Trends for Ground-Level Ozone “Ingredients”

The charts below show the amount of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) emitted for 1990 and 1997. These two categories of air pollution are important to monitor because they combine with sunlight to form Ozone (often called "smog" even though Ozone is an invisible gas).

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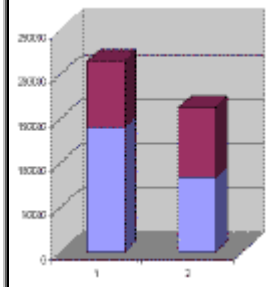	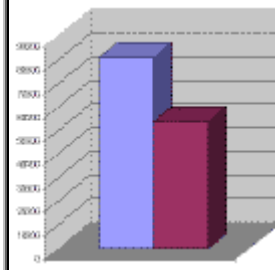	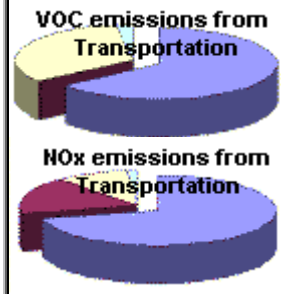
VOC and NOx from Industry, Transportation, Energy, and other sectors dropped by 32%	VOC reductions are attributed to stronger regulations and newer, cleaner running cars.	Transportation accounted for 64% of VOC and 71% of of our NOx pollution in 1997

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