

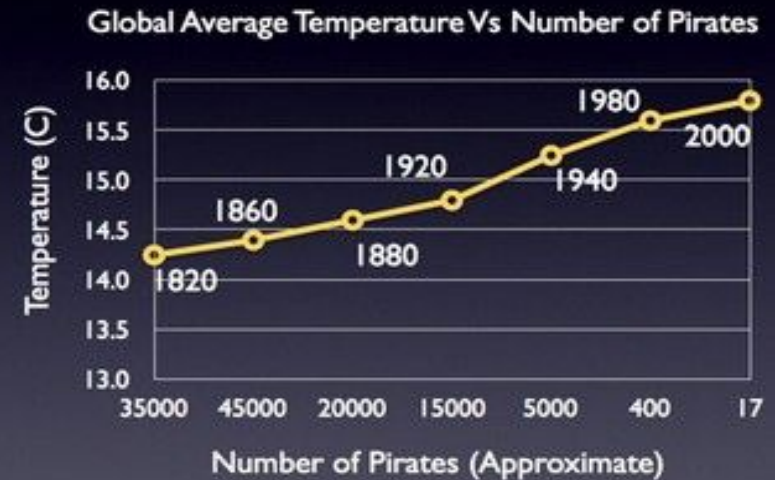
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VENTILATION & INDOOR AIR QUALITY
MARCH 11TH, 2019

RESEARCH AND THE ENVIRONMENT



Amazon Rain Forest – What's it do and how?

This entirely scientific graph shows that the decrease in the number of pirates is causing global warming. This is indisputable evidence that pirates are holy creatures.



- **CORRELATION**

- A MUTUAL RELATIONSHIP OR CONNECTION BETWEEN TWO OR MORE THINGS.

- **CAUSALITY**

- THE ACTION OF CAUSING SOMETHING

IAQ and Ventilation in Perspective

- Structures have become tighter with lower infiltration rates.
- In early 1900s, small structures used approximately 50 materials used in construction. By less than 100 years later, this list had grown to about?? **55,000!+**
- High moisture can trigger asthma attacks.⁺⁺

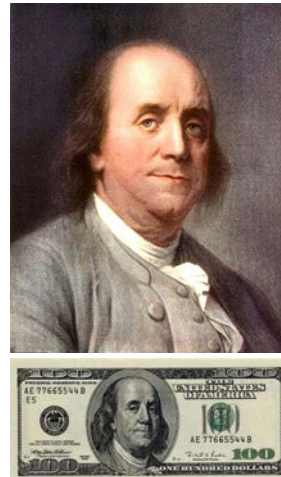
⁺ Raw GJ. *Sick building syndrome: a review of the evidence on causes and solutions*. HSE Contract Research Report no. 42. Building Research Establishment, Garston Watford, 1992.

⁺⁺ ERT Associates. *Asthma and weatherization in Maine*. National Center for Healthy Housing, 2006.

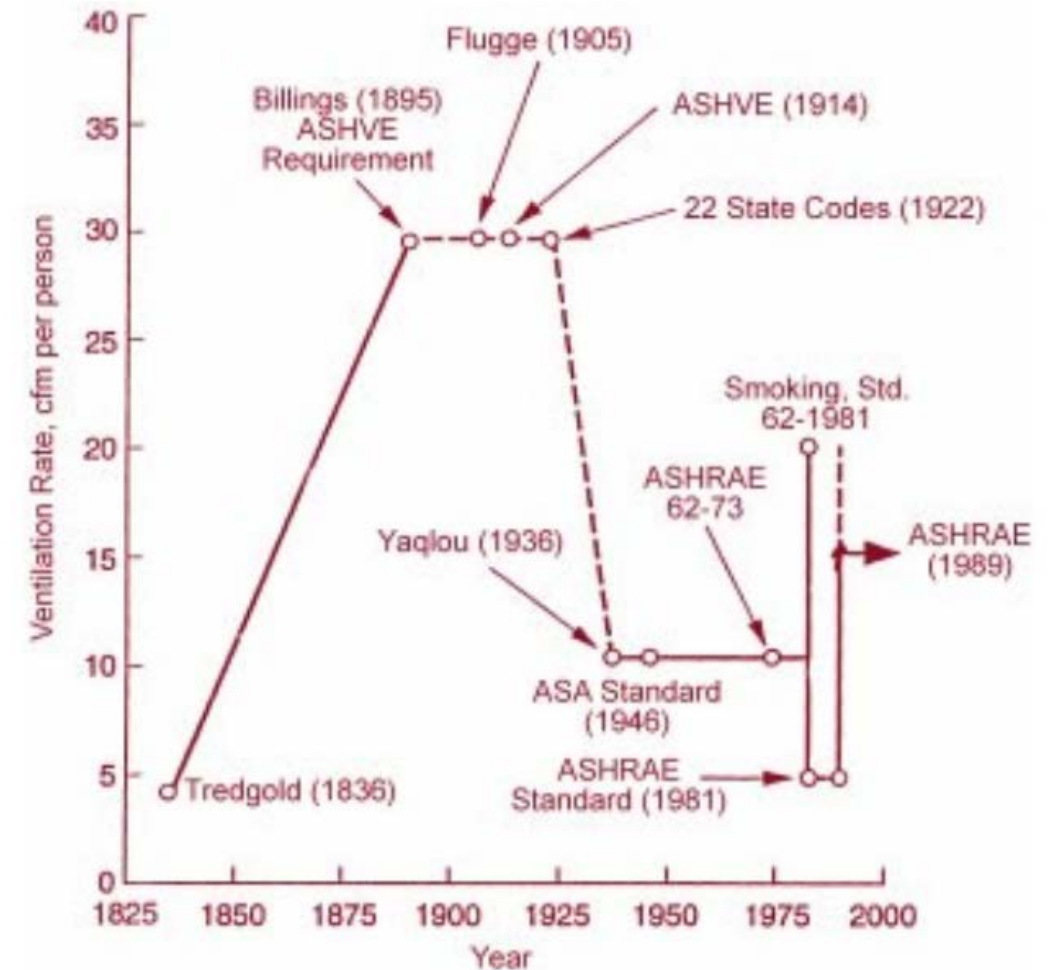
HISTORY OF VENTILATION

- EARLY HUMANS - FIRE AND SMOKE
- EGYPTIAN STONE CARVERS
- MIDDLE AGES – DISEASES
- 1775 – LAVOISIER – CO₂

“I am persuaded that no common air is so unwholesome as the air within a closed room that has been often breathed and not changed.”

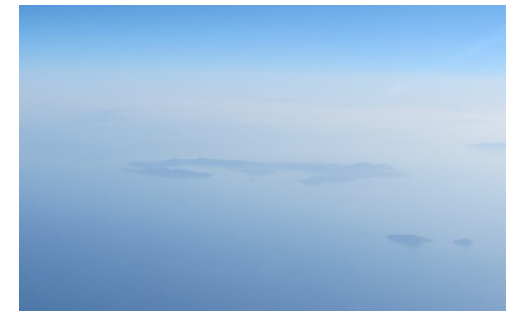


- 1970'S DUE TO THE ENERGY CRISIS, TO CONSERVE ENERGY IN THE US REDUCES VENTILATION RATES
- LED TO “SICK BUILDING SYNDROME”



Trivia

- How much water do we drink daily?
 - 4 lbs
- How much food do we eat daily?
 - 4 lbs
- How much air do we breath daily?
 - 31 lbs



WHY VENTILATE - IAQ

Half of U.S. Schools Suffer From Poor Indoor Air Quality

by Sarah Lozanova on Monday, Jan 2



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HEALTHY AIR FOR A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT



World Health Organization

household air pollution

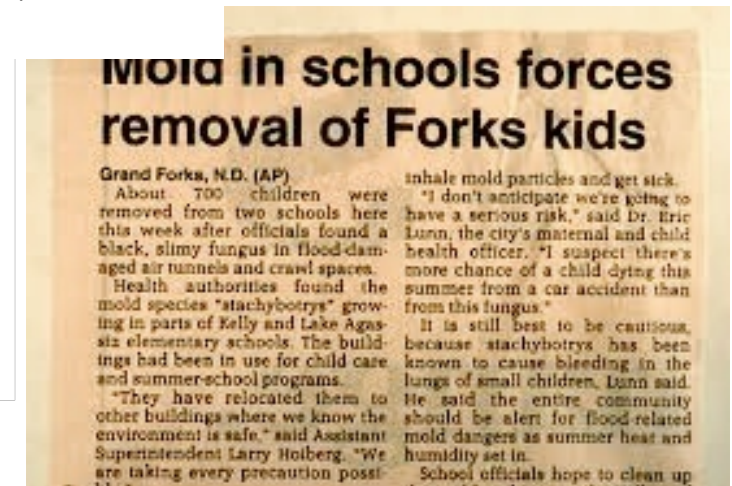
The typical elementary-aged child spend 940 hours in school this year. The environment of the school can have a tremendous impact on the child's health. Although it is commonly known that poor indoor air quality can cause major health issues such as asthma and lung cancer, it is a less known fact that it can also degrade productivity, the ability to concentrate, energy levels and even mood.

In fact, mental confusion, reduced mental performance, anxiety and coughing are common responses to indoor air pollution. Longer exposure can lead to persistent changes, impaired memory and slower motor responses -- which can all impact educational experience and achievement.

There are numerous workplace studies related to indoor air quality. The National Institutes of Health found the impact of poor indoor air quality on work performance as high as 6 to 9 percent in resulting loss of productivity. A series of studies by the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory found that the presence of carpeting and less ventilation lowered typing speed, typing accuracy and proofreading accuracy by 4 percent for each variable.

Poor indoor air quality has a tremendous impact on the health and comfort of office workers. It is estimated that IAQ problems cost the US economy as much as \$168 billion per year.

household air pollution is the largest environmental contributor to ill health. The importance of household air pollution as a public health threat varies drastically according to the level of development: in low- and middle-income countries, household air pollution is responsible for almost 10% of the mortality, while the same risk factor is only responsible for 0.2% of deaths in high-income countries.



WHY VENTILATE - IAQ



Why does **INDOOR AIR QUALITY** matter?
Because...

It matters to THEM.
The EPA ranks indoor air pollutants among the top five environmental risks to public health.

It matters to HIM.
Poor IAQ impacts worker productivity.

It matters to HER.
Healthy IAQ is especially important for millions of children who suffer from asthma.

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WHO'S AT RISK?

Everyone. However, **children are the most vulnerable.** Due to their physiology, children inhale more pollutants per pound of body weight than adults, and because children's airways are narrower, irritation means greater obstruction, according to the WHO. What's more, children's immune systems are less developed than adults.

DID YOU KNOW?

During sleep, people breathe more deeply, allowing more contaminants to enter their body. The results are aggravated asthma and allergies, stuffy noses, headaches, scratchy throats, coughs, sleep interruptions and general sickness. Additionally, contaminants are off-gassed from foams, plastics and flame-retardants found in most new beds and mattresses.

WHY VENTILATE - CONTAMINANTS

AMERICANS SPEND 90% OF THEIR TIME INDOORS

- INDOOR AIR IS **2X-5X** AND AS MUCH AS **100X** MORE POLLUTED (EPA)
- **30%** OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AFFECTED BY INDOOR AIR POLLUTION (EPA)
- POOR IAQ LEADS TO REDUCED EMPLOYEE PRODUCTIVITY, POOR STUDENT PERFORMANCE AND DISCOMFORT.
- POOR IAQ COST THE U.S ECONOMY **\$168 BILLION/YR** (AIR MD)



WHY VENTILATE - CONTAMINANTS

ACCORDING TO STUDY OF 75,000 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN NYC

- STUDENTS WERE **12.3%** MORE LIKELY TO FAIL AN EXAM ON A 90°F DAY VERSUS A 75°F DAY
- POOR VENTILATION IN SCHOOLS WAS ASSOCIATED WITH STUDENT FATIGUE, LOWER ATTENTION SPAN, AND LOSS OF CONCENTRATION
- **MORE THAN 60,000, OR 46%,** OF ALL U.S. PUBLIC SCHOOLS HAVE CONDITIONS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO POOR INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (EPA)



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WHY VENTILATE - CONTAMINANTS

- What Always Comes to Mind

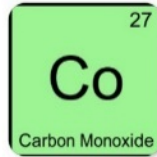
- Moisture and Mold
- Odor



- What Often Comes to Mind



- Carbon Monoxide
- Carbon Dioxide
- Radon

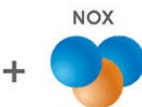


- What Occasionally Comes to Mind

- Particles (PM2.5)
- Nitrogen Dioxide
- Formaldehyde
- Ozone
- VOC



Sunlight



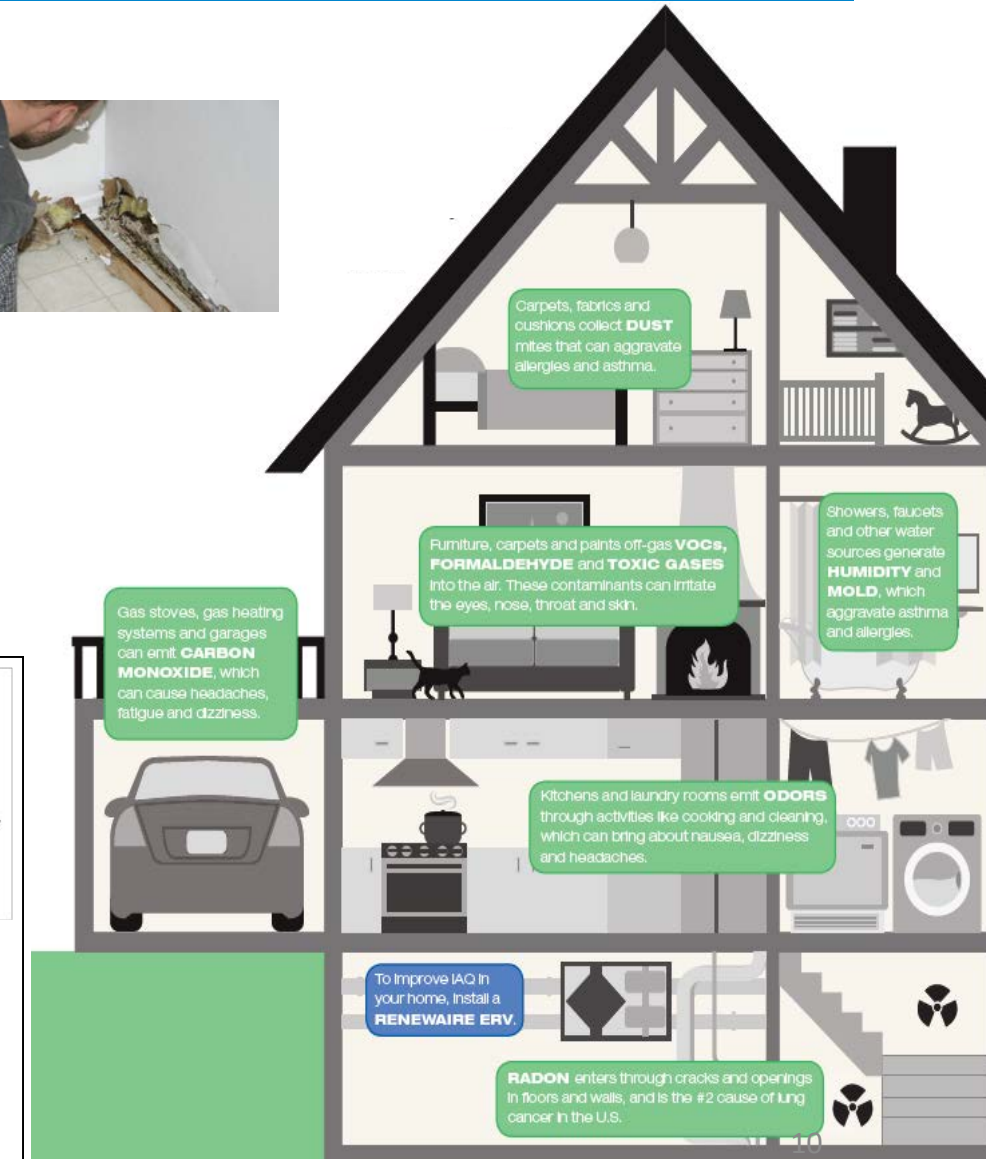
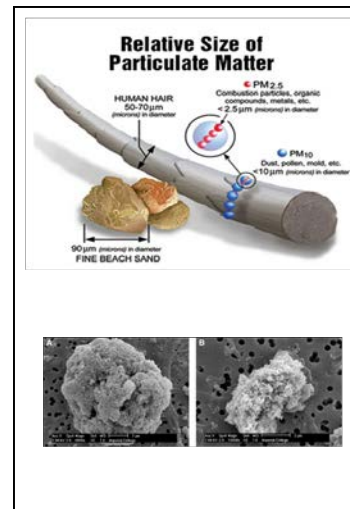
Nitrogen
Oxides



Volatile
Organic Compounds



Ozone



IAQ – IT DOES NOT STOP THERE



STUDY: ALARMING RESULTS FOUND IN SCENTED LAUNDRY DETERGENTS

11 APR, 2016 2407 AUTHOR: DR. DON COLBERT Share 19

Air Quality, Atmosphere, & Health recently published a study on scented laundry detergent emissions. Top selling products were used in the research protocol. The main researcher who found the results also led the dryer vent study.

Cancer Causing Concerns

Air pollution can affect child's brain development: Experts

26 days ago 27-07-2018 IANS XML

New Delhi, July 27 : Air pollution can affect a child's brain development, create abnormalities, and lower the IQ, health experts have claimed.



The health experts, whose claim is based on several studies, said that the difference between the working memory capacity of children living in urban areas is 4-5 per cent lower than children living in rural areas due to the effects of pollution.

"The findings are disturbing as optimal brain development is crucial in setting the foundation of children's future. Children are most vulnerable to negative effects of air

pollution due to their higher breathing rate to body size ratio, and less developed natural barriers in the lungs," explained S.P. Byotra, Head of Department of Internal Medicine at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital.

Byotra claimed that even indoor environment cannot be termed as safe since exposure to many common everyday pollutants in our homes, including tobacco smoke, lead in paint and toys, emissions from cooking stoves, mycotoxins among others, can affect a child's brain development.

A study published in PLOS Medicine, a peer-reviewed weekly medical journal, said that air pollution not only causes respiratory problems but can also affect the brain development of children of all ages including in the womb.

According to medical experts, millions of children exposed to toxic levels of indoor and outdoor pollution were showing brain detrimental effects exhibiting brain abnormalities. Tobacco dust, indoor air pollution, and airborne polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons were contributing the most.

ases found more than twenty-five combinations which included seven

S. Two of the chemicals, benzene are grouped as carcinogens by the Environmental Protection Agency.

no regulations on dryer emission. In a recent study, emission from the dryer of the top brands of laundry soap

in the (Washington) area alone would be 6% of automobile emission of

2016 author: Dr. Don Colbert

COMMERCIAL VENTILATION – ASHRAE min.?

STALE AIR IS MAKING YOU LESS PRODUCTIVE

- MARCH 2017 ISSUE OF HARVARD BUSINESS REVIEW
- BASED ON RESEARCH AT HARVARD, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SUNY MEDICAL – DOUBLE BLIND STUDY
- STUDIED EFFECT OF DOUBLING VENTILATION ABOVE STANDARD 62, LOW VOC AND LOW CO2

CONCLUSIONS OF FINDINGS

- COST OF DOUBLING VENTILATION:
 - **\$10 - \$40 PER PERSON /YEAR**
- PRODUCTIVITY BENEFITS - **\$6,500 PER PERSON / YEAR** (NOT INCLUDING POTENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS, REDUCED SICK BUILDING SYNDROME AND ABSENTEEISM)

Harvard
Business
Review

WORKSPACES

Research: Stale Office Air Is Making You Less Productive

by Joseph G. Allen

MARCH 21, 2017



How often do you consider the air quality in your office and how it affects employees and their productivity? Chances are it's not often.

There is a tendency to assume that, as long as commonly used standards for air quality are met, it won't be an issue. But these standards aren't very high. One common international standard that governs how much air is brought in from outside, "Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Quality," does not even purport to assure "healthy" air quality.

CO2! Surrogate or COC?

The effects of bedroom air quality on sleep and next-day performance

P. Strøm-Tejsen, D. Zukowska, P. Wargocki and D.P. Wyon.

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Abstract

The effects of bedroom air quality on sleep and next-day performance were examined in two field intervention experiments in single-occupancy student dormitory rooms. The occupants, half of them women, could adjust an electric heater to maintain thermal comfort but they experienced two bedroom ventilation conditions, each maintained for one week, in balanced order. In the initial pilot experiment (N=14) bedroom ventilation was changed by opening a window (the resulting average CO₂ level was 2585 or 660 ppm). In the second experiment (N=16) an inaudible fan in the air intake vent was either disabled or



Pawel Wargocki

>20 years of experience in research & monitoring of human requirements in buildin...
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Indoor Air Quality

Adjust Your Thermostat, Sleep Better

How Indoor Air Quality Tactics Help You Sleep Better at Night

A study revealed how increasing the clean outdoor air supply rate in bedrooms can improve sleep quality. Pawel Wargocki, Ph.D., Associate Member ASHRAE, of Denmark, [discusses](#) the study and how people can manipulate bedrooms' indoor air quality to help them get to sleep faster, stay asleep and be more productive the next day. In a *Journal* article from March 2013, Wargocki and David P. Wyon, Ph.D., Member ASHRAE, [answer](#) 40 questions about the effects of thermal comfort and indoor air quality on performance.



In this study, Wargocki and other researchers studied how well college students slept in different ventilation conditions.

NASA STUDY CO₂ STUDY

EFFECTS OF PROLONGED CO₂ EXPOSURE

- HUMANS GENERATE 200 ML OF CO₂
- **RESPIRATORY ACIDOSIS** OCCURS FEW MINS AFTER EXPOSURE TO CO₂
- LEADS TO **PULMONARY RESPONSE**
- CO₂ IS A POTENT **VASODILATOR OF CEREBRAL BLOOD VESSELS**
- ELEVATED CO₂ LEVELS LEAD TO **RENAL CALCULI (Kidney Stones)**

Source: Chronic Exposure to Moderately Elevated CO₂ during Long-Duration Space Flights

NASA/TP-2012-217358



Chronic Exposure to Moderately Elevated CO₂ during Long-Duration Space Flight



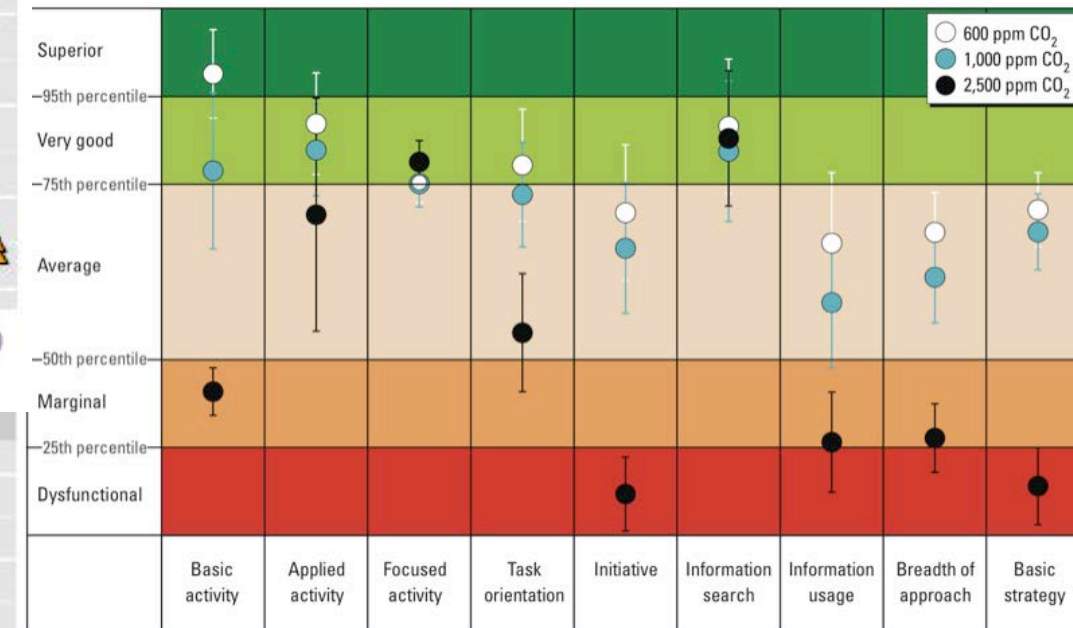
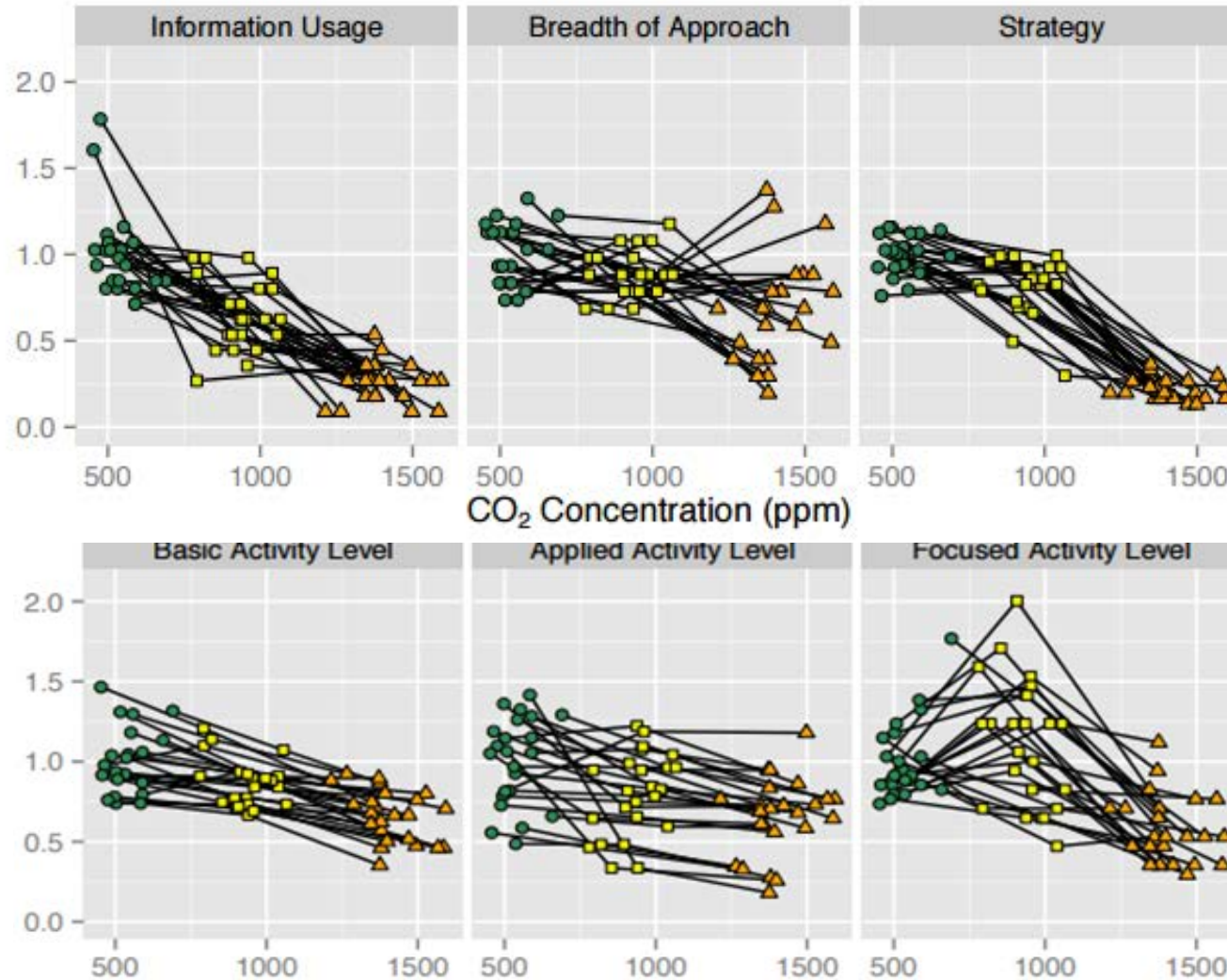
IAQ and Ventilation in Perspective – LBNL Study

- Significant declines in cognitive functions when CO₂ concentrations were increased to 950 ppm or higher.⁺
- Lack of mechanical ventilation has adverse human impacts; DALYs increase.⁺⁺

⁺ Allen, GA, et al. *Associations of cognitive function scores with carbon dioxide, ventilation, and volatile organic compound exposures in office workers: A controlled exposure study of green and conventional office environments*, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, 2015.

⁺⁺ Logue et al., *Hazard assessment of chemical air contaminants measured in residences*, June 2010, LBNL-3650E.

CO₂ FRIEND OR FOE – LBNL Real World Research



Source: Satish et al. (2012) Is CO₂ an Indoor Pollutant? Direct Effects of Low-to-Moderate CO₂ Concentrations on Human Decision-Making Performance

Source: Allen et al (2015) Associations of Cognitive Function Scores with Carbon Dioxide, Ventilation, and Volatile Organic Compound Exposures in Office Workers

Cost of illness - DALY

1 in **11**
children
has asthma

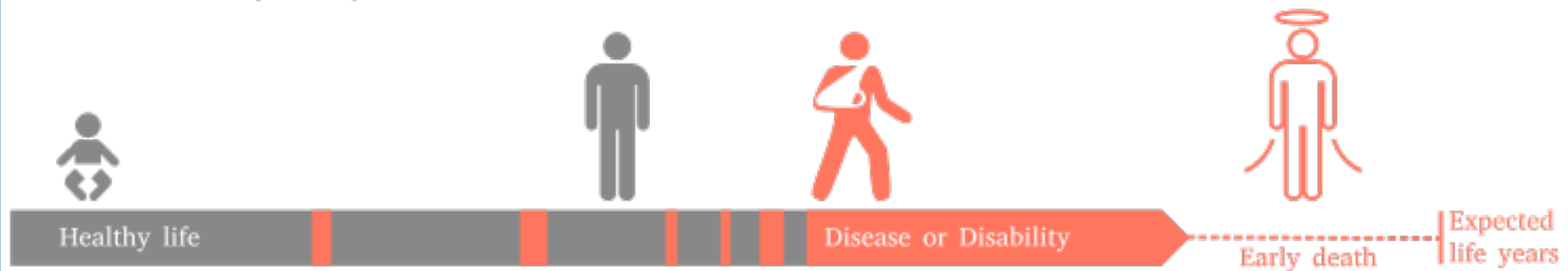
1 in **12**
adults
has asthma

DALY

Disability Adjusted Life Year is a measure of overall disease burden, expressed as the cumulative number of years lost due to ill-health, disability or early death

$$= \text{YLD} + \text{YLL}$$

Years Lived with Disability + Years of Life Lost



- Asthma
- Damage To Liver Kidneys And CNS
- Spread Of Communicable Diseases (Eg.SARS)
- Body Nervous And Endocrine System Problems



children with asthma went to an **emergency department** for asthma-related care in 2009.

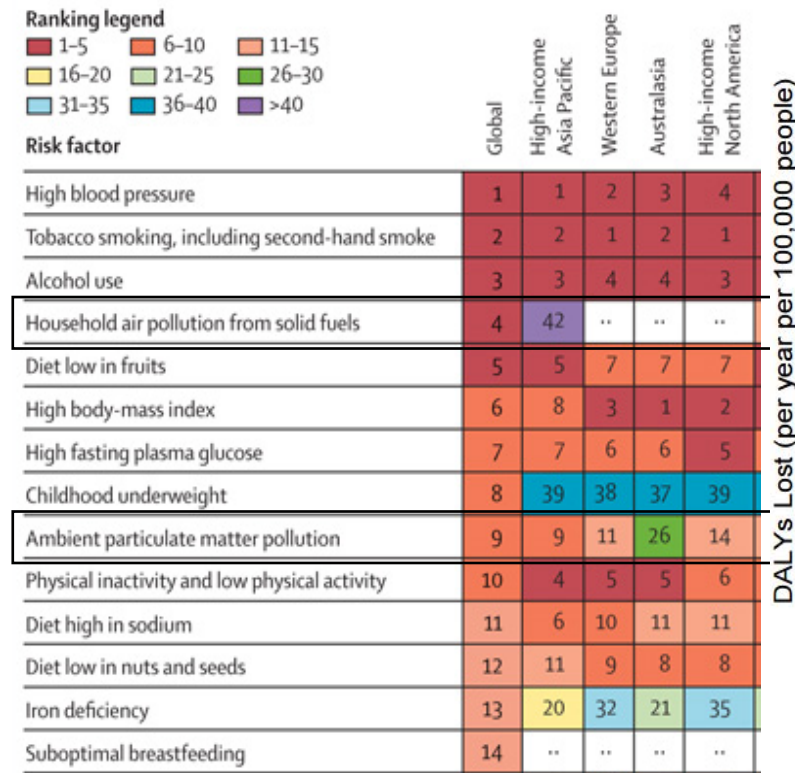
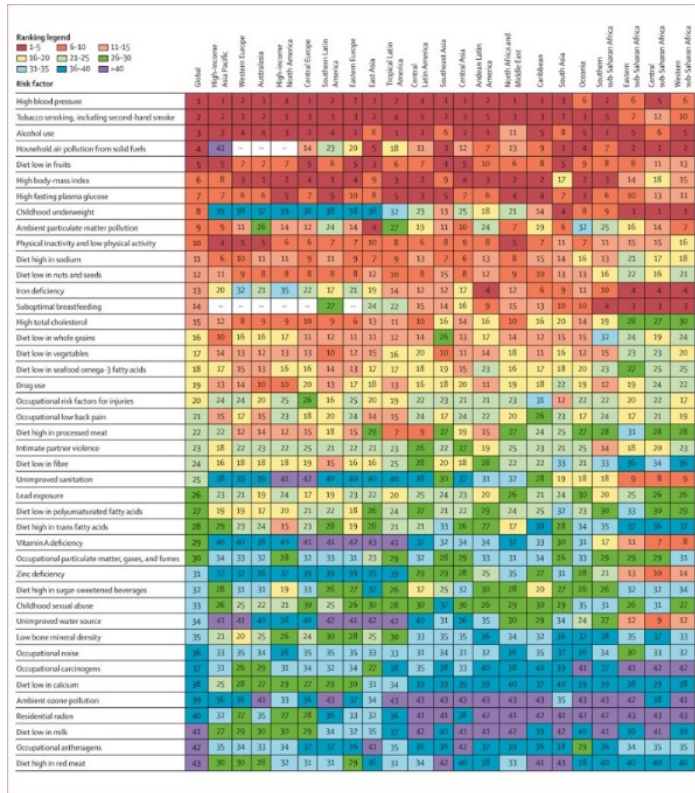
In 2009, there were:

479,300
asthma-related
hospitalizations

1.9 million
asthma-related
emergency
department
visits

8.9 million
asthma-related
doctor visits

Disease Burden By Various Risks



Source: Lancet 2012 Dec 15;380(9859):2224-60. doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736(12)61766-8

Estimated population averaged annual cost, in DALYs, of chronic air pollutant inhalation in U.S; results for the 15 pollutants with highest mean damage estimates.

DALY AND DISEASE BURDEN

Table 1. Energy use (E) in 10^{-3} quads and DALYs (D) per 100,000 households per year

<i>Ventilation Cases</i>	<i>Energy (quads / 10^{-3})</i>	<i>ΔE ($\Delta E/E_{base-case}$)</i>	<i>DALYs lost (years)</i>	<i>ΔD ($\Delta D/D_{base-case}$)</i>
Base Case-Infiltration only	3.5	-----	160	-----
Unbalanced Mechanical Ventilation	4.0	5 (14%)	90	70 (-41%)
Balanced Mechanical Ventilation	4.3	8 (21%)	70	90 (-54%)

Source: Logue et al., Assessment of Indoor Air Quality Benefits and Energy Costs of Mechanical Ventilation, June 2011, LBNL-4945-E



ASHRAE Guideline 42P

Advisory Public Review Draft

Indoor Air Quality in Commercial and Institutional Buildings

Advisory Public Review (April 2018) (Complete Draft for Full Review)

This draft has been recommended for public review by the responsible project committee. To submit a comment on this proposed guideline, go to the ASHRAE website at www.ashrae.org/standards-research-technology/public-review-drafts and access the online comment database. The draft is subject to modification until it is approved for publication by the Board of Directors. Until this time, the current edition of the guideline (as modified by any published addenda on the ASHRAE website) remains in effect. The current edition of any guideline may be purchased from the ASHRAE Online Store at www.ashrae.org/bookstore or by calling 404-636-8400 or 1-800-727-4723 (for orders in the U.S. or Canada).

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4.2.4 Design aspects to increase the occupant experience

- Increasing activity – Applicable as IAQ and IEQ
- Daylight – Applicable as IAQ and IEQ, impact the ability for thermal and moisture control
- Products and materials selection

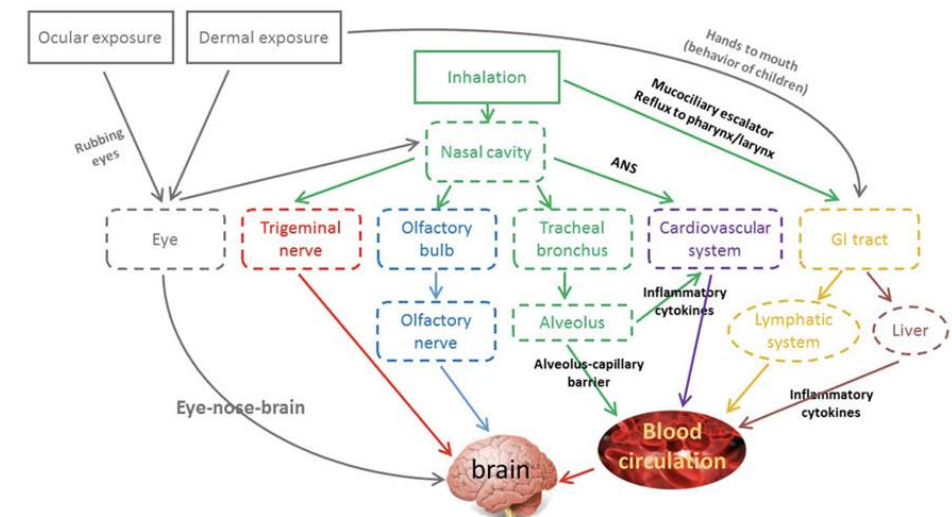
4.3 Environmental Health. Encompasses both indoor and outdoor components of environmental health, awareness of contaminants of concern, controllable and non-controllable pollutants. Discussion will include best practices in design and operation to improve IAQ.

4.3.1 This is part of the “people portion” of people, pathways, pollutants, and pressure

4.3.2 Focus on what is known about environmental impacts on health

- Ambient particulate matter, in 2010, was ranked as the ninth most hazardous factor of the global burden of disease. The contribution to premature deaths was approximately 3.3 million yearly and premature mortality has been estimated to double by 2050 if ambient PM levels are not significantly reduced. This points out the importance requiring excellent filtration for PM removal prior to occupants’ exposure indoors.
- Also must remember that PM is not just the solid matter, but also is a carrier of other chemicals, which can float in the air as aerosols. These have the potential to deposit in the respiratory tract at all levels from the upper nasal areas to the lower alveoli.

Possible routes for PM to enter the brain (from Wang Y, Xiong L, and Tang M. 2016. Toxicity of inhaled particulate matter on the central nervous system: neuroinflammation, neurodegenerative disease. *J appl toxicology*. Published on-line 3/16/17. DOI 10.1002/jat.3451.



- PM effects – respiratory (asthma), cardio, neurological, obesity, neurodevelopmental impacts

US DOE VENTILATION STUDY

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF **ENERGY** | Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM

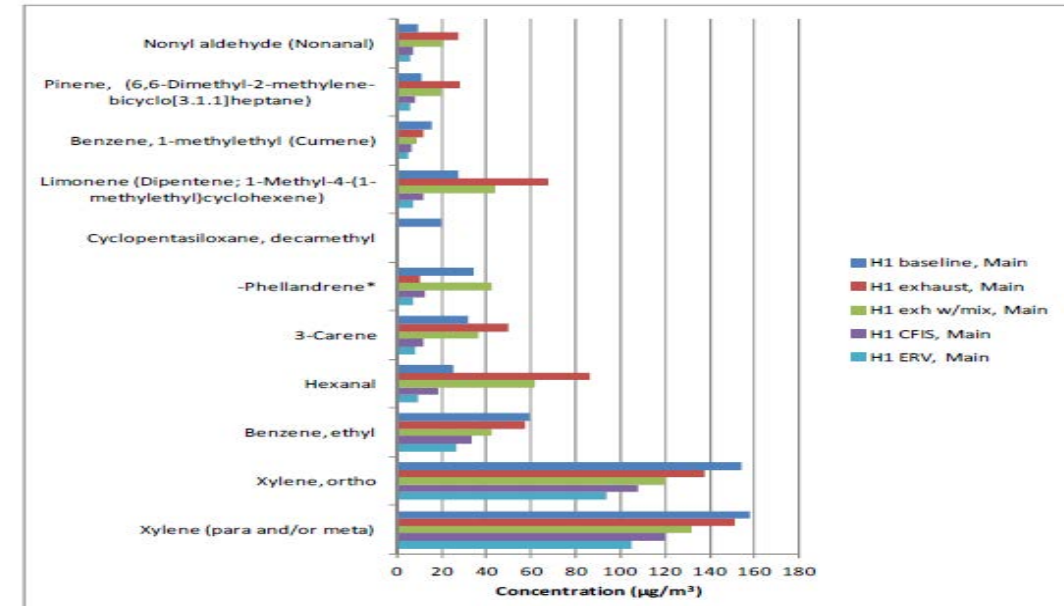
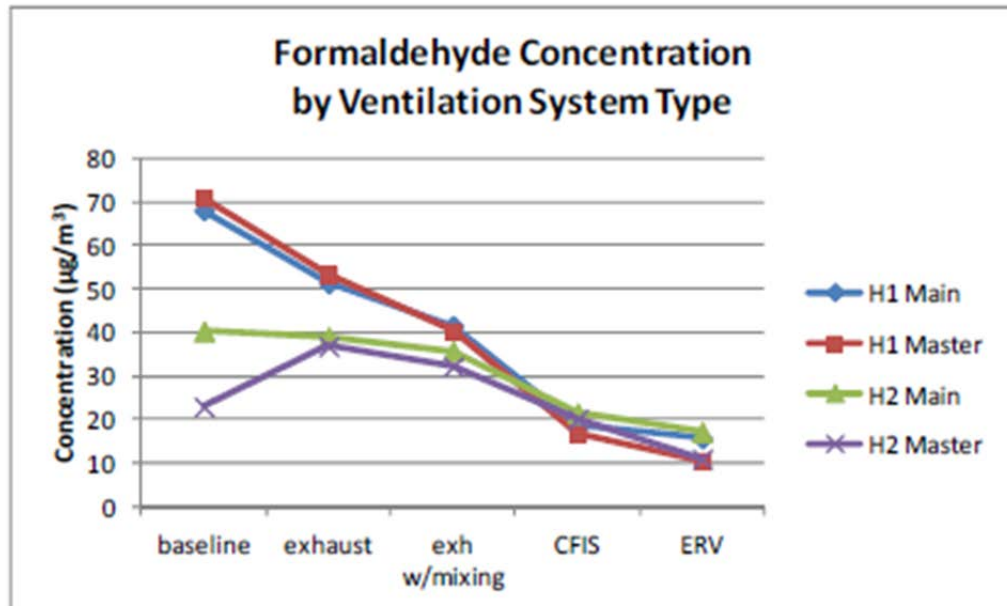
Ventilation System Effectiveness and Tested Indoor Air Quality Impacts

Armin Rudd, Daniel Bergey

March 2013

Table 2. Test number, name, and description of the five tests conducted in each house

Test Number	Test Name	Test Description
1	Baseline	No ventilation, bedroom doors closed, no central fan operation
2	Exhaust	Exhaust ventilation from master bathroom, bathroom door open to bedroom, bedroom doors closed, no central fan operation
3	Exh w/mixing	Exhaust ventilation from master bathroom, bathroom door open to bedroom, bedroom doors closed, 20% central fan operation (48 off / 12 on)
4	CFIS	Central-fan-integrated supply (CFIS) ventilation, bedrooms closed, 33% central fan duty cycle (20 off / 10 on)
5	ERV	Balanced (ERV) ventilation, bedrooms closed, no central fan operation

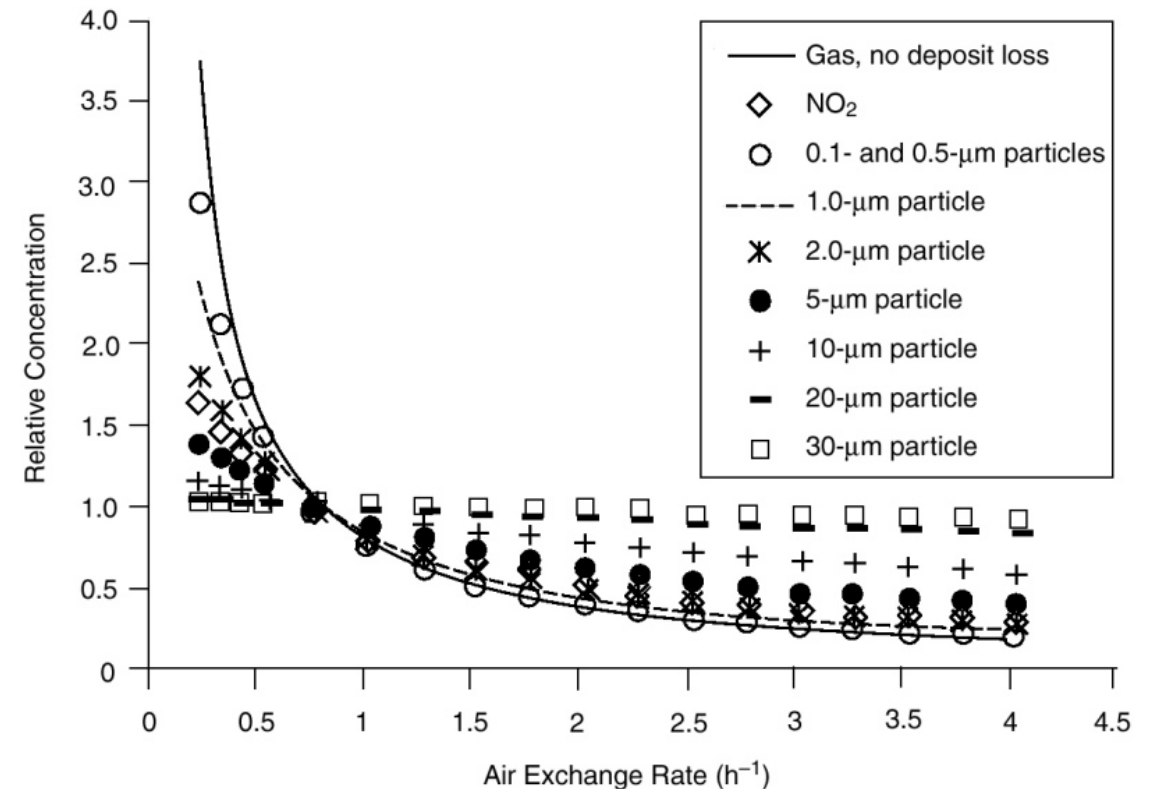


ENHANCING IAQ

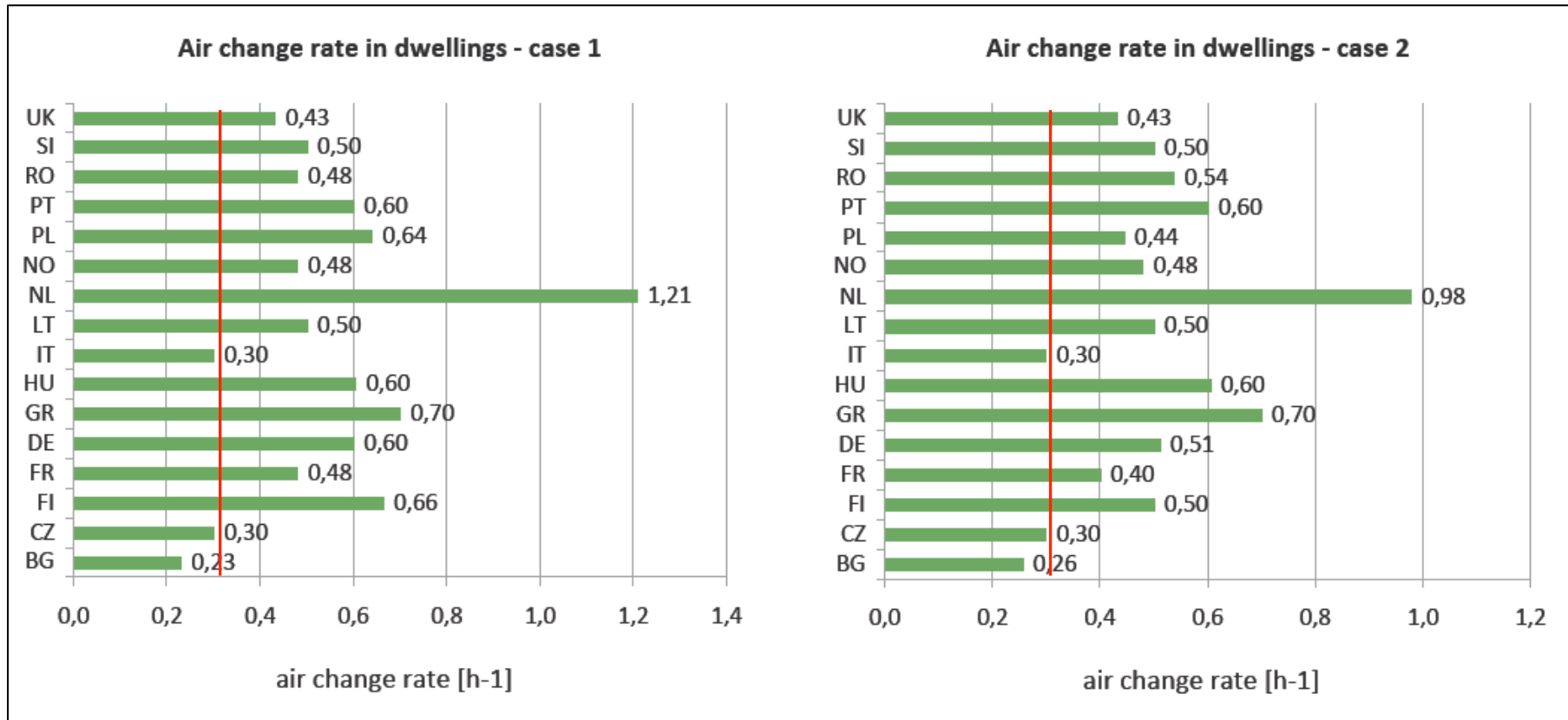
METHODS TO ENHANCE IAQ

- MINIMIZE CHEMICAL POLLUTANTS
- MOISTURE CONTROL
- FILTRATION
- PROPER MAINTENANCE OF HVAC SYSTEMS
- **IMPROVED VENTILATION – SIMPLEST AND MOST COST EFFECTIVE METHOD**

“Ventilation is providing for acceptable IAQ through the simultaneous exhaust of stale air and supply of fresh outdoor air.”



EUROPEAN VENTILATION RATES

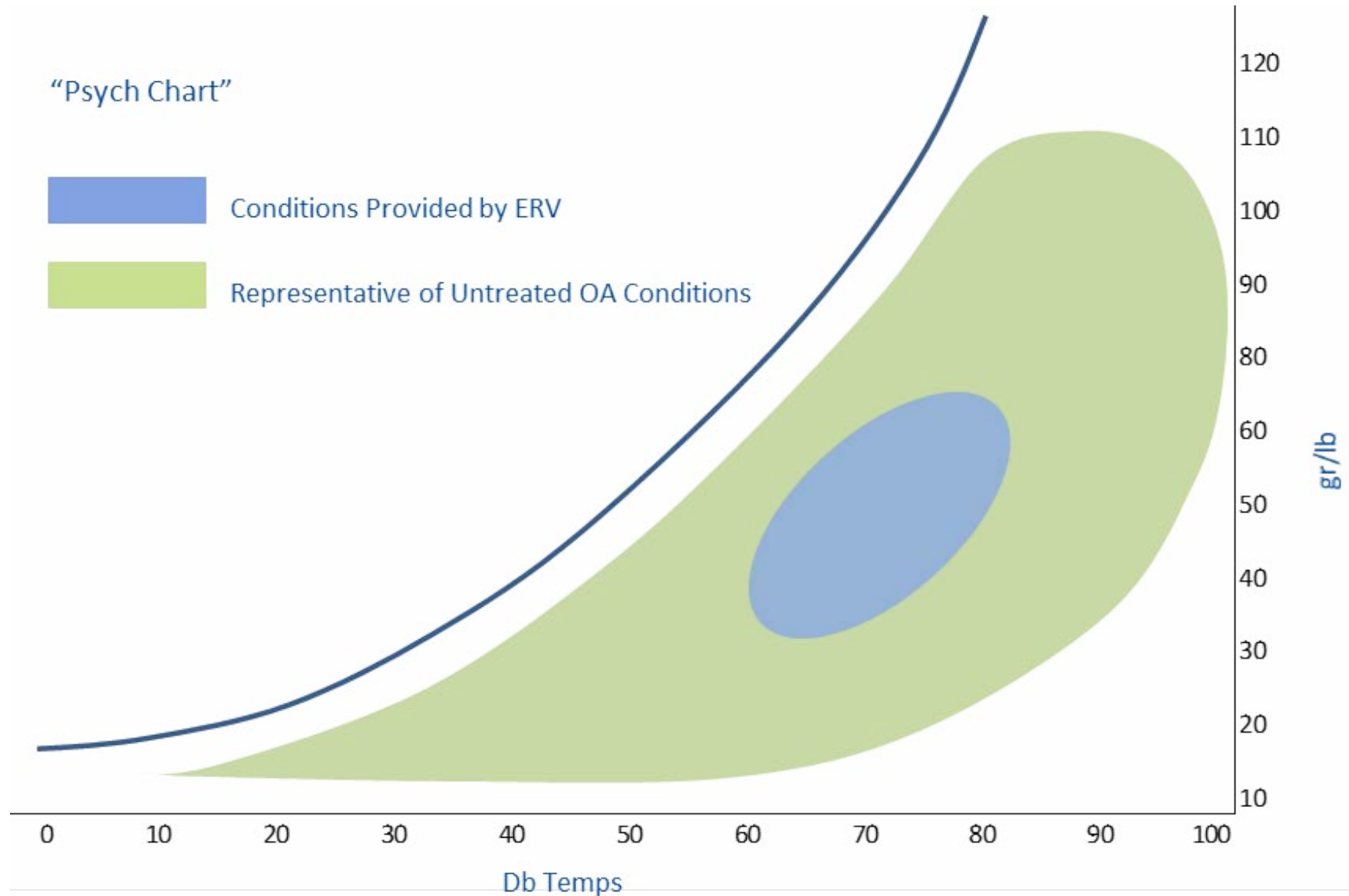


ASHRAE 62.2-2016 rate ~ 0.3 – 0.35 ach

*Ventilation Rates and IAQ in National Regulations, Nejc Brelih,
AIVC Conference, October 2011, Brussels, Belgium.*

Courtesy of Rick Karg RED

ERV AS A SHIELD



COOLING LOAD WITH ERV

COOLING LOAD CONVENTIONAL

SUPPLY AIR = 5000 CFM

OUTSIDE AIR = 1500 CFM

RETURN AIR = 3500 CFM

OA TEMP [DB/WB] – 95/78

RA TEMP (DB/WB) – 75/62.5

MA TEMP (DB/WB) – 81/67

COOLING = 17 TONS



COOLING LOAD WITH ENERGY RECOVERY

SUPPLY AIR = 5000 CFM

OUTSIDE AIR = 1500 CFM

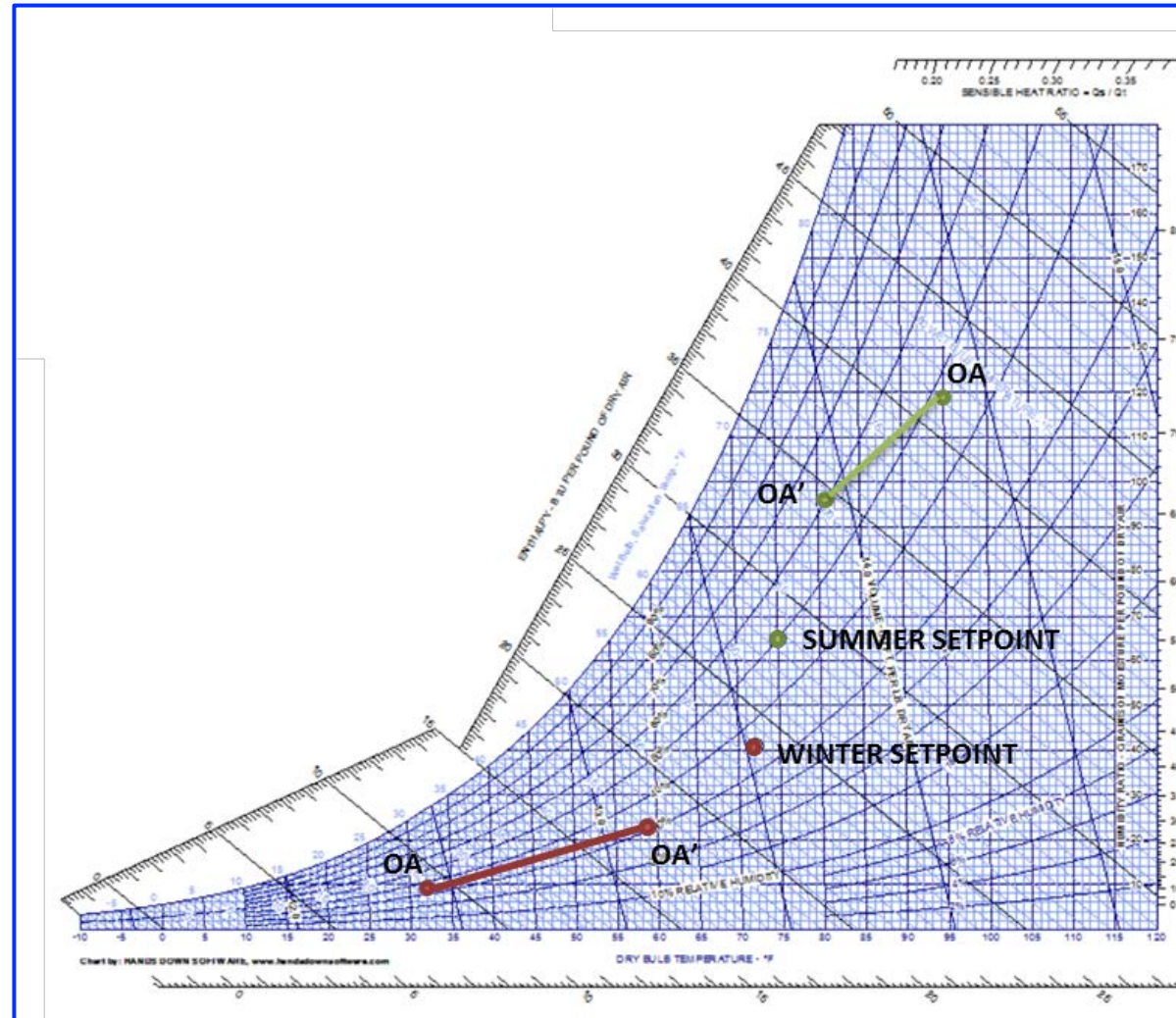
RETURN AIR = 3500 CFM

OA TEMP [DB/WB] – 95/78

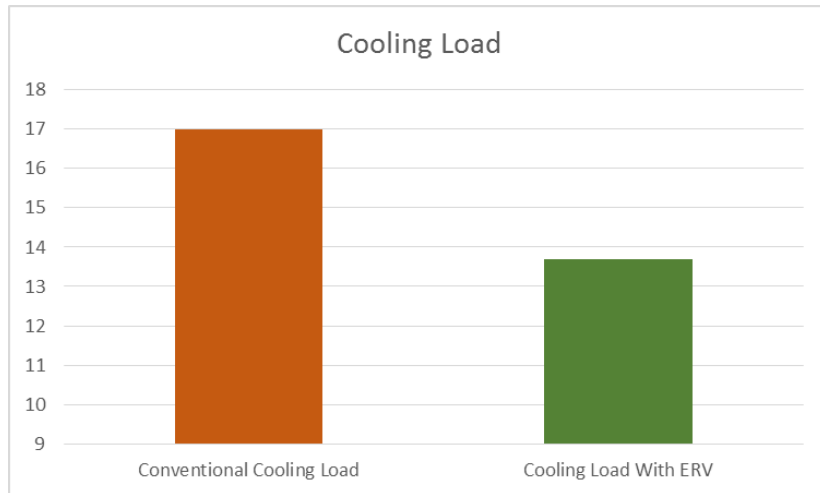
RA TEMP (DB/WB) – 75/62.5

MA TEMP (DB/WB) – 76.8/64.93

COOLING = 13.9 TONS

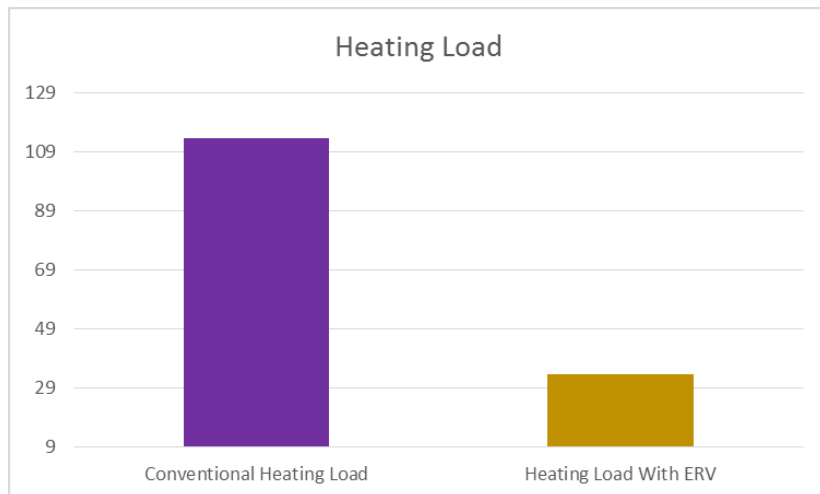


BUILDING LOADS WITH ERV



**20%
COOLING
LOAD
SAVINGS**

= \$3,600 IN COOLING LOAD SAVINGS



**70%
HEATING
LOAD
SAVINGS**

= \$1,900 IN HEATING LOAD SAVINGS

- ***\$5,500 Total Equipment Savings***
- ***\$2,250 Annual Energy Savings***

***Installed Cost for 1,500 cfm ERV ~
\$7,550***

True Payback = 1 Year !!

ERV REQUIREMENTS IN CODES

	90.1	IECC	Provisions affecting ERV
	2004		ERV not required
	2007	2009	ERV required when for HVAC systems over 5000 CFM and 70% OA. Fan power limits introduced, ERVs exempted
	2010	2012	Table 6.5.6.1 introduced – ERV required in every zone for some systems, sometimes under 5000 CFM. Fan Power Limits apply
	2013	2015	Table 6.5.6.1 – ERV requirements change slightly, and now every climate zone has applications for ERV

In all editions supply air load reduction by the ERV must exceed 50% at the applied air flow

$$ERE = \frac{(H_o - H_{sa})}{(H_o - H_r)} \geq 0.5$$

ERV REQUIREMENTS IN CODES

90.1	IECC	Provisions affecting 55
2004		55

ASHRAE 90.1-2016: 10 percent energy savings can be achieved by updating Standard

Provisions affecting 55

ASHRAE 90.1-2016:
More than 30 percent energy savings can be
achieved using the 2016 version of Standard
90.1, according to recent analysis conducted
by Pacific Northwest National Laboratories
(PNNL) in support of the U.S. Department of
Energy (DOE) Building Energy Codes Program

ASHRAE 90.1-2019?

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