

Modeling Committee Update

OTC Fall Meeting
2013

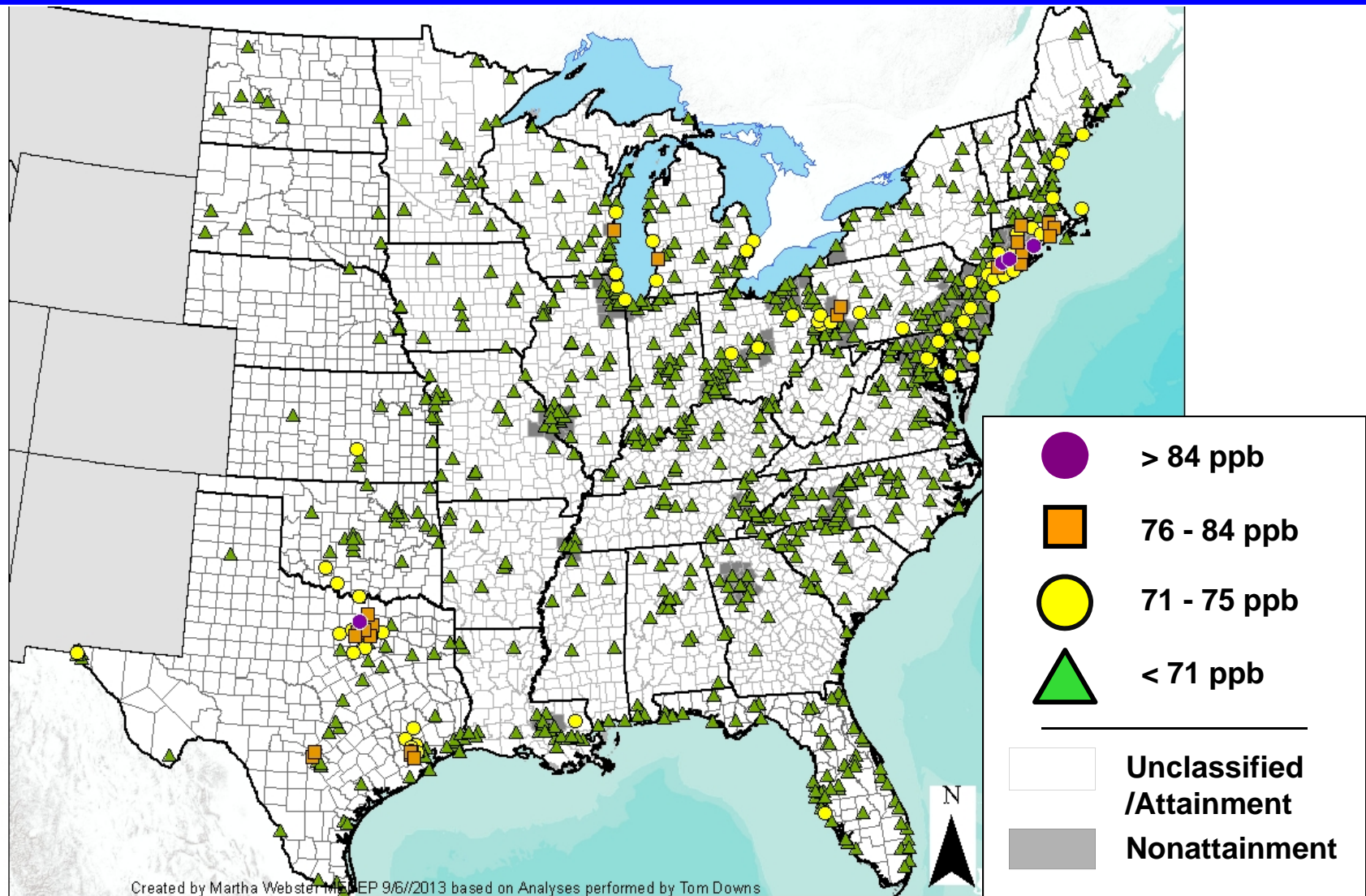
November 14th, 2013
Washington, D.C.



Overview

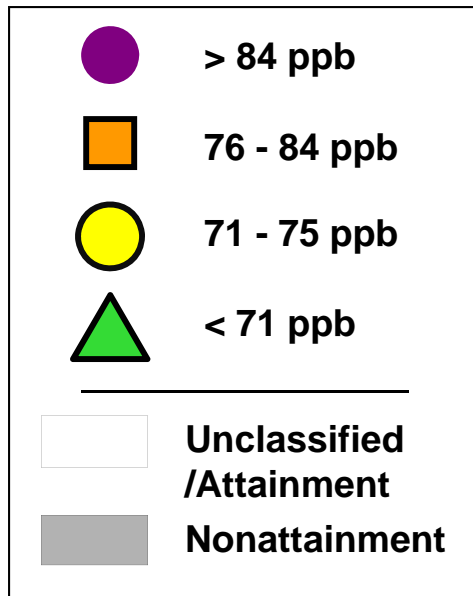
1. 2013 Ozone Season
2. Level 3B Screening Runs
3. Planning for Future Work

Preliminary 2013 Ozone 4th Highest 8-hr Value

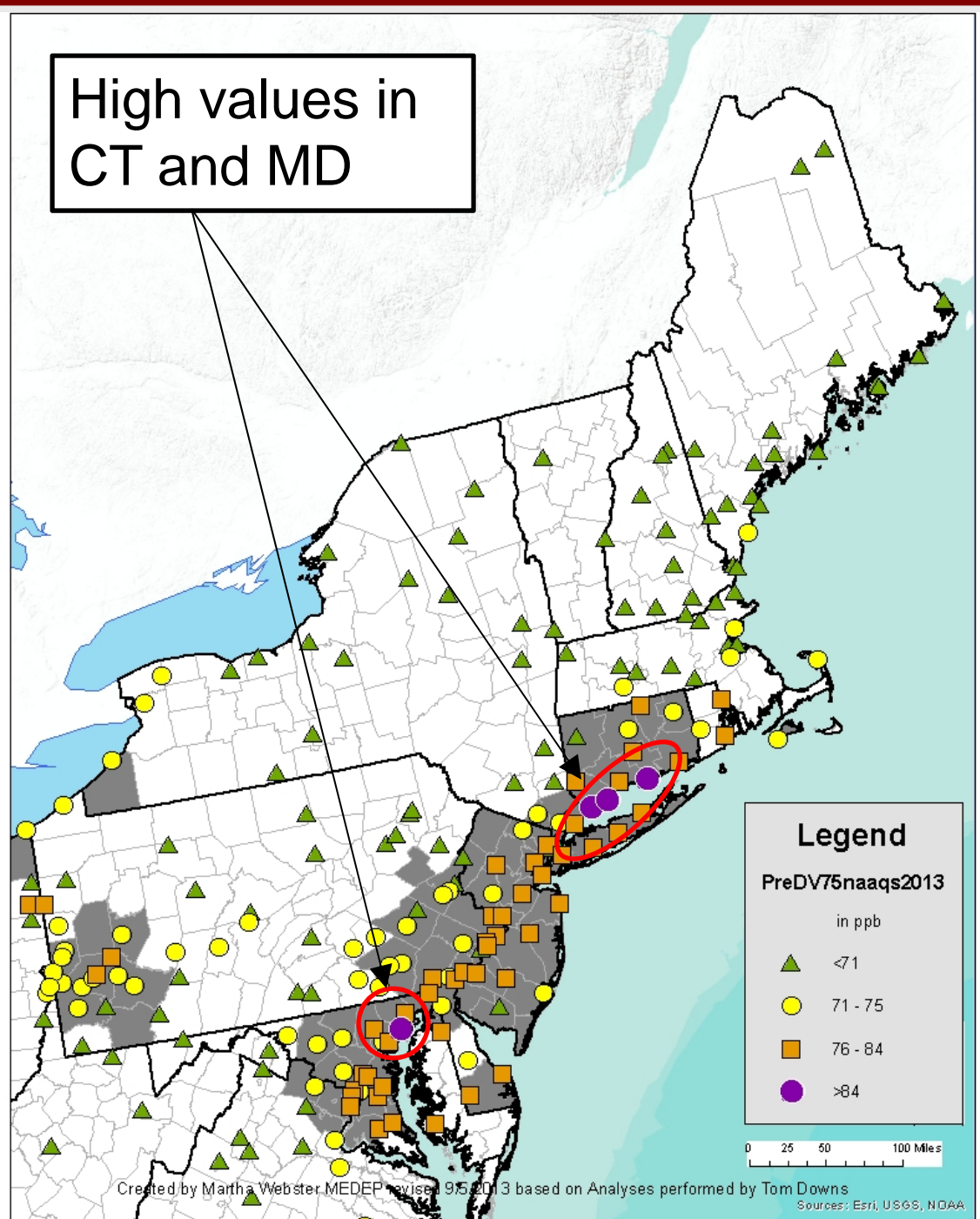


Preliminary 2013 Ozone

Design Values



3-Year average of the 4th high concentration for 2011, 2012, 2013

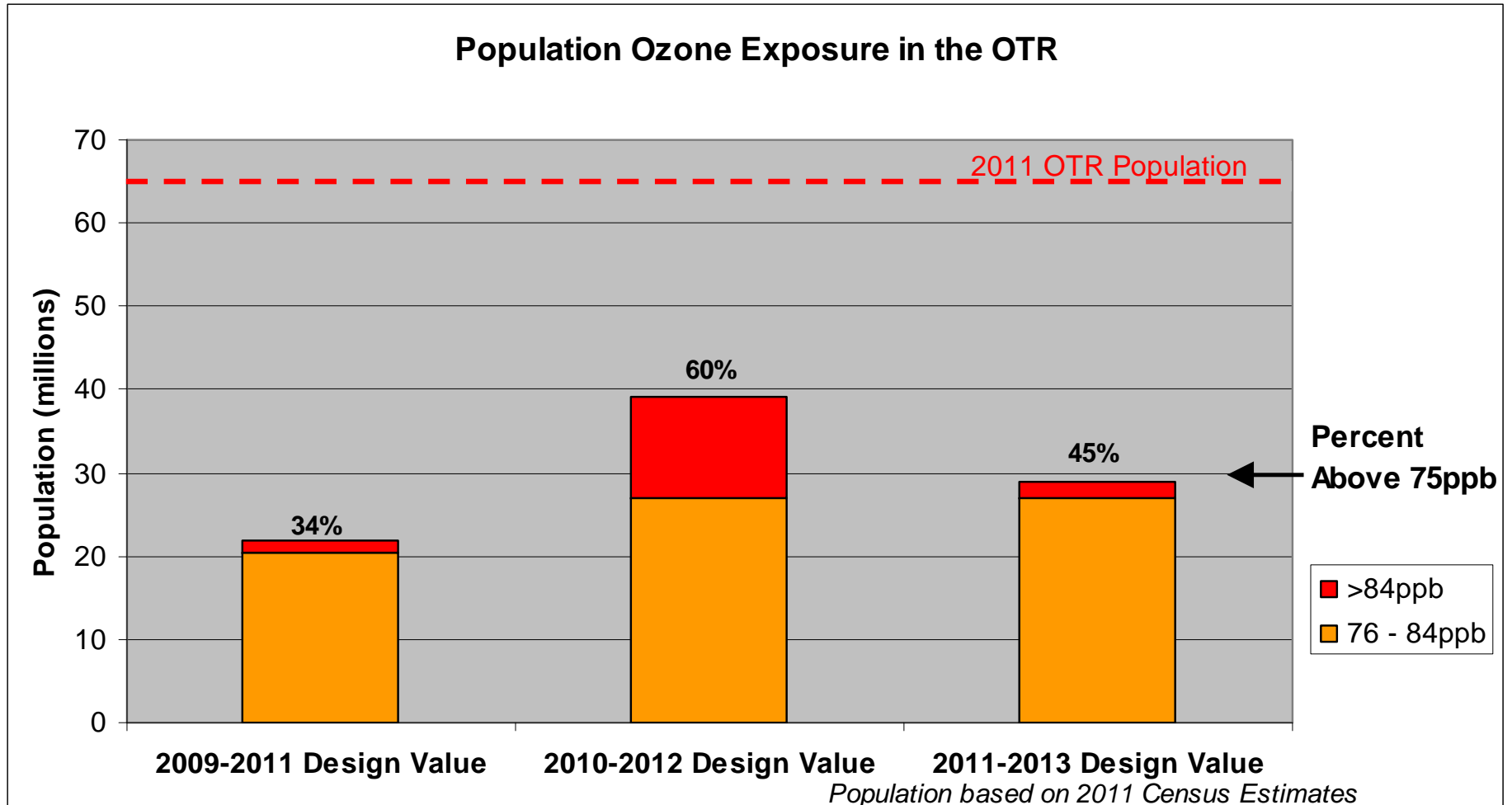


Ozone Maximum by State

State	2013 4 th High	2011- 13 DV	State	2013 4 th High	2011- 13 DV
CT	90	89	NJ	74	84
DE	72	77	NY	78	81
DC	66	79	PA	78	80
ME	76	75	RI	79	78
MD	72	85	VT	62	63
MA	78	74	VA (OTR)	67	79
NH	69	69			

2013 Preliminary Data

Ozone Population Exposure



Level 3B Screening Runs

1. ICI Boiler Adjustments
2. Oil and Gas
3. ERTAC

Level 3B Modeling Runs

1. Updated 2020 Base Case

- ERTAC EGU Emissions
- Oil & Gas Estimate
- ICI Boiler Projections

2. 2018 Base Case

- 2018 ERTAC EGU Emissions
- Oil & Gas Estimate
- Interpolation for Other Sectors

ICI Boiler Emissions Adjustments

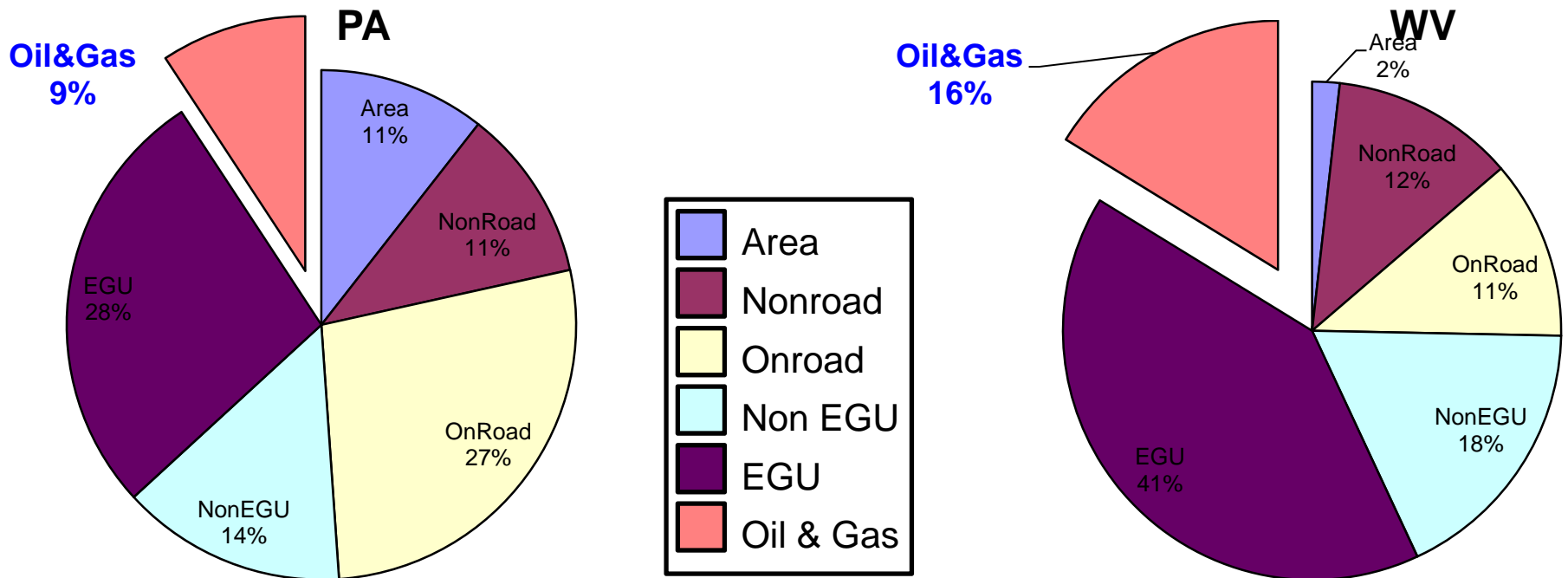
- Significant changes in the ICI sector from
 - Pressures of compliance with boiler MACT
 - Low costs of natural gas
- Developed emission adjustments for the ICI sector
- Resulted in the following percent reduction from the 2020 base case emissions in the OTC modeling domain:

	ICI Unit Emissions	Δ ICI % of Total Emissions
NO _x	52%	2.3%
SO ₂	76%	13.8%
Direct PM _{2.5}	82%	3.5%

Oil and Gas Inventory

- 2011 NEI emissions applied for 2018 & 2020 base case projections
- States need to improve future year projections

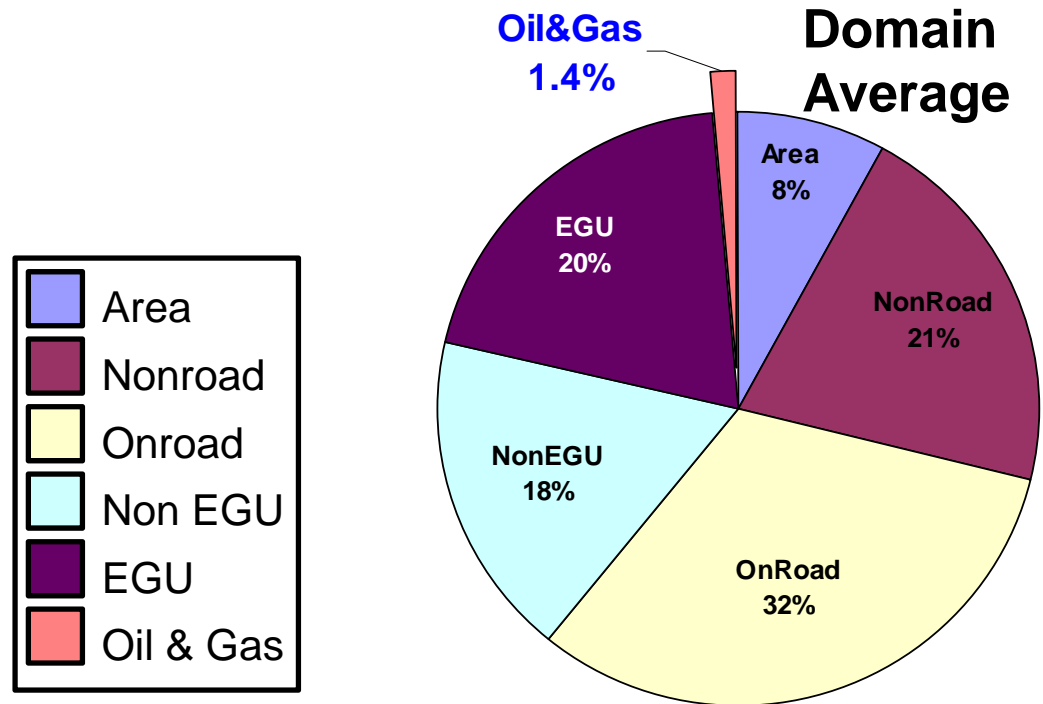
Base NO_x Emission Inventories



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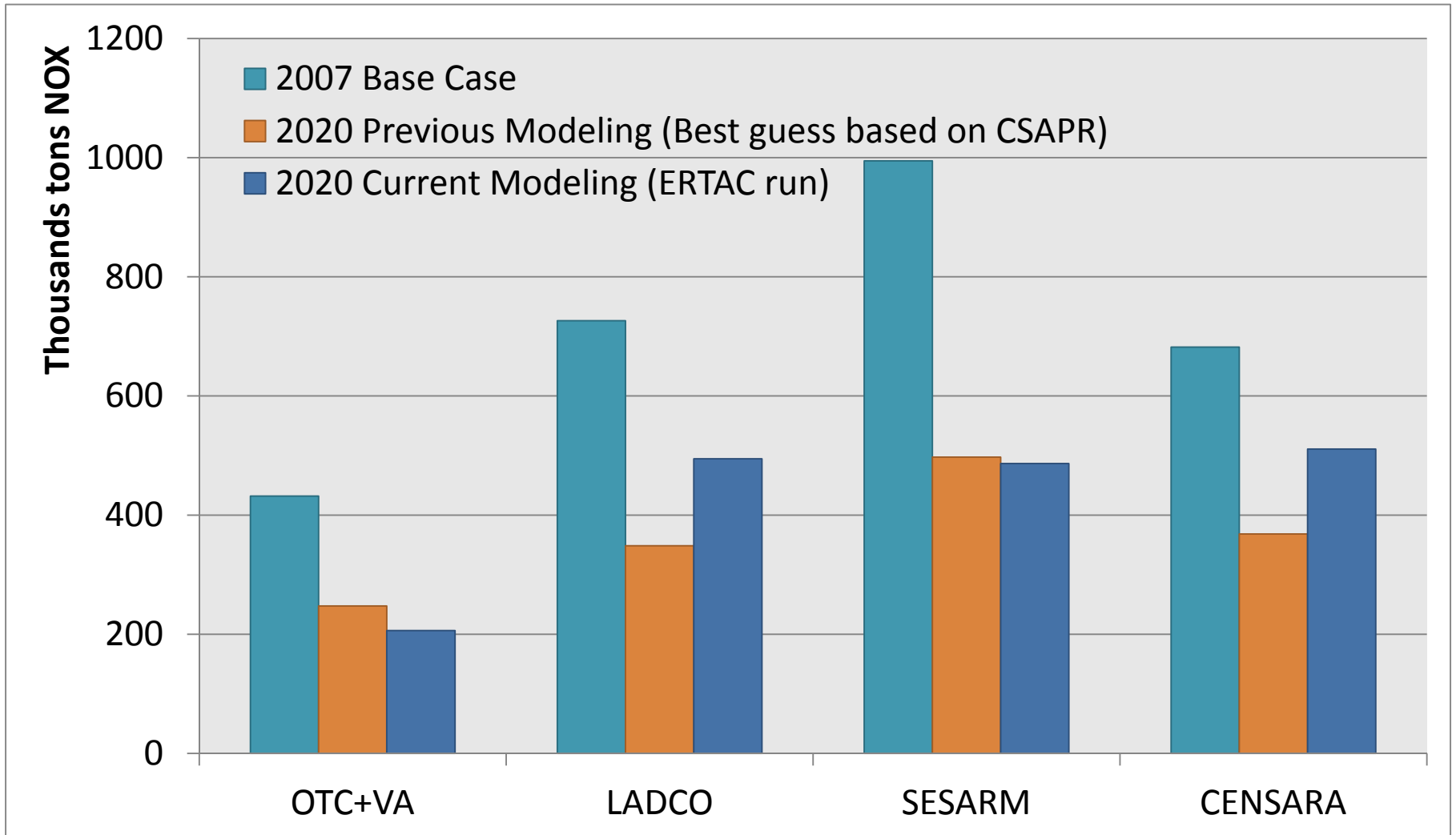
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Estimates of 2020 Annual EGU NO_x



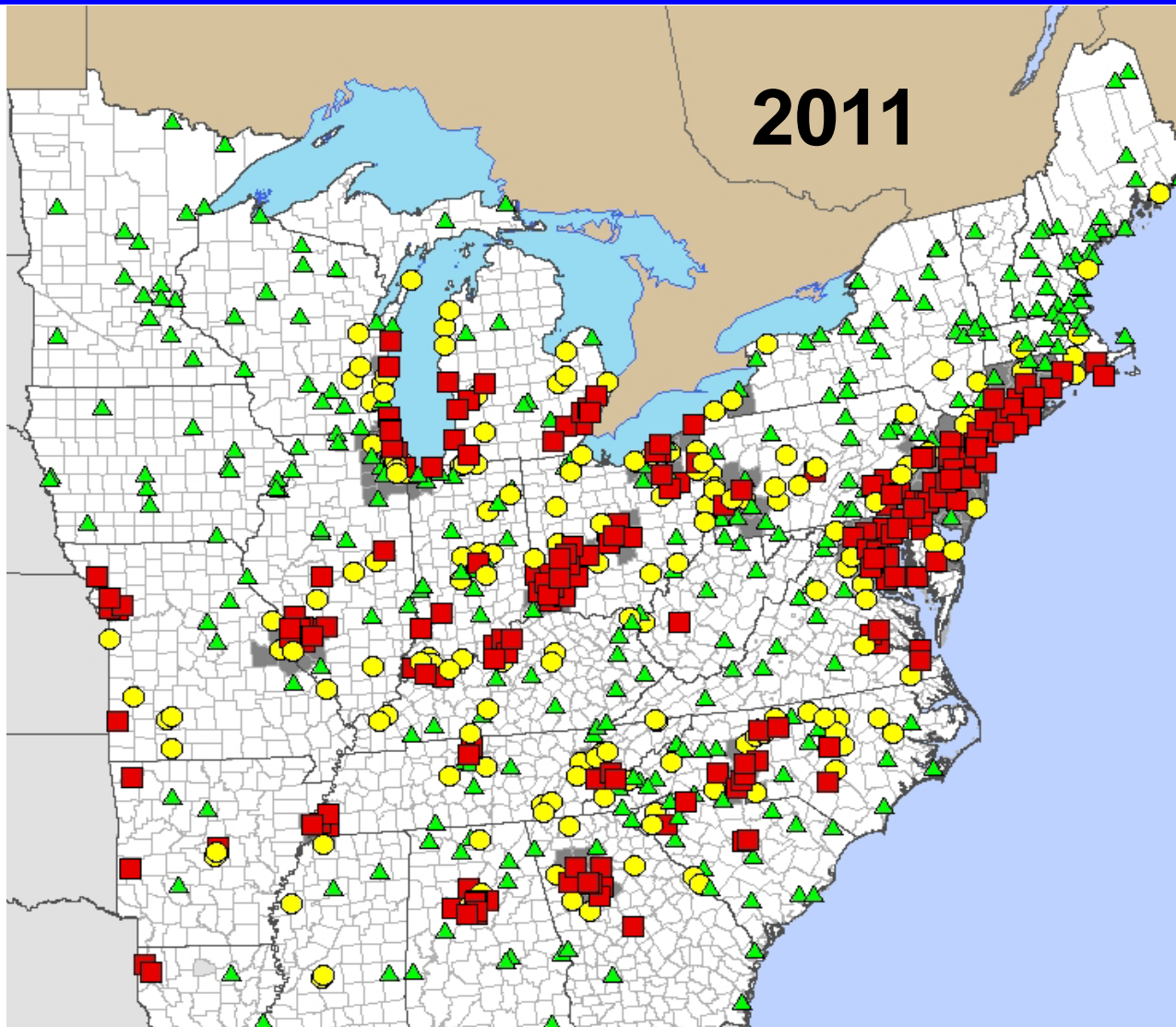
Building the Next Generation Modeling Platform

- New ozone NAAQS and next regional haze SIPs will require an Updated modeling platform
- Building a new modeling platform is a major commitment
- The OTC Modeling Committee will work collaboratively with other regions and EPA in order to:
 - Share expertise
 - Reduce redundancy / expenses

Inter-Regional Technical Coordination

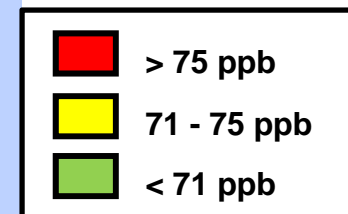
- Planning and Building of the
“Next Modeling Platform”
- Coordination with other regions, states, and EPA
 - Sharing ideas and data
 - Analysis of data
- Goals
 - Commonality of modeling data where ever possible
 - Modeling domain
 - Meteorology
 - Emission inventories
- Status
 - Come to agreement on a few first steps
 - Reviewing EPA meteorological data as a cost saving measure

2011 4th Maximum Ozone

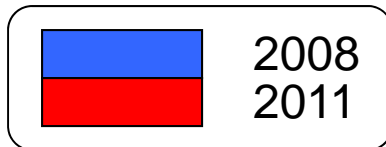
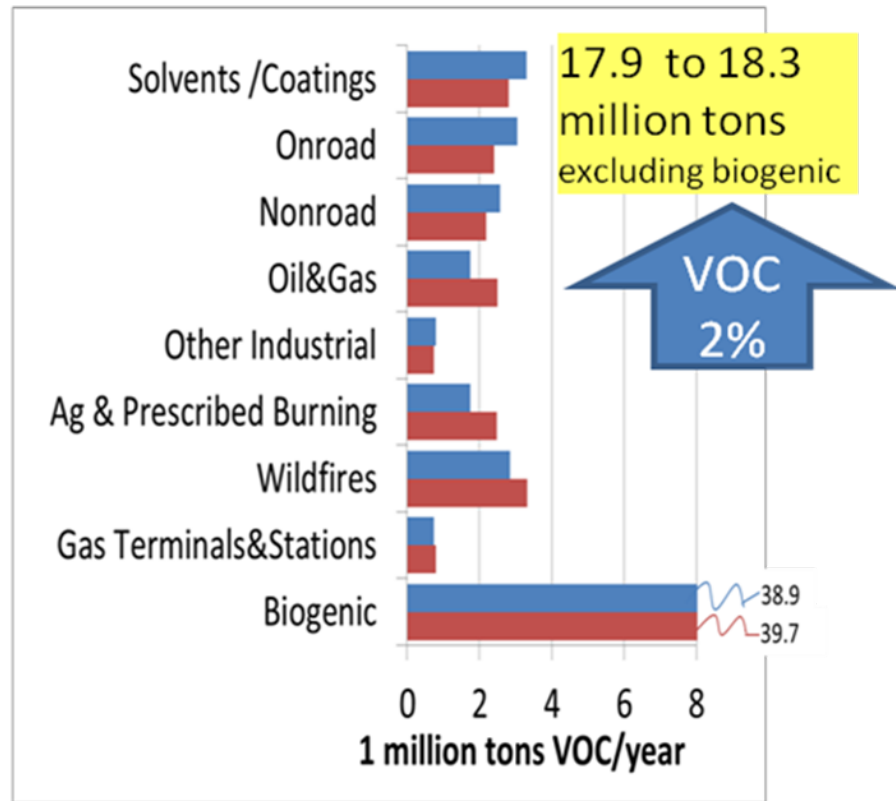
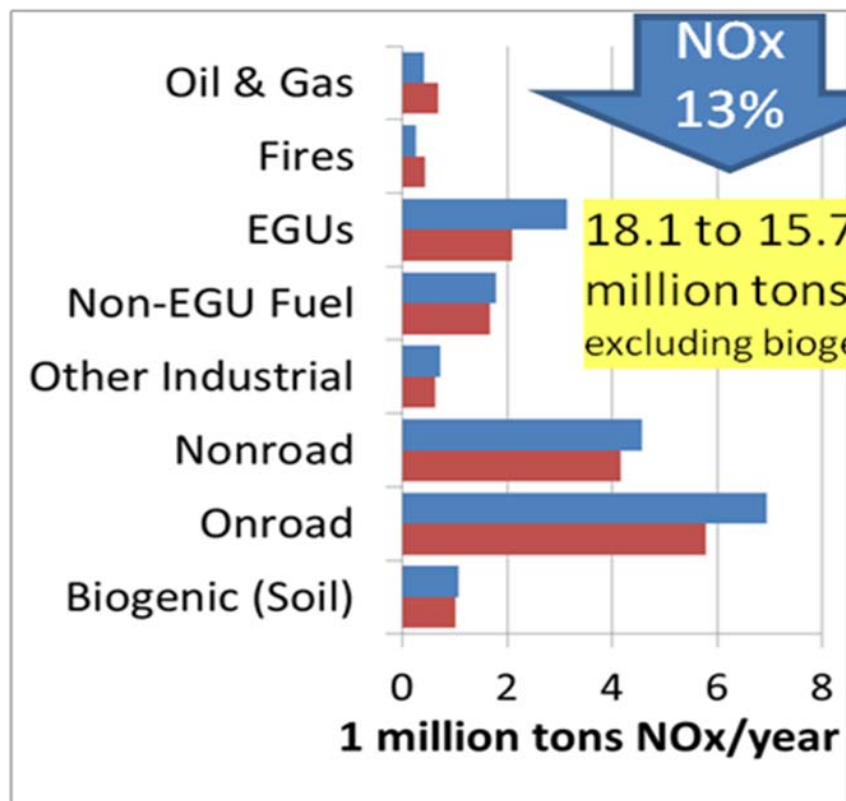


2011 was a representative year for ozone and transport patterns.

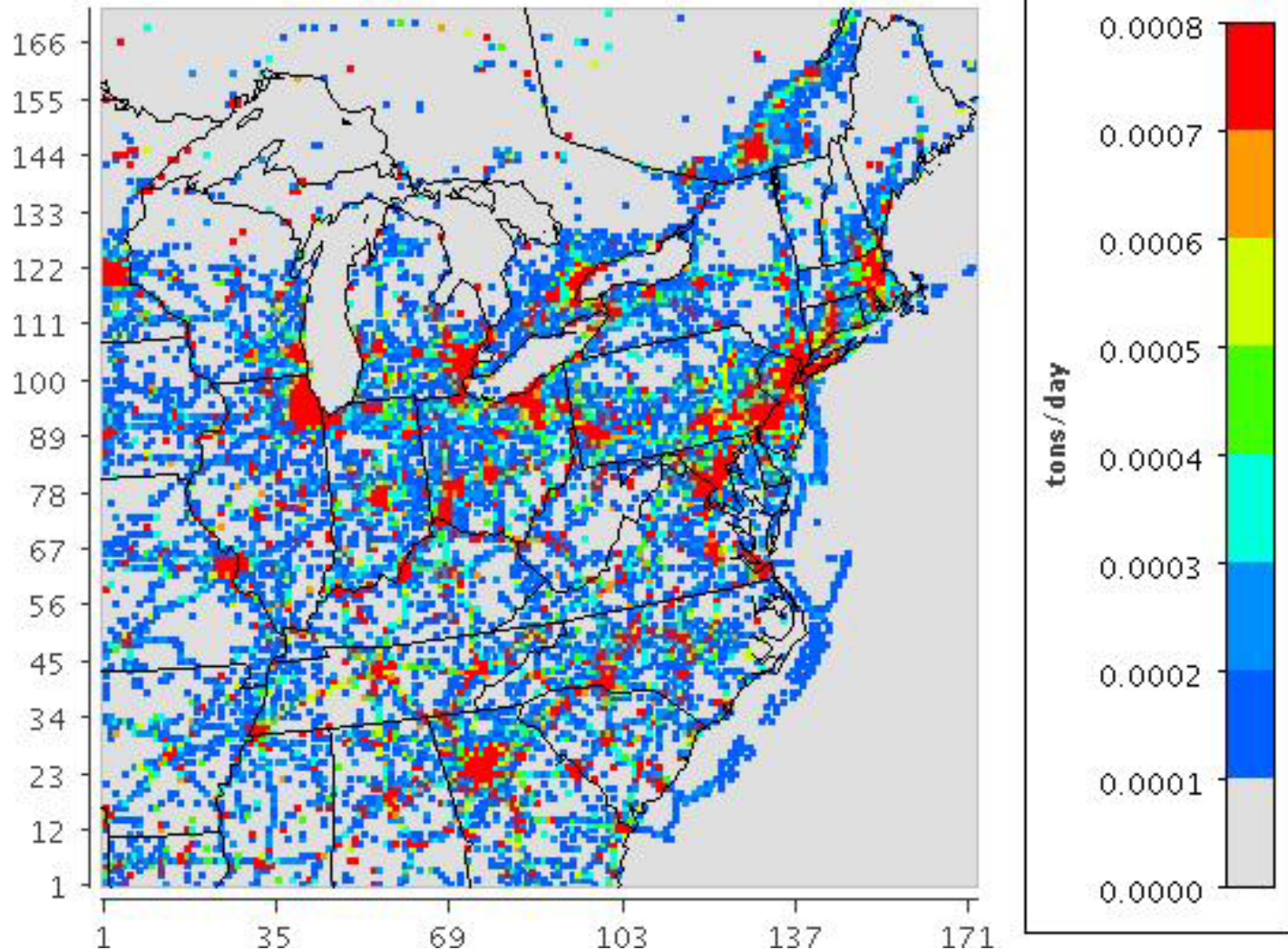
2011 was also an NEI year.



OTR Emissions (NEI) 2008 vs 2011



Geographic Distributions of Relative NOx Emissions



The Next Generation Emission Inventory

- Vision
 - Collaborative platform
 - In-house technical capacity and tools
 - “Improve” EPA’s inventory for regional use
 - Regionally coordinated future year inventories
 - Projections for other years as needed
 - Control strategy cost evaluation options
 - Meet SIP deadlines and requirements

Questions

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