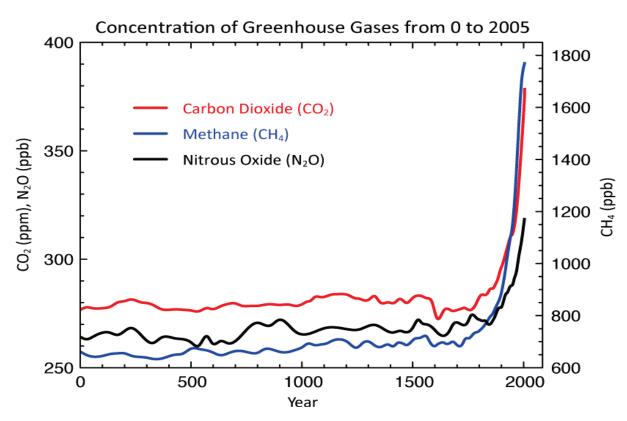
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See also <a href="https://www.co2.earth/daily-co2">https://www.co2.earth/daily-co2</a>



FAQ 2.1, Figure 1. Atmospheric concentrations of important long-lived greenhouse gases over the last 2,000 years. Increases since about 1750 are attributed to human activities in the industrial era. Concentration units are parts per million (ppm) or parts per billion (ppb),

Question 2.1, IPCC, 2007

#### Figure in the reading



**FAQ 2.1, Figure 1 (Errata).** Revised figure showing atmospheric concentrations of important long-lived greenhouse gases over the last 2,000 years. Using the combined and simplified data from Chapters 6 and 2, the original figure displayed the  $CH_4$  curve incorrectly. The revised figure shows the same data correctly plotted. For further details please refer to the original figure caption.

Question 2.1, IPCC, 2007 ... corrected https://www.ipcc.ch/site/assets/uploads/2018/05/ar4-wg1-errata.pdf

### Correction issued upon realization the line for CH<sub>4</sub> had been plotted incorrectly

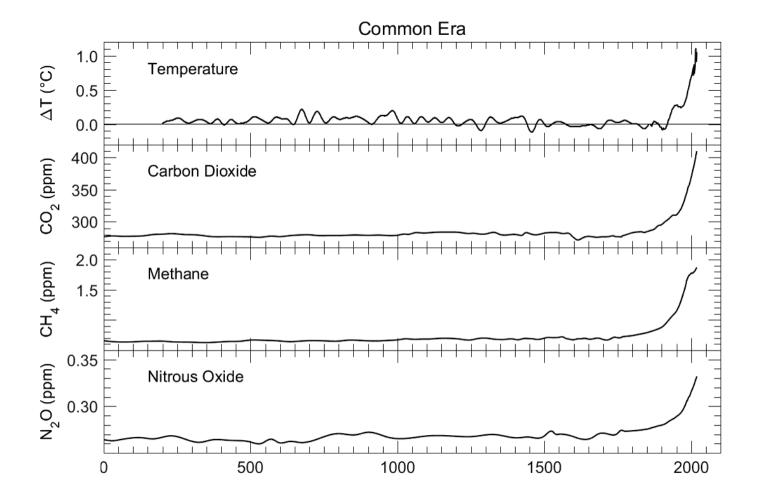


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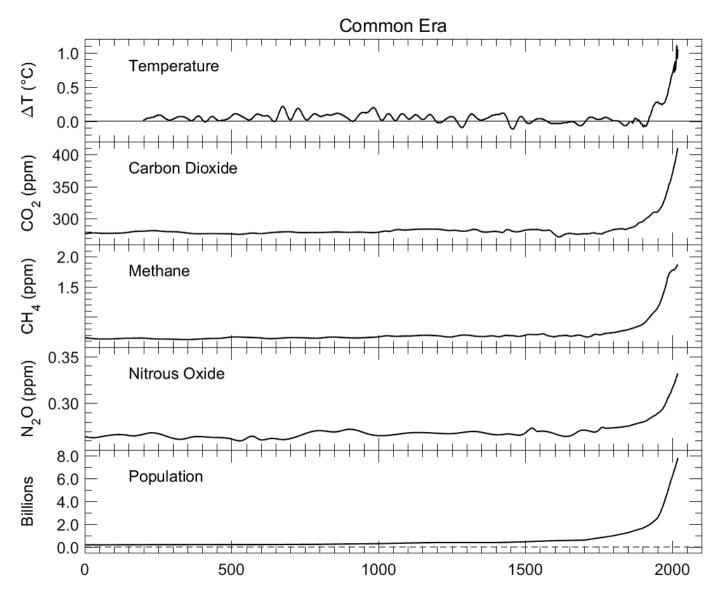
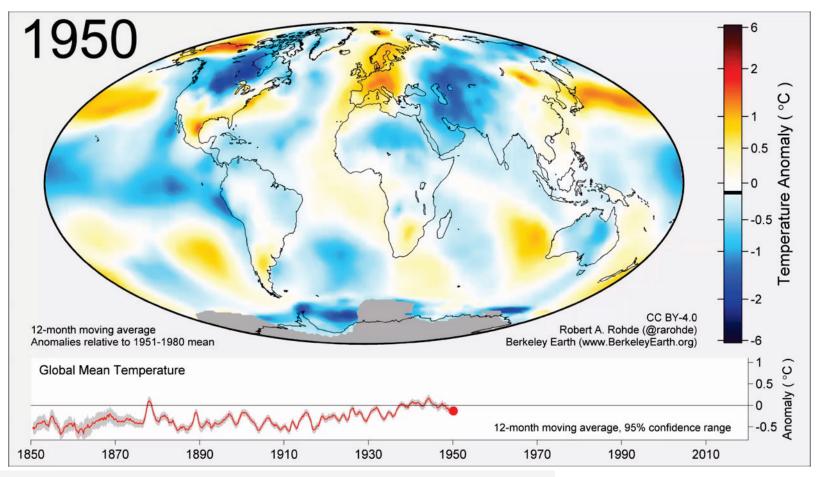


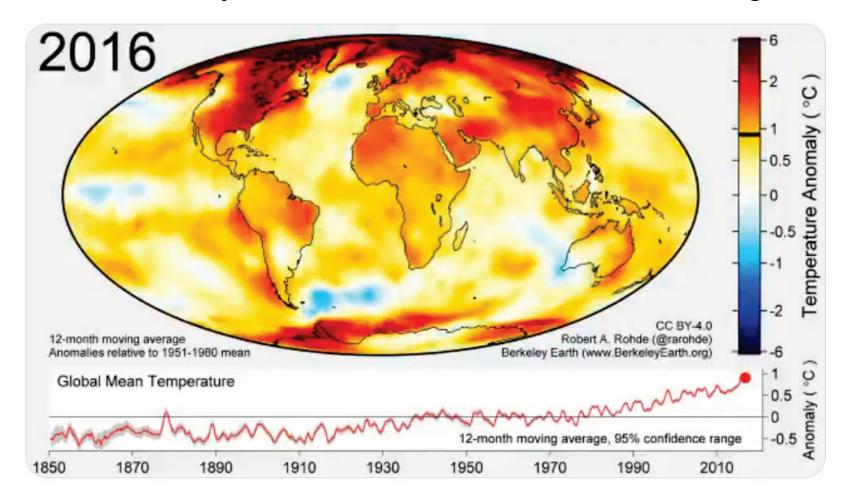
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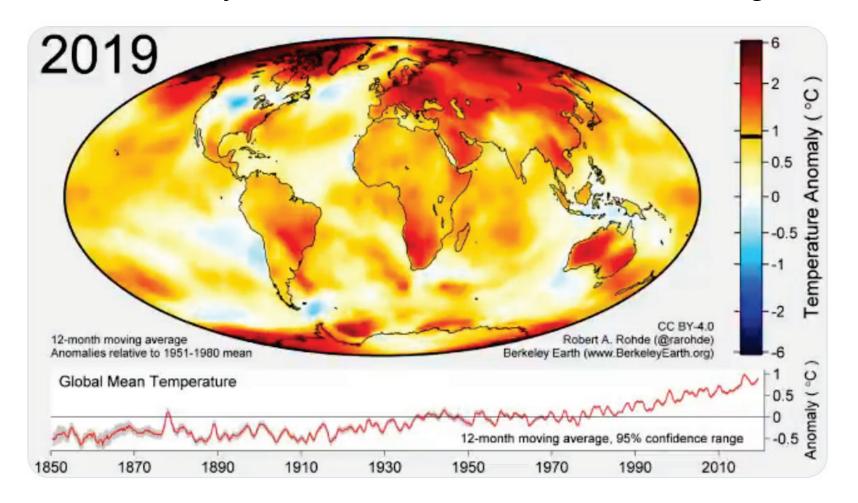
#### 1°C (Celsius) warming is equivalent to 1.8°F (Fahrenheit) warming

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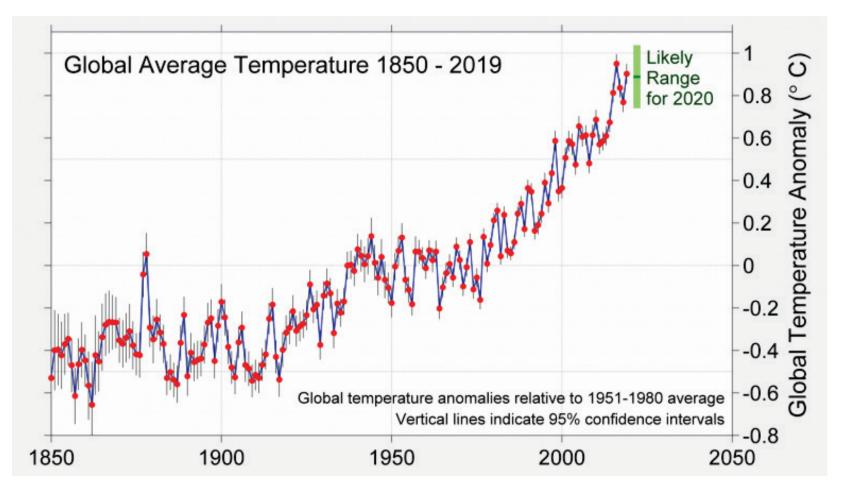
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July 2020 is estimated to have been tied with July 2019 as the warmest July since records began in 1850, and 2020 will likely rival 2019 as second warmest year.

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#### where:

 $a_{\rm CH4}$  = Radiative Efficiency (W m<sup>-2</sup> kg <sup>-1</sup>) due to an increase in CH<sub>4</sub>

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#### Notes

from IPCC 2007 "Physical Science Basis"

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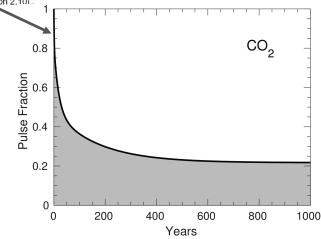
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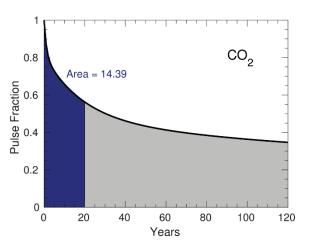
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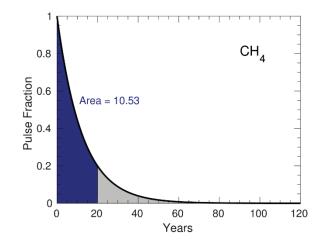
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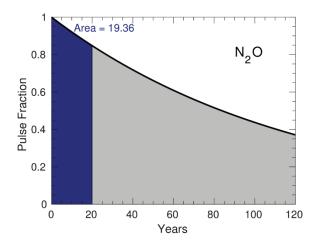
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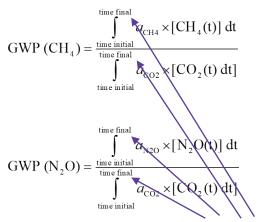




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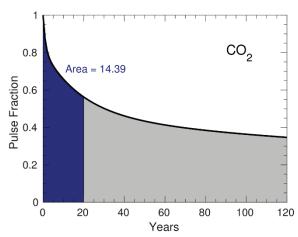
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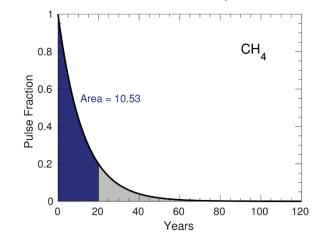
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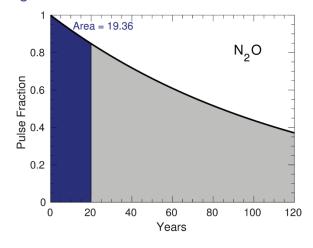


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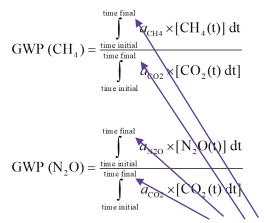


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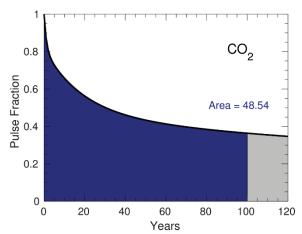
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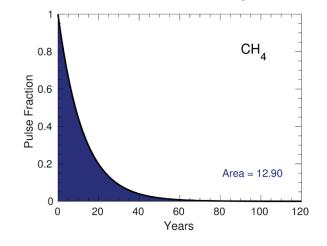
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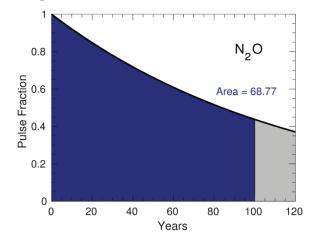


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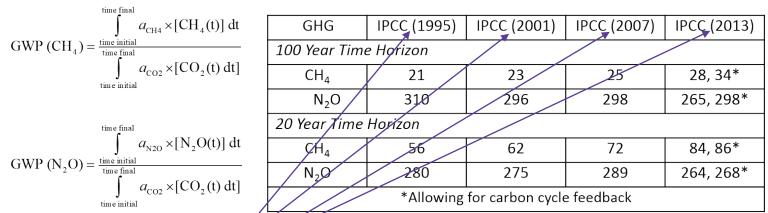


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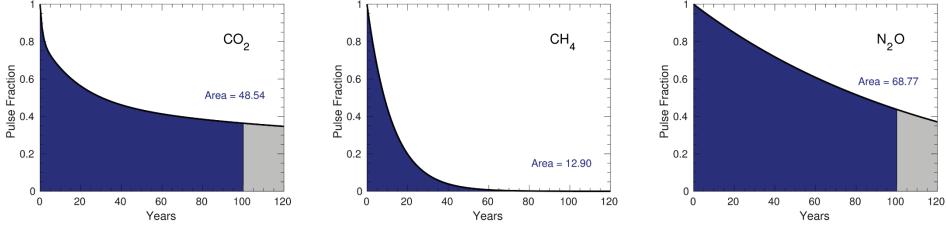
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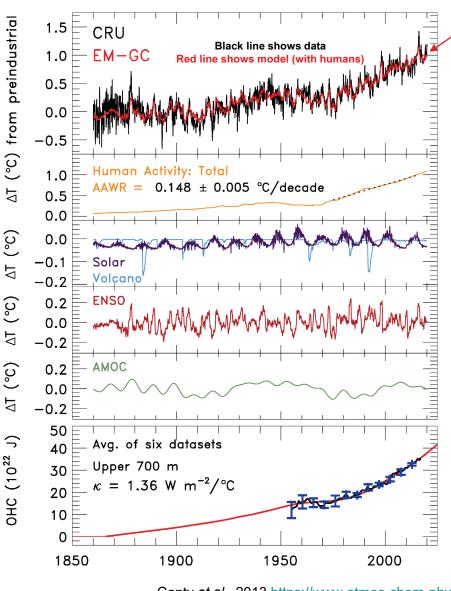
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m GWP}$  of  ${
m N_2O}$  + etc.

Commonly, GWPs on 100 year time horizon are used, although *many of us* would prefer the 20 year time horizon



$$\Delta T_{MDL i} = (1 + \gamma) \left( \frac{GHG RF_i + LUC RF_i + Aerosol RF_i}{\lambda_p} \right) + C_0 + C_1 \times SOD_{i-6} + C_2 \times TSI_{i-1} + C_3 \times ENSO_{i-2} + C_4 \times AMOC_i - \left( \frac{Q_{OCEAN_i}}{\lambda_p} \right)$$

where:

*i* denotes month

$$\lambda_{\rm p} = 3.2 \text{ W m}^{-2} \,{}^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$$
  
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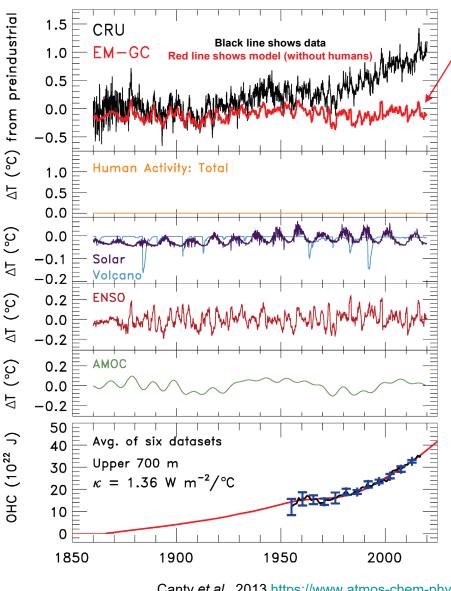
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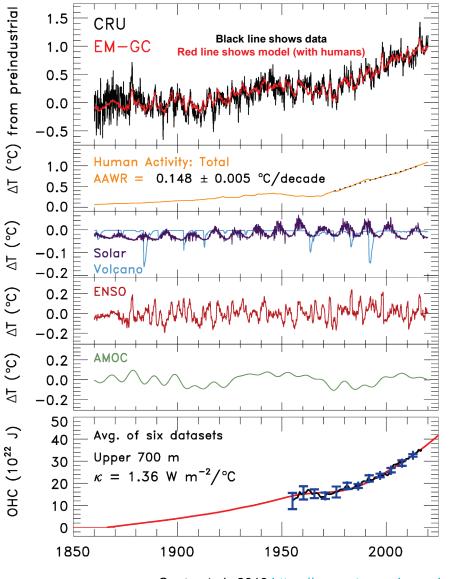
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Global warming is caused by CO<sub>2</sub>, the greatest waste product of modern society, as well as CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, and other GHGs.

Temperature will continue to rise until human emission of GHGs is curtailed

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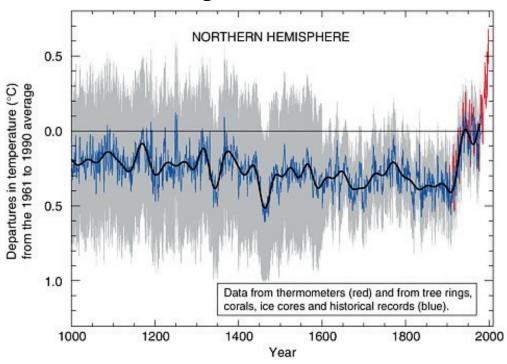
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Caveat: it is much easier to "understand the past" than "predict the future" we'll examine some of the uncertainties in projecting future climate change in later lectures

### Ozone in the Atmosphere 35 20 30 Stratospheric Altitude (kilometers) 25 ozone 15 Altitude (miles) **Ozone Layer** 20 10 15 10 Tropospheric 5 Largest increases ozone from air pollutants

It is incredible that human activity both destroys stratospheric ozone (so-called good ozone) and produces tropospheric ozone (so-called bad ozone)

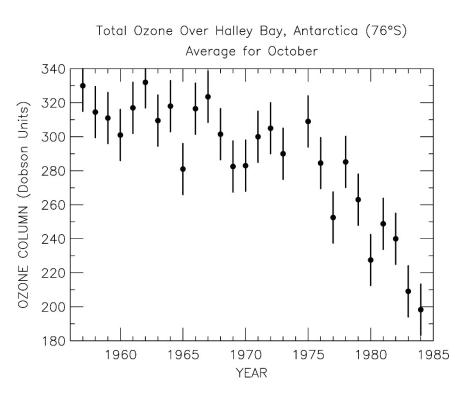
Ozone abundance (mPa)

Fig. Q1-2

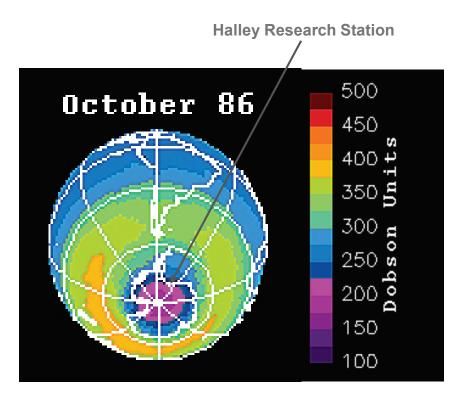
20 QAs about the Ozone Layer

# Earth's Atmosphere – Effect of Humans

## Stratospheric Ozone – shields surface from solar UV radiation



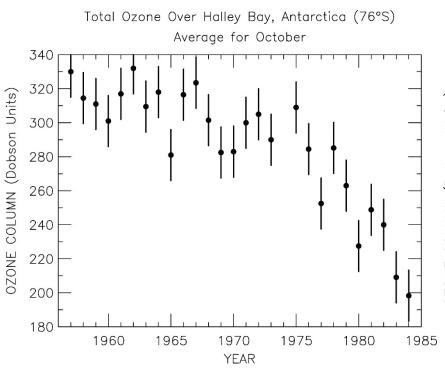
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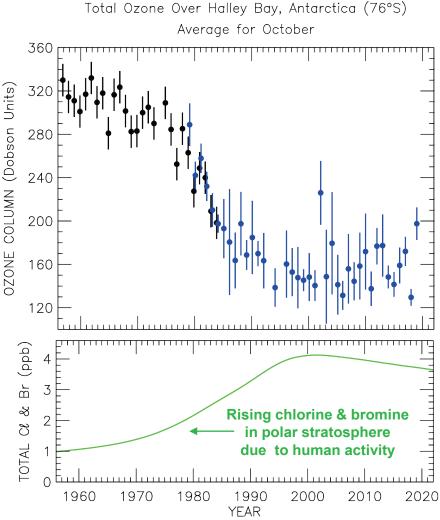
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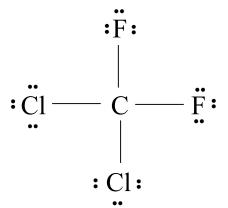


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## **Update**



### CFC-12



How is it eventually removed from the atmosphere?

What does it produce upon its removal?

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Note: you will not be tested on Lewis Dot Structures.

However, we want non-chemists to at least have been exposed to this concept for tracking the position of electrons, central for understanding atmospheric chemical reactions.

# Measurements of Reactive Chlorine From Space

#### Measurements of Chlorine Gases from Space



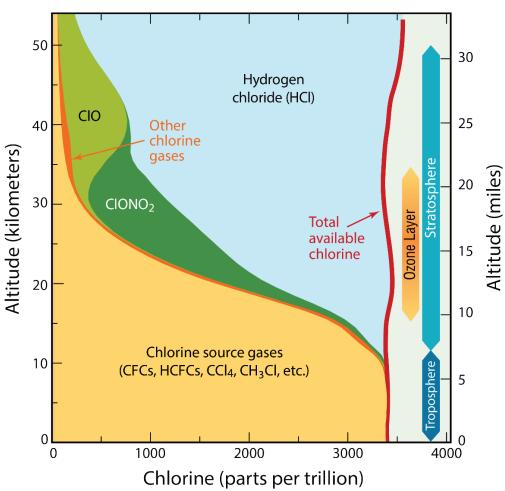


Fig. Q7-2, 20 QAs about the Ozone Layer

# CIO (Chlorine Monoxide) is a Radical

#### Radicals

- Odd number of electrons unpaired electron in outer valence shell
- Go to great lengths to pair off lone electron
- Exceptionally reactive

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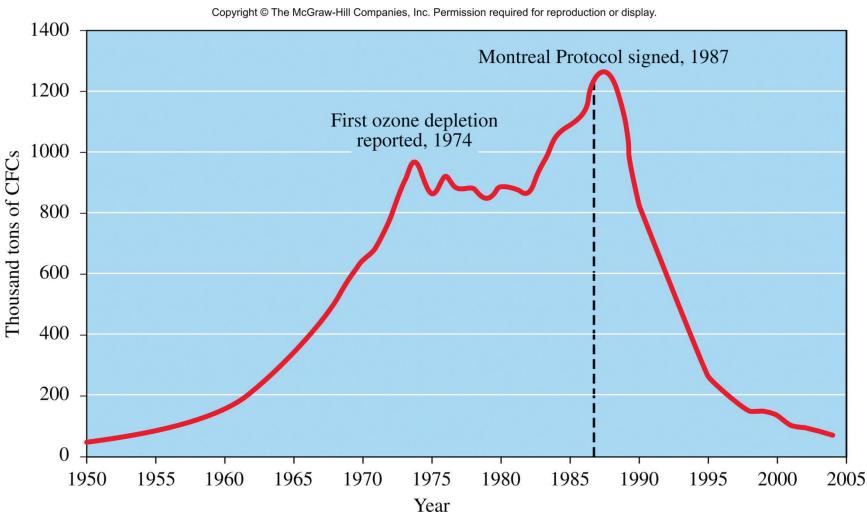
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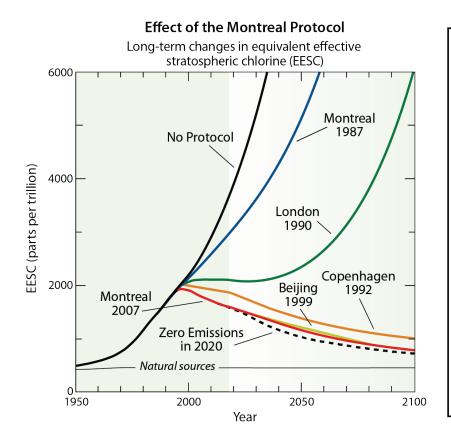
Catalytic loss of ozone: this chemistry causes the Antarctic ozone hole

# Montreal Protocol Has Banned Industrial Production of CFCs and Halons



Global Production of CFCs, Fig. 2.19, Chemistry in Context

# And Atmospheric Levels of these Pollutants are Declining



#### CFCs: Chlorofluorocarbons

Contain some combination of chlorine, fluorine, and at least one carbon. Freons are a trade name for CFCs.

#### **Bromocarbons:**

Contain bromine, perhaps chlorine, and at least one carbon. Halons are a trade name for bromocarbons.

HCFCs: Hydro-chlorofluorocarbons

Same as CFCs, except one or more hydrogen has replaced a chlorine.

HFCs: Hydrofluorocarbons

Contain some combination of hydrogen, fluorine, and carbon. These gases do not contain any bromine or chlorine, and hence pose no damage to the ozone layer. Some HFCs are potent GHGs.

EESC: Equivalent, effective stratospheric chlorine. Reflects combined influence of chlorine and bromine on ozone, via a simple formula: [Chlorine] +  $60 \times$  [Bromine]

Figure Q14-1, 20 QAs about the Ozone Layer

# CFC Usage Prior to the Montreal Protocol

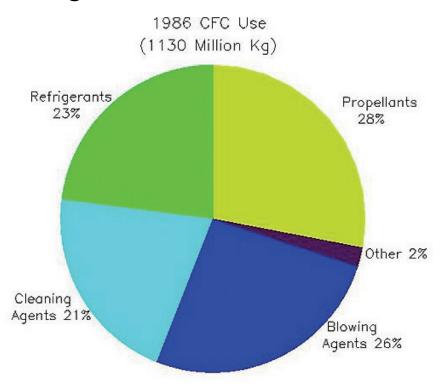
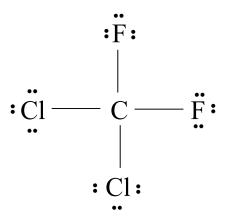


Figure 5b. Changing use patterns for CFCs (from Fisher and Midgley, 1994).

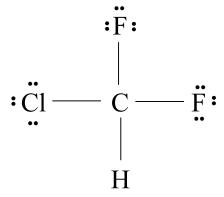
The uses of CFCs in various sectors before the 1987 Montreal Protocol, which required countries to phase out their production to protect the ozone layer.

From <a href="http://www.ccpo.odu.edu/SEES/ozone/class/Chap\_10/index.htm">http://www.ccpo.odu.edu/SEES/ozone/class/Chap\_10/index.htm</a> based upon <a href="https://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1029/94JD00738">https://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1029/94JD00738</a>

# CFCs were replaced with HCFCs



or Freon-12 or R-12



or Freon-22 or R-22

# Phase out of CFCs and other Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs)

	Phase 1		Phase 2	
CFCs		<b>HCFCs</b>		HFCs
& other OD	Ss		,	
CFC-11 CFC-12 CFC-113 CFC-114 CFC-115 CCl <sub>4</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> CCl <sub>3</sub>		HCFC-22 HCFC-141b HCFC-142b		HFC-23 HFC-143a HFC-125 HFC-134a etc.
Harmful to ozone layer	ı	Less harmful to ozone layer		Pose no risk to ozone layer, since no CI or Br

See <a href="http://www.atmos.umd.edu/~rjs/class/spr2020/supplemental\_readings/Naming\_Convention">http://www.atmos.umd.edu/~rjs/class/spr2020/supplemental\_readings/Naming\_Convention</a> for a guide to CFC naming convention

# Phase out of CFCs and other Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs)

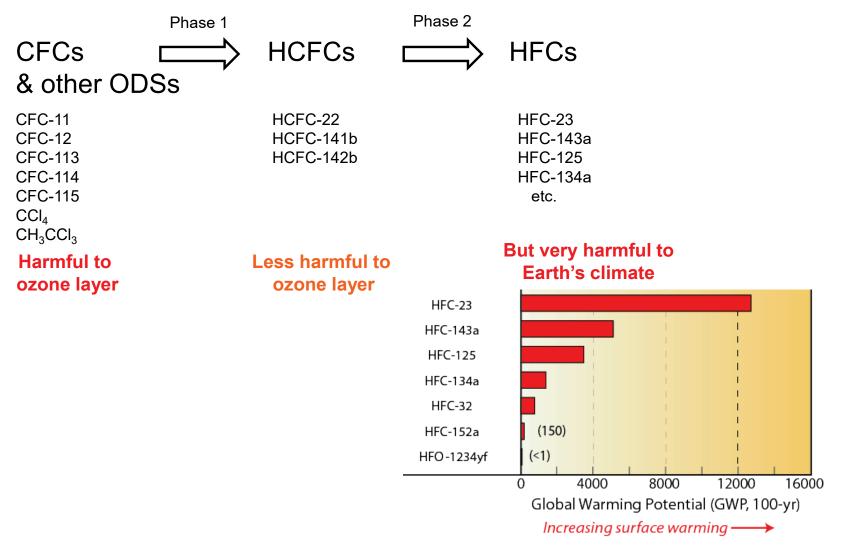


Figure Q17-3, 20 QAs about the Ozone Layer

# Kigali Amendment



Tina Birmpili, Ozone Secretariat

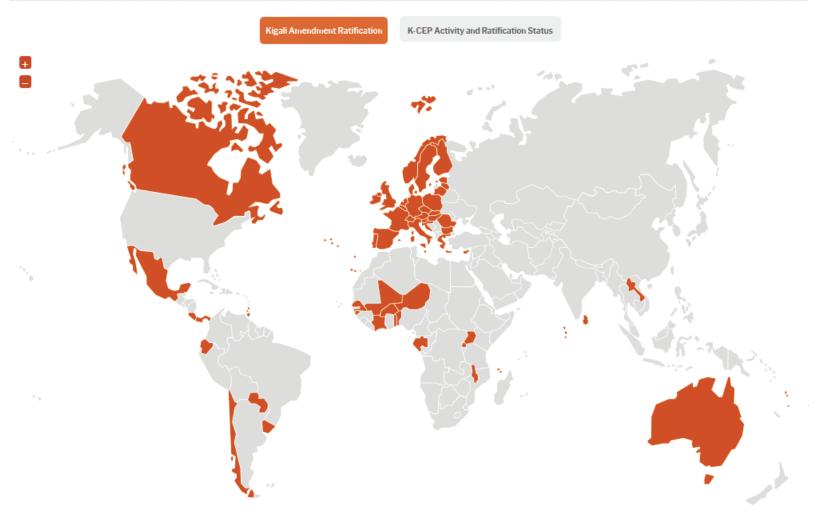
PhD in Environmental Management and Economics from Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London.

As of 1 January 2019, the future production of HFCs is controlled by the Montreal Protocol, based on amendment passed in Kigali, Rwanda in Fall 2017, hosted by Rwanda's Minister of Environment Vincent Biruta and Canada's Minister of Environment and Climate Change Catherine McKenna.

"Ozone Secretariat Executive Secretary Tina Birmpili added: "2017 marks the 30th anniversary of the Protocol's life and there is no better way to celebrate this anniversary than by seeking country support to ratify the Kigali Amendment and build on the next 30 years."

https://ozone.unep.org/unga-high-level-event-ratification-kigali-amendment

# Ratification Status of the Kigali Amendment



Key: ■ Country that has ratified Kigali Amendment ■ Country that has not ratified Kigali Amendment

#### Kigali Amendment went into force on 1 January 2019. To date, 65 countries have ratified.

https://www.k-cep.org/wp-content/themes/kigali/page-templates/map/MapRatification.html

# Ratification Status of the Kigali Amendment



# Kigali Amendment Enters into Force, Bringing Promise of Reduced Global Warming

The need for the Amendment emerged from the 1987 Montreal Protocol process, which controls ozone-depleting substances. With HFCs' use as an alternative to ozone-depleting substances in cooling equipment, their role in warming the atmosphere became a greater concern. In 2016, the Parties to the Montreal Protocol adopted the agreement on HFCs at the close of the 28th Meeting of the Parties (MOP 28) in Kigali, Rwanda. Governments agreed that it would enter into force on 1 January 2019, provided that at least 20 Parties to the Montreal Protocol had ratified it. On 17 November 2017, Sweden and Trinidad and Tobago deposited their instruments of ratification, bringing the number of Parties above the required threshold.

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#### Climate Benefit of the Kigali Amendment

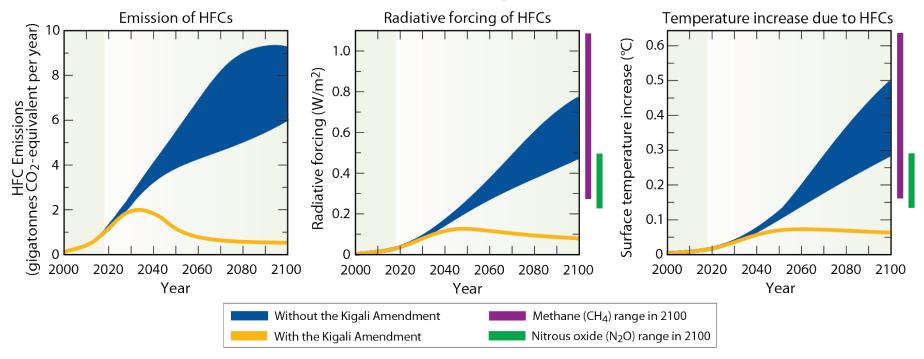
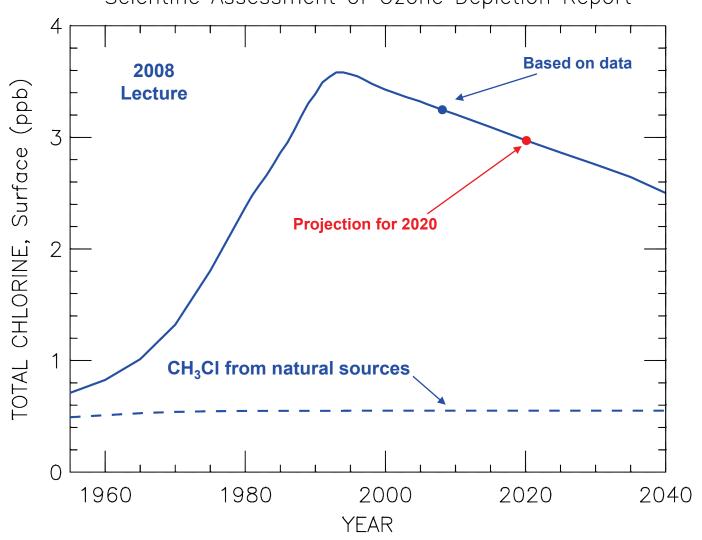


Figure Q19-2, 20 QAs about the Ozone Layer

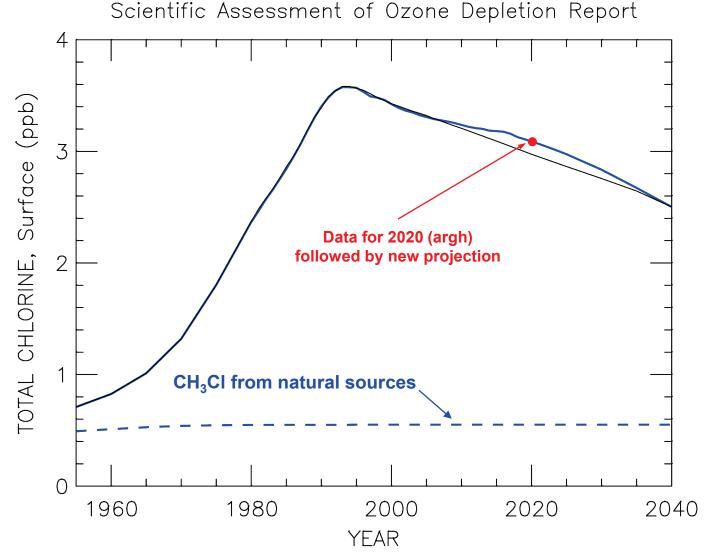
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Projections Based on 2006 World Meteorological Organization Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion Report



#### Montreal Protocol Has Banned Industrial Production of CFCs & Other ODS

Projections Based on 2018 World Meteorological Organization



# Montreal Protocol Had Banned Most Industrial Production of CFCs & Other ODS

# The New York Times

# In a High-Stakes Environmental Whodunit, Many Clues Point to China

Interviews, documents and advertisements collected by The New York Times and independent investigators indicate that a major source — possibly the overwhelming one — is factories in China that have ignored a global ban and kept making or using the chemical, CFC-11, mostly to produce foam insulation for refrigerators and buildings.

"You had a choice: Choose the cheaper foam agent that's not so good for the environment, or the expensive one that's better for the environment," said Zhang Wenbo, owner of a refrigerator factory here in Xingfu, in Shandong Province, where he and many other small-scale manufacturers said that until recently, they had used CFC-11 widely to make foam insulation.



Billboards in Xingfu, China, promoting locally made refrigerators. The city has around 1,700 businesses involved in the production of cooking and refrigeration employment. Gilles Subris for The New York Times.

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/06/24/world/asia/china-ozone-cfc.html

# Air Quality Index

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Table 1.4	Levels for the Air Quality Index	
Air Quality Index (AQI) Values	Levels of Health Concern	Colors
When the AQI is in this range:	air quality conditions are:	as symbolized by this color.
0–50	Good	Green
51–100	Moderate	Yellow
101–150	Unhealthy for sensitive groups	Orange
151–200	Unhealthy	Red
201–300	Very unhealthy	Purple
301–500	Hazardous	Maroon

- Computed for each criteria pollutant even though many newspapers only give a single value (usually for worse index)
- In the U.S. health officials are generally concerned about elevated O<sub>3</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and ultra-fine particles

# Tropospheric Pollutants (The Air We Breathe)

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Table 1.2 U.S. Nation	e 1.2 U.S. National Ambient Air Quality Standards				
Pollutant	Standard (ppm)	Approximate Equivalent Concentration (μg/m³)			
Carbon monoxide					
8-hr average	9	10,000			
1-hr average	35	40,000			
Nitrogen dioxide					
Annual average	0.053	100			
Ozone					
8-hr average	0.075	147			
1-hr average	0.12	235			
Particulates*					
PM <sub>10</sub> , annual average		50			
PM <sub>10</sub> , 24-hr average		150			
PM <sub>2.5</sub> , annual average		15			
PM <sub>2.5</sub> , 24-hr average <sup>†</sup>	- 12 - 12 - 12	35			
Sulfur dioxide					
Annual average	0.03	80			
24-hr average	0.14	365			
3-hr average	0.50	1,300			

Note: A standard also exists for lead, but lead does not appear in this table since most of the U.S. is in compliance

Chapter 1 Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Standards also exist for lead, but are not included here.

Chemistry in Context

**Criteria pollutant:** identified as being common-place and detrimental to human welfare (i.e., ubiquitous pollutant)

<sup>\*</sup>PM $_{10}$  refers to all airborne particles 10  $\mu m$  in diameter or less. PM $_{2.5}$  refers to particles 2.5  $\mu m$  in diameter or less.

<sup>—</sup>The unit of ppm is not applicable to particulates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>PM<sub>2.5</sub> standards are likely to be revised after 2011.

# **Tropospheric Ozone Production**

$$OH + CO \rightarrow CO_2 + H$$

$$H + O_2 + M \rightarrow HO_2 + M$$

$$HO_2 + NO \rightarrow OH + NO_2$$

$$NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O$$

$$O + O_2 + M \rightarrow O_3 + M$$

NO & NO<sub>2</sub>: Emitted by fossil fuel combustion & biomass burning  $N_2 + O_2 \xrightarrow{\text{High T}} 2 \text{ NO}$ 

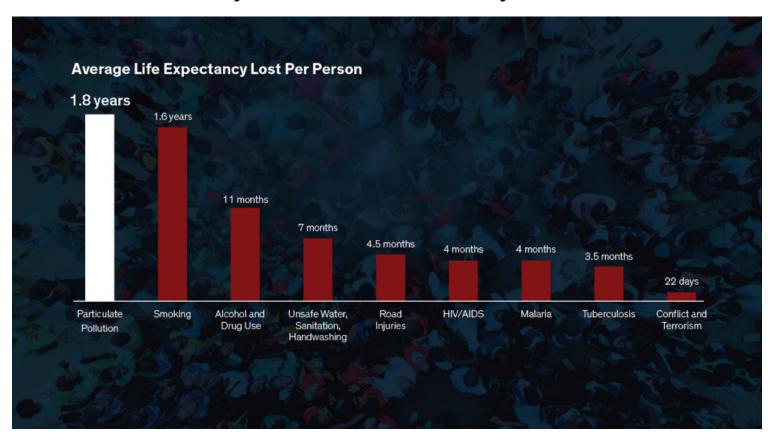
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HO<sub>2</sub> + NO  $\rightarrow$  OH + NO<sub>2</sub>  
NO<sub>2</sub> + hv  $\rightarrow$  NO + O  
O + O<sub>2</sub> + M  $\rightarrow$  O<sub>3</sub> + M  
Net: CO + 2 O<sub>2</sub>  $\rightarrow$  CO<sub>2</sub> + O<sub>3</sub>

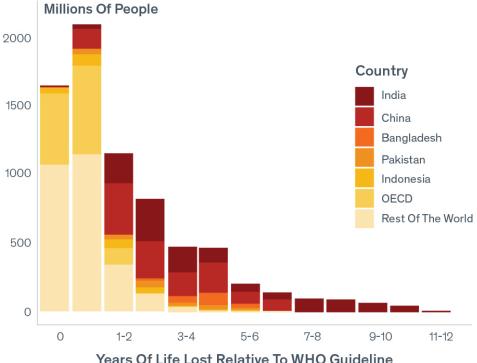
Oxidation of CO in the presence of elevated  $NO_x$  (NO +  $NO_2$ ) leads to **production** of tropospheric ozone

# Air Quality Standards and Why We Care



For more information, have a look at:

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2018/11/deadly-air-pollution-shortens-lives-by-nearly-2-years-researchers https://aqli.epic.uchicago.edu/pollution-facts



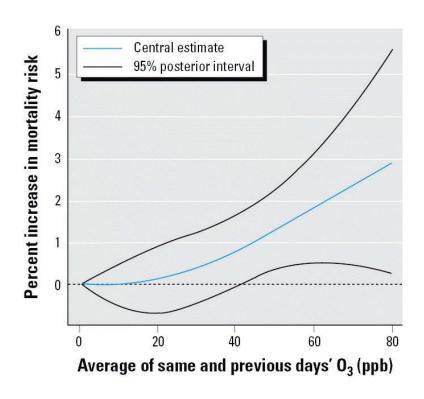
Years Of Life Lost Relative To WHO Guideline

If all areas not in compliance with the WHO PM<sub>2.5</sub> guideline in 2016 were to permanently reduce their particulate pollution levels to meet the guideline, then, globally:

- 288 million people, all in northern India would live at least 7 years longer on average. These people represent 23 percent of India's current population.
- 347 million people in Asia would live 5-7 years longer on average. These include 35 percent of Nepal's population, 16 percent of Bangladeshis, 13 percent of Chinese, 10 percent of Pakistanis, 9 percent of Indians, and 1 percent of Indonesians.

https://aqli.epic.uchicago.edu/pollution-facts

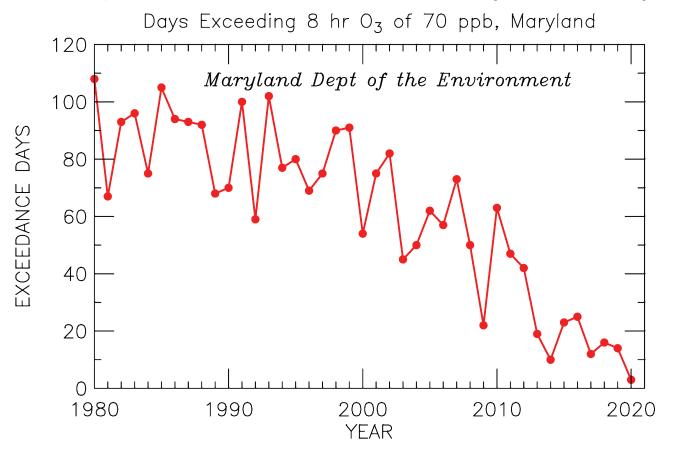
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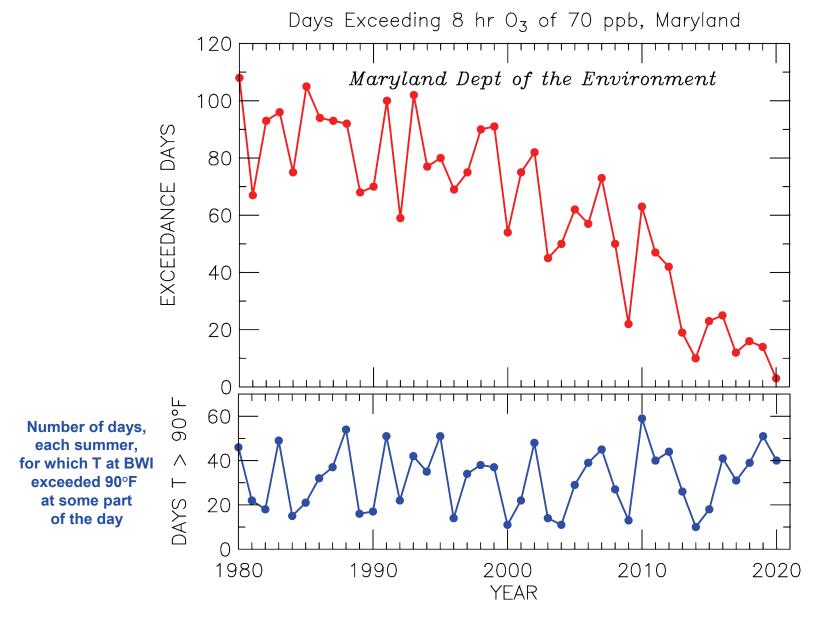
Increased risk of premature death (mortality) for all levels of surface  $O_3$  Reductions in surface ozone will benefit public health, regardless of present conditions Bell et al., 2006

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# Significant Improvements in *Local* Air Quality since early 1980s

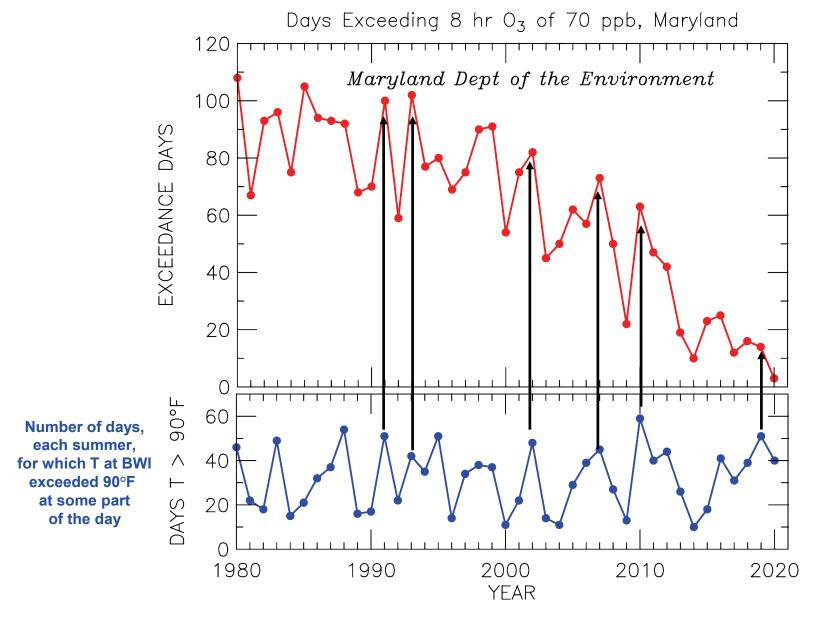


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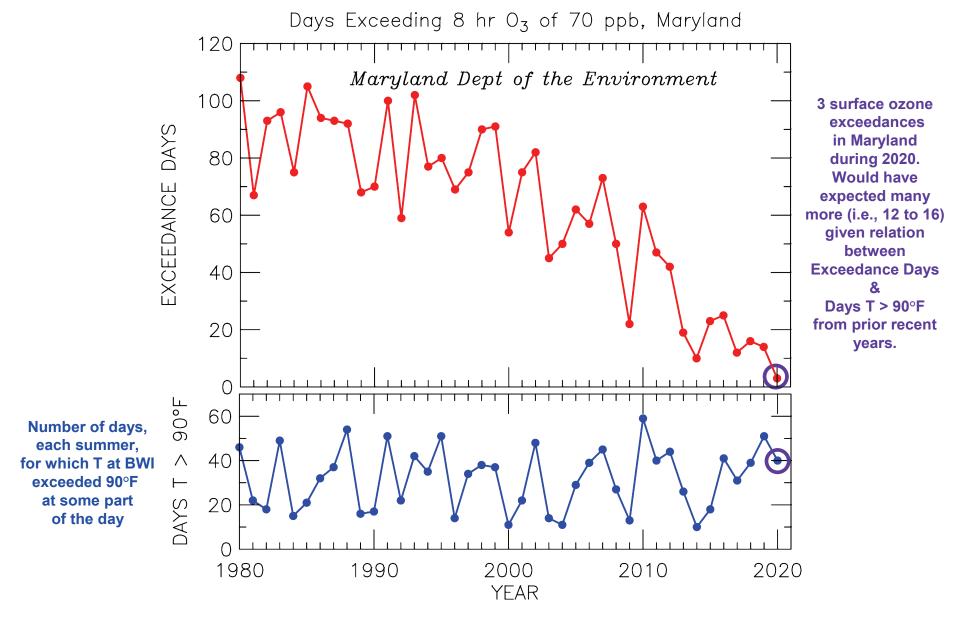
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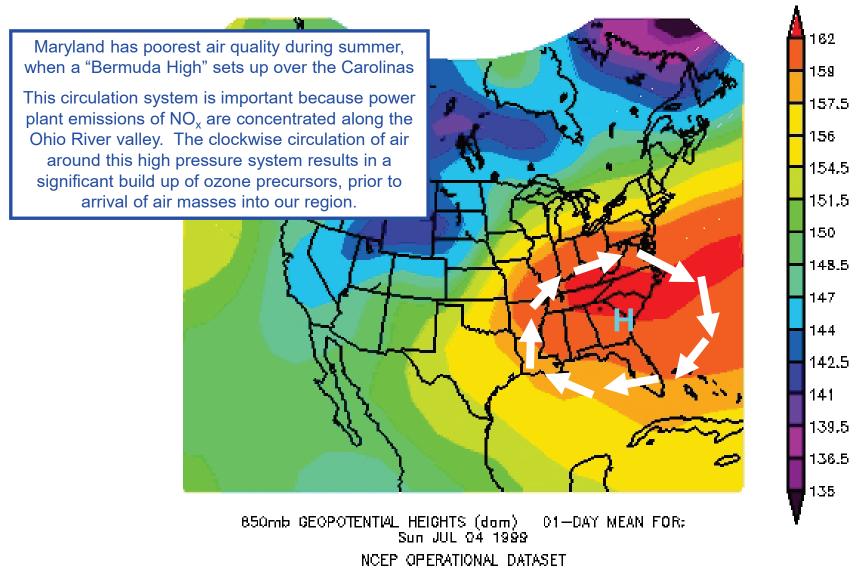
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# Day-to-day meteorology (weather!) affects severity and duration of pollution episodes



http://www.mde.state.md.us/assets/document/BJH%20-%20Basics%20on%20Ozone%20Transport.ppt

#### **Temperature Inversions and Air Quality**

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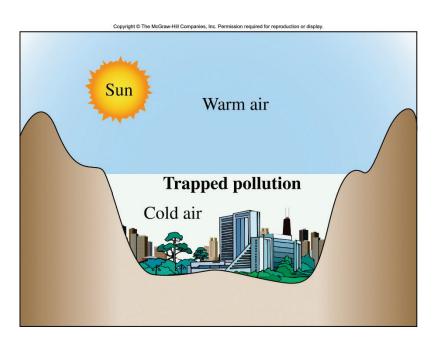
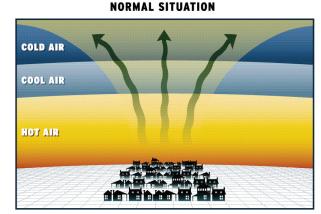
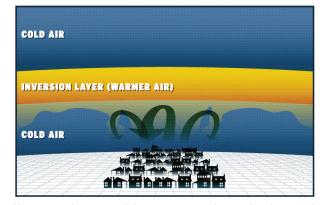


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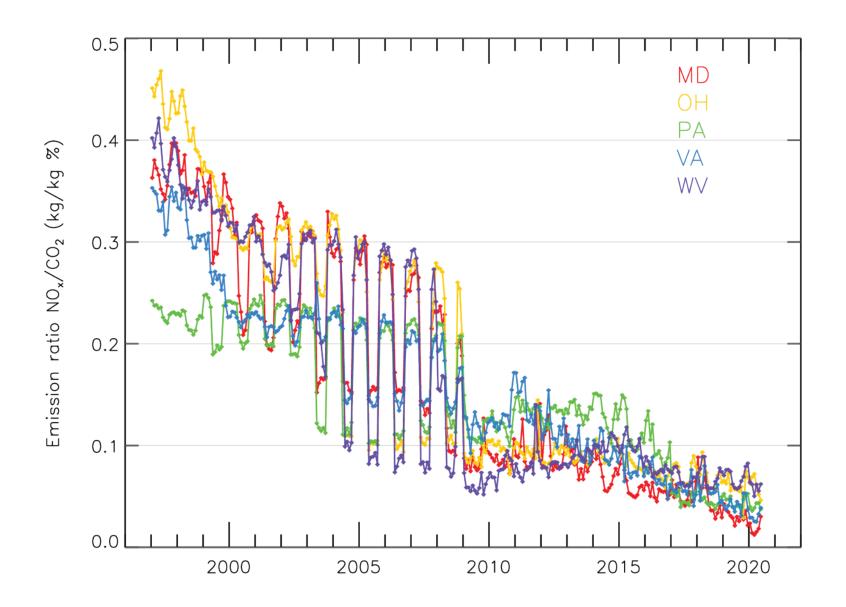


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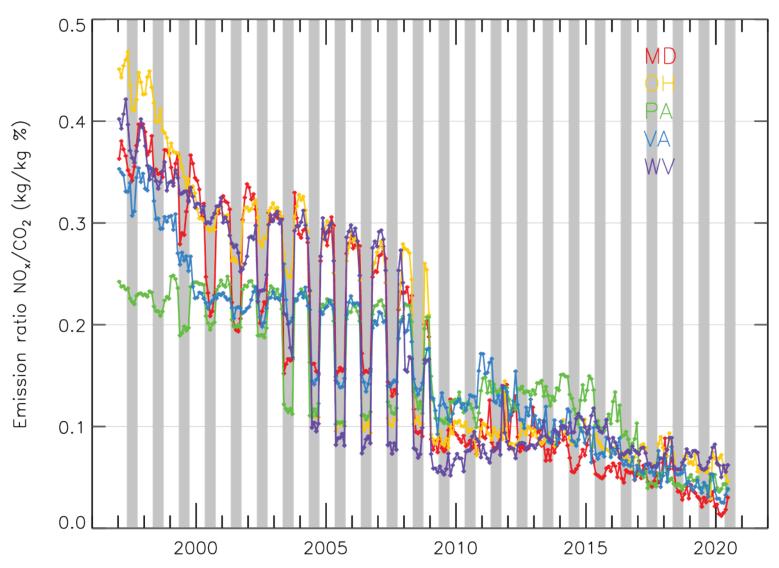


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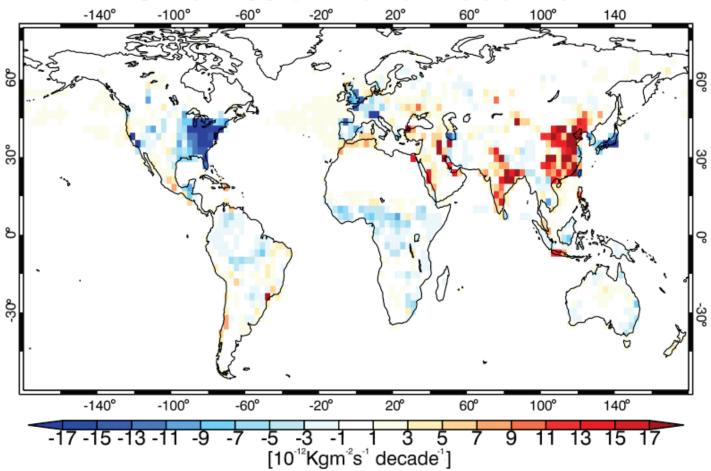


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Shading denotes "ozone season", April to Sept

#### NOx emission trend: 2005-2014



Global distribution of the trend in the surface emission of  $NO_x$  (NO +  $NO_2$ ) in units of kg m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> per decade, from the assimilation of multiple satellite data sets.

#### Wildfires are Raging in California and Colorado









LA County Sheriffs Dept. ordered evacuation of non-essential staff this morning.





Top: Creek fire in Sierra National Forest of Madera County near Fresno, California <a href="https://kmph.com/news/local/gallery/creek-fire-fox26-viewers-capture-photos-and-video-of-aftermath">https://kmph.com/news/local/gallery/creek-fire-fox26-viewers-capture-photos-and-video-of-aftermath</a>
Bottom left: Bobcat Fire in Angeles National Forest near Los Angeles, California <a href="https://www.facebook.com/WilsonObs/">https://www.facebook.com/WilsonObs/</a>

Bottom right: Cameron Peak fire in Larimer County, Rocky Mountain National Park, near Boulder Colorado <a href="https://www.denverpost.com/2020/09/06/cameron-peak-wildfire-evacuations-sunday/">https://www.denverpost.com/2020/09/06/cameron-peak-wildfire-evacuations-sunday/</a>

#### As well as states of Utah, Oregon, and Washington



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At least one dead as wildfires trap hikers in California, decimate an entire town in Washington, burn in Utah and Colorado and lead to more than 100,000 losing power in Oregon during record heatwave

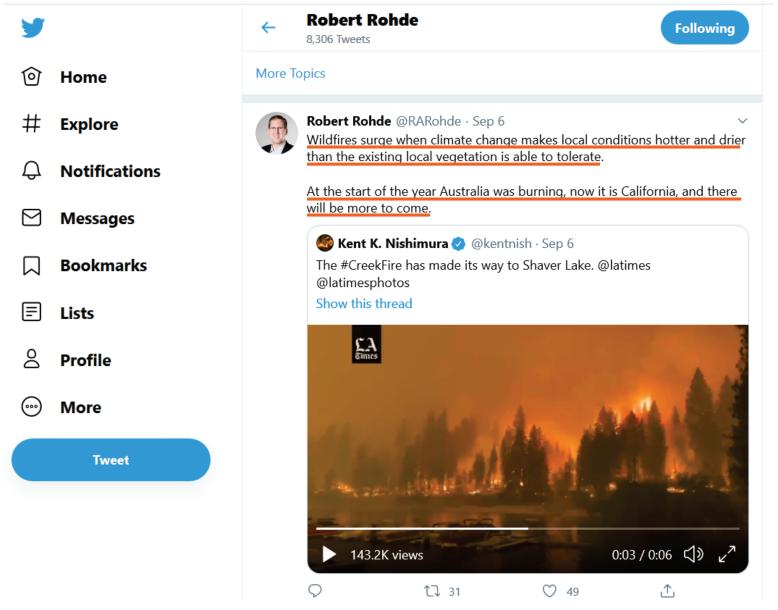


Military helicopters tried to rescue around 50 people trapped by wildfires in California on Monday night, but were beaten back by heavy smoke as wildfires spread across Western states in the midst of a record-breaking heatwave. The group of hikers and campers remain trapped by Lake Edison, 250 miles east of San Francisco in the Sierra National Forest. At least one person has died, said Fresno Fire Battalion Chief Tony Escobedo, and warned there may be multiple casualities. 'Rescue efforts were unsuccessful, military pilots tried valiantly to land but heavy smoke conditions prevented a safe approach,' the fire department tweeted. 'Another effort will be made shortly to evacuate the trapped people in Lake Edison and China Peak using night vision.' Monday's frantic rescue attempt came as wildfires blazed across swathes of the western United States on Monday night, destroying homes and devastating forests and grasslands, as record high temperatures and strong winds made the task of fire fighters even more challenging. In California, 14,100 fire fighters were battling 24 separate blazes, which have collectively destroyed 2 million acres.



https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-8708045/Wildfires-rage-amid-record-breaking-temperatures.html

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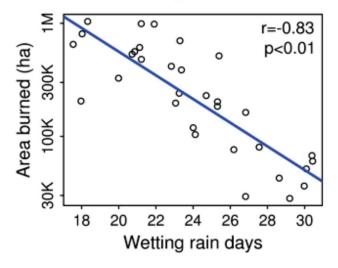
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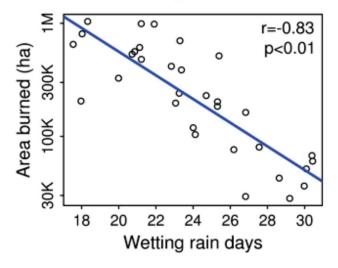
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#### Next Lecture: Fundamentals of Earth's Atmosphere

# Great if you can complete Learning Outcome Quizzes to review salient "take away" messages

#### Next Reading:

Chemistry in Context, Secs 1.0 to 1.2,1.5 to 1.8, 1.14, 2.1, 3.6 & 3.7 (~28 pgs) as well as 4 pages (433) or 7 pages (633) from

Atmospheric Environment by Michael McElroy

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Please have a calculator available for class on Thursday