

Industrial Hydrocarbon
Emission Adjustments Used
in 2002 Houston-Galveston-
Brazoria Ozone SIP Modeling

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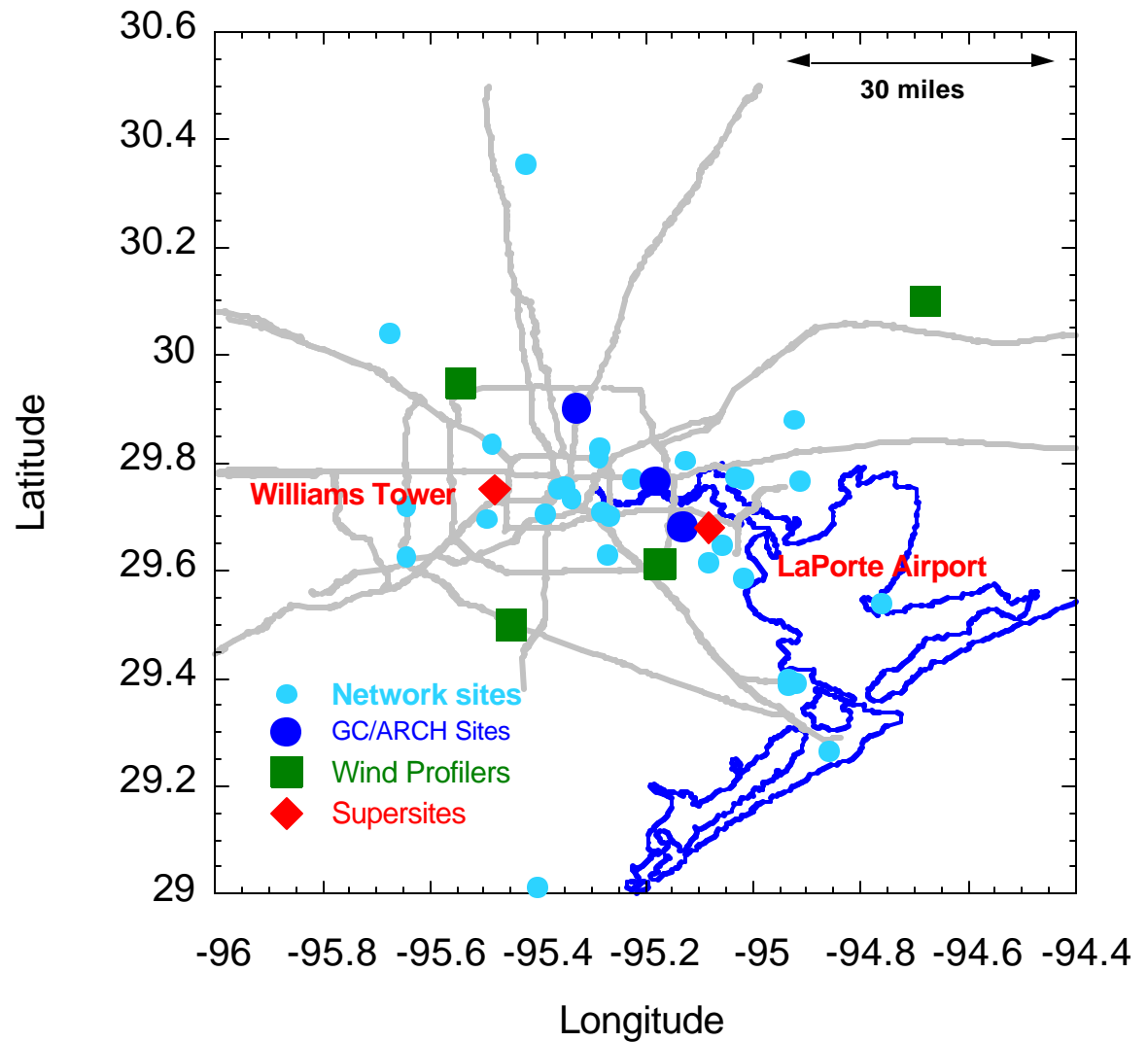
Modeling Highlights

- The Texas Air Quality Study, 2000
- Meteorological Characterization by John Nielson-Gammon at Texas A&M, using state-of-the-science MM5
- Photochemical modeling with CAMx
- Extremely detailed emissions inventory
- Point source HRVOC emissions required adjustment

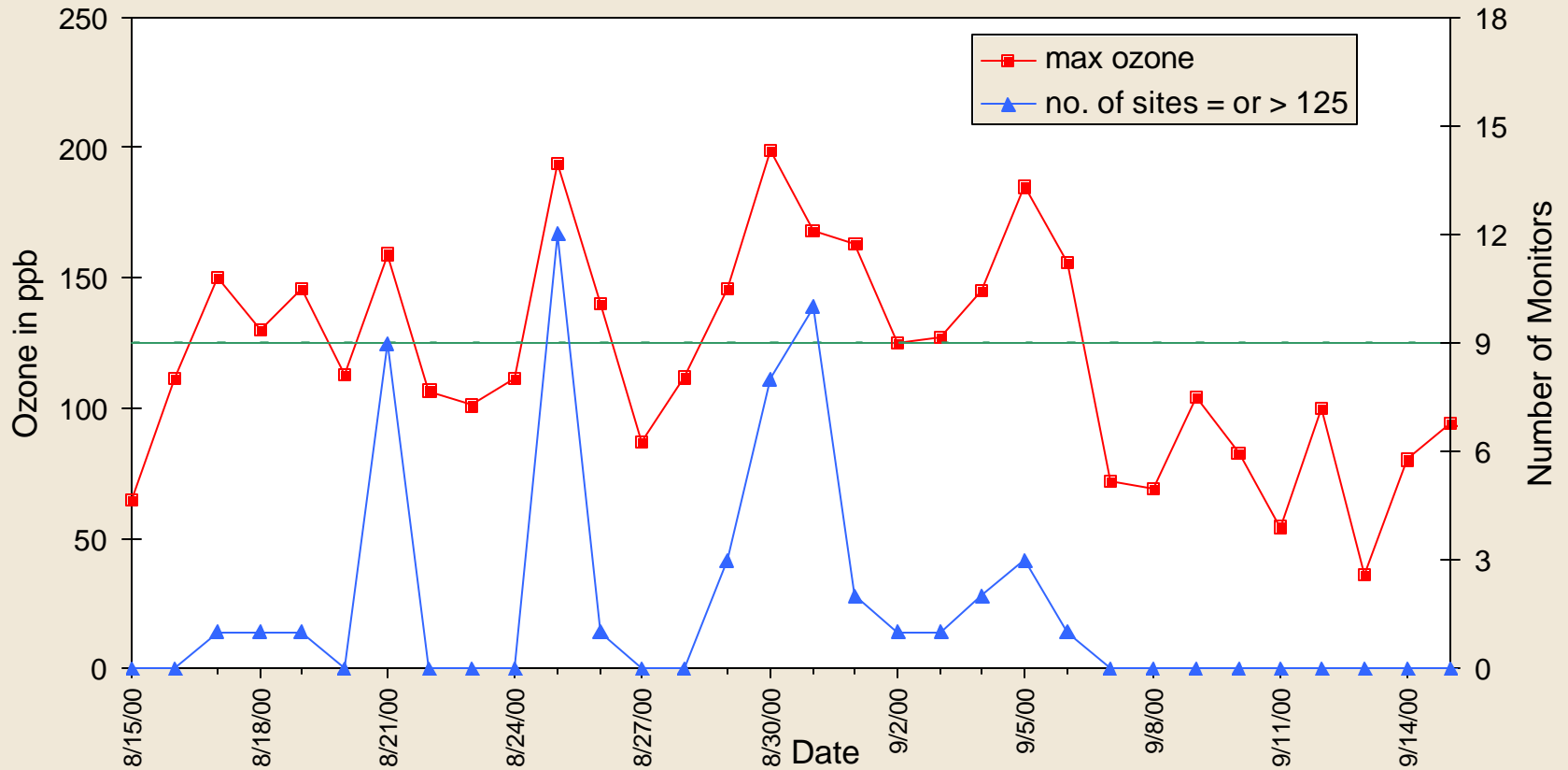
TexAQS 2000 - A Major Air Quality Study

- Conducted August 15 - September 15, 2000
- Study focused on Houston, but measurements made all over East Texas.
- Collaborative experiment involving Federal, state, and local organizations including the US/DOE, NOAA, EPA, SOS, TNRCC, City of Houston, University of Texas, and a host of investigators from organizations throughout the US.
- Four aircraft including- DOE G-1, NOAA/NCAR Electra, NOAA DC-3, Baylor Twin Otter.

Principal Project Area



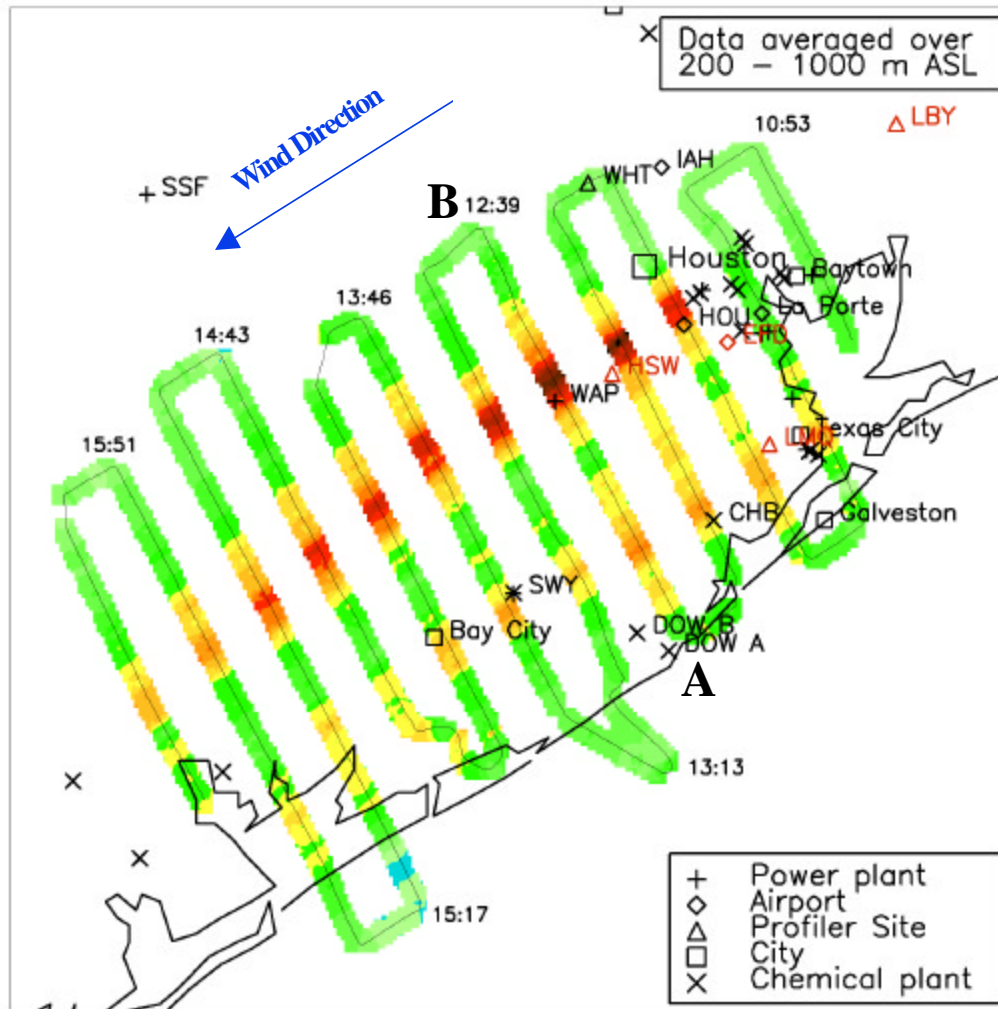
High One Hour Houston-Galveston Area Ozone and Number of Monitors = or > 125 ppb



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NOAA/ETL Airborne Ozone Lidar OZONE (ppbv) DC-3
10:40 – 16:12 CST

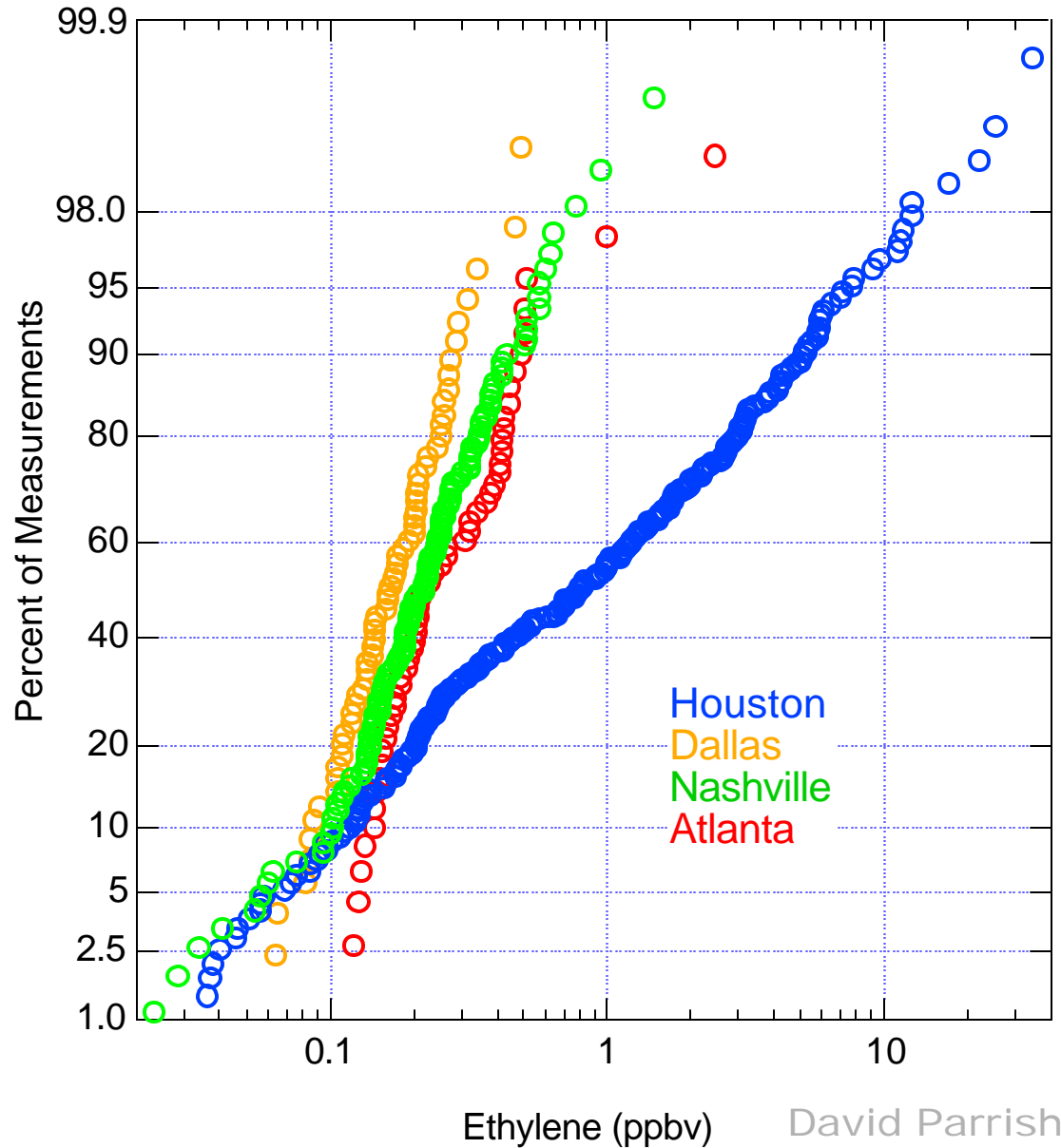
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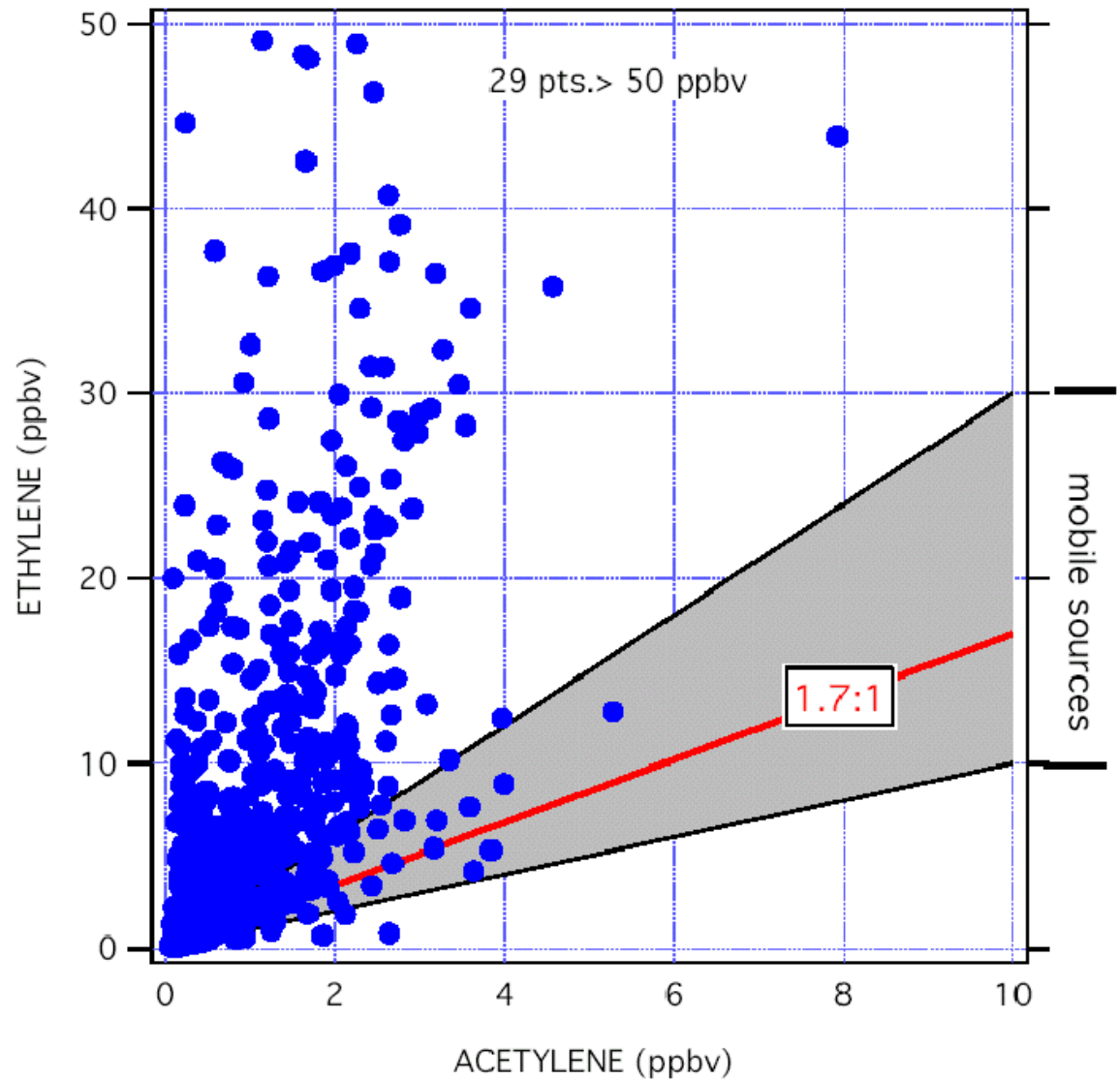
TexAQS Finding #1:

Ethylene and other light olefins are emitted in much greater quantities in Houston than in other cities.



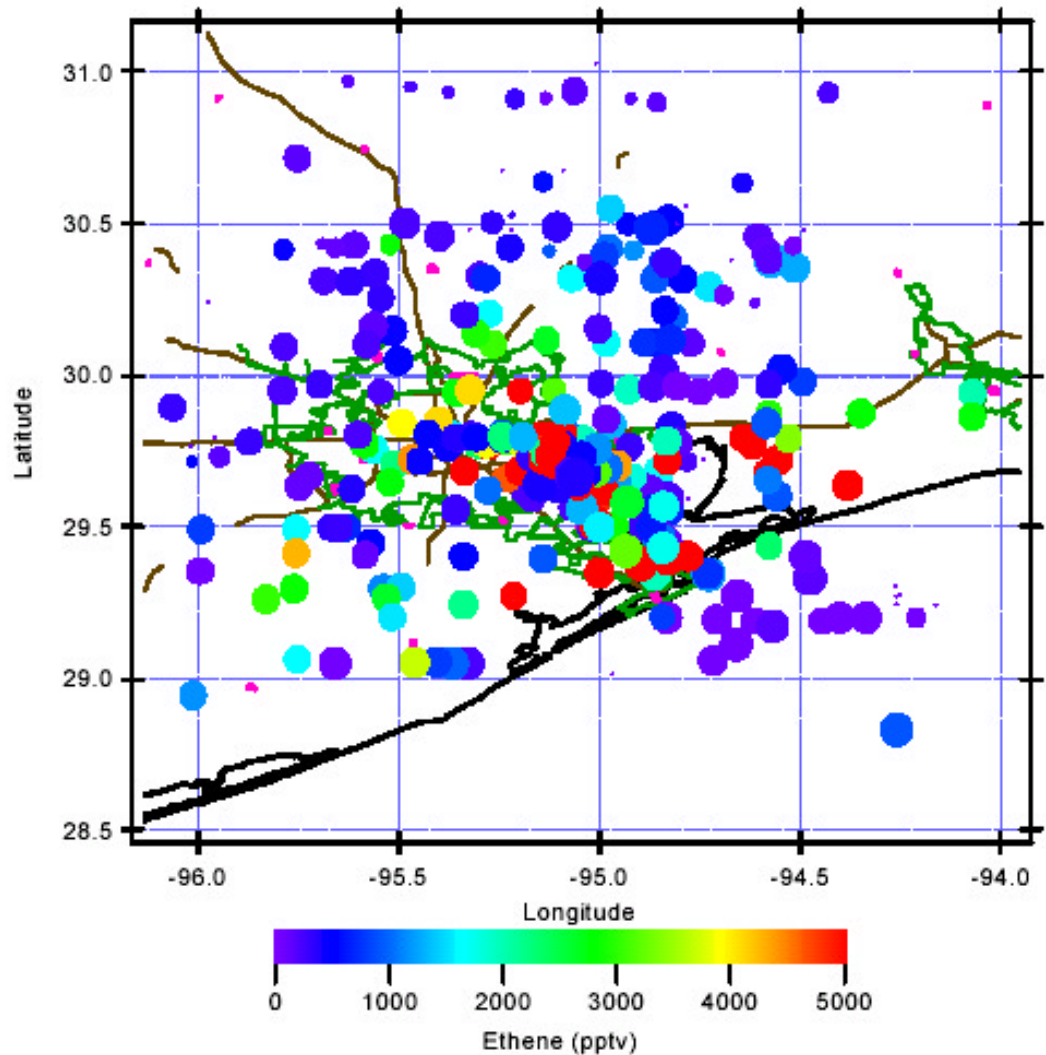
TexAQS Finding #2:

The high concentrations of ethylene and other light olefins are probably not due to mobile source emissions.



TexAQS Finding #3:

High concentrations of ethylene and other light olefins are found in and downwind of industrial source regions.

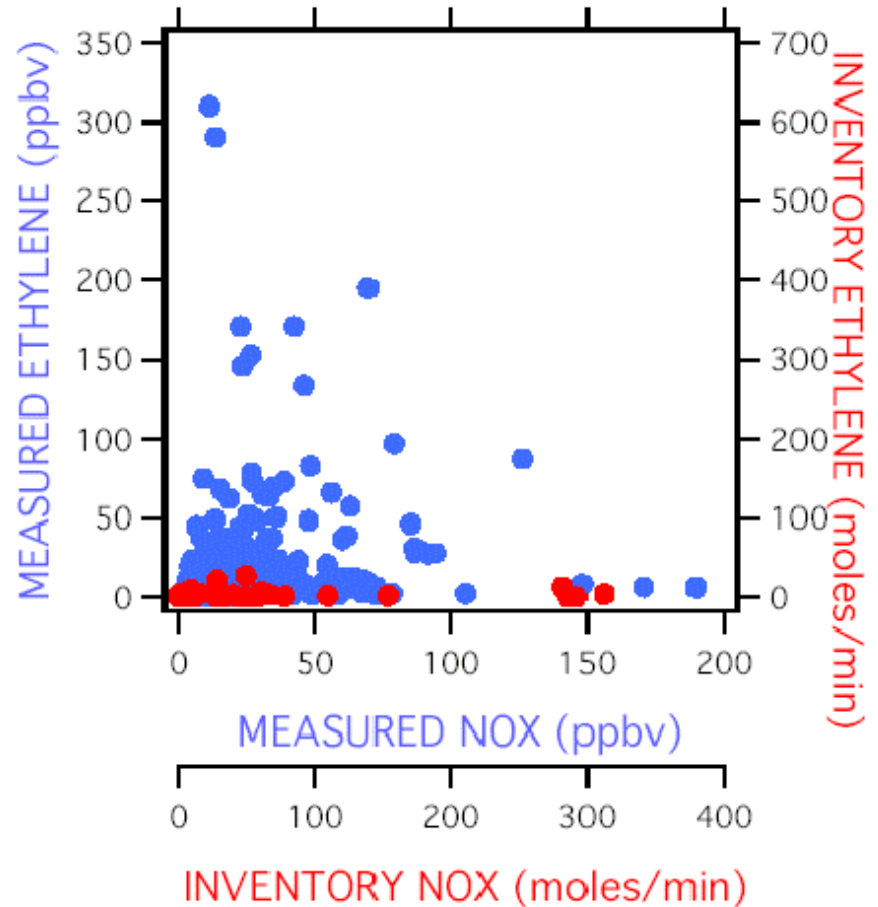


Geographic distribution of ethene concentrations, from airborne canister samples taken by NCAR/NOAA during the TexAQS 2000 study (Atlas et al., 2002.)

ETHYLENE vs. NOX
FOR
INVENTORY SOURCES
AND MEASUREMENTS

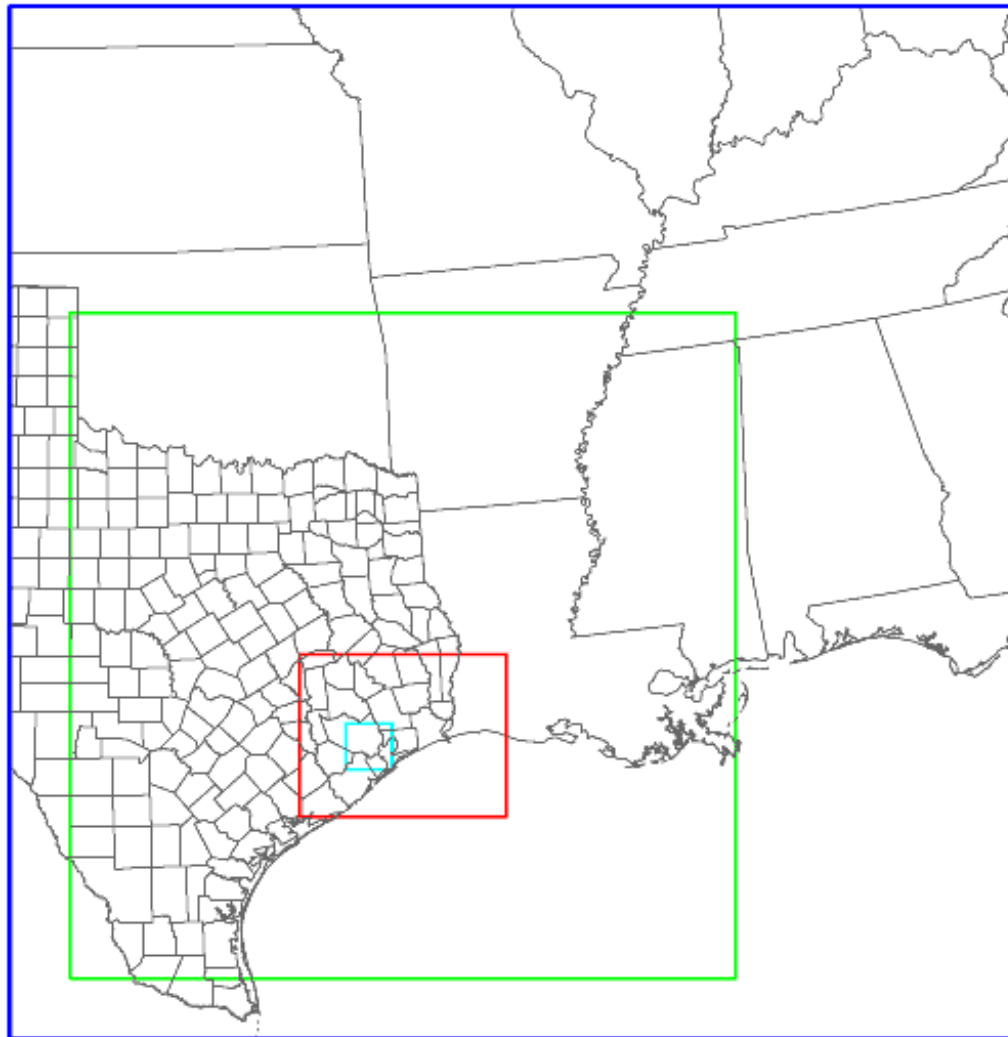
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Finding #4:

Measured ratios of olefins to nitrogen oxides are much larger than those reported in the emissions inventories.

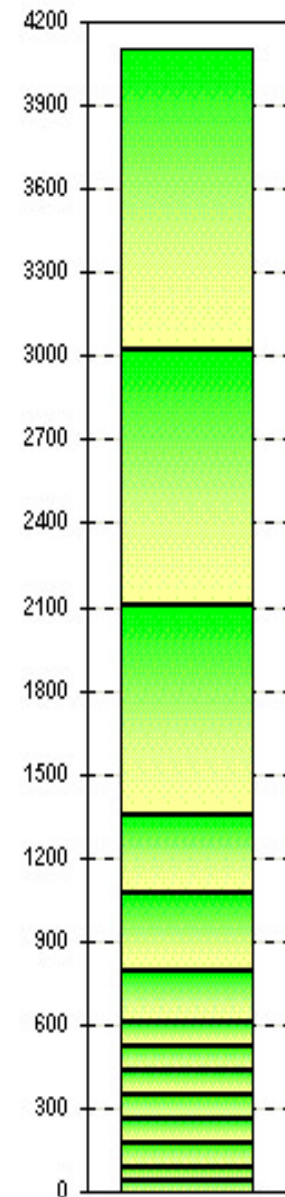


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CAMx Modeling Domain



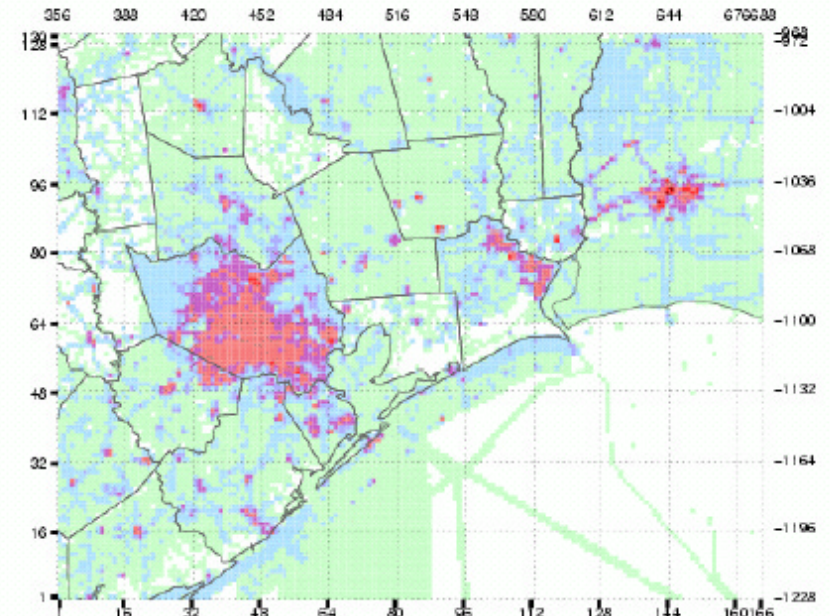
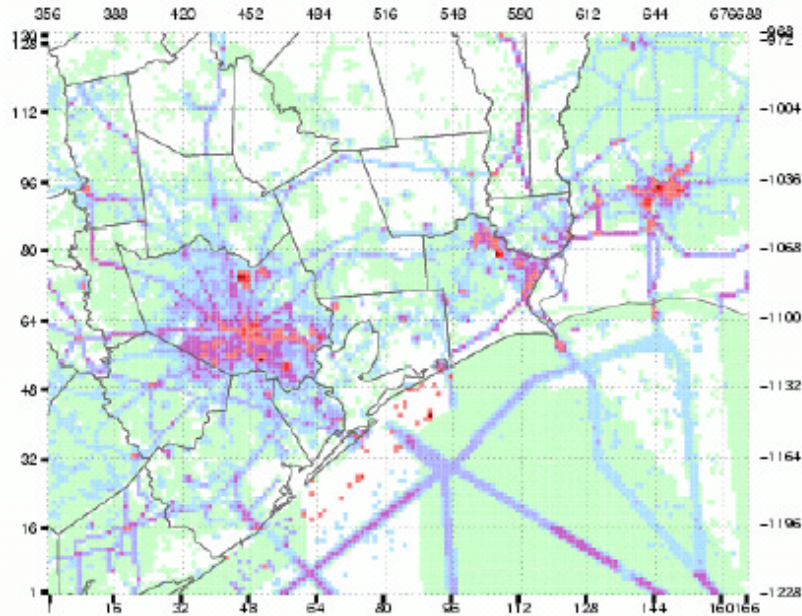
Regional Domain East Texas Subdomain HGBPA Subdomain HG Subdomain



Area & Nonroad Mobile Source Emissions, 8/31/2000

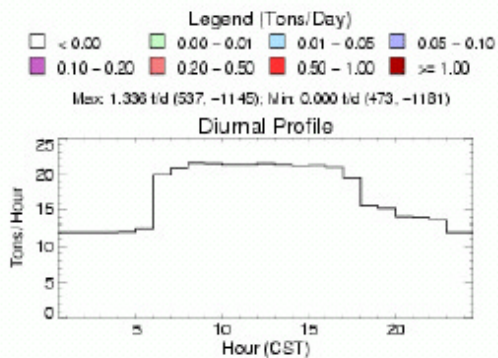
NO_x

CB-IV HC



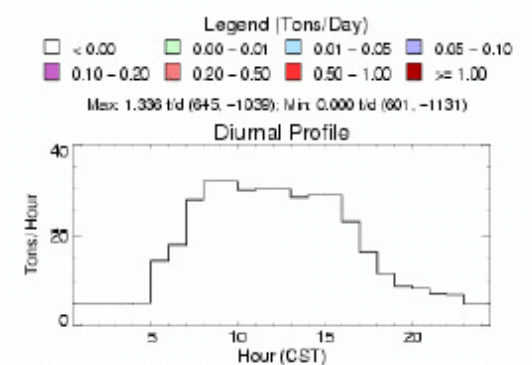
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County	Tons/Day
Brazoria	17.60
Chambers	5.79
Fort Bend	14.21
Galveston	9.42
Harris	98.50
Liberty	5.08
Montgomery	8.73
Waller	5.23
HG SUBTOTAL:	166.46
Hardin	4.21
Jefferson	25.92
Orange	8.01
BPA SUBTOTAL:	39.14
MAP TOTAL:	409.23



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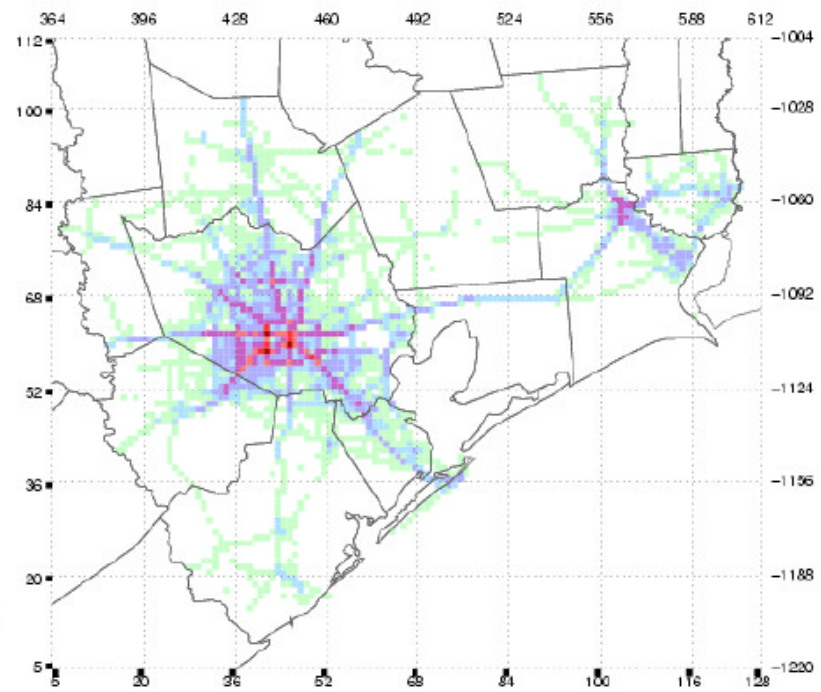
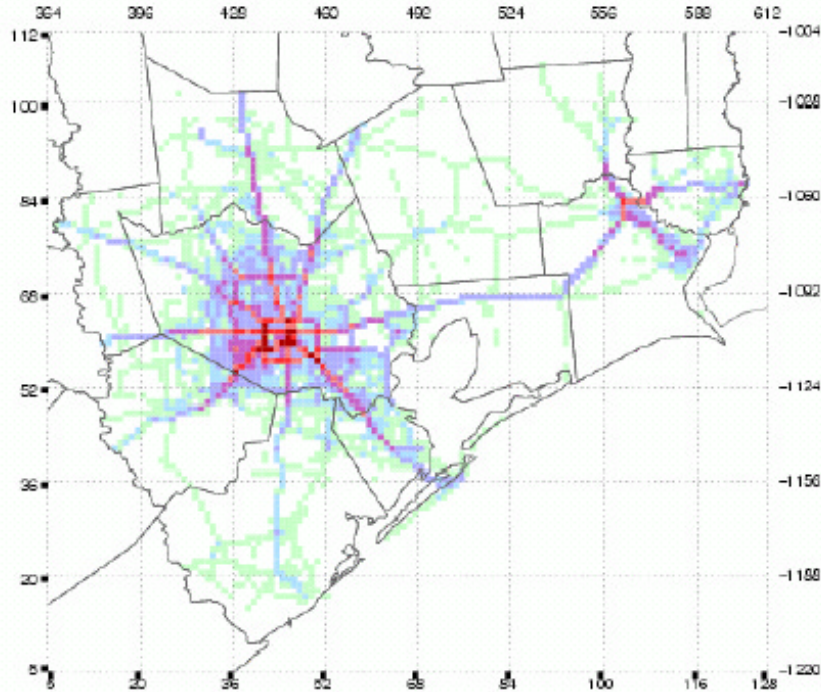
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Brazoria	18.22
Chambers	4.01
Fort Bend	17.51
Galveston	13.31
Harris	162.57
Liberty	7.56
Montgomery	14.63
Waller	2.21
HG SUBTOTAL:	240.02
Hardin	7.33
Jefferson	22.19
Orange	5.13
BPA SUBTOTAL:	34.65
MAP TOTAL:	409.76



On-Road Mobile Source Emissions, 8/30/2000

NO_x

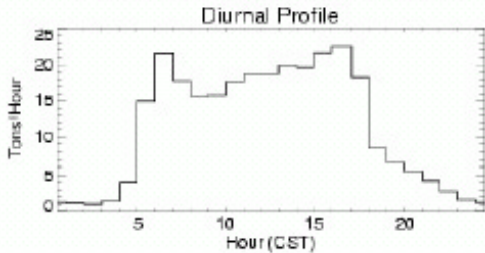
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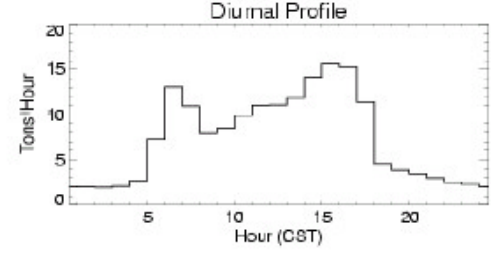
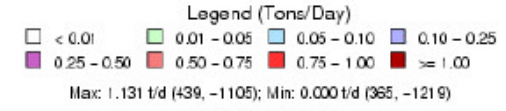
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Emissions Plotted	
County	Tons/Day
Brazoria	11.66
Chambers	6.12
Fort Bend	13.46
Galveston	10.99
Harris	177.47
Liberly	4.69
Montgomery	15.69
Waller	4.15
HQ SUBTOTAL:	244.25
Hardin	3.29
Jefferson	22.06
Orange	8.61
BPA SUBTOTAL:	33.97
MAP TOTAL:	280.18

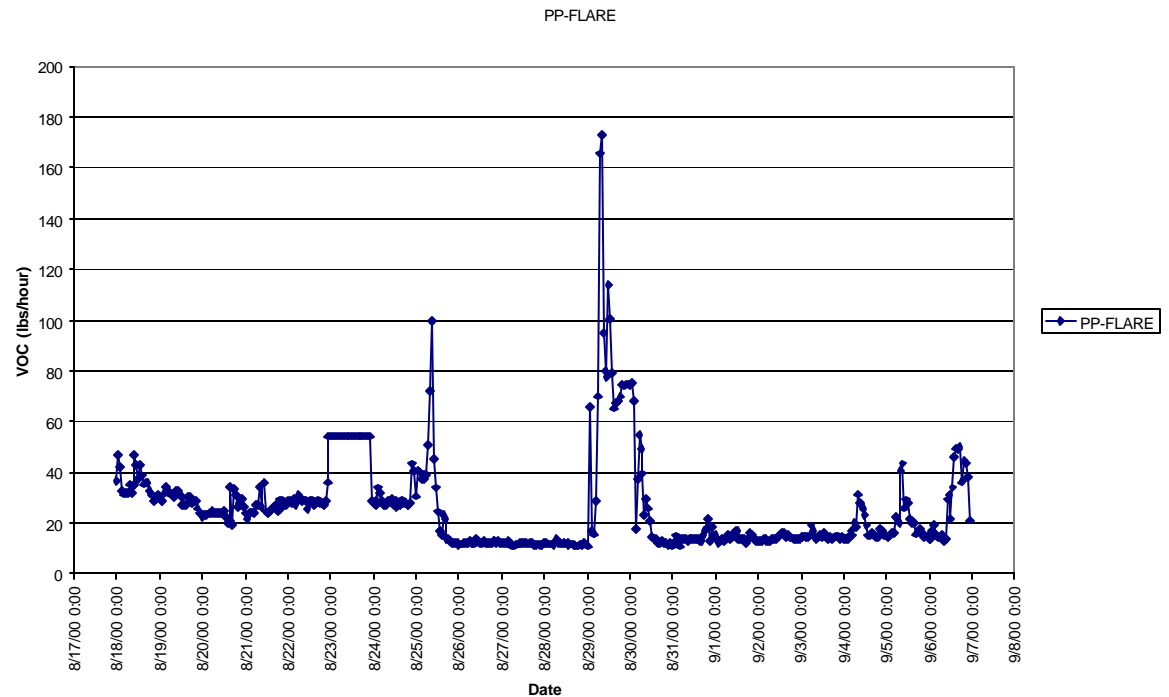


Emissions Plotted	
County	Tons/Day
Brazoria	7.43
Chambers	3.25
Fort Bend	8.37
Galveston	7.38
Harris	113.06
Liberly	3.08
Montgomery	9.59
Waller	2.72
HQ SUBTOTAL:	154.89
Hardin	2.58
Jefferson	13.56
Orange	5.24
BPA SUBTOTAL:	21.49
MAP TOTAL:	177.68



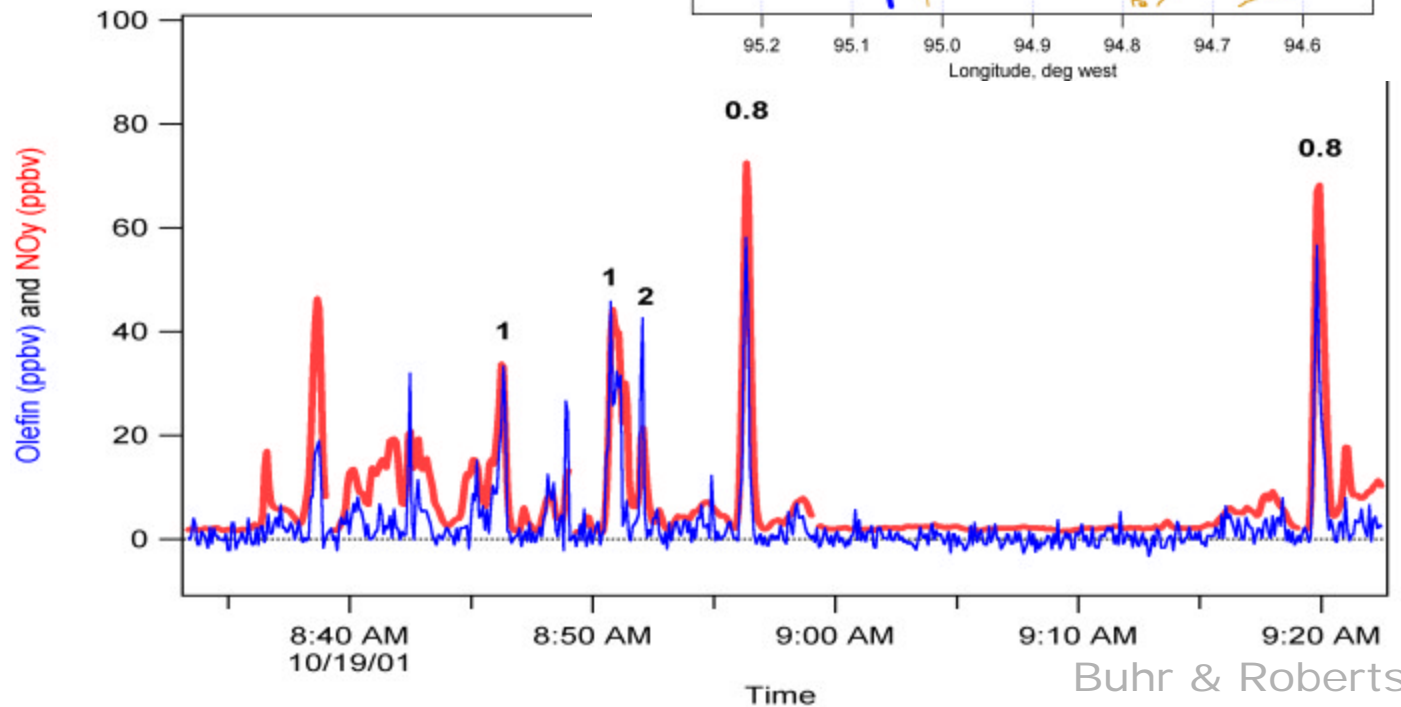
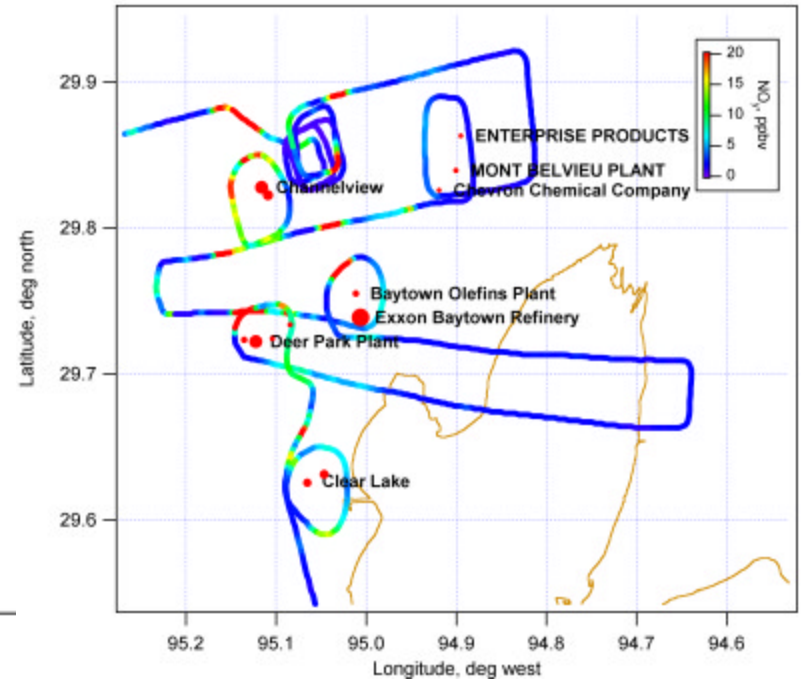
The TexAQS Special Inventory

- Questionnaires mailed to 81 large accounts in HGB & BPA areas.
- Companies asked to report non-routine (> 20% different from OSD hourly average) emissions for Aug 15 - Sept 15, 2000.
- Speciation changes included.
- Non-SI upsets, reported maintenance were included.



Twin Otter flight path and continuous NO_y and olefin measurements, 10/19/01

Measurements suggest that emissions of olefins \approx emissions of NO_x from many industrial sources



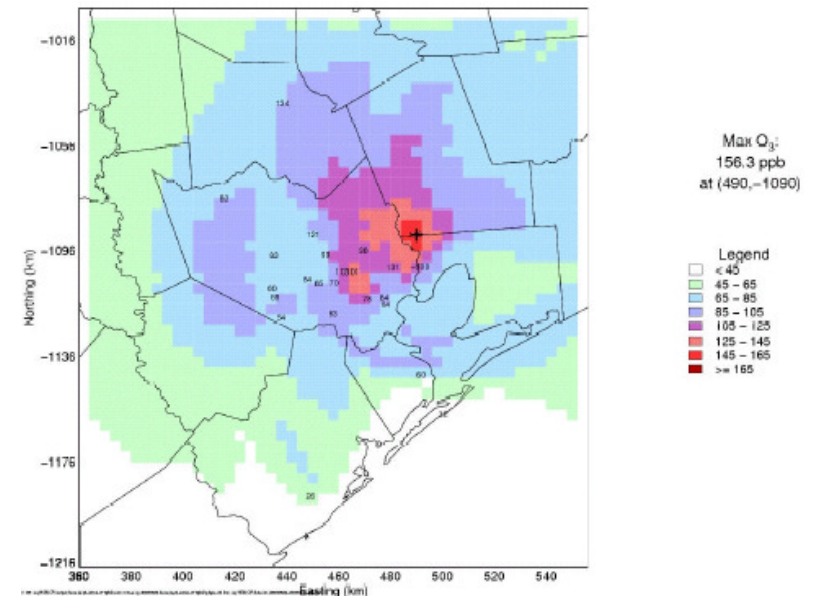
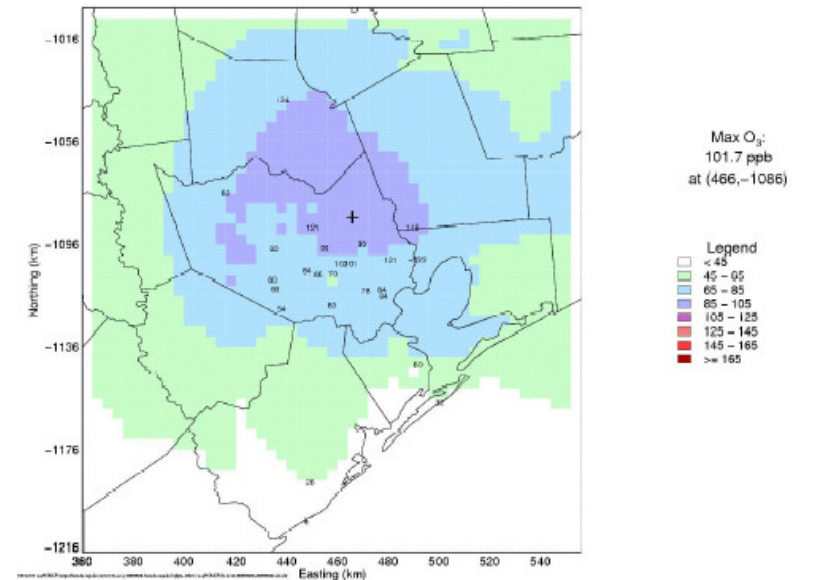
August 29 Modeled Peak O₃ (2000 base case)

Point source HRVOC emissions were set = NO_x emissions at 27 large industrial facilities.

Before adjustment (top) model badly under-predicts ozone peaks.

After adjustment (bottom)¹, modeled ozone concentrations agree much better with observations.

¹Also reduced PBL by 30%.



Issues

- What about other VOCs?
- What about NO_x?
- How do you use adjusted emissions in a SIP?
- How can controls be developed for emissions not in the inventory?
- What will EPA think?

Emissions Inventory/Ambient Data Reconciliation Work for the Texas Gulf Coast

- Multiple approaches completed, underway, or planned:
 - Dispersion modeling with aircraft observations
 - Dispersion modeling with PAMS data
 - Ratio analysis (VOC/NO_x) with aircraft observations
 - Ratio analysis (VOC/NO_x) with PAMS data
 - Inverse modeling using CAMx (Environ)
 - Lagrangian Reactive Plume Modeling (Gillani)
 - Aircraft tracer sampling
- Also looking at non-olefinic VOC emissions