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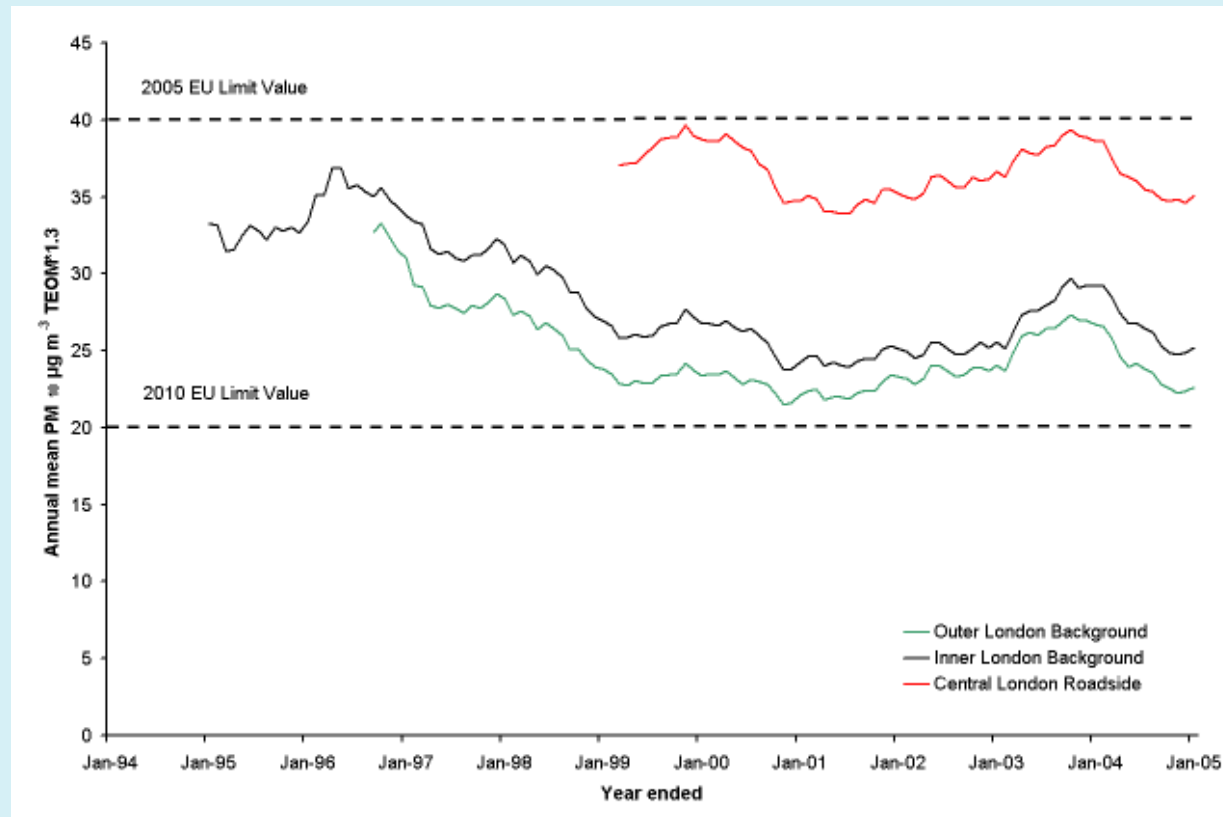
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# A puzzle.....





## Source apportionment method

Total PM<sub>10</sub> = primary + non primary

- *Primary is related to NO<sub>x</sub> and is local*
- *Non – primary is not related to NO<sub>x</sub> and is regional*

(Same approach can also be taken with PM<sub>2.5</sub>)

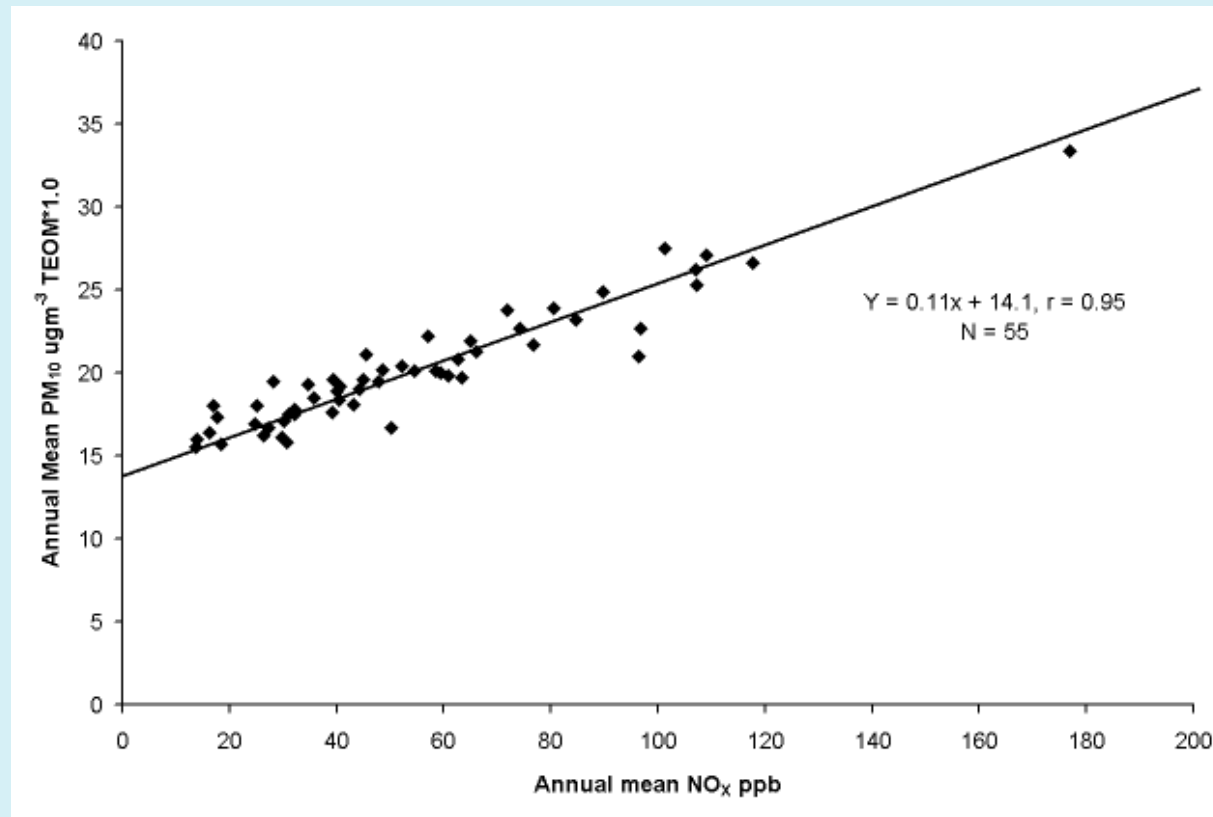
Deacon et al., 1997; Harrison et al., 1997; APEG, 1999; Kukkonen et al., 2001 and Stedman et al., 2001, Fuller et al. 2002 and Fuller and Green 2006.





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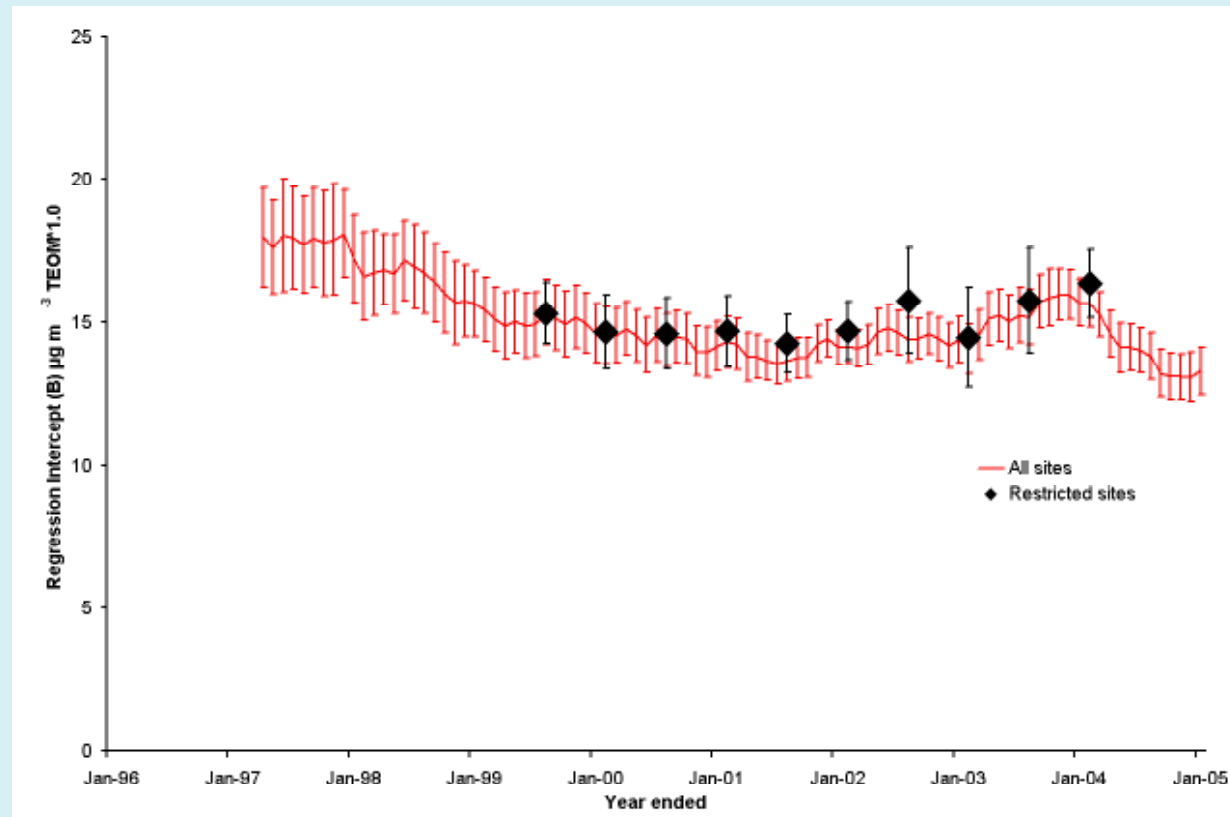
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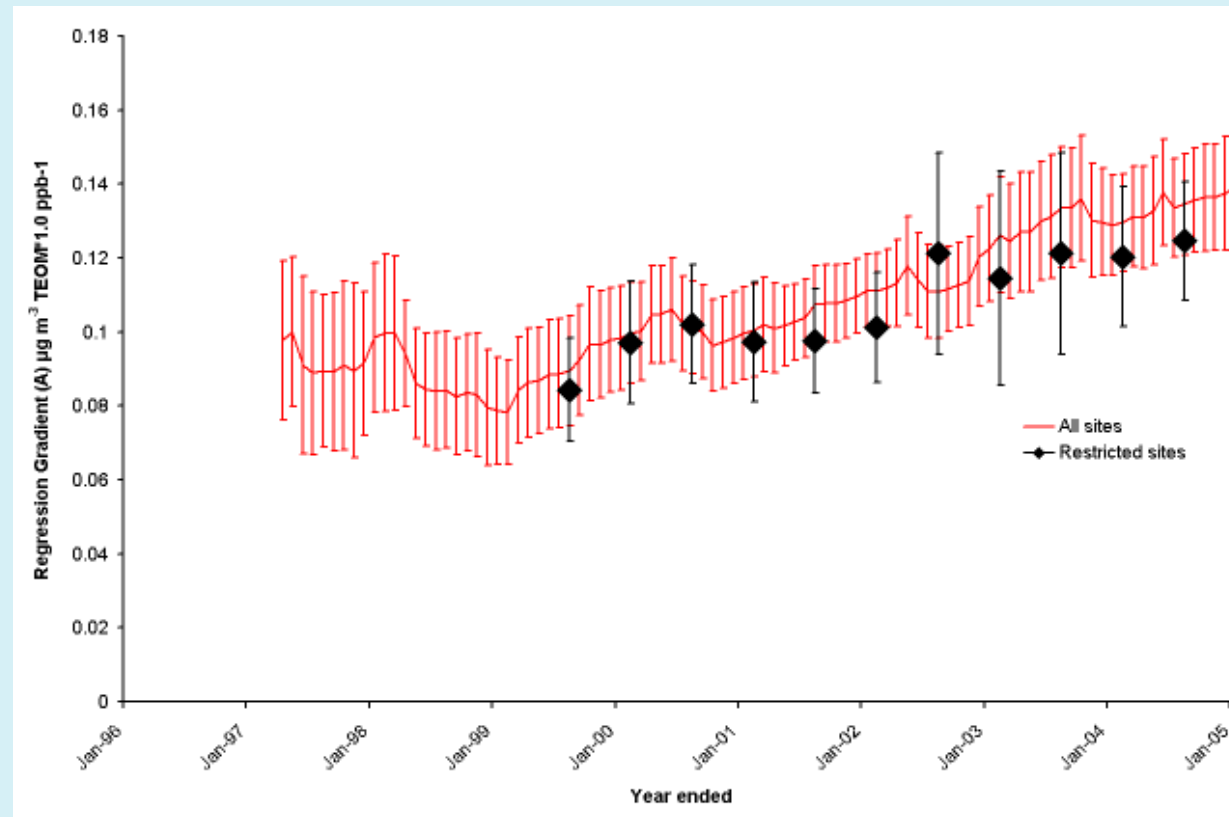
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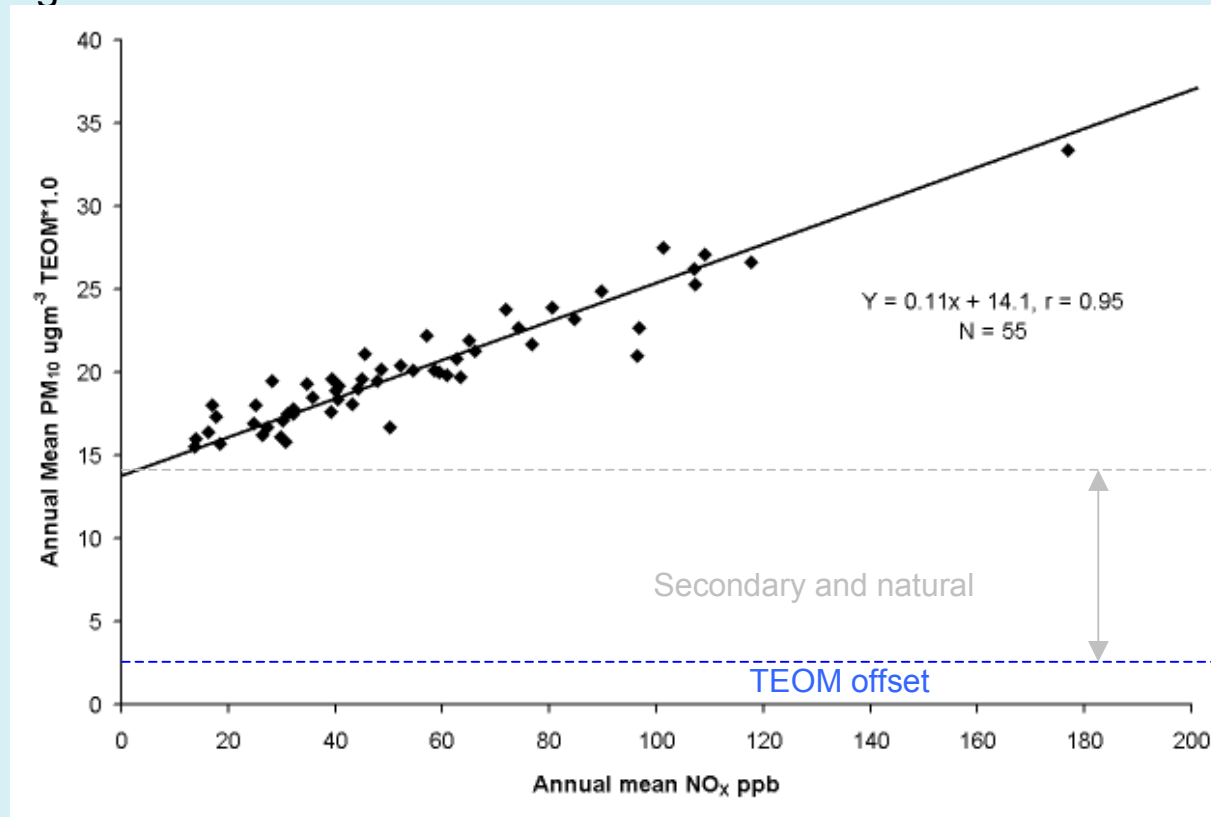
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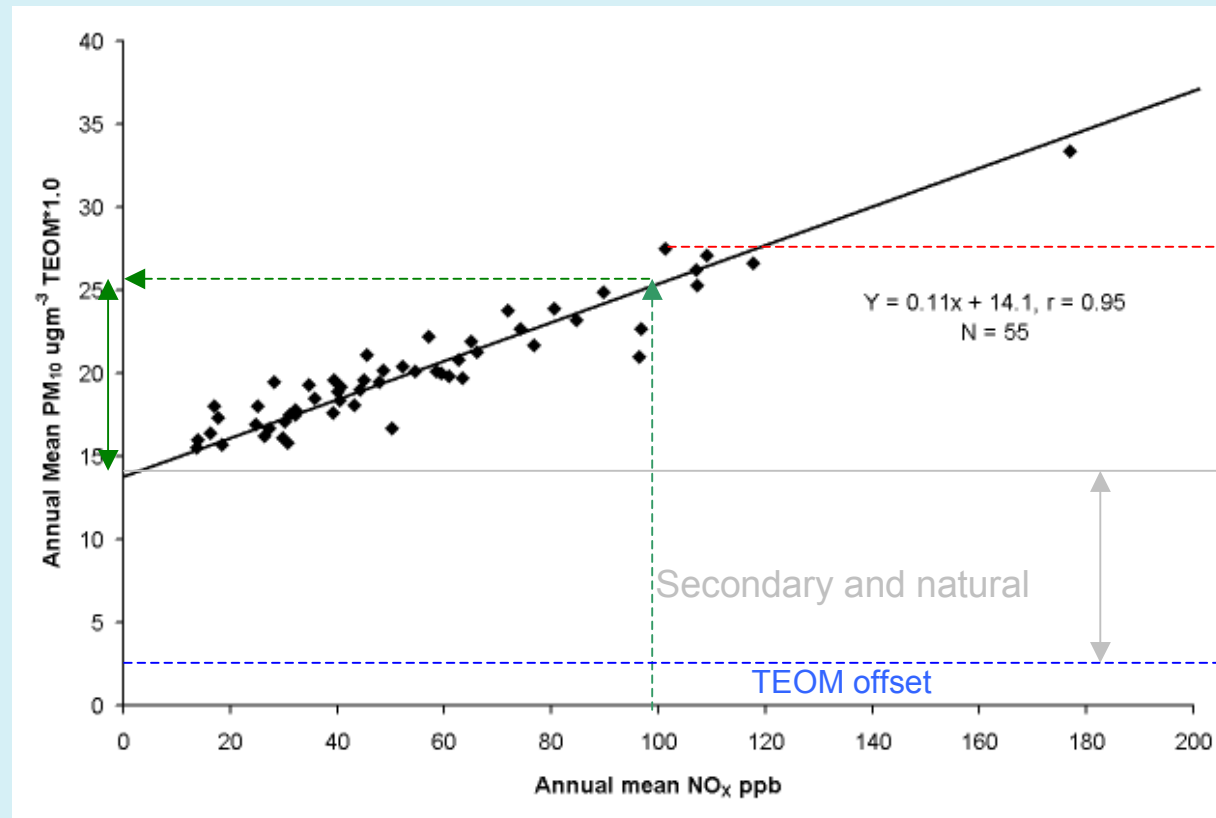
Annual mean 2001 – calculating the secondary and natural background





# Source apportionment method

Annual mean 2001 – calculating the primary PM10







## Calculating primary PM<sub>10</sub>

Given that we have a relationship  $[PM_{10}] = A [NO_x] + B$

3 methods to calculate primary PM<sub>10</sub>      PM<sub>10</sub>(P)

$$PM_{10}(P) = [PM_{10}] - B$$

$$PM_{10}(P) = A[NO_x]$$

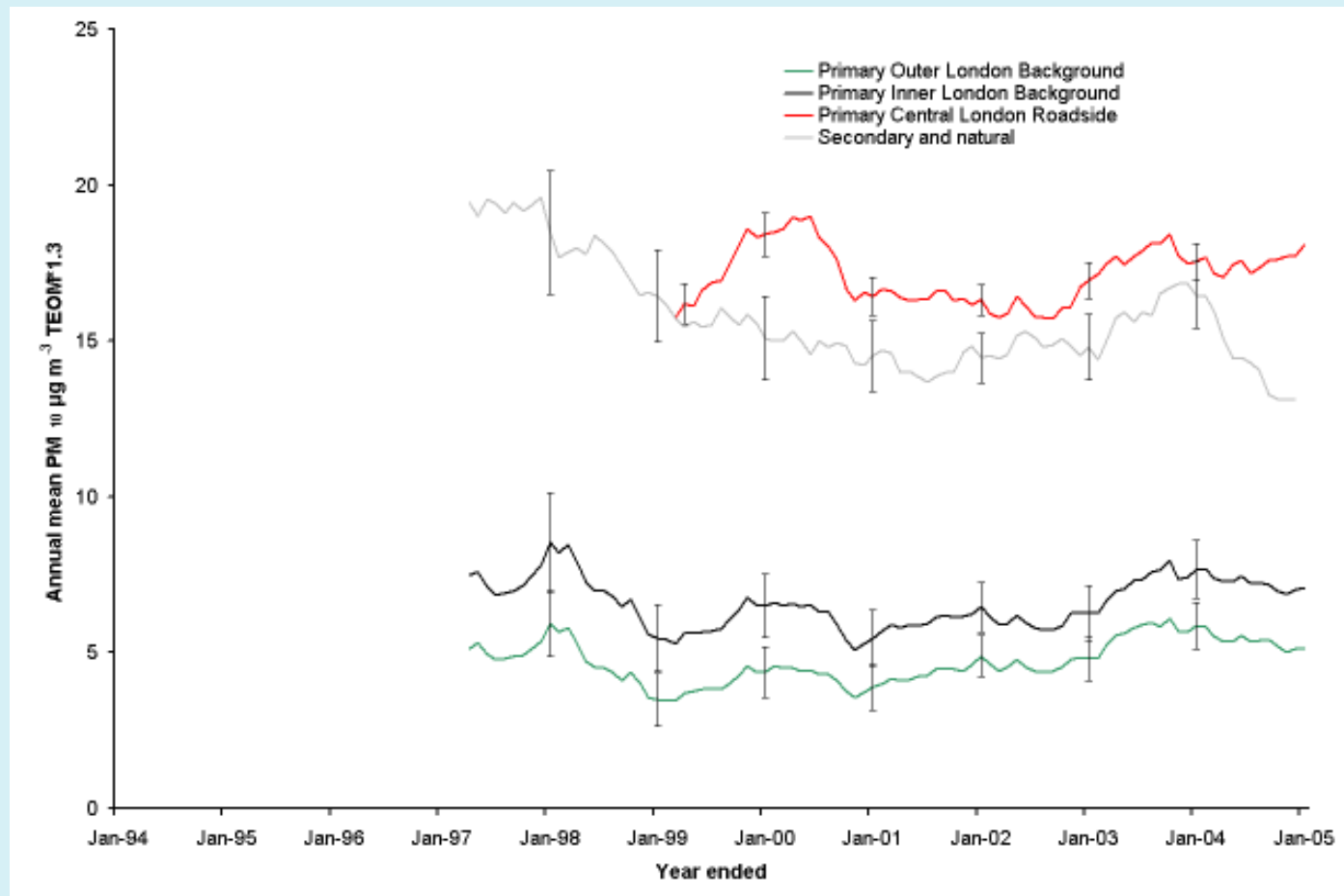
$$PM_{10}(P) = ([PM_{10}] - B + A[NO_x])/2$$

Used uncertainty estimates (GUM) to determine which is best





# Source apportionment of annual mean concentrations





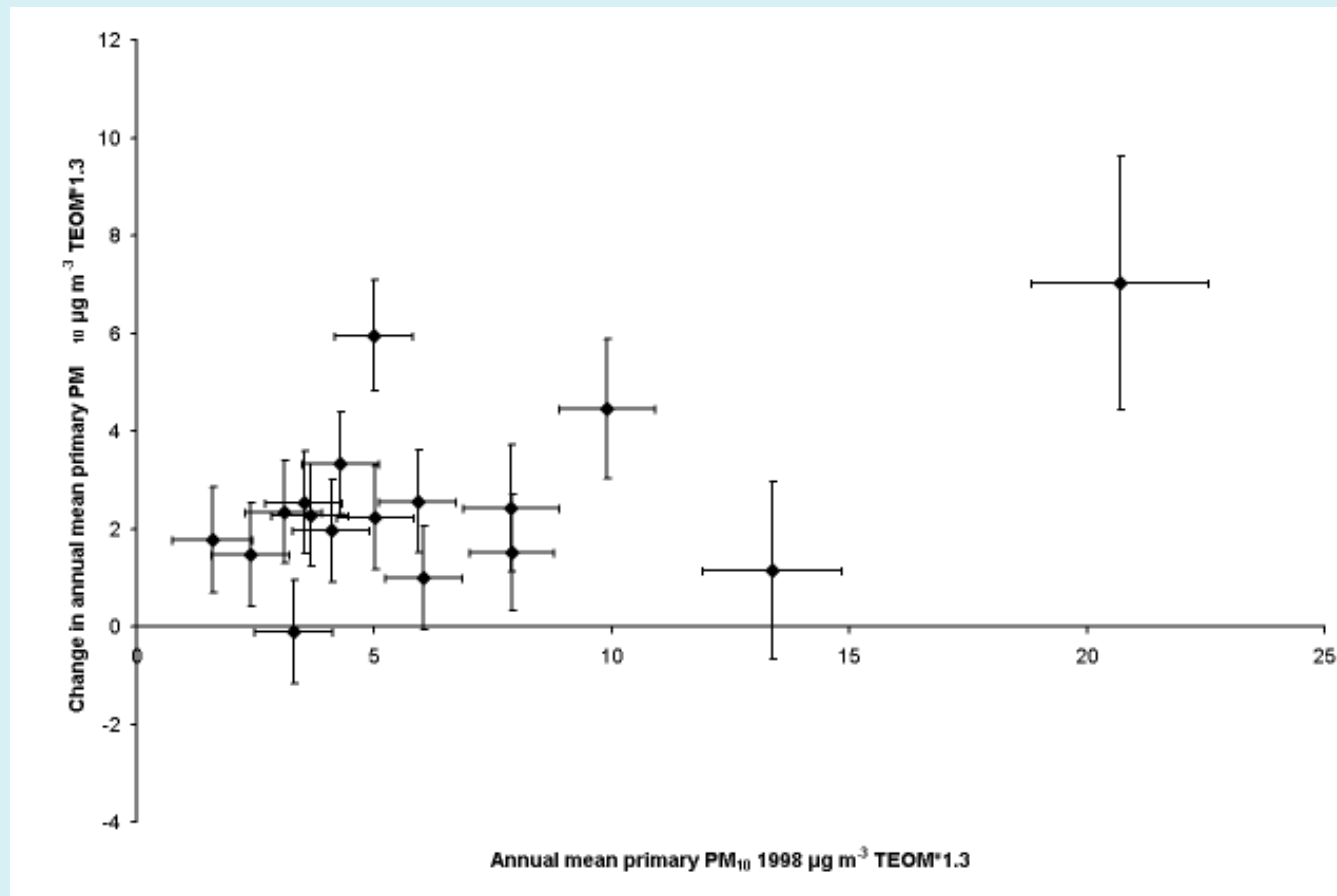
## Change in annual mean primary PM10 1998 - 2003

Site	Type	London Area	All sites	
			Change	Concentration
			$\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ TEOM *1.3	
Marylebone Road	K	Central	$7.0 \pm 2.6$	$27.7 \pm 1.8$
Wandsworth 4	R	Inner	$6.0 \pm 1.1$	$10.9 \pm 0.8$
Ealing 2	R	Outer	$4.5 \pm 1.4$	$14.4 \pm 1.0$
Thurrock 1	B	Outside	$3.3 \pm 1.1$	$7.6 \pm 0.7$
Tower Hamlets 1	B*	Inner	$2.6 \pm 1.1$	$8.5 \pm 0.7$
St Albans	B	Outside	$2.5 \pm 1.0$	$6.1 \pm 0.7$
Hillingdon 1	R	Outer	$2.4 \pm 1.3$	$10.3 \pm 0.8$
Brent 1	B*	Outer	$2.3 \pm 1.0$	$5.4 \pm 0.7$
Bexley 2	B	Outer	$2.3 \pm 1.1$	$5.9 \pm 0.7$
Kens & Chelsea 1	B*	Inner	$2.2 \pm 1.1$	$7.2 \pm 0.7$
Bexley 1	B*	Outer	$2.0 \pm 1.0$	$6.1 \pm 0.7$
Medway Stoke	Ru	Outside	$1.8 \pm 1.1$	$3.4 \pm 0.7$
Haringey 1	R	Outer	$1.5 \pm 1.2$	$9.4 \pm 0.8$
Mole Valley 2	B	Outside	$1.5 \pm 1.1$	$3.9 \pm 0.7$
A3 Roadside	R	Outer	$1.1 \pm 1.8$	$14.5 \pm 1.1$
Chatham	B	Outside	$1.0 \pm 1.1$	$7.0 \pm 0.7$
Sevenoaks	B	Outside	$-0.1 \pm 1.1$	$3.2 \pm 0.7$





## Change in annual mean primary PM10 1998 - 2003





## Primary PM10 should be reducing !

- *Emission inventories say it should be reducing*
- *Tail pipe abatement on new vehicles and London's buses*

### *But*

- *Diesels = 16% new cars in 1997 cf 38% in 2006 (SMMT 2006) but this should not offset new Euro Standards (AQEG 2006).*
- *No trend in black smoke concentrations in London but trends in rest of UK (AQEG 2006).*
- *Vehicles are getting heavier, 30% increase in last 30 years therefore increase non-tailpipe emissions (Carslaw 2006).*
- *Tyre and brakes technologies have changed (Boulter 2006)*





## Chemical composition of source apportioned components

Limited robust measurements of chemical composition of  $PM_{10}$  in London.

DEFRA networks have poor C and no means of separating volatile and non – volatile nitrate

Used measurements from Ealing 2 roadside site during 2001 – 2002

- *PM<sub>2.5</sub> carbon measurements from Smith et al 2006 (thanks to DRI)*
- *Anion measurements from Davy 2006*

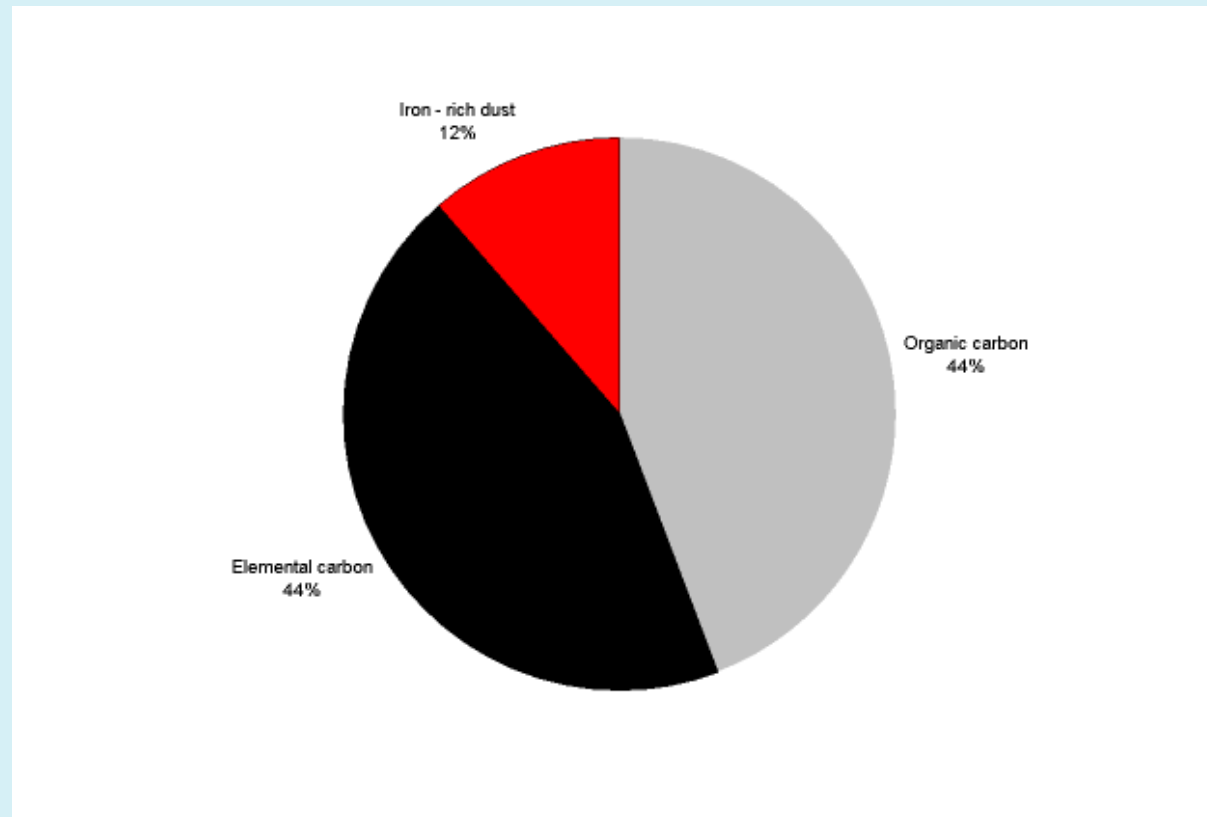
Also methods and measurements from Harrison et al 2003, 2004 sites in London and Birmingham 2000 - 2002





# Chemical composition (~2000 – 2002)

Primary PM10





## Chemical composition (~2000 – 2002)

### Primary PM<sub>10</sub>

	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub> -PM <sub>2.5</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>
Organic carbon	50%	18%	44%
Elemental carbon	50%	18%	44%
Mechanical wear / Iron- rich dust		64%	12%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

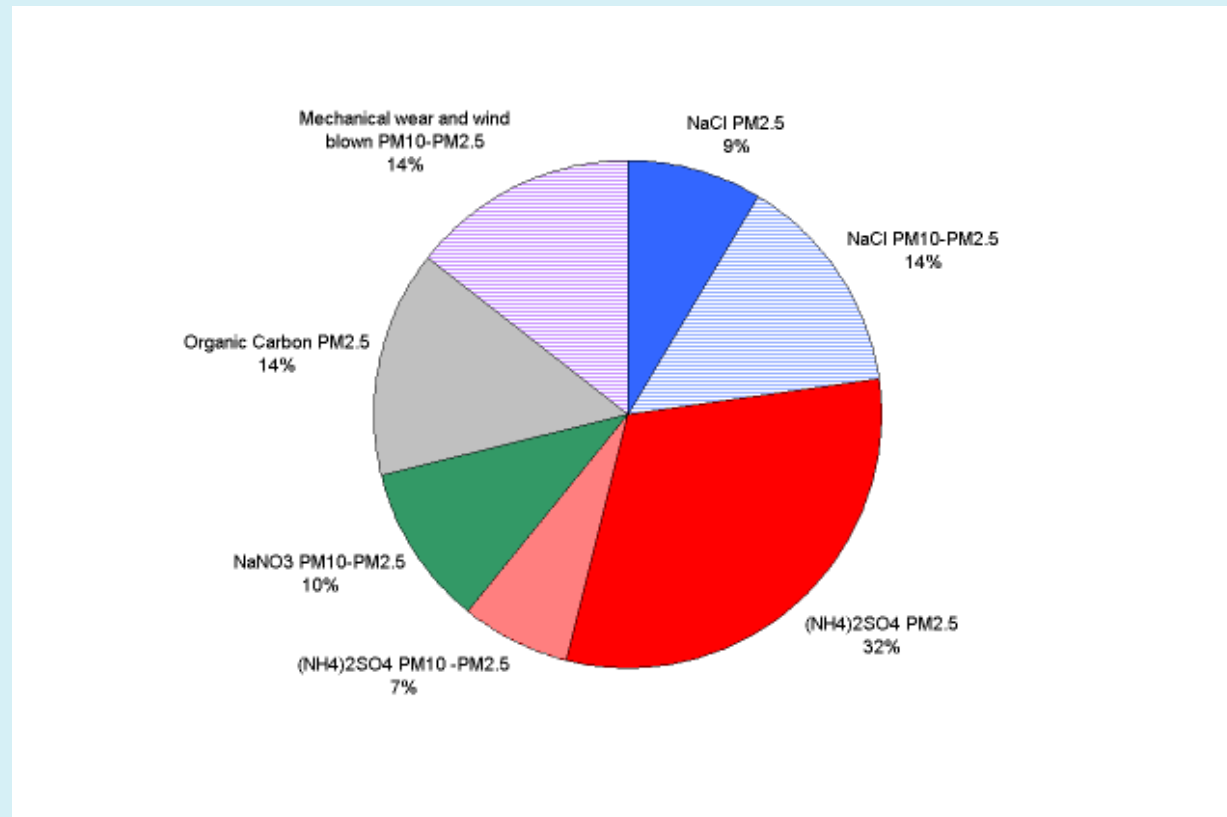






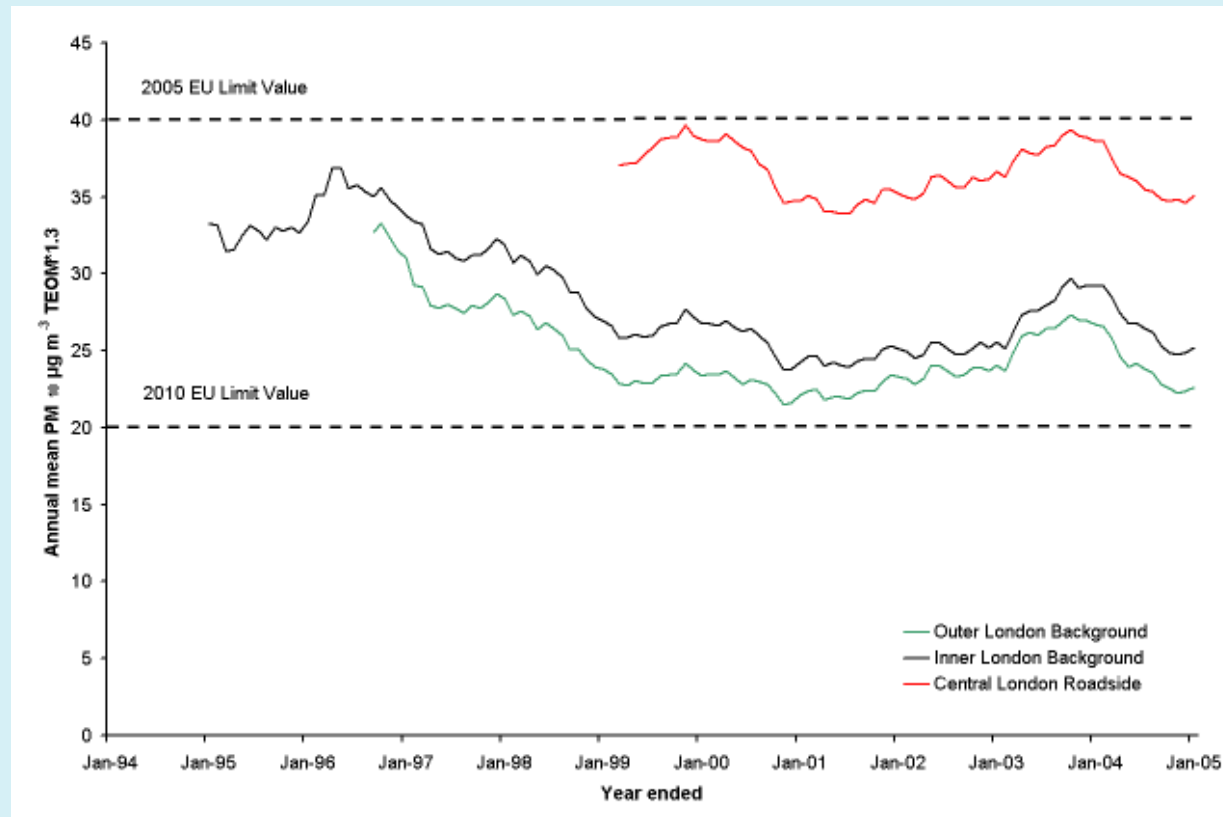
# Chemical composition

Non primary PM10 (TEOM measurements!)



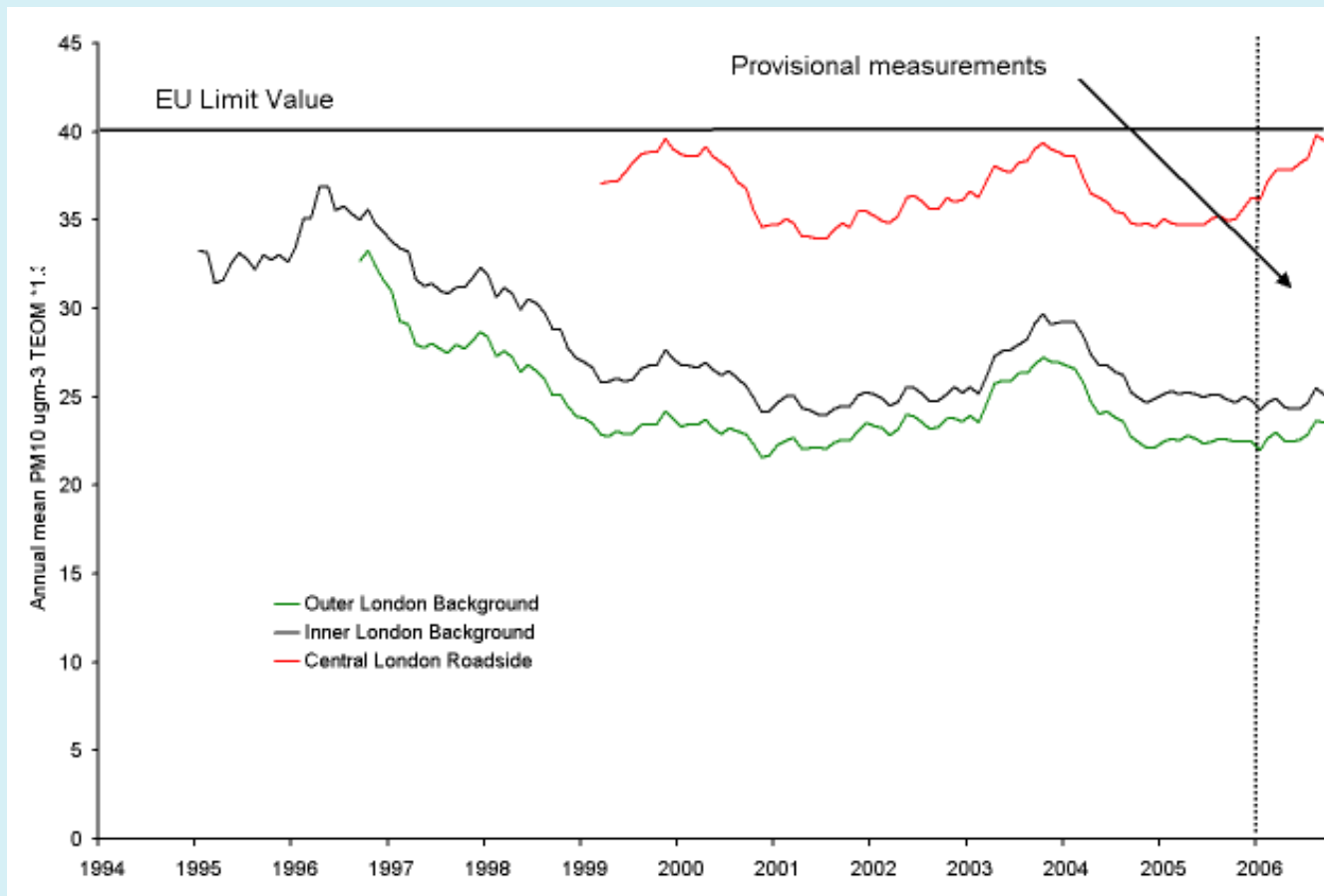


# Back to the puzzle.....



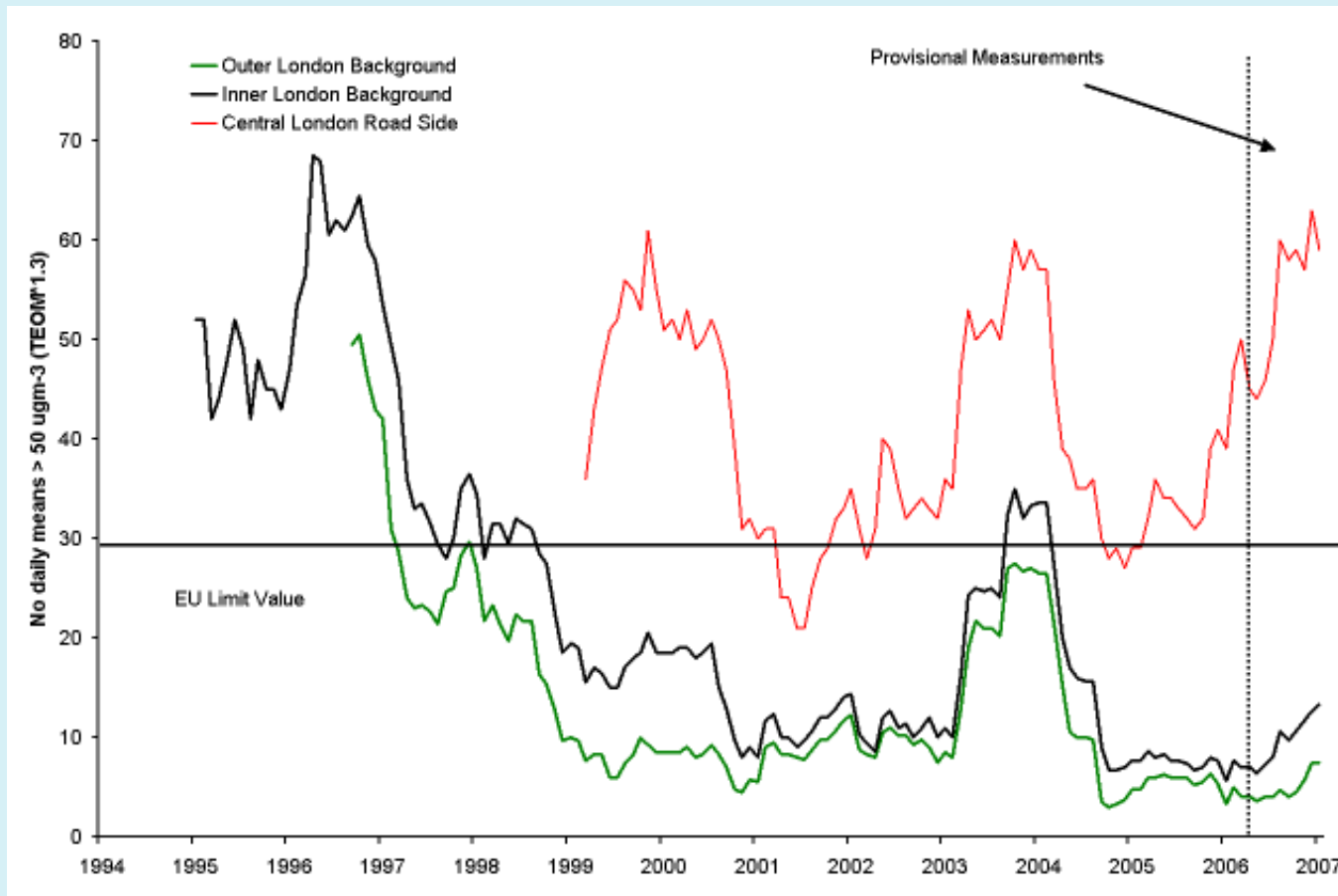


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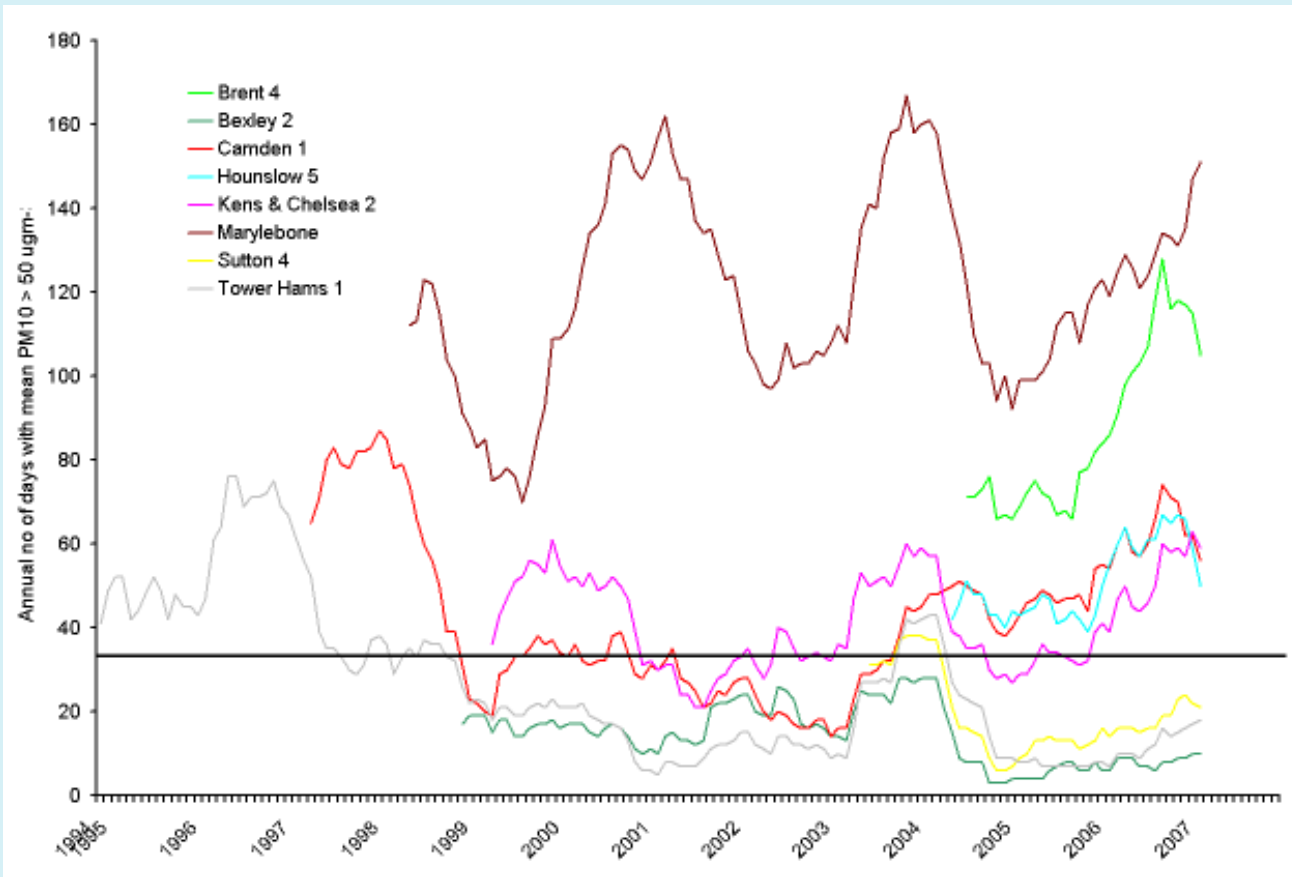


# An update...





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## Conclusions – Non primary PM10

May indicate reduced emissions of secondary pre-cursors.

But

- *Changes are within model uncertainty*
- *Barely sensitive to particulate nitrate*





## Conclusions – Primary PM10

Primary PM10 concentrations in London are increasing which has important implications for air quality management.

Source apportionment and recent measurements point to a roadside effect.

Contrasts with emission inventory predictions.

Confounded but not explained by weather.

Would require huge increases in non – exhaust PM10 for this to counter expected reductions in tail pipe PM10.





## Next Steps..

Large increases at specific roadside sites merit further investigation.

- *Fleet composition and traffic patterns*

New source apportionment data is now available

- *CONCAWE*

- *NPL / KCL (DEFRA) carbon measurements*

Interesting artefacts in 'gravimetric' and FDMS measurements

PM2.5?







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