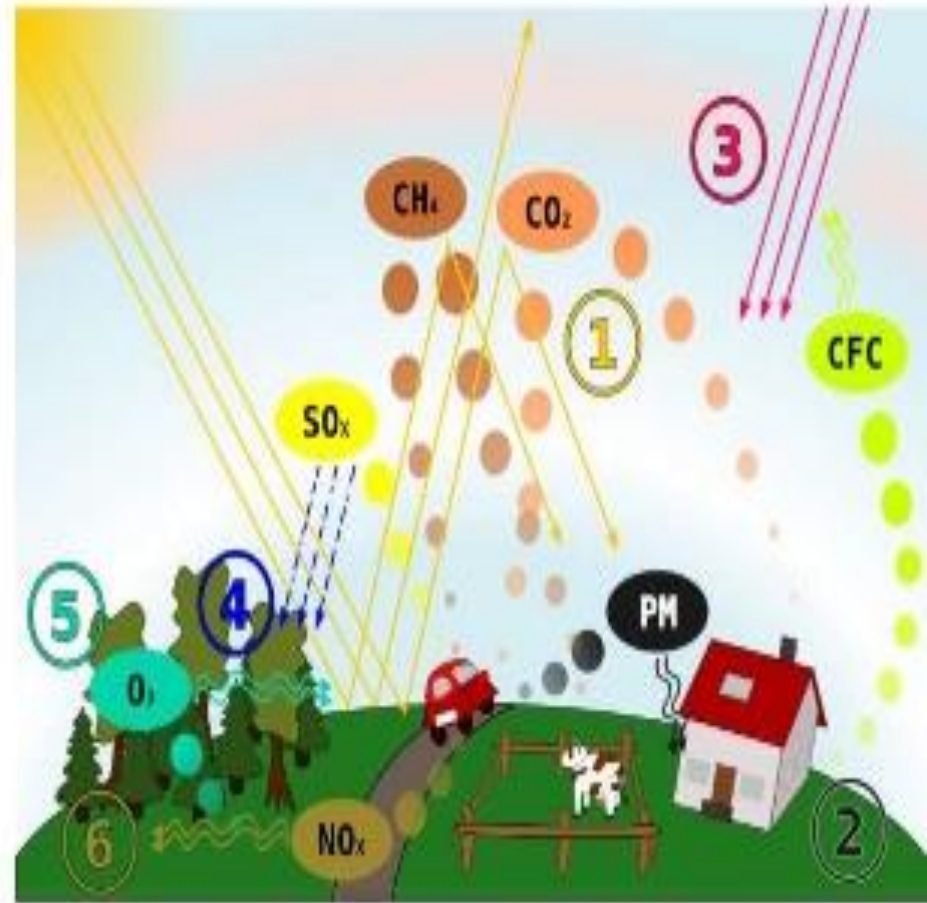


# AIR CANCER



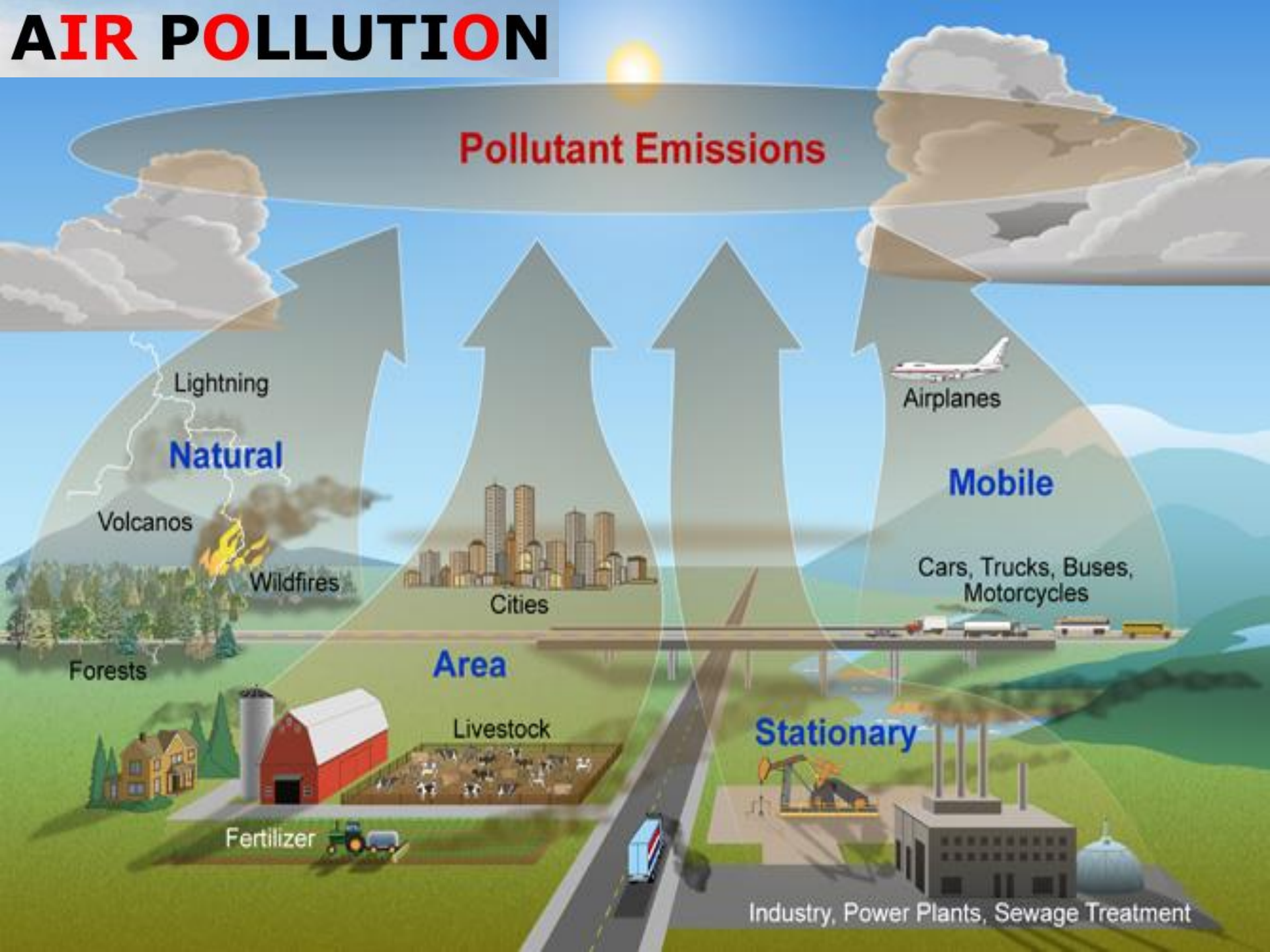
# Different types of Air Pollution

- Smog
- Green House Effect
- Accidental Air Pollution
- Industrial Air Pollution
- Transport related Air pollution



**AIR POLLUTION**

# AIR POLLUTION





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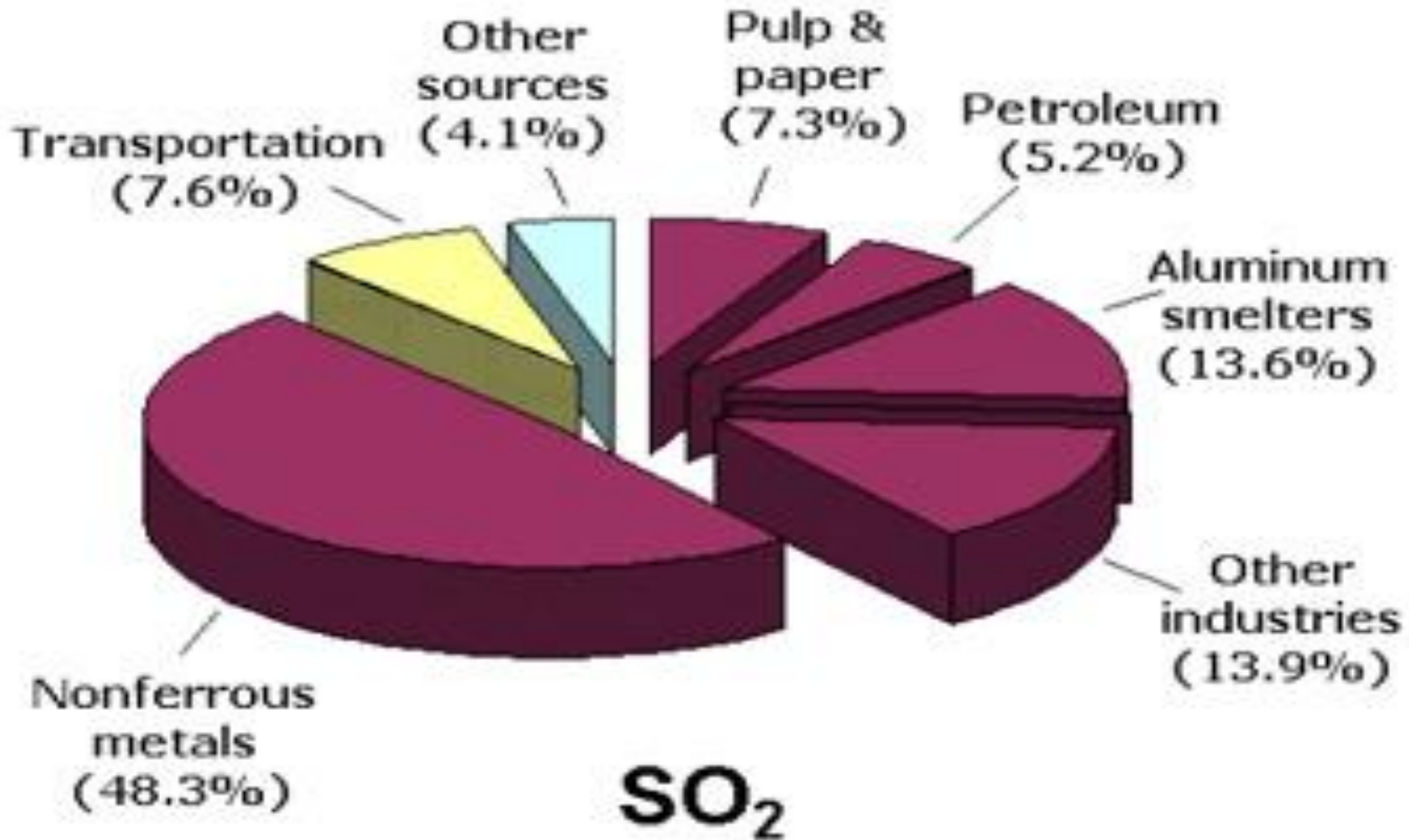
## Sulfur Dioxide & Exposure Concerns



Sulfur oxides ( $SO_x$ ) - particularly sulfur dioxide, a chemical compound with the formula  $SO_2$ .  $SO_2$  is produced by volcanoes and in various industrial processes. Coal and petroleum often contain sulfur compounds, and their combustion generates sulfur dioxide. Further oxidation of  $SO_2$ , usually in the presence of a catalyst such as  $NO_2$ , forms  $H_2SO_4$ , and thus acid rain.[2] This is one of the causes for concern over the environmental impact of the use of these fuels as power sources.

# AIR POLLUTION

## SULFUR OXIDES (SO<sub>x</sub>)



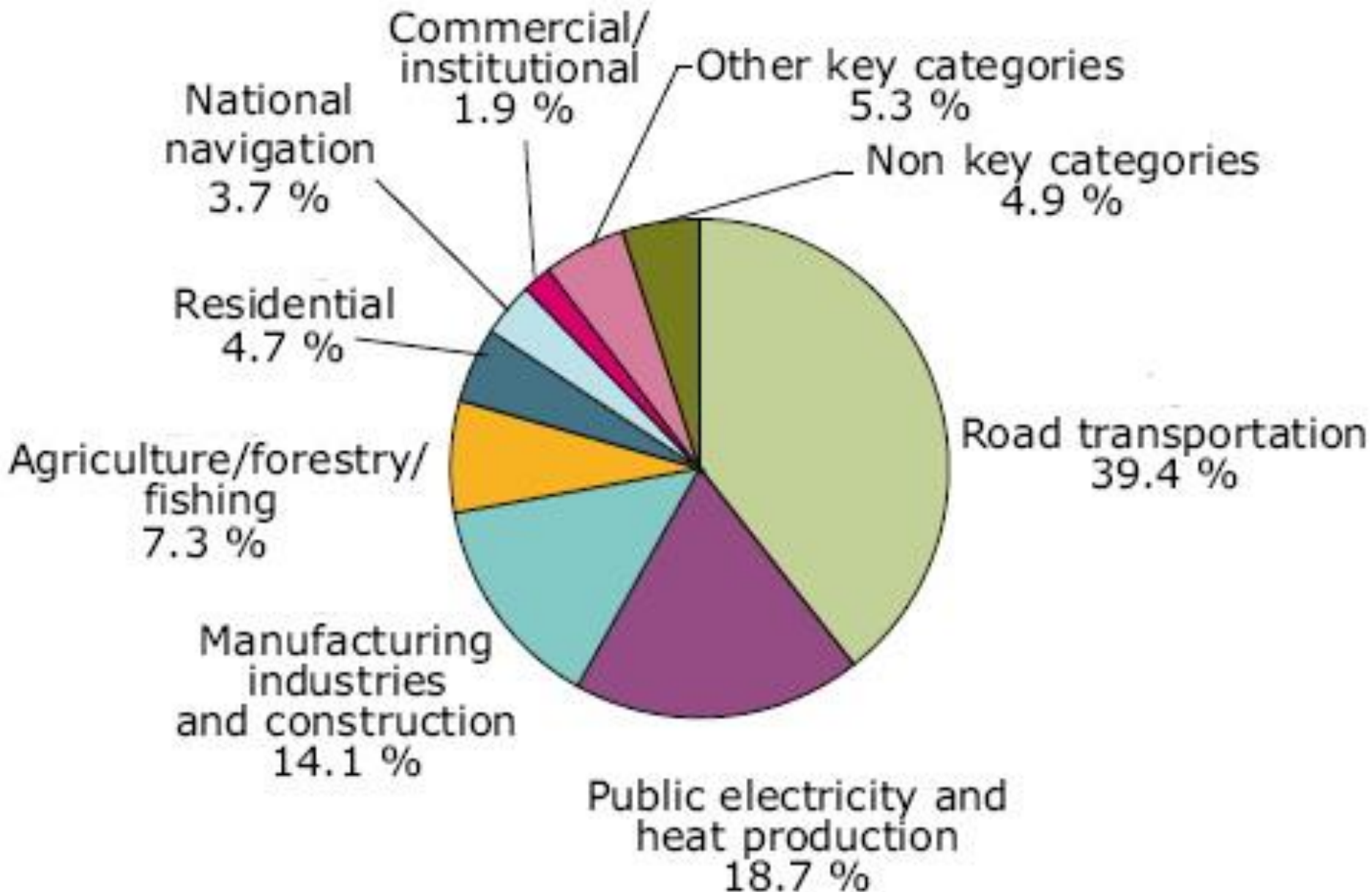
# AIR POLLUTION

NO <sub>x</sub> (Nitrogen Oxide)	
Nitric Oxide (NO)	Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )
	

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) - Nitrogen oxides, particularly nitrogen dioxide, are expelled from high temperature combustion, and are also produced during thunderstorms by electric discharge. They can be seen as a brown haze dome above or a plume downwind of cities. Nitrogen dioxide is a chemical compound with the formula NO<sub>2</sub>. It is one of several nitrogen oxides. One of the most prominent air pollutants, this reddish-brown toxic gas has a characteristic sharp, biting odor.

# AIR POLLUTION

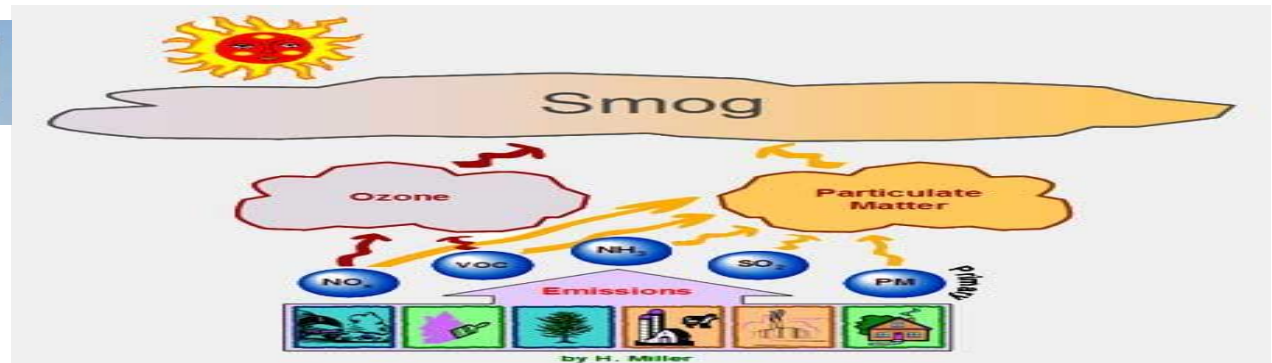
## NITROGEN OXIDES (NO<sub>x</sub>)





# VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (VOC)

## AIR POLLUTION

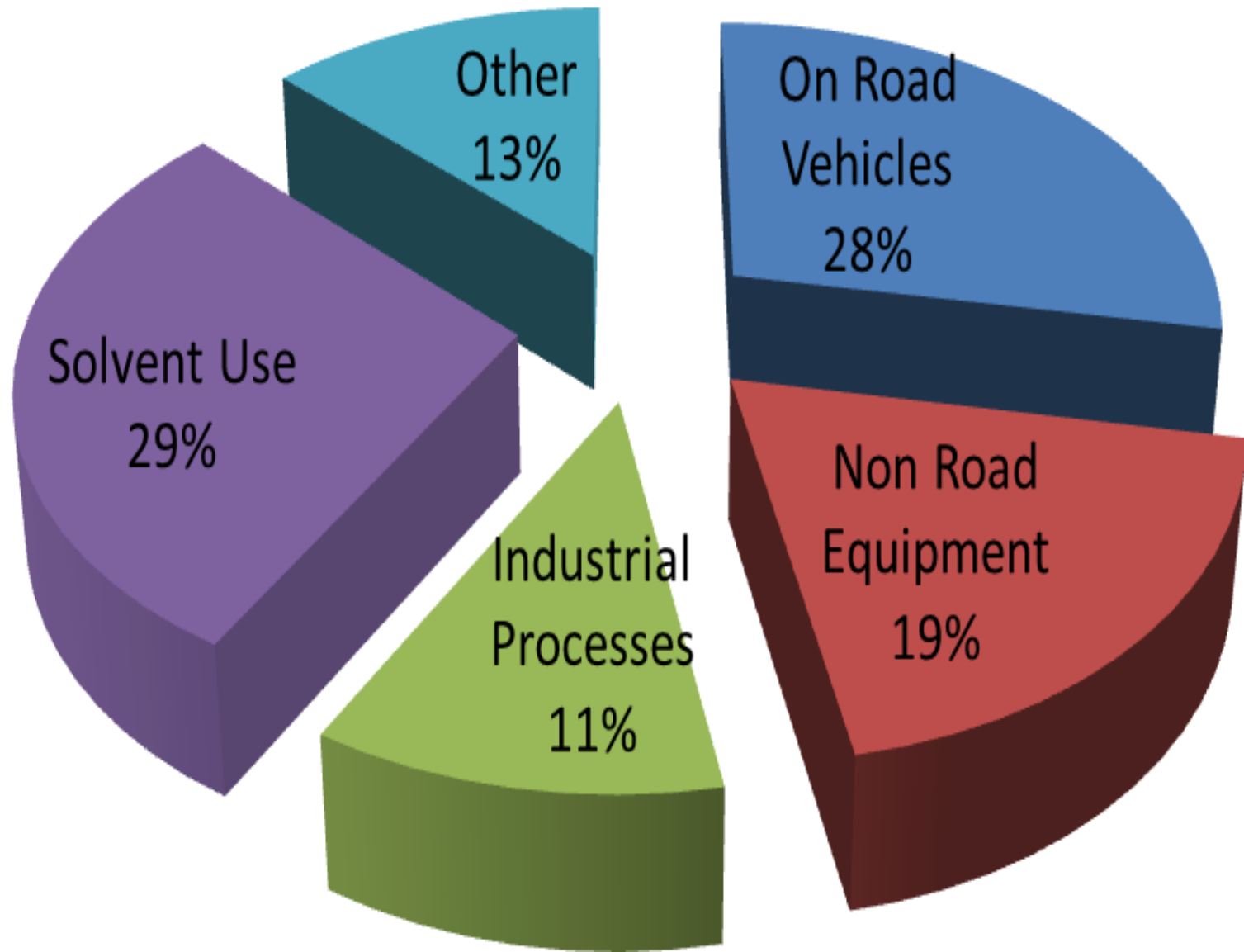


Volatile organic compounds(VOC) - VOCs are a well-known outdoor air pollutant. They are categorized as either methane ( $\text{CH}_4$ ) or non-methane (NMVOCs). Methane is an extremely efficient greenhouse gas which contributes to enhanced global warming. Other hydrocarbon VOCs are also significant greenhouse gases because of their role in creating ozone and prolonging the life of methane in the atmosphere. This effect varies depending on local air quality. The aromatic NMVOCs benzene, toluene and xylene are suspected carcinogens and may lead to leukemia with prolonged exposure. 1,3-butadiene is another dangerous compound often associated with industrial use.



# Volatile Organic Compounds

## AIR POLLUTION



# CARBON MONOXIDE (CO)

## AIR POLLUTION



Carbon monoxide (CO) - CO is a colorless, odorless, toxic yet non-irritating gas. It is a product by incomplete combustion of fuel such as natural gas, coal or wood. Vehicular exhaust is a major source of carbon monoxide.

# AIR POLLUTION

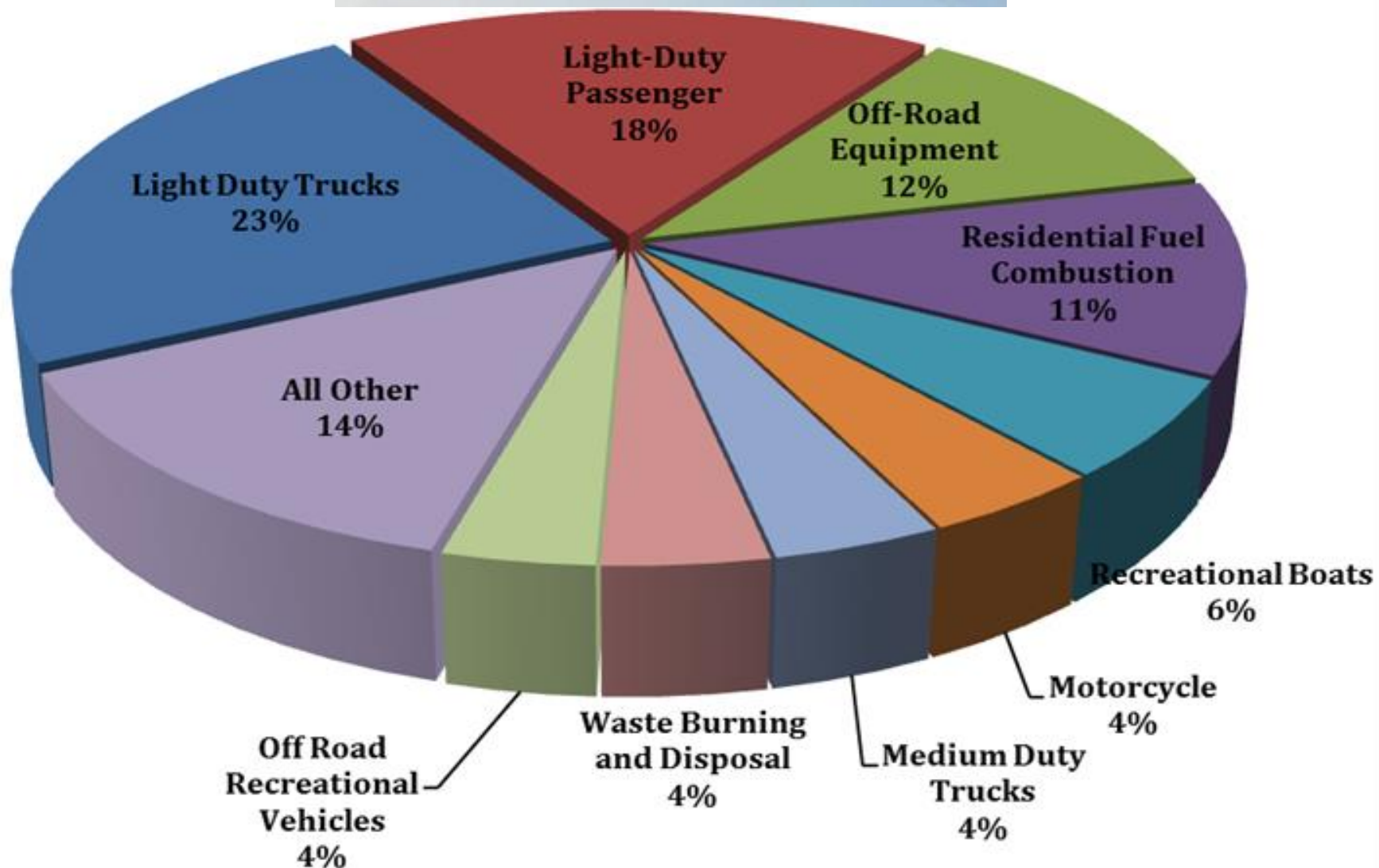


**POTENTIAL SOURCES OF CARBON MONOXIDE IN THE HOME**

# Carbon Monoxide 2009

(39,472.1 Tons/Yr)

## AIR POLLUTION





# **AIR POLLUTION**

## **PARTICULATES**

Particulates, alternatively referred to as particulate matter (PM), atmospheric particulate matter, or fine particles, are tiny particles of solid or liquid suspended in a gas. In contrast, aerosol refers to combined particles and gas. Some particulates occur naturally, originating from volcanoes, dust storms, forest and grassland fires, living vegetation, and sea spray. Human activities, such as the burning of fossil fuels in vehicles, power plants and various industrial processes also generate significant amounts of aerosols. Averaged worldwide, anthropogenic aerosols—those made by human activities—currently account for approximately 10 percent of our atmosphere. Increased levels of fine particles in the air are linked to health hazards such as heart disease, altered lung function and lung cancer.

# AIR POLLUTION

## Suspended particulate matter (SPM)

### Dust

- About 100 microns in diameter
- Removed in the nasal passages
- e.g. coal dust, cement dust

### Fumes

- Suspended solids, <1 micron in diameter.
- Zinc or lead oxides

### Mist

- Liquid droplets, diameter <2.0 microns
- e.g. Sulphuric acid mist

### smoke

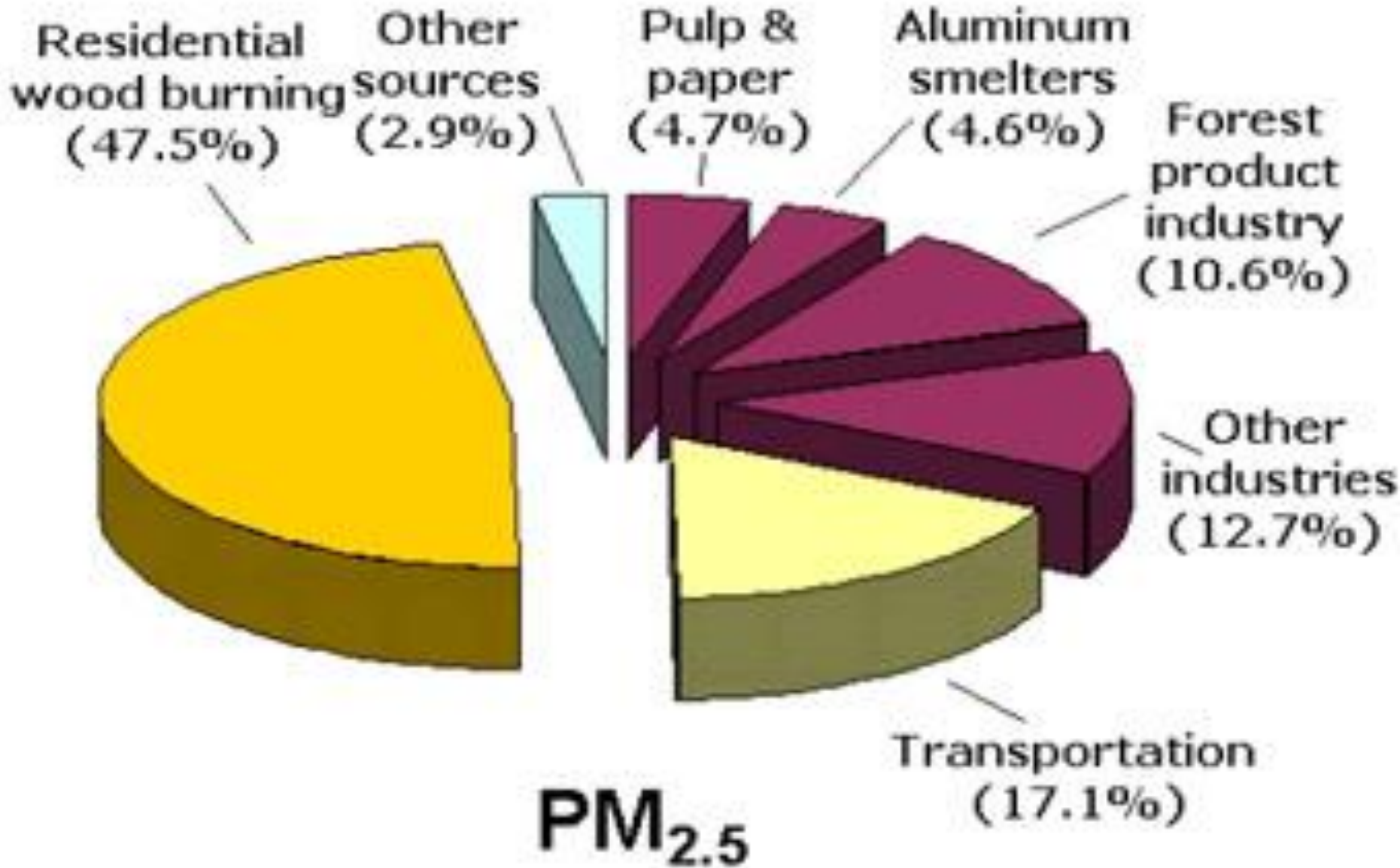
- Solid particles, 0.05 – 1.0 microns
- Incomplete combustion of fossil fuels

### Aerosol

- Liquid or solid aerosols, <1.0 micron.

# AIR POLLUTION

# PARTICULATES



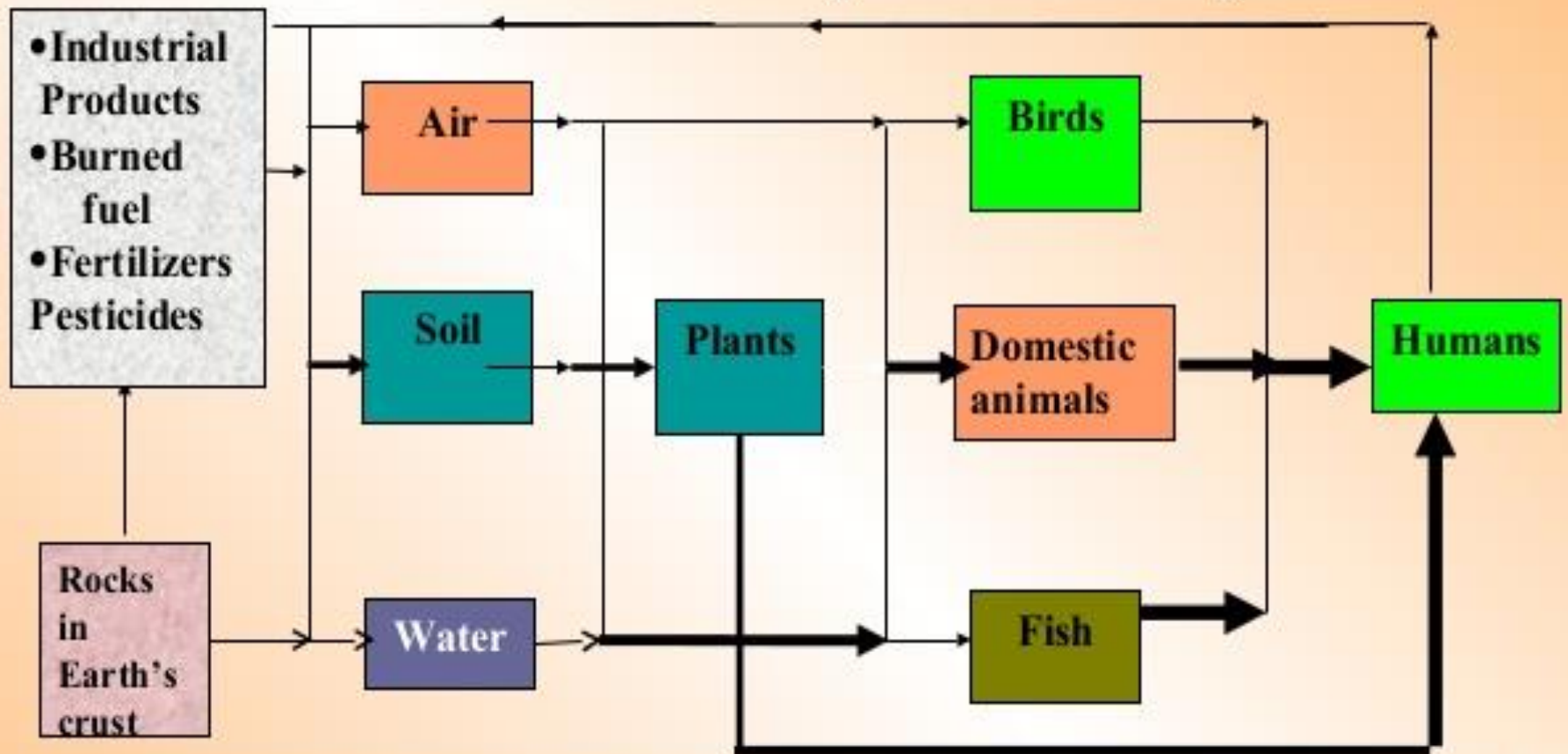
# AIR POLLUTION

## Toxic Metals

**TOXIC METALS,**  
such as lead and mercury,  
especially their compounds.



# Sources of heavy metals and their cycling in the soil-water-air organism ecosystem



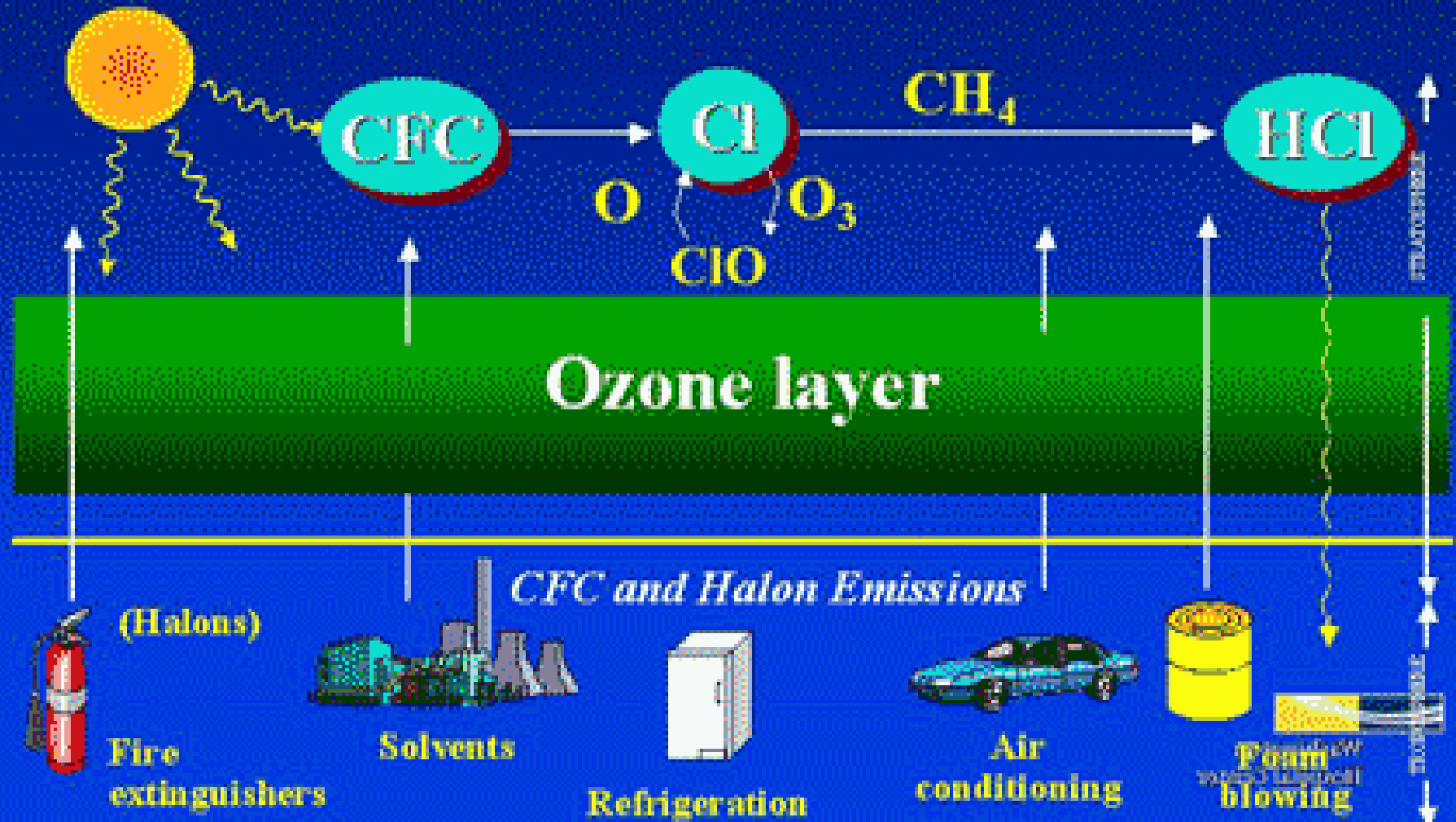
It should be noted that the content of metals in tissue generally builds up from left to right, indicating the vulnerability of humans to heavy metal toxicity

# **AIR POLLUTION**

## **Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)**

Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) harmful to the ozone layer; emitted from products are currently banned from use. These are gases which are released from air conditioners, refrigerators, aerosol sprays, etc. CFC's on being released into the air rises to stratosphere. Here they come in contact with other gases and damage the ozone layer. This allows harmful ultraviolet rays to reach the earth's surface. This can lead to skin cancer, disease to eye and can even cause damage to plants.

## Breakdown of CFCs



Ammonia ( $\text{NH}_3$ ) - emitted from agricultural processes. Ammonia is a compound with the formula  $\text{NH}_3$ . It is normally encountered as a gas with a characteristic pungent odor. Ammonia contributes significantly to the nutritional needs of terrestrial organisms by serving as a precursor to foodstuffs and fertilizers. Ammonia, either directly or indirectly, is also a building block for the synthesis of many pharmaceuticals. Although in wide use, ammonia is both caustic and hazardous. In the atmosphere, ammonia reacts with oxides of nitrogen and sulfur to form secondary particles.



# AIR POLLUTION

# AMMONIA ( $\text{NH}_3$ )

Industry

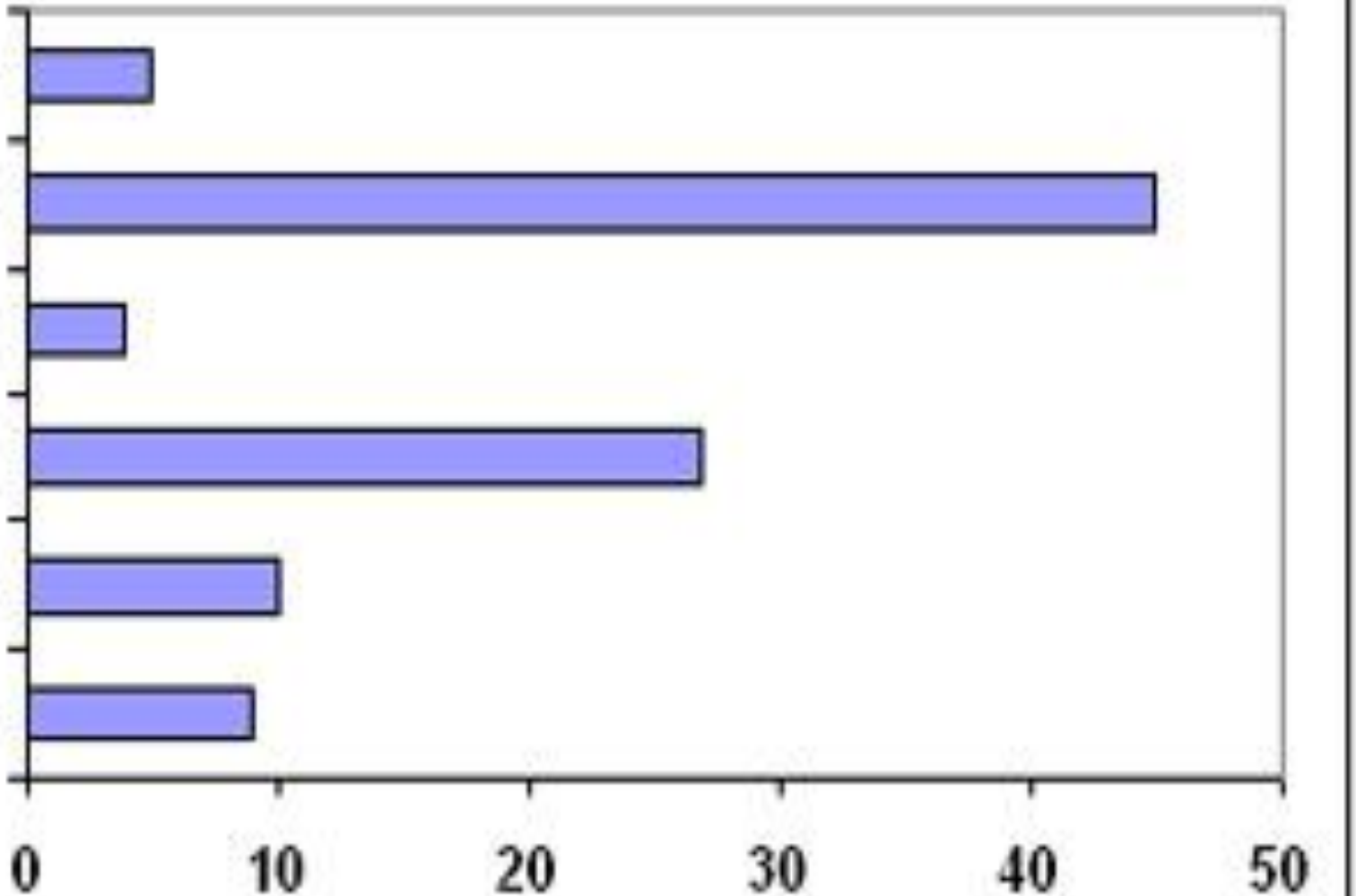
Cattle

Human

Poultry

Swine

Fert.



Odours — such as  
from garbage,  
sewage, and  
industrial processes

# Odour

## AIR POLLUTION

- Odours are caused by mixtures of chemicals that stimulate the nerves we smell with. An unpleasant, strong, long-lasting odour can be a severe nuisance, reducing our enjoyment of life.
- Sources of odour could include pulp and paper manufacturers, rendering plants, waste water treatment plants and intensive indoor animal farms (for example piggeries and poultry farms).
- There are no national guidelines.

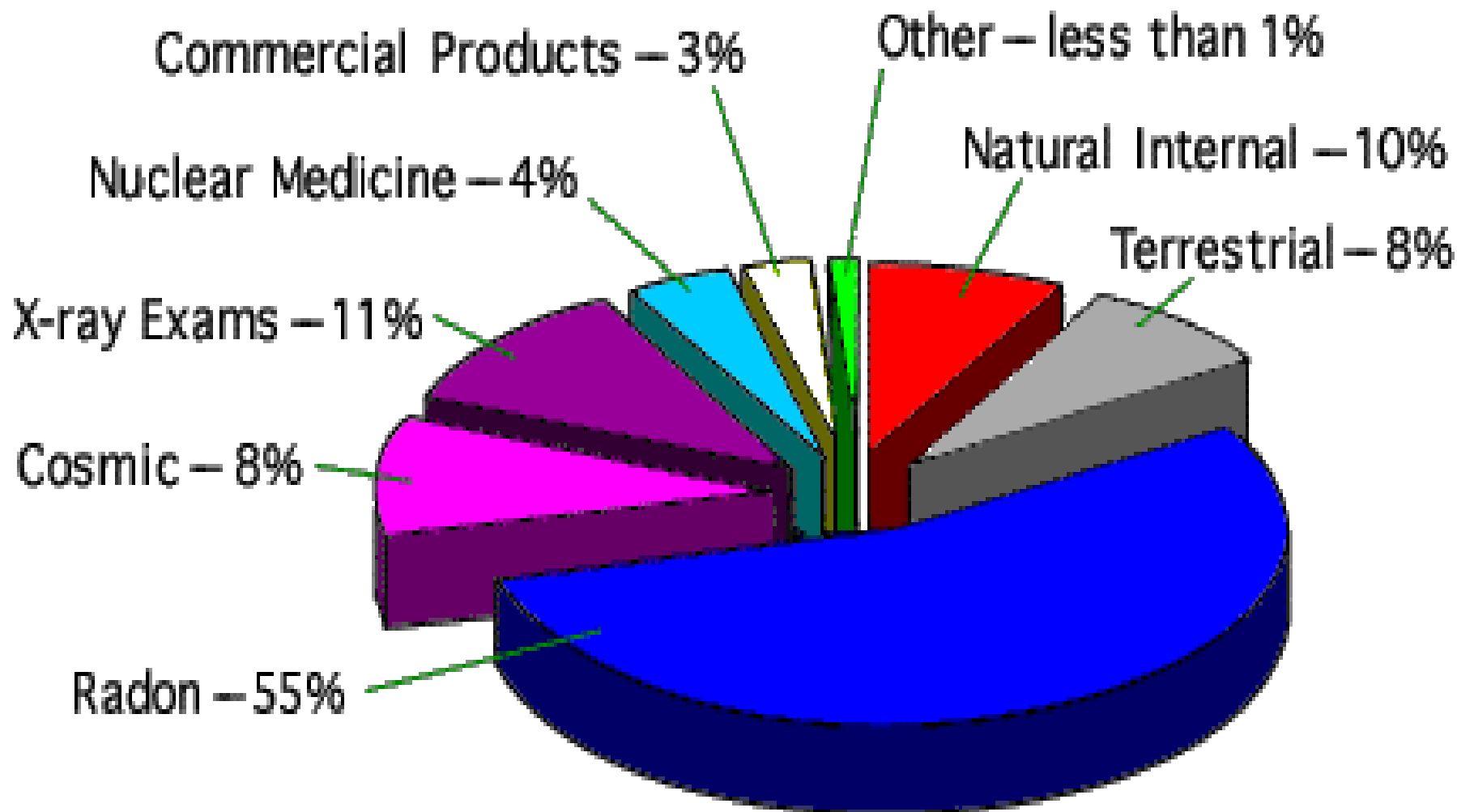
# RADIOACTIVE POLLUTANTS

## AIR POLLUTION

Radioactive pollutants - produced by nuclear explosions, nuclear events, war explosives, and natural processes such as the radioactive decay of radon.



# AIR POLLUTION



Sources of Radiation Exposure  
to an Average American

# AIR POLLUTION

# OZONE POLLUTION

The ozone layer found high in the upper atmosphere (the stratosphere) shields us from much of the sun's ultraviolet radiation. However, ozone air pollution at ground level where we can breathe it (in the troposphere) causes serious health problems.

**$\text{NO}_x + \text{VOC's} + \text{Sunlight}$   
= Ozone**



# AIR POLLUTION

# OZONE POLLUTION

Ozone formation

Sunlight



Oxygen ( $O_2$ ) +  
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) +  
Nitrogen Oxides ( $NO_x$ )



Ozone ( $O_3$ )



How  
do  
we  
pollute  
our

**BY**



**SMOKE**



**DUST**



**CHEMICALS**

Air  
Water  
Land  
Food  
Sea  
Space?

**BY**



**ACIDS**



**PARTICULATES**



**BIOLOGICAL**

**By**



**NUCLEAR**



**PLASTICS**



**NOISE**



Lung damage from air pollution is a risk faced by 1 out of 5 humans.

**2.4**  
**million**  
**people**  
die each year  
directly due to  
**Air Pollution.**



The average car  
releases 5 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>  
into the atmosphere  
every year.



## Air Pollution



Delhi and Kolkata  
are two of the three  
**most polluted**  
cities of the world.



# **AIR POLLUTION**



**SMOKE**

# AIR POLLUTION



DUST



# **AIR POLLUTION**



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