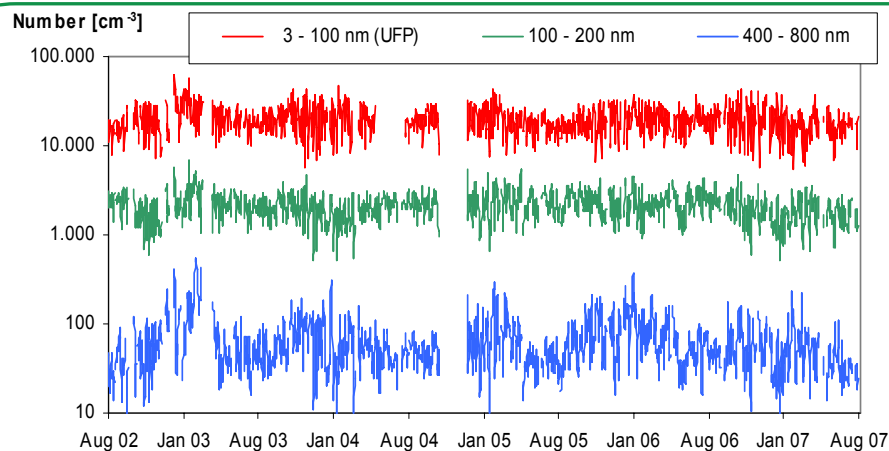




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## Five years particles number concentrations measurements in Dresden

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# Overview

## 1 Introduction

- Motivation
- Instrumentation
- Measuring site

## 2 Results

- Average
- Trend

## 3 Some effects on particles number

- Summer/winter differences
- Reduction on Sunday

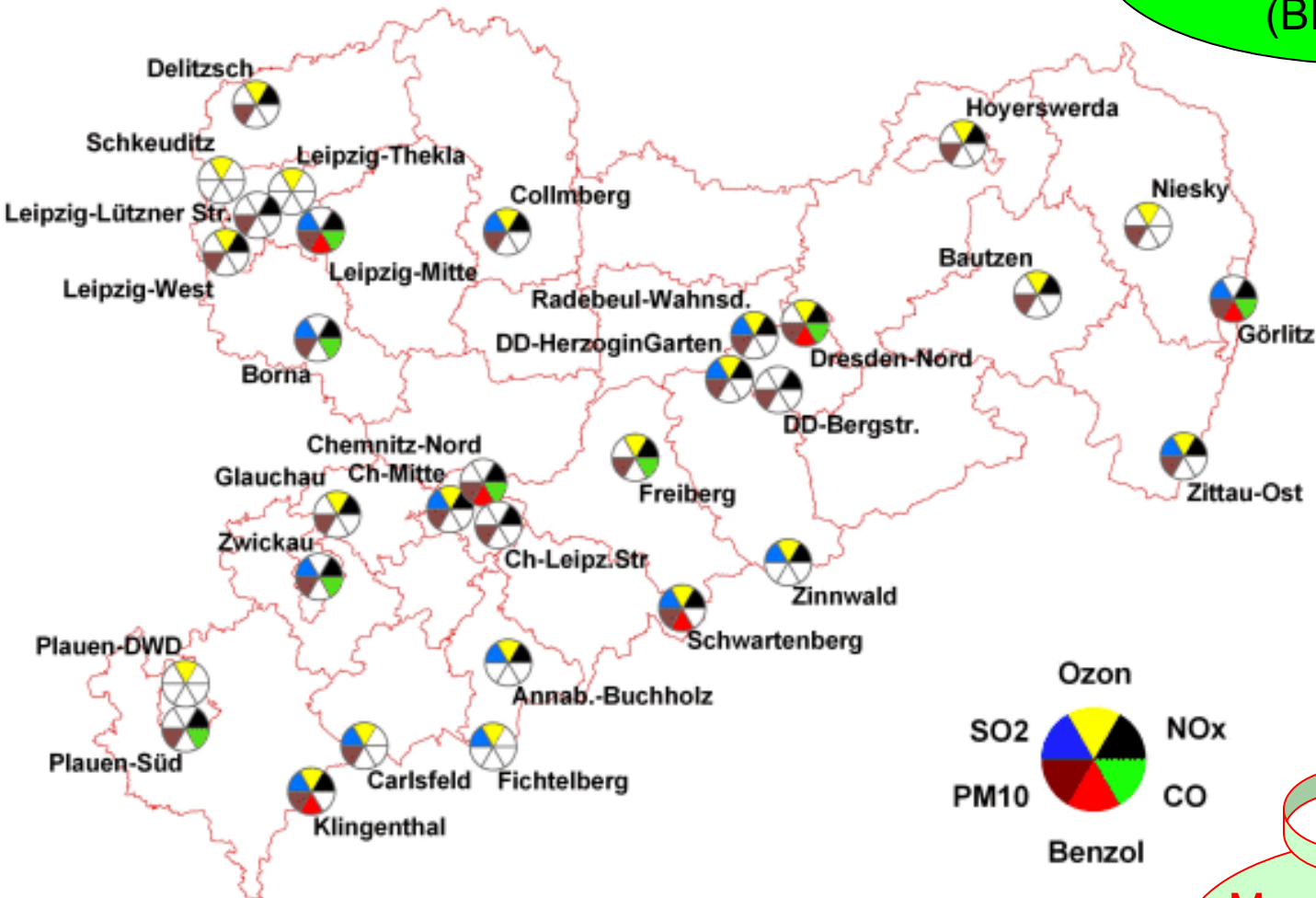
## 4 Summary



# LfUG - Monitoring and Assessment of Regional Air Quality

Air-quality Network in Saxony (Operated by UBG)

Measurements  
are based on laws  
(BImSchG)



**31 Measuring  
stations**

locations:

- urban streets (13 x)
- urban residential area (12 x)
- rural, hills (6 x)

Particles:

- 25 x PM<sub>10</sub>
- 6 x PM<sub>2.5</sub>
- **1 x Particles number**

Measurement is based  
on precaution

# Number of Particles in „Dresden-Nord“

## Particles number concentrations and Particles size distribution

- Particle diameter from 3 to 800 nm
- TDMPs (Twin Differential Mobility Particle Sizer)
- 2 DMA und 2 Condensation counters (TSI 3010 und 3025)
- Made by IfT Leipzig

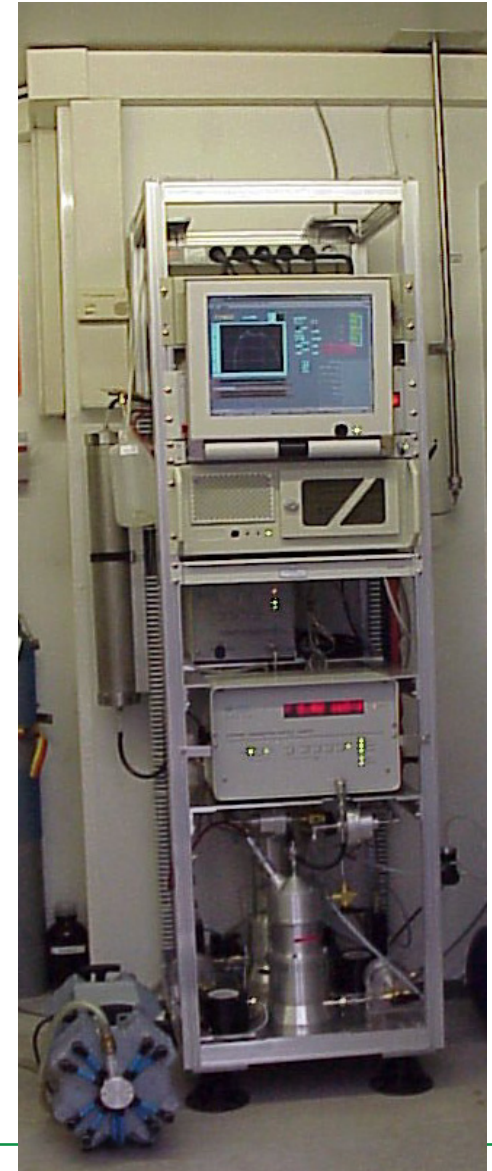
## Integration into the Air-quality Network of Saxony

### Reducing the measured data:

- 8 particles size classes
- ½-h-average values stored in database
- Particles size classes are verified and catalogued with all other pollutants

### Teamwork:

- **UBG Radebeul** (Operation)
- **IfT Leipzig** (repairs, quality assurance)
- **LfUG Dresden** (measuring concept, data interpretation)





# Measuring Station „Dresden-Nord“ (Schlesischer Platz)



Sampling point,  
50 m from busy  
crossing  
~ 50.000 vehicles/d,  
~ 5 % heavy traffic



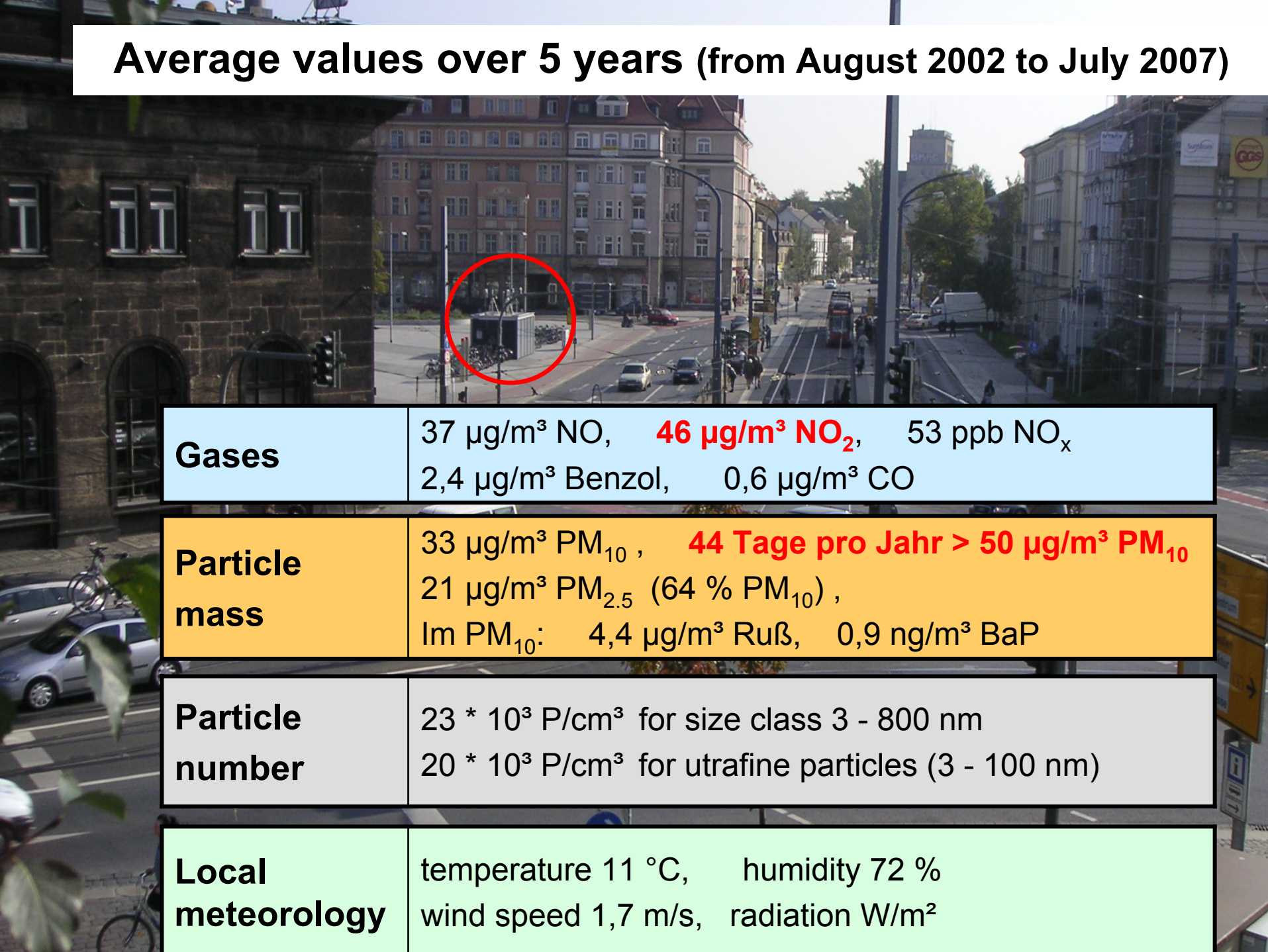
# Measuring Station „Dresden-Nord“



Measuring station  
~ 5 m from a road  
with little traffic  
~6.500 vehicles/d  
~6 % heavy traffic



# Average values over 5 years (from August 2002 to July 2007)



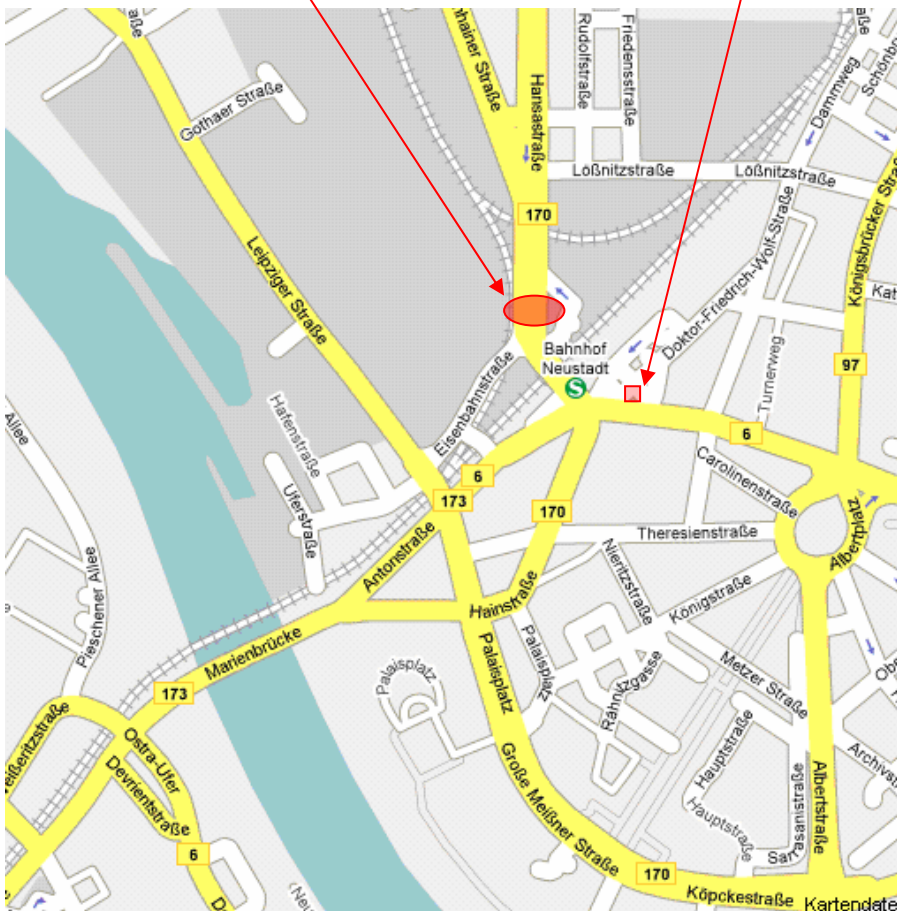
|                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Gases</b>             | 37 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ NO, <b>46 <math>\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3</math> NO<sub>2</sub></b> , 53 ppb NO <sub>x</sub><br>2,4 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Benzol, 0,6 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ CO                                                                                                       |
| <b>Particle mass</b>     | 33 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ PM <sub>10</sub> , <b>44 Tage pro Jahr &gt; 50 <math>\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3</math> PM<sub>10</sub></b><br>21 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ PM <sub>2.5</sub> (64 % PM <sub>10</sub> ) ,<br>Im PM <sub>10</sub> : 4,4 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Ruß, 0,9 ng/m <sup>3</sup> BaP |
| <b>Particle number</b>   | 23 * 10 <sup>3</sup> P/cm <sup>3</sup> for size class 3 - 800 nm<br>20 * 10 <sup>3</sup> P/cm <sup>3</sup> for ultrafine particles (3 - 100 nm)                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Local meteorology</b> | temperature 11 °C, humidity 72 %<br>wind speed 1,7 m/s, radiation W/m <sup>2</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

# Vehicle Counting Point (from August 2004 to July 2007)

Counting point

Measuring station

A 4



Trend:

- Decrease in number of vehicles
- Increase of vehicles with diesel engine (registration)

Car

Number of vehicles per Day

Lorry

50.000

40.000

30.000

20.000

10.000

0

2.500

2.000

1.500

1.000

500

0

Car  
Lorry

1

2

3

4

5

8/02-7/03

8/03-7/04

8/04-7/05

8/05-7/06

8/06-7/07



# Number concentration of Particles over 5 years

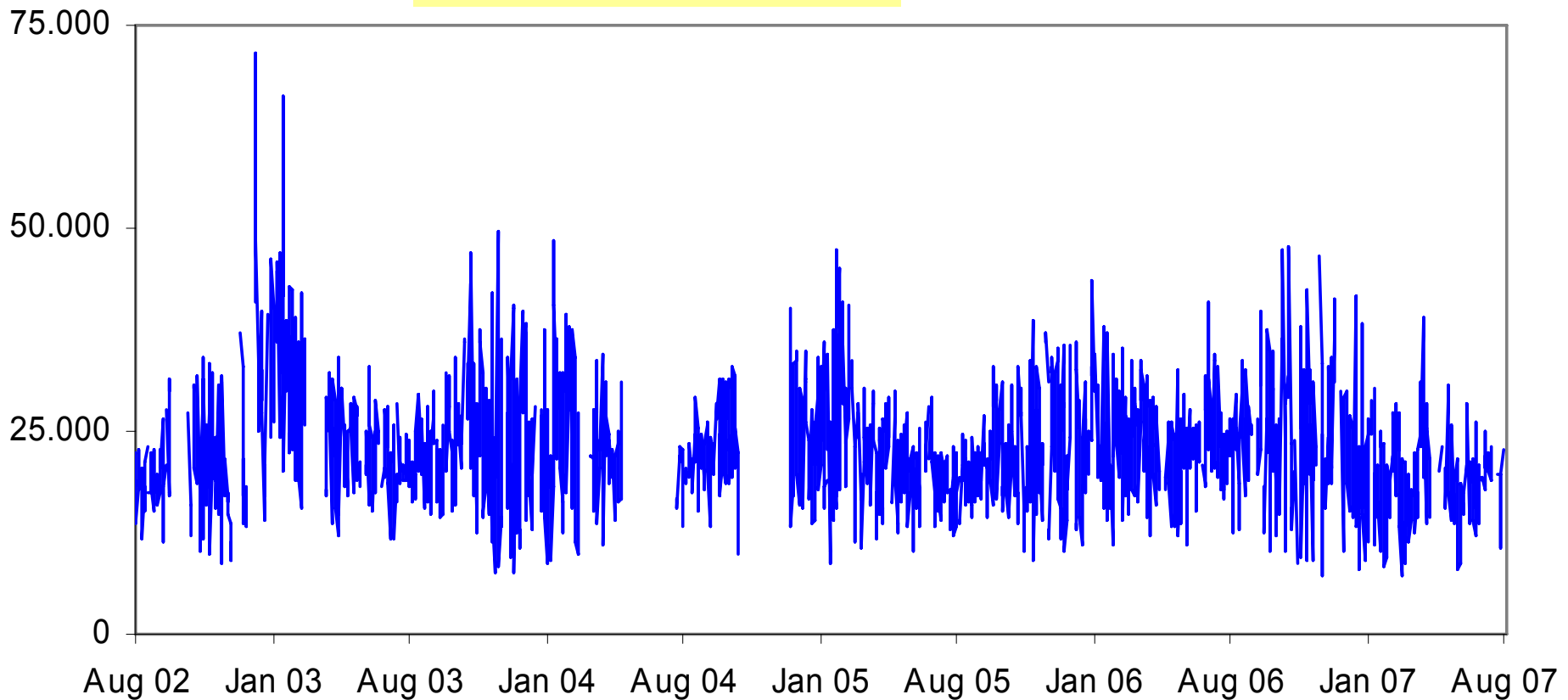
Number [ $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ]

## Daily averages

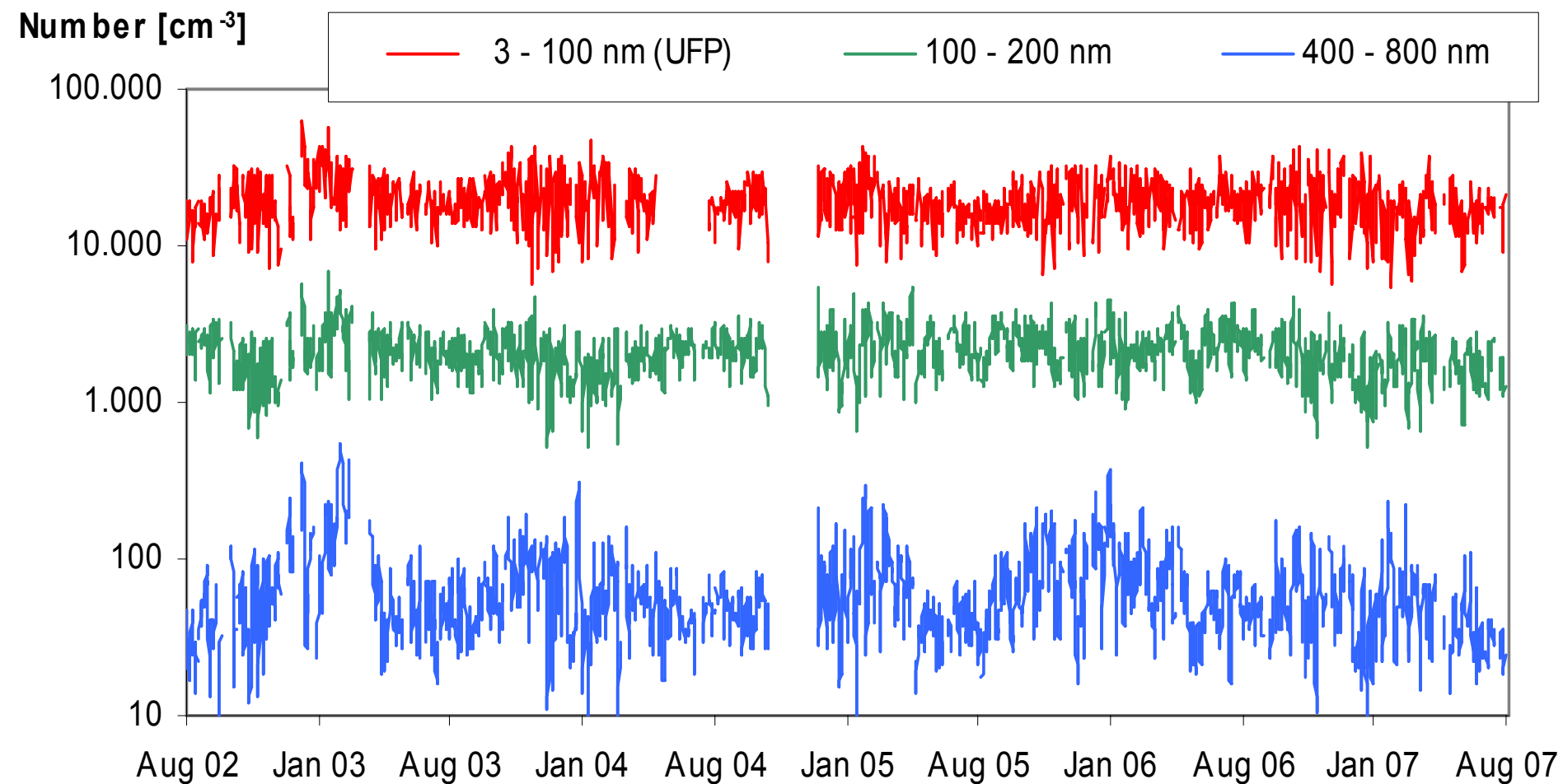
- Particle size 3 – 800 nm
- Data capture 80 %
- from 7.300 to 71.000  $\text{cm}^{-3}$

## ½-h-average values

from 1.900 to 190.000  $\text{cm}^{-3}$



# Daily Averages of 3 Particles size Classes

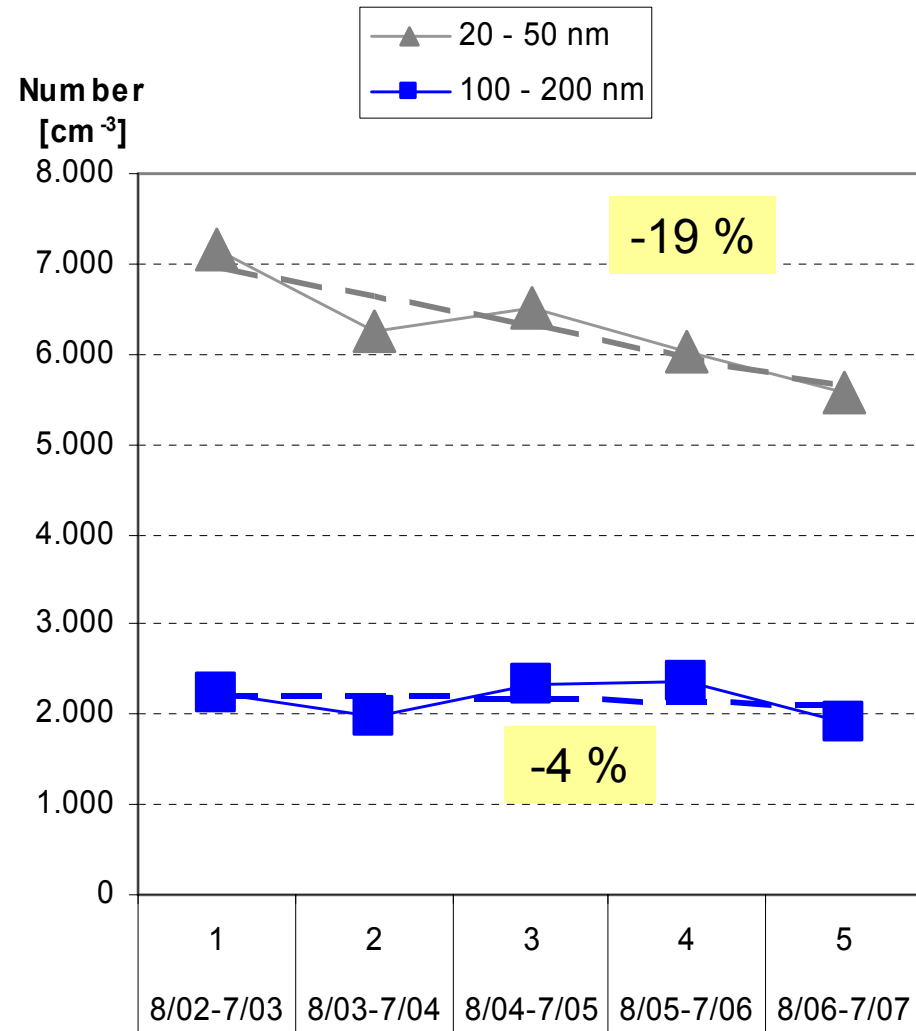
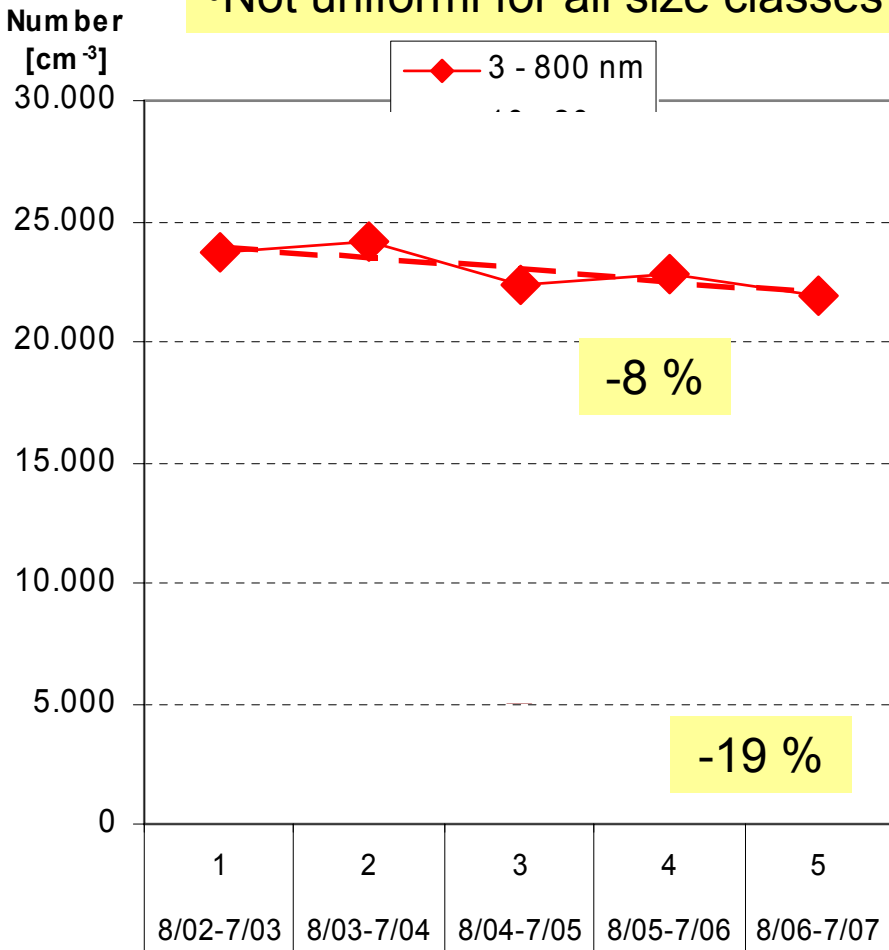


• 87 % of all particles are ultrafine particles (3 - 100 nm)



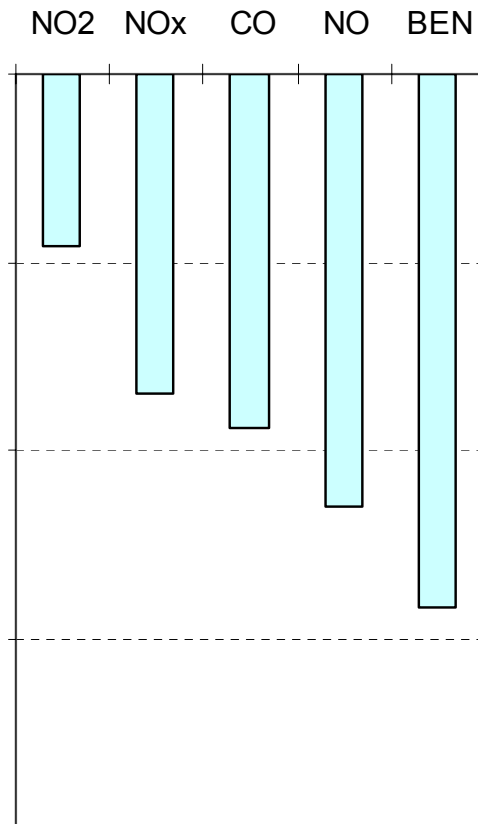
# Trend over 5 years – Particles number concentrations

- Decrease in number of vehicles
- Decrease in number of particles
- Not uniform for all size classes

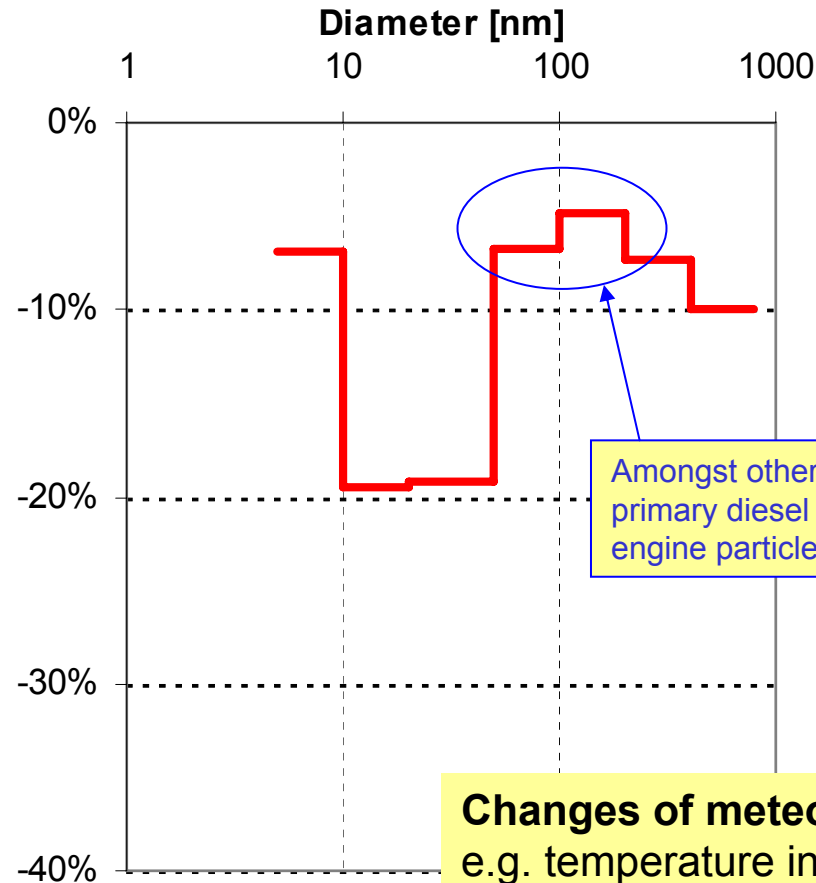


# Relative Change over 5 years (Results from regression analysis)

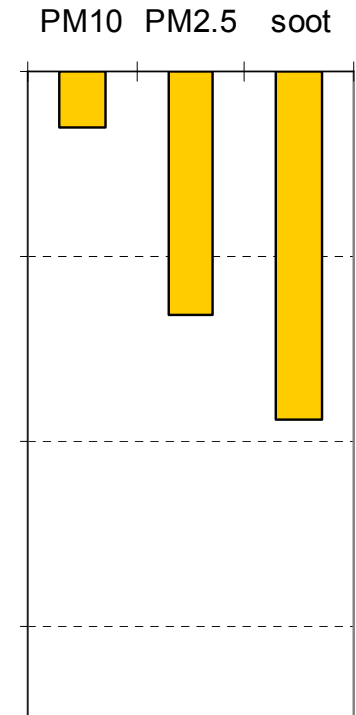
## Gases



## Particles number



## Particles mass

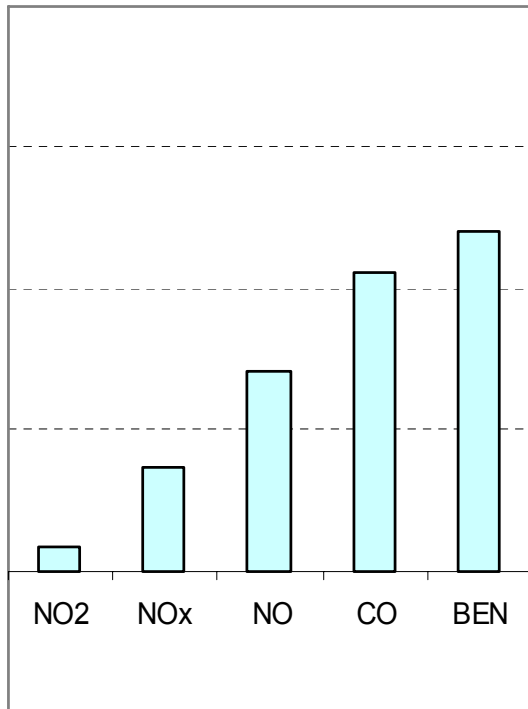


**Changes of meteorology:**  
e.g. temperature increase of +1,9 °C

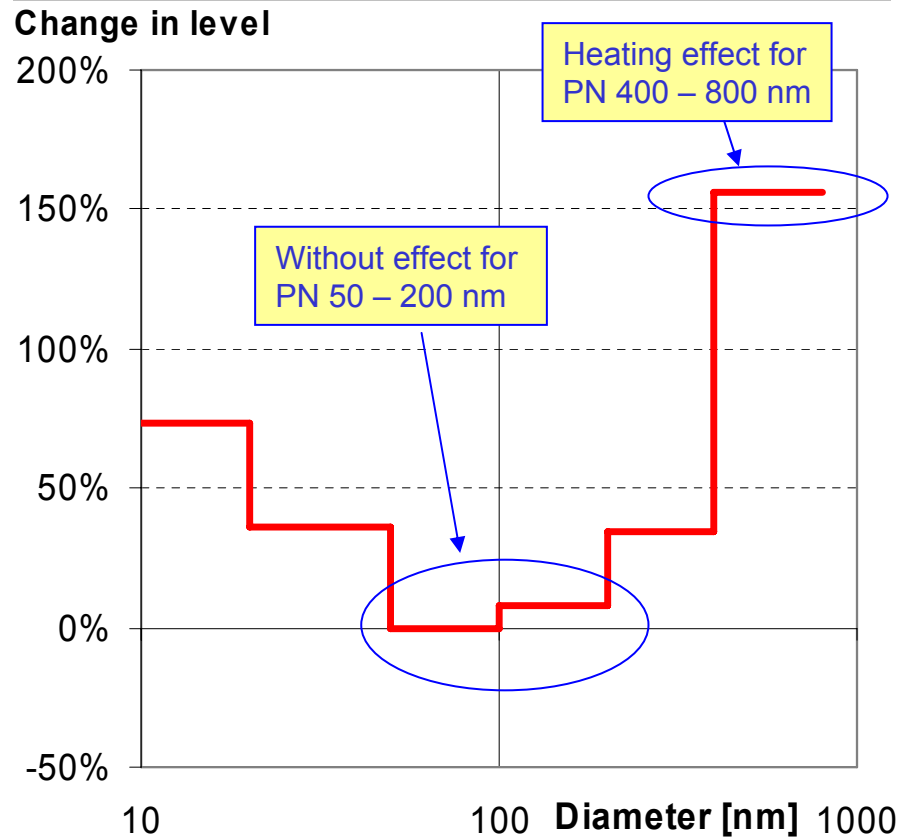
Change in level

# Change: warm months ( $t > 20^\circ\text{C}$ , $n=7$ ) $\rightarrow$ cold months ( $t < 0^\circ\text{C}$ , $n=9$ )

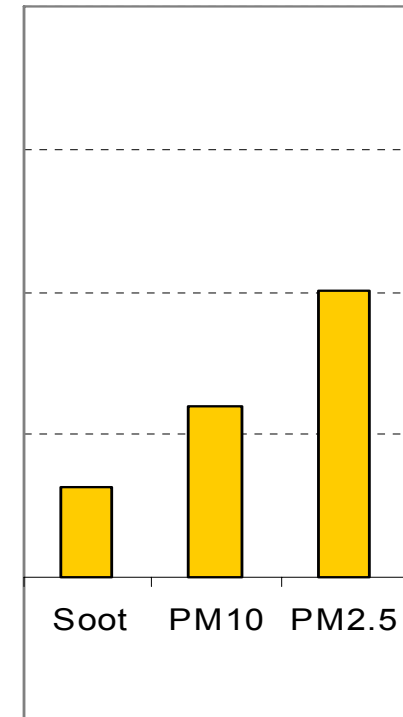
## Gases



## Particles number



## Particles mass



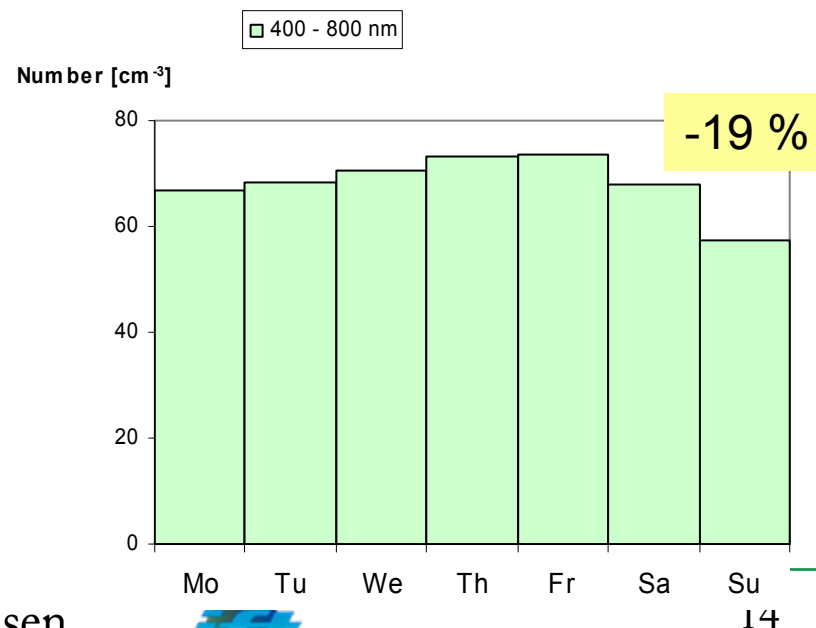
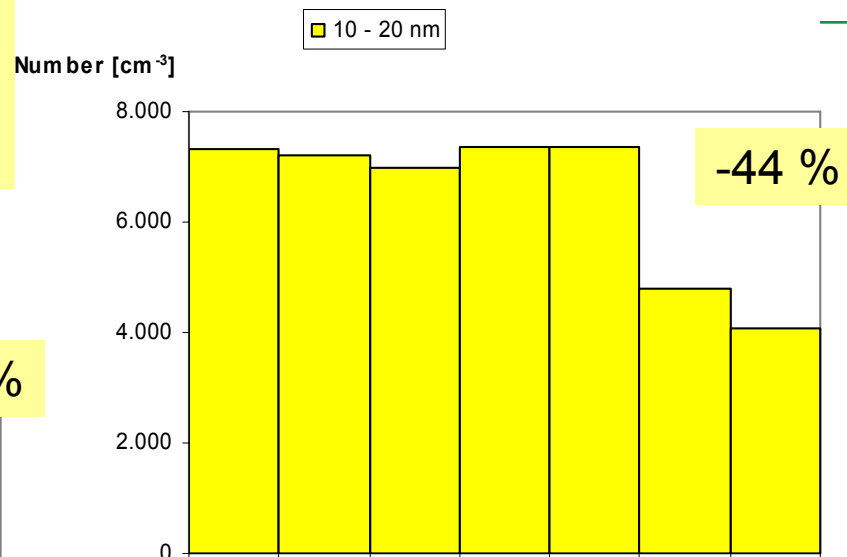
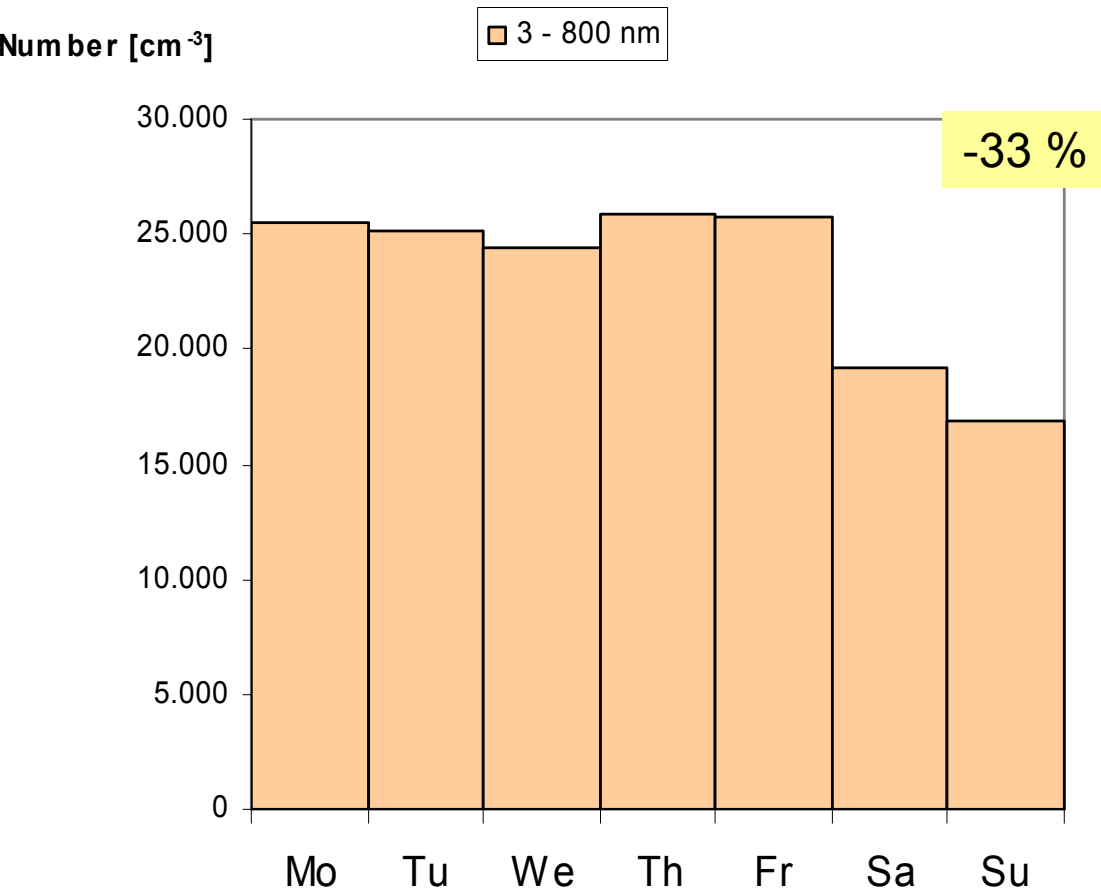
## Causes

- a) increased heater emissions
- b) more inversions
- c) increase imported particles due to high-pressured weather with wind from the east



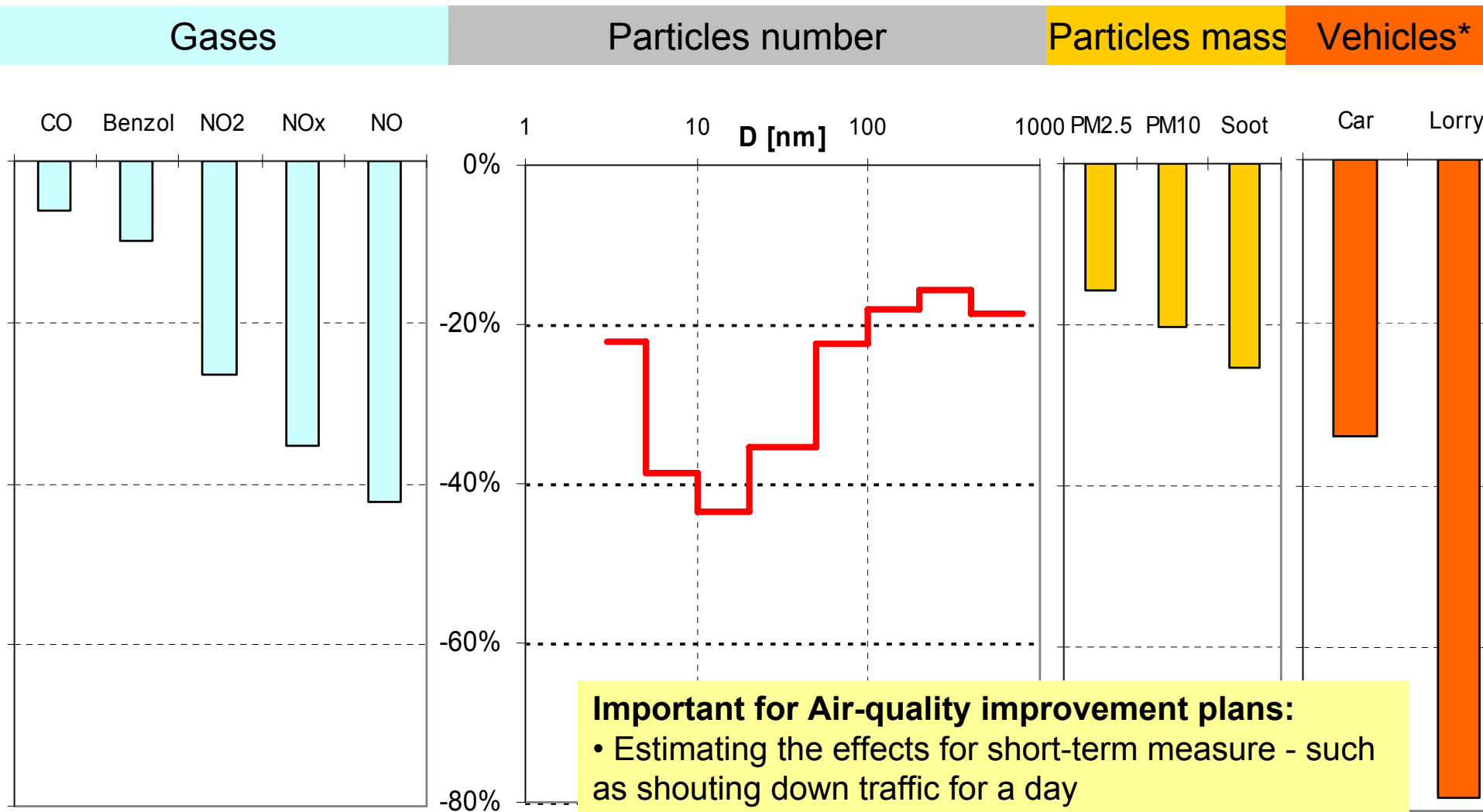
# Average weekly Course over 5 years

Reduction on Saturday due to reduction of anthropogenic emissions.  
Nature doesn't know a Sunday from a Monday!



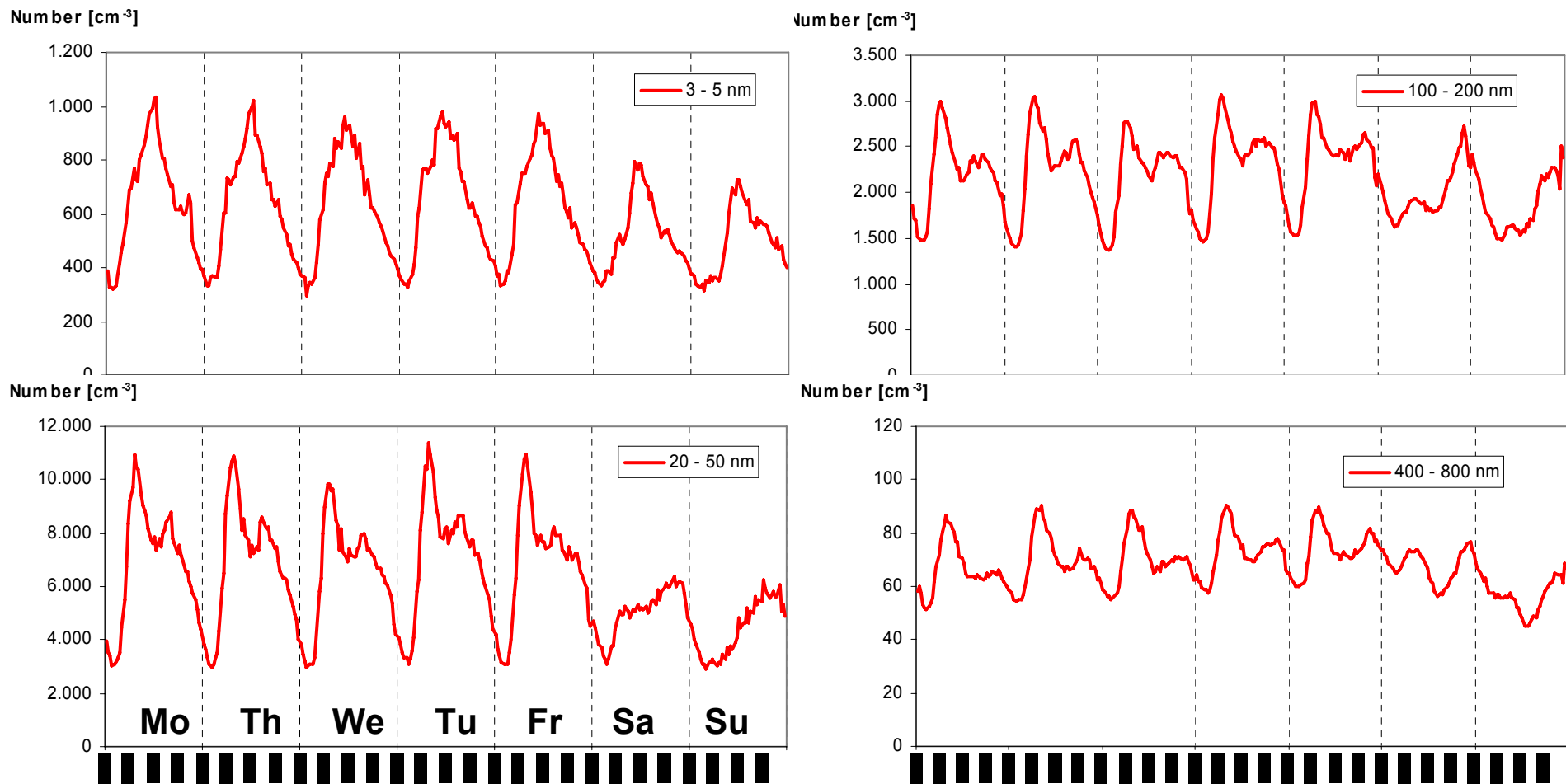
# Average Reduction on Sundays over 5 years

in comparison to the average from Mondays to Fridays



\* 08/2004-07/2007

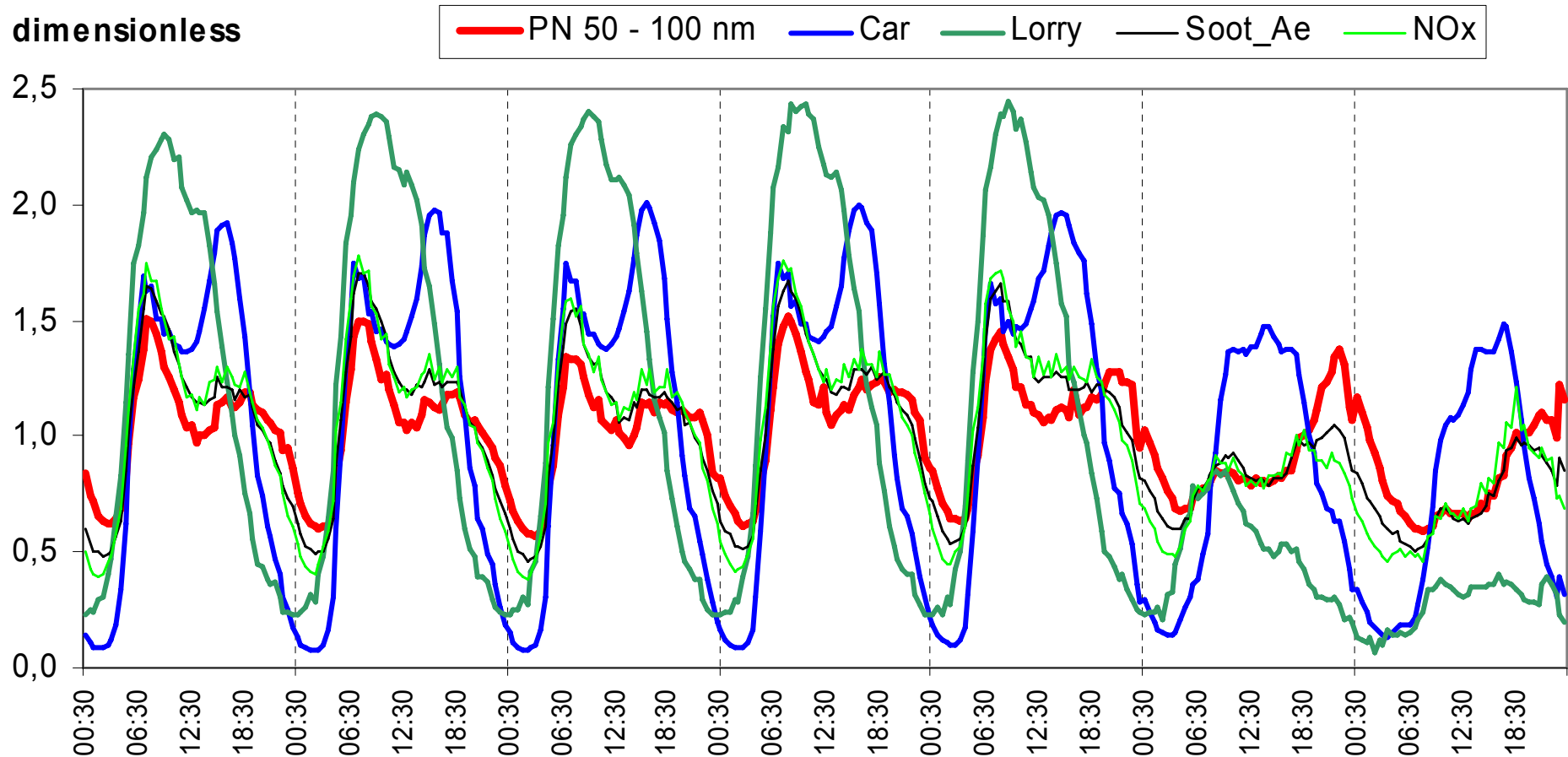
# Average weekly Course over 5 years with high Time Resolution



- Different shape for every size class
- The same shape for a class from Monday to Friday, but a different one for the weekend

# Standardized\* average weekly course over 5 years

dimensionless



- Extensive evaluation is possible, for example analysing pollutant statistics as well as air chemistry and physics

\* According to average values



# Summary, Outlook – Particles number measurements

- + The study is carried out independently for precautionary health principles.
- + 5 years of experience, data capture 80 %
- + Particles number concentration in 8 sizes from 3 to 800 nm
- + need for **a mobile aerosol standard** to further improve further QA/QC
- + Expensive evaluations:
  - \* analysing **polluter** according particle size
  - \* **epidemiological studies** should use the data
    - Is there a health impact or not?



**Thank you!**

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