

Was 2003 an Exceptional Pollution Year?

UK Trends in Nitrogen Dioxide, Nitrogen Oxides and PM₁₀ Concentrations.

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Some unusual weather conditions, including a particularly hot summer, were experienced during 2003. Nitrogen dioxide and PM₁₀ concentrations measured at many locations during 2003 were noticeably higher than those measured during 2002 and this has led to some uncertainty about how the data should be treated for Review and Assessment purposes. Should 2003 be treated as exceptional in terms of local air quality or should it be treated in the same way as any other year? More specifically, was 2003 outside of the normal year to year variation that might reasonably be expected in pollution concentrations? This report attempts to answer these questions by analysing long-term trends in the concentrations of these pollutants.
- Annual mean concentrations of nitrogen oxides (NOx), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) and PM₁₀ measured at every Automatic Urban and Rural Network (AURN) monitoring site between 1992 and 2003 (inclusive) have been collated from the air quality website operated by AEA Technology (www.airquality.co.uk). The number of exceedences of 50 μg/m³ as a 24-hour PM₁₀ concentration and 200 μg/m³ as a 1-hour mean NO₂ concentration have been taken from the same source. AEA Technology has also provided data capture rates for each site, for each year. The annual mean data were excluded from this analysis if data capture was less than 75%. The 24-hour and 1-hour exceedence data were excluded if data capture was less than 90%. All sites yielding more than 1 year of data (following screening for data capture) have been included. The data for 2003 were not fully ratified, but typically, the provisional data made up less than 25% of the year. Data from each site are reported in Appendices 2 to 6, but it should be noted that it is not possible to draw any conclusions on trends from data sets less than about 5 years. Details of the sites included in this report and how the data have been treated are given in Appendix 1.

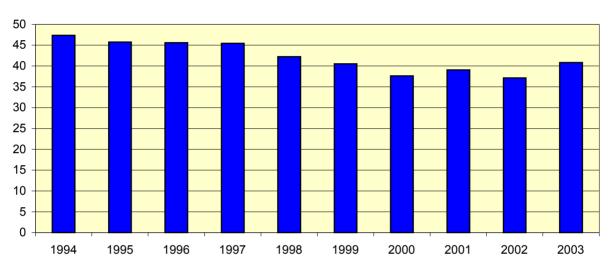
2 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations

- 2.1 Appendix 2 (Figures A2.1-A2.12) sets out the annual mean NO₂ concentration at each monitoring site, grouped according to region¹. Most, but far from all, sites show a gradual reduction in measured concentrations throughout their operational lifetimes, with a small increase in 2003. There are no distinct regional patterns.
- 2.2 All sites with a full set of data over the six-year period 1998 to 2003 have been grouped according to site type. The average concentrations for five groupings of site types are plotted in Appendix 2 (Figures A2.13-A2.17). The average concentrations at both the Kerbside and



Roadside group of sites (Figure A2.13), and the Urban Background and Suburban group (Figure A2.16), show no trend over the six year period. For all other groups of site types, there is a slight downward trend. In all cases, other than for the two rural sites, the 2003 values are slightly higher than those for 2002. Figure 2.1 presents results for a longer run of monitoring, using data from 1994 to 2003 for sites with complete data sets over this period. In none of these data plots does 2003 stand out from the year to year variation.

Figure 2.1 Average Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations Measured at 12 Long-Running Sites.



The sites included are: Leicester Centre; West London; Newcastle Centre; Belfast Centre; Manchester Town Hall; Glasgow City Chambers; Bristol Centre; Cardiff Centre; Birmingham East; Walsall Alumwell; Leeds Centre; and Sheffield Tinsley.

- 2.3 As discussed in Appendix 1, only a limited number of sites can be used in the analysis described above. By normalising the data to the concentration measured in 2001², almost all site-years with sufficient data capture can be included. Figure 2.2 shows the normalised³ annual mean NO₂ concentration averaged across all sites⁴. This represents a much larger data set than Figure 2.1, but patterns are very similar. This figure shows that there has always been year to year variation in annual mean concentrations, and that the variation between 2002 and 2003 is not very much greater than the variation between 2000 and 2001.
- 2.4 The final 3 figures in Appendix 2 (Figures A2.18-A2.20) split the data in Figure 2.2 by site-type and by region. They indicate that roughly the same temporal pattern has been followed at all types of site and in all regions.

¹ These regions are defined on www.airquality.co.uk

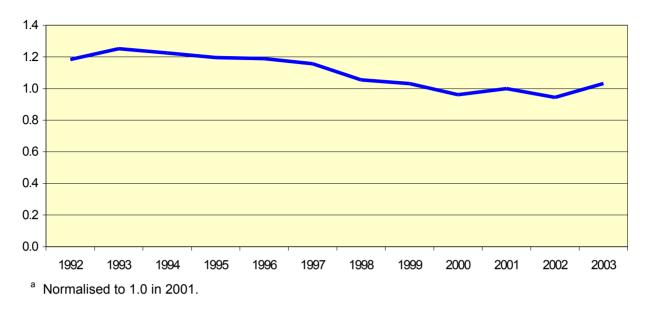
² 2001 was selected as it is the year with the greatest number of valid data points for NO₂ and PM₁₀.

The values presented are the averages of the ratio of the concentration in year xxxx to that in 2001 at each individual site.

All sites with data for 2001.



Figure 2.2 Average Normalised^a Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations Measured at all Operational Sites.



3 1-hour Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Exceedences

3.1 Appendix 3 sets out the number of exceedences of 200 μg/m³ as a 1-hour NO₂ concentration at each operational site during each year with at least 90% data capture. The data are not presented graphically, as the number of exceedences at most sites is very low, frequently being zero. However, as shown in Appendix 3, of those sites with sufficient data capture in 2003 and at least 1 of the 2 preceding years, 13 sites reported a deterioration, 10 sites reported an Improvement, and 40 sites reported no net change in air quality with regard to the 1-hour NO₂ standard during the period 2001 to 2003 (inclusive). Despite a small number of sites showing large increases in the number of 1-hour exceedences, on the whole, there has been no significant net worsening of air quality in 2003 with regard to the 1-hour NO₂ standard.

4 Annual Mean NOx Concentrations

4.1 Nitrogen oxides concentrations are included in the analysis, as they represent a primary pollutant. Annual mean NO_x concentrations are set out in Appendix 4 (Figures A4.1-A4.12), grouped according to region. Trends are broadly similar to those for NO_2 . Figure 4.1 shows the data averaged across the 12 sites for which data are available in every year since 1994. The pattern is similar to that shown in Figure 2.1, although the decline over the 10-year period is



more noticeable. The pattern over the 6-year period 1998 to 2003 according to groupings of site types is shown in Figures A4.13-A4.17 (Appendix 4). There are some differences to the nitrogen dioxide patterns, but it is not the job of this report to explore these.

4.2 The normalised data (Figure 4.2), which combine a larger number of data points, show a very similar pattern to that shown in Figure 4.1. It appears from these data that the nation-wide increase in ambient NOx concentrations recorded between 2002 and 2003 was not significantly greater than that recorded between 2000 and 2001. The site-type and region specific normalised plots shown in Appendix 4 (Figures A.18-A.20) indicate that the patterns over the years are broadly consistent across all site types and regions.

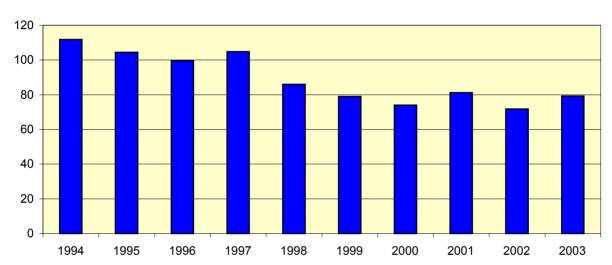
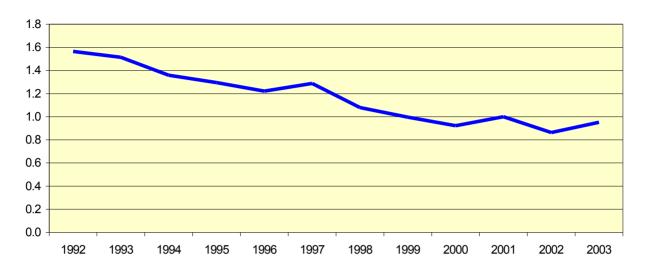


Figure 4.1 Average Annual Mean NOx Concentrations Measured at 12 Long-Running Sites.

The sites included are: Leicester Centre; West London; Newcastle Centre; Belfast Centre; Manchester Town Hall; Glasgow City Chambers; Bristol Centre; Cardiff Centre; Birmingham East; Walsall Alumwell; Leeds Centre; and Sheffield Tinsley.



Figure 4.2 Average Normalised^a Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations Measured at all Operational Sites.



^a Normalised to 1.0 in 2001.

5 Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations

- Appendix 5 sets out the annual mean PM₁₀ concentration at each monitoring site (Figures A5.1-A5.13). There are a large number of different temporal trends evident, with no clear delineation by region. Figure 5.1 shows the data averaged across the 7 sites that produced usable data every year since 1994. Average concentrations at these sites were greater in 2003 than during any of the 5 preceding years, but smaller than those prior to 1998. The average concentrations over the six year period 1998 to 2003 are shown by groupings of site types in Appendix 5 (Figures A5.14-18). They indicate that the general trends shown in Figure 5.1 were experienced at all different types of site.
- 5.2 Figure 5.2 incorporates data from a great many more sites than Figure 5.1, and shows the concentrations relative to those in 2001. The pattern is very similar to that shown by the 7 long-running sites. The values for 2003 in all the above analyses do not appear to be outside the normal year to year variation.



Figure 5.1 Average Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations Measured at 7 Long-Running Sites

The sites included are: Leicester Centre; Newcastle Centre; Belfast Centre; Bristol Centre; Cardiff Centre; Birmingham Centre; Leeds Centre

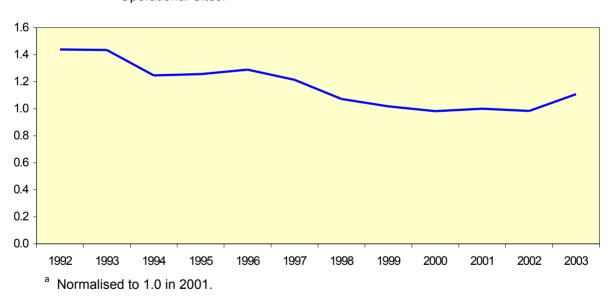


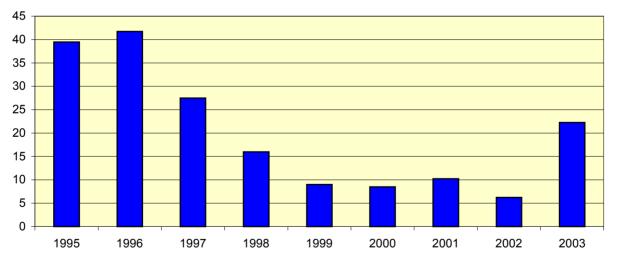
Figure 5.2 Average Normalised^a Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations Measured at all Operational Sites.



6 24-hour PM₁₀ Exceedences

- Appendix 6 sets out the number of exceedences of $50\mu g/m^3$ as a 24-hour PM_{10} concentration, at each monitoring site (Figures A6.1-A6.13). Figure 6.1 shows the average number of exceedences for the 4 sites with more than 90% data capture for every year since 1995. Figure 6.2 incorporates data from a great many more sites than Figure 6.1, but shows the same overall pattern.
- 6.2 The year to year variation seen for 24-hour exceedences is clearly much greater than for the annual mean concentration data. This is due to the sensitivity of this measure (number of days $>50 \mu g/m^3$) to relatively small changes in concentration. For instance, an increase in annual mean PM₁₀ from 22 to 25 $\mu g/m^3$ (a 9% increase) leads to a doubling of the number of days above 50 $\mu g/m^3$, from 6 to 12 days⁵. Thus, even though the number of 24-hour exceedences of 50 $\mu g/m^3$ was greater in 2003 than in the previous 5 years, 2003 is still not considered exceptional within the overall pattern over the last 10 years.

Figure 6.1 Average Number of 24-hour PM₁₀ Exceedences of 50 μg/m³ at 4 Long-Running Sites

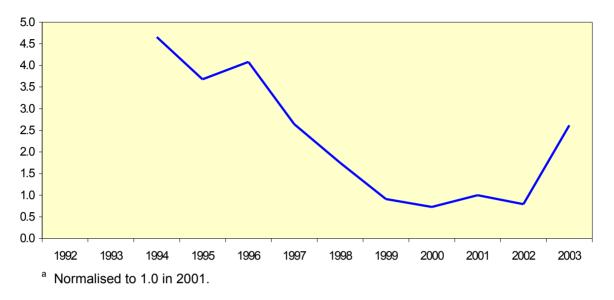


The sites included are: London Bexley; Newcastle Centre; Bristol Centre; Swansea

⁵ Based on the relationship from the national dataset shown in Figure 8.1 in Technical Guidance LAQM.TG(03).



Figure 4.2 Average Normalised^a Number of 24-hour PM_{10} Exceedences of 50 $\mu g/m^3$ at all Operational Sites.



7 Conclusions

7.1 The year to year variation over the last eleven years of NO₂, NO_x, and PM₁₀ concentrations at AURN monitoring sites throughout the UK has been examined. While levels were generally higher in 2003 than in both 2001 and 2002, the increases were not outside the normal year to year variation seen in the data over a long period. The values in 2003 are thus not considered exceptional and authorities should include them in the Review & Assessment decision making process.



- A1.1 Annual mean concentrations of nitrogen oxides (NO_x), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) and PM₁₀ measured at every Automatic Urban and Rural Network (AURN) monitoring site between 1992 and 2003 (inclusive) have been collated from the air quality website operated by AEA Technology (www.airquality.co.uk). The number of exceedences of 50 μg/m³ as a 24-hour PM₁₀ concentration and 200 μg/m³ as a 1-hour mean NO₂ concentration have been taken from the same source. AEA Technology has also provided data capture rates for each site, for each year. The annual mean data were excluded from this analysis if data capture was less than 75%. The 24-hour and 1-hour exceedence data were excluded if data capture was less than 90%. All sites yielding more than 1 year of data (following screening for data capture) have been included in the raw data plots. The data for 2003 were not fully ratified, but typically, the provisional data made up less than 25% of the year. Tables A1.1 and A2.2 list the sites that have provided data for this analysis.
- A1.2 In order to simplify the raw data, all sites with a full set of data since 1998 have been grouped according to site type. This has enabled the annual mean and 24-hour exceedence data to be averaged across a number of sites. Because these cross-site averages must include the same sites each year, the number of sites included is limited. The sites included in these site-type specific cross-site averages are listed in Tables A1.3 to A1.5.
- A1.3 Following on from the site-type-specific cross-site averages, in order to identify trends over a longer time-span, all sites with a full set of data since 1994 have been grouped and averaged. These plots are shown in the main text of the report and the sites included are listed with them.



Table A1.1 AURN Sites Reporting NO₂ and NOx Data and the Data Capture Rates for Each Site-Year.

| Region | Site | Type | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|-----------|------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| E | CambridgeRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | | 30 | 93 | 97 | 94 | 89 |
| E | NorwichRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 51 | 99 | 88 | 99 | 94 | 98 | 98 |
| E | StOsvth | Rural | | | | | | 40 | 0.4 | 07 | 0.5 | | 62 | 95 |
| E E | WickenFen | Rural | 98 | 97 | 32 | | | 13 | 91 | 87 | 85 | 88 | 85 | 64 |
| E | Stevenage Southend-on-Sea | Suburban Urban background | 98 | 97 | 32 | | | | | | 39 | 96 | 96 | 83 |
| Ė | Thurrock | Urban background | | | | | 21 | 88 | 87 | 98 | 93 | 96 | 94 | 94 |
| Ē | NorwichCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 42 | 93 | 97 | 97 | 94 | 95 | 94 |
| EM | LincolnRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 61 | 95 | 95 | | | | |
| EM | Ladvbower | Rural | 95 | 75 | 87 | 74 | 74 | 88 | 95 | 88 | 95 | 88 | 97 | 98 |
| EM | MarketHarborough | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 |
| EM | Northampton | Urban background | | | | | | | 0.4 | 07 | | 59 | 99 | 99 |
| EM | LeicesterCentre | Urban centre | | | 96 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 94 | 97 | 96 | 98 | 95 | 93 |
| EM | NottinghamCentre CamdenKerbside | Urban centre Kerbside | | | | | 25 62 | 58 95 | 94 97 | 98 97 | 98 96 | 85 99 | 98 97 | 98 94 |
| <u> </u> | | Kerbside | 99 | 100 | 96 | 92 | 68 | 95 | 91 | 97 | 90 | 99 | 91 | 94 |
| Ī | LondonMaryleboneRoad | | - 55 | 100 | | 52 | - 00 | 39 | 98 | 93 | 96 | 94 | 99 | 94 |
| Ĺ | BrentfordRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | | | 42 |
| L | BromlevRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 24 | 38 | | | | | |
| L | HaringevRoadside | Roadside | | | | | 62 | 99 | 99 | 98 | 88 | 98 | 98 | 88 |
| L | HounslowRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 15 | 85 | 92 | 97 | 95 | 82 | |
| ļ <u>.</u> | | Roadside | | | | | | 63 | 93 | 98 | 97 | 97 | 88 | 81 |
| <u> </u> | LondonBromlev | Roadside | | | | | | | 23 | 95 | 82 | 89 | 97 | 97 |
| H | | Roadside Roadside | | | | | | 46 | 60 75 | 98 50 | 94 90 | 97 92 | 95 87 | 93 91 |
| <u> </u> | SouthwarkRoadside SuttonRoadside | Roadside Roadside | | | | | 70 | 97 | 98 | 96 | 90 88 | 92 | 31 | 91 |
| li - | | Roadside | | | | | 71 | 97 | 96 | 96 | 91 | 88 | 99 | 98 |
| Ī | LondonBexlev | Suburban | | | 59 | 96 | 95 | 93 | 96 | 98 | 97 | 94 | 90 | 94 |
| ī | LondonEltham | Suburban | | | - 00 | - 00 | 75 | 99 | 86 | 96 | 97 | 97 | 99 | 98 |
| Ĺ | LondonHillingdon | Suburban | | | | | 24 | 97 | 75 | 45 | 98 | 96 | 97 | 83 |
| L | LondonSutton | Suburban | | | | | 74 | 98 | 99 | 91 | 91 | 93 | 33 | |
| L | LondonBrent | Urban background | | | | | 89 | 91 | 96 | 98 | 98 | 89 | 98 | 96 |
| L | LondonBridgePlace | Urban background | 99 | 99 | 99 | 97 | 98 | 96 | 98 | 86 | | | | |
| L | | Urban background | | | | | 72 | 99 | 99 | 97 | 96 | 96 | 99 | 94 |
| Ļ | LondonTeddington | Urban background | | | | | 37 | 95 | 96 | 98 | 99 | 94 | 98 | 96 |
| Ļ. | LondonWestminster | Urban background | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 00 | 00 | 35 | 97 | 78 |
| <u> </u> | WestLondon | Urban background | 100 | 100 94 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 98 | 98 | 95 | 97 9 | 96 68 |
| <u> </u> | LondonBloomsburv LondonHacknev | Urban centre Urban centre | 78 | 94 | 96 | 93 | 96 | 96 95 | 95 98 | 92 93 | 96 91 | 87 95 | 88 | 91 |
| Ī | LondonLewisham | Urban centre | | | | | | 47 | 94 | 95 | 43 | 33 | 94 | 100 |
| ī | LondonSouthwark | Urban centre | | | | | | 66 | 94 | 93 | 96 | 97 | 84 | 73 |
| Ĺ | LondonWandsworth | Urban centre | | | | | 66 | 97 | 99 | 96 | 97 | 99 | 98 | 91 |
| NE | | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | 99 | 97 | 89 |
| NE | Redcar | Suburban | | | | | | 51 | 96 | 96 | 98 | 83 | 94 | 96 |
| NE | NewcastleCentre | Urban centre | 73 | 96 | 94 | 93 | 97 | 97 | 94 | 80 | 98 | 86 | 95 | 93 |
| NE | Billingham | Urban industrial | 98 | 94 | 98 | 71 | 90 | | 98 | 98 | 99 | 95 | 98 | 97 |
| NE | Middlesbrough | Urban industrial | | | | 68 | 98 | 95 | 95 | 98 | 85 | 96 | 82 | 94 |
| NI NI | Derry RolfactContro | Urban background | 61 | 97 | 95 | 95 | 97 | 25 96 | 79 93 | 87 97 | 96 81 | 93 | 95 95 | 95 96 |
| NI NW | BelfastCentre BurvRoadside | Urban centre Roadside | 01 | 97 | 95 | 90 | 91 | 73 | 93 96 | 97 | 97 | 86 98 | 95 | 96 |
| NW | ManchesterSouth | Suburban | | | | | 7 | 95 | 98 | 93 71 | 97 81 | 96 | 89 | 99 |
| NW | Blackpool | Urban background | | | | | | - 55 | 50 | | 39 | 90 | 96 | 94 |
| NW | Bolton | Urban background | | | | | | 85 | 95 | 94 | 97 | 98 | 98 | 98 |
| NW | LiverpoolSpeke | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | | 57 |
| NW | ManchesterTownHall | Urban background | 97 | 99 | 99 | 94 | 97 | 96 | 97 | 99 | 96 | 99 | 99 | 99 |
| NW | Preston | Urban background | | | | | | | | | 56 | 98 | 98 | 94 |
| NW | Stockport | Urban background | | ļ | | | 7 | 94 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 99 | 68 | |
| NW | | Urban background | | - | | | | | | | | 0- | 22 | 98 |
| NW | WiganLeigh | Urban background | | | | | | | | | 64 | 97 | 98 | 92 |
| NW NW | WirralTranmere LiverpoolCentre | Urban background Urban centre | | 46 | 97 | 94 | 98 | 95 | 96 | 91 | 61 96 | 98 93 | 94 68 | 96 |
| NW NW | ManchesterPiccadilly | Urban centre | | 40 | 91 | 94 | 98 92 | 95 | 96 | 95 | 96 | 73 | 90 | 98 |
| NW | SalfordEccles | Urban centre Urban industrial | | | | | 32 | 65 | 96 | 96 | 97 | 97 | 90 | 96 |
| Scot | | Kerbside | | | | | | 73 | 97 | 96 | 98 | 99 | 97 | 99 |
| Scot | StrathVaich | Remote | 85 | 42 | 68 | 86 | 85 | 17 | - J | | | | | |
| Scot | Dumfries | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | 79 | 95 | 98 |
| Scot | | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | 42 | 98 | 98 |
| Scot | BushEstate | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | | 23 |
| Scot | Aberdeen | Urban background | | | | | | | | 27 | 94 | 95 | 97 | 88 |
| Scot | | Urban background | | | | _ | _ | | | | 2 - | | | 10 |
| Scot | GlasgowCitvChambers | Urban background | 99 | 89 | 98 | 97 | 97 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 99 | 99 | 95 | 96 |
| Scot | EdinburahCentre | Urban centre | 24 | 95 | 96 | 92 | 96 | 90 | 97 | 94 | 95 | 98 | 86 | 46 |
| Scot | | Urban centre | | | | | 42 | 98 | 67 | 85 | 68 | 86 | 95 57 | 43 |
| Scot | Grangemouth | Urban industrial | | l | | | | | | | | 97 | 5/ | 99 |

E = Eastern; EM = East Midlands; L = London; NE = Northeast; NI = Northern Ireland; NW = Northwest; Scot = Scotland. Site-years with less than 75% data capture (shaded) have been excluded from all analyses. Site-years with less than 90% data capture have been excluded from the analysis of 1-hour mean NO_2 exceedences.



Table A1.1 (continued) AURN Sites Reporting NO_2 and NOx Data and the Data Capture Rates for Each Site-Year.

| | Site | Type | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|
| | BrightonRoadside | Roadside | 1992 | 1993 | 1334 | 1333 | 1330 | 1991 | 69 | 2 | 55 | 93 | 95 | 87 |
| SE | HoveRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 25 | 98 | 13 | 89 | 93 | 95 | 96 |
| SE SE | OxfordCentre | | | | | | 11 | 17 | 71 | 99 | 99 | 100 | 99 | 98 |
| SE | | Roadside | | | | 40 | | | | | | | | |
| SE SE | Harwell | Rural | 0.5 | | 00 | 12 | 84 | 72 | 79 | 54 | 86 | 84 | 98 | 88 |
| SE | LullingtonHeath | Rural | 85 | 89 | 69 | 95 | 86 | 79 | 79 | 65 | 91 | 94 | 91 | 89 |
| SE | Rochester | Rural | | | | | 86 | 91 | 90 | 96 | 83 | 95 | 98 | 98 |
| SE SE SE | Canterbury | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 91 | 98 | 99 |
| SE | Portsmouth | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 97 | 98 | 95 |
| SE | Reading | Urban background | | | | | | 30 | 95 | 96 | 95 | 97 | 95 | 9 |
| SE | ReadingNewTown | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | | 15 |
| SE | SouthamptonCentre | Urban centre | | | 96 | 73 | 96 | 95 | 98 | 97 | 95 | 97 | 90 | 95 |
| | BathRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 90 | 98 | 82 | 76 | 84 | 98 | 95 |
| SW | BristolOldMarket | Roadside | | | | | 49 | 96 | 96 | 78 | 78 | 57 | | 64 |
| SW | ExeterRoadside | Roadside | | | | | 49 | 96 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 90 | 93 | 96 |
| SW | Somerton | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | | 41 |
| SW | YarnerWood | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | | 29 |
| | Bournemouth | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 69 | 91 | 94 |
| | BristolCentre | Urban centre | | 71 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 89 | 98 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 89 |
| SW | PlymouthCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 18 | 39 | 90 | 85 | 96 | 97 | 92 |
| Wales | Wrexham | Roadside | | | | | | - 10 | | | - 00 | | 78 | 98 |
| | AstonHill | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | 70 | 20 |
| Wales | Narberth | Rural | | | | | | 71 | 76 | 64 | 71 | 64 | 86 | 80 |
| Wales | Cwmbran | Urban background | | | | | | | 70 | U T | | 43 | 90 | 88 |
| Wales | PortTalbot | Urban background | | | | | | 85 | 97 | 94 | 87 | 96 | 97 | 97 |
| Wales | CardiffCentre | Urban centre | 62 | 95 | 96 | 94 | 94 | 96 | 98 | 95 | 97 | 93 | 94 | 88 |
| Wales | Swansea | Urban centre | 02 | 90 | 8 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 98 | 98 | 95 | 98 | 98 |
| | WalsallWillenhall | Suburban | | | 0 | 90 | 90 | 38 | 92 | 86 | 84 | 92 | 94 | 97 |
| WM | BirminghamEast | Urban background | | 8 | 97 | 97 | 90 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 97 | 92 | 91 | 93 |
| | | | | 0 | 97 | 97 | 90 | 90 | 97 | 90 | 97 | 64 | | |
| WM | CoventryMemorialPark | Urban background | | | | | 40 | 00 | 98 | 97 | 99 | 91 | 88 | 87 |
| WM | LeamingtonSpa | Urban background | | | | | 43 | 60 | | 97 | 99 | 91 | 96 | 68 |
| WM | SandwellOldburv | Urban background | | | | | | 30 | 69 | | | | | |
| WM | SandwellWestBromwich | Urban background | 07 | 0.5 | 400 | 70 | | 0.7 | 16 | 96 | 89 | 95 | 94 | 86 |
| | WalsallAlumwell | Urban background | 97 | 95 | 100 | 78 | 99 | 97 | 78 | 91 | 94 | 96 | 98 | 96 |
| WM | BirminghamCentre | Urban centre | 35 | 94 | 96 | 97 | 97 | 92 | 72 | 95 | 97 | 92 | 93 | 88 |
| WM | CoventryCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 55 | 91 | 34 | 45 | | | |
| WM | Stoke-on-TrentCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 16 | | 83 | 97 | 97 | 96 | 96 |
| WM | WolverhamptonCentre | Urban centre | | | | 4 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 95 | 96 | 91 | 97 | 96 |
| Υ | HighMuffles | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | | 20 |
| Υ | BarnslevGawber | Urban background | | | | | | 28 | 53 | 84 | 94 | 83 | 86 | 97 |
| Υ | BradfordCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 8 | 96 | 97 | 96 | 90 | 97 | 94 |
| Υ | HullCentre | Urban centre | | | 97 | 98 | 94 | 91 | 98 | 98 | 96 | 98 | 4 | |
| Υ | HullFreetown | Urban centre | | | | | | | | | | 15 | 94 | |
| Υ | LeedsCentre | Urban centre | | 77 | 96 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 93 | 98 | 97 | 91 | 87 | 86 |
| Υ | RotherhamCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 52 | 82 | 26 | 97 | 95 | 95 | 97 |
| Υ | SheffieldCentre | Urban centre | | | | | 95 | 96 | 93 | 98 | 97 | 97 | 98 | 97 |
| Υ | SheffieldTinslev | Urban industrial | 98 | 99 | 97 | 83 | 94 | 98 | 98 | 95 | 97 | 99 | 97 | 97 |

SE = Southeast; SW = Southwest; WM = West Midlands; Y = Yorkshire and Humberside Site-years with less than 75% data capture (shaded) have been excluded from all analyses. Site-years with less than 90% data capture have been excluded from the analysis of 1-hour mean NO_2 exceedences.



Table A1.2 AURN Sites Reporting PM₁₀ Data and the Data Capture Rates for Each Site-Year.

| Region | Site | Type | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--------------|--|-----------------------------------|--------|------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| E | Southend-on-Sea | Urban background | 1002 | 1000 | 1001 | 1000 | 1000 | 1001 | 1000 | 1000 | 43.2 | 97.6 | 97.2 | 83.6 |
| E | Thurrock | Urban background | | | | | 26.3 | 92.5 | 92.2 | 95.1 | 93.6 | 75.9 | 82 | 98.1 |
| E | NorwichCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 42.9 | 94.9 | 87.5 | 97.4 | 95.7 | 96.5 | 96.9 |
| EM | | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 94.6 | 99.2 | 99.5 |
| EM | LeicesterCentre | Urban centre | | | 93 | 96.6 | 96 | 96.5 | 94.8 | 96.1 | 97.1 | 96.6 | 79.3 | 88.9 |
| EM | NottinghamCentre | Urban centre | | | | | 30.5 | 96.7 | 98.3 | 97.1 | 98.5 | 97.6 | 88.9 | 91 |
| L | | Kerbside | - | | | | 48.9 | 98.7 | 81.6 | | 97.9 | 98.8 | 99.2 | 99 |
| L | | Kerbside | - | | | | 50.0 | 45.4 96.8 | 98.5 | 94.8 | 98.6 | 89.1 | 98.1 | 98.7 |
| L | HaringevRoadside LondonA3Roadside | Roadside Roadside | | | | | 58.6 | 49.9 | 93.1 96.8 | 97.2 97.5 | 93.7 98.2 | 98.8 97.6 | 98.7 96.7 | 97.9 96.5 |
| L | SuttonRoadside | Roadside | | | | | 74 6 | 99.1 | 98.4 | 98.3 | 91.5 | 86.2 | 32.5 | 90.5 |
| L | LondonBexley | Suburban | | | 59.2 | 94.8 | 93.8 | 92.7 | 97.2 | 98.2 | 97.3 | 96 | 97.8 | 96.5 |
| Ī | LondonEltham | Suburban | | | JJ.Z. | 34.0 | 65.8 | 90.5 | 85.8 | 98.4 | 92.9 | 97.4 | 94.6 | 99.1 |
| ī | LondonHillingdon | Suburban | | | | | 40.5 | 97.8 | 93.2 | 97.6 | 98.1 | 96.8 | 97.7 | 88.9 |
| ī | LondonBrent | Urban background | | | | | 73 | 95.2 | 96.1 | 98.2 | 98.4 | 98.7 | 98.3 | 95.8 |
| L | LondonN.Kensington | Urban background | | | | | 74.7 | 97.5 | 98.1 | 98.6 | 95.5 | 95.9 | 98.5 | 98.4 |
| L | LondonBloomsbury | Urban centre | 77.7 | 97.4 | 97.7 | 93 | 91.7 | 96.1 | 94.4 | 96.1 | 97.1 | 97.7 | 35.5 | 58.3 |
| NE | Stockton-on-TeesYarm | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | 58.3 | 96.9 | 96.1 |
| NE | Redcar | Suburban | | | | | | 49.7 | 98 | 97.9 | 96.1 | 98 | 97.5 | 97.9 |
| NE | NewcastleCentre | Urban centre | 66.1 | 63.1 | 95.1 | 95.7 | 98.3 | 96.7 | 95.6 | | 97.6 | 98.1 | 98.2 | 96.2 |
| NE | Middlesbrough | Urban industrial | 1 | | | 68.8 | 97 | 94.8 | 95.8 | 97.2 | 95.8 | 97.9 | 79.1 | 85.7 |
| NE | | Urban industrial | | | | | 00.0 | 4.7 | 99.7 | 98.8 | 89.5 | 93 | 84.4 | 98.9 |
| NI | LoughNavar | Remote | 1 | | | | 22.6 | 95.9 | 97.5 | 96.4 | 98.5 | 96.4 | 95.7 | 98.5 |
| NI | BelfastClaraSt | Suburban | | | | | 71.8 | 24.6 | 53.3 96.3 | 95 95.7 | 94.2 | 92.1 | 93.8 96.4 | 94.7 97.2 |
| NI NI | Derry BelfastCentre | Urban background | 79.2 | 96.1 | 94 7 | 95 | 94.7 | 60.4 96.2 | 96.3 | 96.5 | 96.3 81.3 | 96.6 80.8 | 9 0.4 97.6 | 97.2 |
| NW | BurvRoadside | Urban centre Roadside | 19.2 | 90.1 | 94.7 | 95 | 94.7 | 85.8 | 94.1 | 95.7 | 92 | 94.4 | 95.8 | 97.5 |
| NW | Blackpool | Urban background | | | | | | 00.0 | 94.9 | 95.7 | 39 4 | 97.1 | 98 | 96.4 |
| NW | Bolton | Urban background | | | | | | 83.3 | 95.7 | 93.9 | 96.9 | 97.6 | 98.6 | 98.1 |
| NW | Preston | Urban background | | | | | | 00.0 | 55.7 | 55.5 | 56.3 | 95.7 | 97.7 | 96.7 |
| NW | Stockport | Urban background | | | | | 8.7 | 84 3 | 98.6 | 97.7 | 97 | 99.1 | 70.5 | 00.7 |
| NW | StockportShawHeath | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | 22 | 98.8 |
| NW | WiganLeigh | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 97.2 | 98.5 | 97.9 |
| NW | WirralTranmere | Urban background | | | | | | | | | 61.3 | 97.8 | 97.2 | 97 |
| NW | LiverpoolCentre | Urban centre | | 54.3 | 84 | 94 | 97 | 96 | 97.8 | 97.3 | 91.1 | 98 | 69.3 | |
| NW | ManchesterPiccadilly | Urban centre | | | | 3.5 | 98.3 | 94.3 | 97.4 | 98.3 | 97.5 | 97 | 94.9 | 98 |
| NW | | Urban industrial | | | | | | 69.7 | 91.8 | | 98.1 | 97.3 | 96.2 | 96.3 |
| Scot | Aberdeen | Urban background | | | | | | =0.4 | | 26.6 | 93.8 | 96.6 | 72.3 | 98.4 |
| Scot | GlasgowKerbside | Kerbside | 47.0 | 00.4 | 00.0 | 00 | 00.0 | 72.1 | 96.8 | 96.6 | 97.7 | 98.1 | 97 | 93.2 |
| Scot | EdinburahCentre | Urban centre | 17.3 | 82.4 | 89.3 | 92 | 96.9 41.7 | 93.9 96.9 | 98 97.6 | 92.4 98.1 | 96.3 97.1 | 97.3 98.5 | 82.1 97.9 | 44.1 96.2 |
| Scot Scot | GlasgowCentre | Urban centre Urban industrial | | | | | 41./ | 96.9 | 97.6 | 90.1 | 97.1 | 74.9 | 57.3 | 98.2 |
| SE | Grangemouth Harwell | Rural | | | | | | | 70.5 | 97.8 | 97.1 | 96.9 | 98.9 | |
| SE | Rochester | Rural | | | | | 69.1 | 91.1 | 79.7 | 94 | 87.7 | 90.8 | 60.7 | 76.4 |
| SE | Canterbury | Urban background | | | | | 00.1 | J 1. I | 15.1 | | 01.1 | 97.8 | 99.3 | 99.4 |
| SE | Portsmouth | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 97 | 97.2 | 97.1 |
| SE | Reading | Urban background | | | | | | 30.1 | 97.6 | 90.9 | 94.6 | 95.8 | 98.3 | 9.2 |
| SE | SouthamptonCentre | Urban centre | | | 87.5 | 73.3 | 97.6 | 93.3 | 97.7 | 91.3 | 96.5 | 98.3 | 88.4 | 91.4 |
| SW | BristolCentre | Urban centre | | 86.7 | 95.4 | 96.8 | 96.6 | 95.5 | 91.9 | 95.4 | 93.3 | 95.4 | 95.6 | 93.2 |
| SW | PlymouthCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 22.2 | 97.8 | 96.8 | 95.3 | 97 | 98.1 | 97.7 |
| Wales | Narberth | Rural | 1 | | | | | 75.8 | 88.7 | 80.6 | 80.9 | 92.6 | 90.5 | 87.5 |
| Wales | Cwmbran | Urban background | 1 | | | | | 00. | 0= - | | 0 | 43.5 | 97.3 | 99.2 |
| Wales | PortTalbot | Urban background | 47.5 | 55.5 | 00.0 | 00.0 | 0= 1 | 88.1 | 97.6 | 97 | 95.7 | 97 | 97.7 | 98.4 |
| Wales | CardiffCentre | Urban centre | 47.5 | 55.5 | 96.2 | 96.6 | 95.4 | 96.3 | | | 97.8 | 98.3 | 96.9 | 89.6 |
| | | Urban centre | 1 | 8.3 | 5.9 97 | 95.6 95.2 | 97.2 95 | | | | 96.9 97 | 94.6 98 | 98.2 96.6 | |
| WM WM | BirminghamEast CoventryMemorialPark | Urban background Urban background | + | 0.3 | 97 | 90.2 | 90 | 95.9 | 97.9 | 91.8 | 9/ | 81.3 | 96.6 | |
| WM | | Urban background | | | | | 43 | 86.5 | 98.3 | 97.6 | 98.1 | 98.5 | | |
| WM | | Urban centre | 75.1 | 83.6 | 93 | 97.9 | 94.9 | | | | 98.1 | 97.7 | 97 | 85.7 |
| WM | Stoke-on-TrentCentre | Urban centre | 7 J. I | 00.0 | 33 | 51.3 | 57.5 | 48.2 | 97.8 | | 97.5 | 97.7 | 96.5 | |
| WM | | Urban centre | | | | 3.5 | 70.8 | | | | | 95.8 | 98.3 | 98.2 |
| Y | | Urban centre | | | | 5.5 | | 9.3 | 97.2 | 97.9 | 96.6 | 93.5 | 98 | 96.6 |
| Ý | HullCentre | Urban centre | | | 89.9 | 97.9 | 95.5 | 93.9 | | | 94.7 | 98.1 | 4.4 | |
| Υ | | Urban centre | | | | | | | | | | | 13.9 | 88.7 |
| Υ | | Urban centre | | 76.8 | 92 | 97.7 | 97.6 | 86.1 | 96.7 | 97.2 | 96.5 | 94.7 | 97.9 | 97.1 |
| Υ | SheffieldCentre | Urban centre | | | | 2.7 | 97.8 | 88.9 | 84.7 | 98.2 | 97 | 95.7 | 94 | 97.6 |

E = Eastern; EM = East Midlands; L = London; NE = Northeast; NI = Northern Ireland; NW = Northwest; Scot = Scotland; SE = Southeast; SW = Southwest; WM = West Midlands; Y = Yorkshire and Humberside

Site-years with less than 75% data capture (shaded dark grey) have been excluded from all analyses. Site-years with less than 90% data capture (shaded light grey) have been excluded from the analysis of 24-hour exceedences.



Table A1.3 Sites Used to Calculate Cross-Site Average Annual Mean NO_2 and NO_2 concentrations 1998-2003

| Urban Background and Suburban | Urban Centre | Kerbside and Roadside | Urban Industrial | Rural |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Thurrock | NorwichCentre | NorwichRoadside | Billingham | Ladybower |
| LondonBexley | LeicesterCentre | CamdenKerbside | Middlesbrough | Rochester |
| LondonEltham | NottinghamCentre | LondonMaryleboneRoad | SalfordEccles | |
| LondonBrent | LondonHackney | HaringeyRoadside | SheffieldTinsley | |
| LondonN.Kensington | LondonWandsworth | LondonA3Roadside | | |
| LondonTeddington | NewcastleCentre | TowerHamletsRoadside | | |
| WestLondon | BelfastCentre | BuryRoadside | | |
| Redcar | SouthamptonCentre | GlasgowKerbside | | |
| Derry | BristolCentre | BathRoadside | | |
| Bolton | CardiffCentre | ExeterRoadside | | |
| ManchesterTownHall | Swansea | | | |
| GlasgowCityChambers | Stoke-on-TrentCentre | | | |
| PortTalbot | WolverhamptonCentre | | | |
| WalsallWillenhall | BradfordCentre | | | |
| BirminghamEast | LeedsCentre | | | |
| WalsallAlumwell | SheffieldCentre | | | |

Table A1.4 Sites Used to Calculate Cross-Site Average Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations 1998-2003

| Urban Centre | Urban Background and Suburban | Roadside and Kebside | Urban Industrial | Rural |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------|
| NorwichCentre | Thurrock | CamdenKerbside | Middlesbrough | LoughNavar |
| LeicesterCentre | LondonBexley | LondonMaryleboneRoad | Scunthorpe | Narberth |
| NottinghamCentre | LondonEltham | HaringeyRoadside | SalfordEccles | |
| NewcastleCentre | LondonHillingdon | LondonA3Roadside | | |
| BelfastCentre | LondonBrent | BuryRoadside | | |
| ManchesterPiccadilly | LondonN.Kensington | GlasgowKerbside | | |
| GlasgowCentre | Redcar | | | |
| SouthamptonCentre | Derry | | | |
| BristolCentre | Bolton | | | |
| PlymouthCentre | PortTalbot | | | |
| CardiffCentre | LeamingtonSpa | | | |
| Swansea | | | | |
| BirminghamCentre | | | | |
| Stoke-on-TrentCentre | | | | |
| WolverhamptonCentre | | | | |
| BradfordCentre | | | | |
| LeedsCentre | | | | |
| SheffieldCentre | | | | |



Table A1.5 Sites Used to Calculate Cross-Site Average 24-hour PM₁₀ Exceedences 1998-2003

| Urban Centre | Urban Background and Suburban | Roadside and Kebside |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| NewcastleCentre | LondonBexley | HaringeyRoadside |
| ManchesterPiccadilly | LondonBrent | LondonA3Roadside |
| GlasgowCentre | LondonN.Kensington | BuryRoadside |
| BristolCentre | Redcar | GlasgowKerbside |
| PlymouthCentre | Derry | |
| Swansea | Bolton | |
| Stoke-on-TrentCentre | PortTalbot | |
| WolverhamptonCentre | | |
| BradfordCentre | | |
| LeedsCentre | | |

There were insufficient data to include Urban Industrial or Rural sites.

A1.4 As noted above, the number of sites that can be meaningfully included in the cross-site averages is severely limited by data capture. In order to overcome this, a secondary analysis has been performed focusing on proportional changes at each site. The annual mean concentration at each site for each specific year has been divided by the annual mean concentration at that site in 2001 (Equation A1.1). Each site-year is therefore given a "normalised" value which represents the measurements in that year as a fraction of those in 2001. These "normalised" values were then averaged across all sites by region, by site type, and across the whole of the UK.

Concentration (Year xxxx) / Concentration (2001) = Normalised Value

Equation A1.1

- A1.5 The same procedure has been used for the number of 24-hour PM_{10} exceedences, but it should be noted that this technique lends itself less well to this measure. This is because, for example, a doubling in the number of exceedences is, in practice, less significant for e.g. 1 to 2, than for 20 to 40. Despite this, it usefully shows general patterns.
- A1.6 2001 was chosen as the reference year for this analysis because it was a year with good overall data capture. Using a different reference year will have only a small impact on the observed trend patterns. Clearly, all sites with no data for 2001 have had to be excluded from this analysis. In addition, two sites with zero 24-hour exceedences in 2001 have been excluded from the 24-hour PM₁₀ analysis. These are Narberth and Lough Navar. Because locally-specific patterns weighted national patterns by an undue amount, three additional sites have been removed from the normalised PM₁₀ data analysis. These are Manchester Piccadilly, Cardiff Centre and Newcastle Centre. All other sites have been included.



Figure A2.1 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in Eastern England (μg/m³)

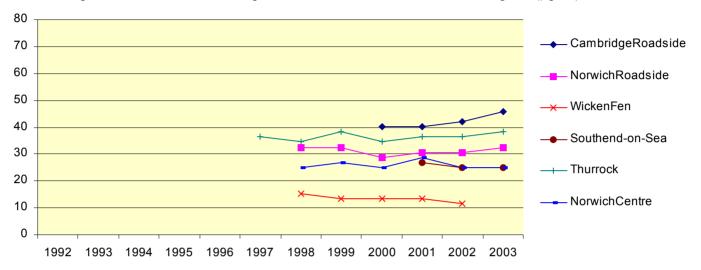


Figure A2.2 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in the East Midlands (μg/m³)

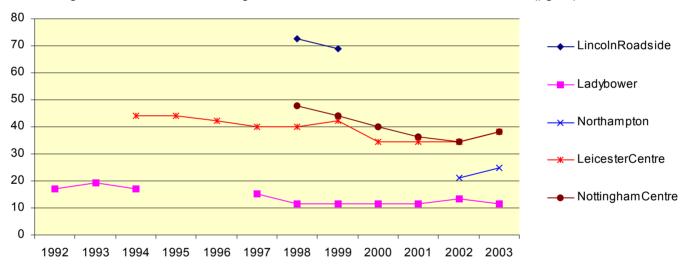


Figure A2.3 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in North East England (μg/m³)

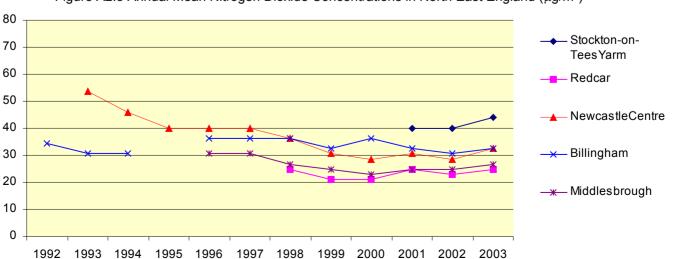




Figure A2.4 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in North West England (μg/m³)

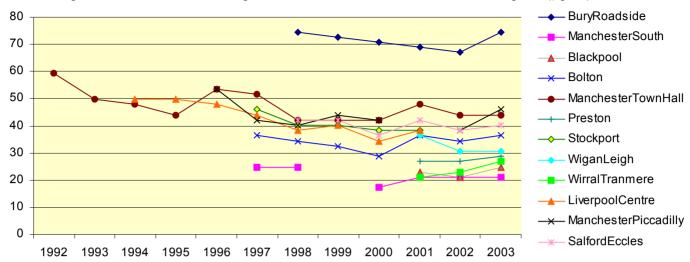


Figure A2.5 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in South East England (μg/m³)

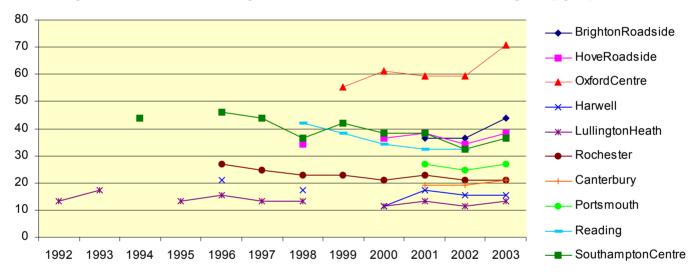


Figure A2.6 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in South West England (μg/m³)

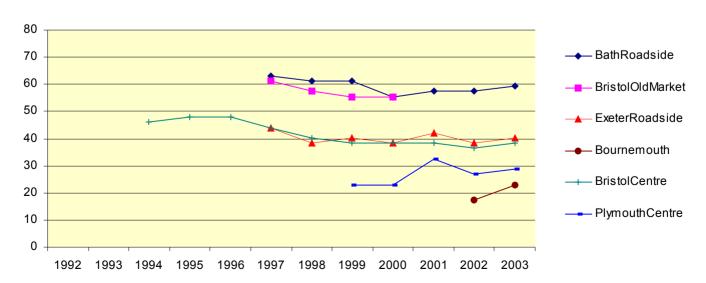




Figure A2.7 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in Wales (μg/m³)

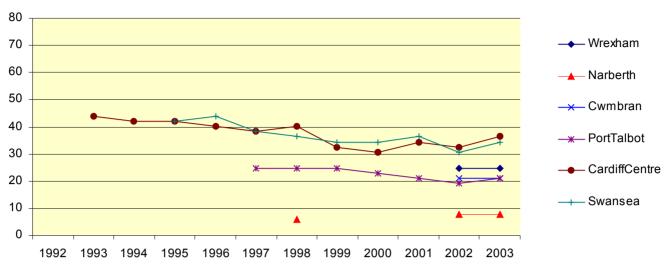


Figure A2.8 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in the West Midlands (μg/m³)

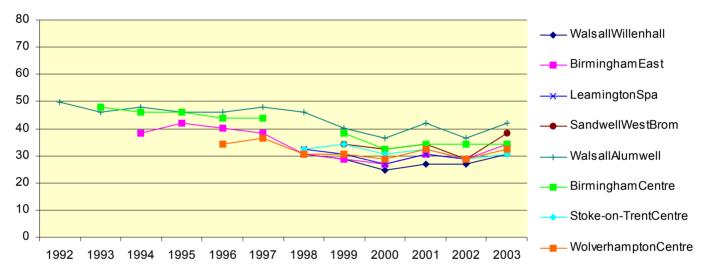


Figure A2.9 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in Yorkshire and Humberside (μg/m³)

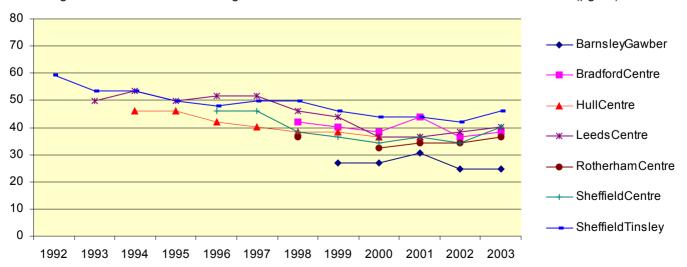




Figure A2.10 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations in Scotland and Northern Ireland (μg/m³)

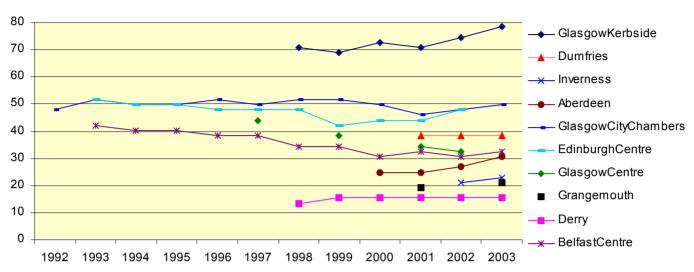


Figure A2.11 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations at Roadside and Kerbside Sites in London $(\mu g/m^3)$

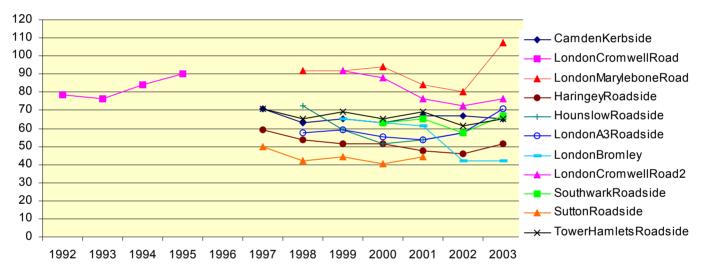


Figure A2.12 Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations at Other London Sites (μg/m³)

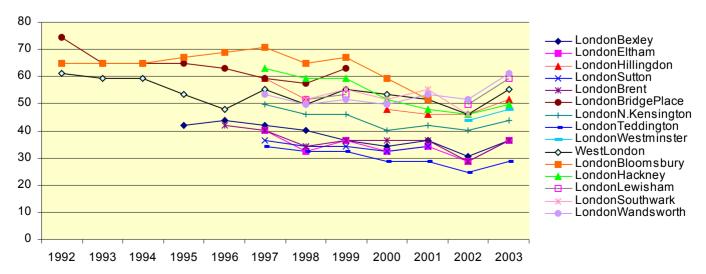




Figure A2.13 Average Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations across 10 Roadside and Kerbside Sites $(\mu g/m^3)$

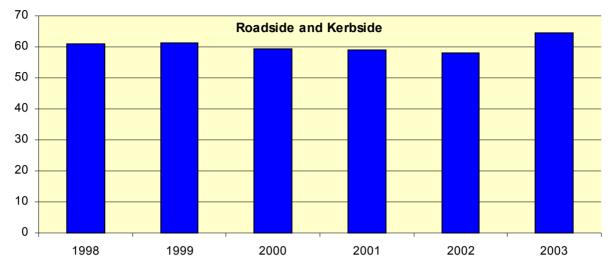


Figure A2.14 Average Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations across 16 Urban Centre Sites $(\mu g/m^3)$

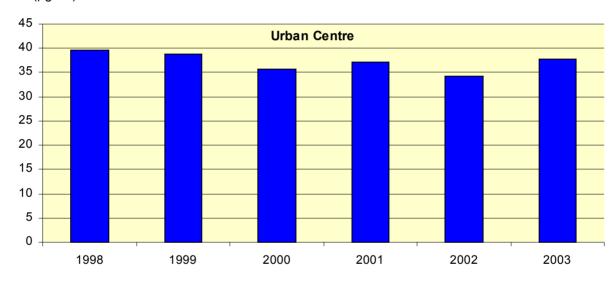


Figure A2.15 Average Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations across 4 Urban Industrial Sites $(\mu g/m^3)$

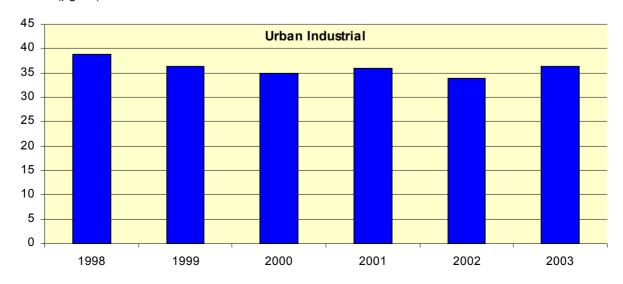




Figure A2.16 Average Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations across 16 Urban Background and Suburban Sites ($\mu g/m^3$)

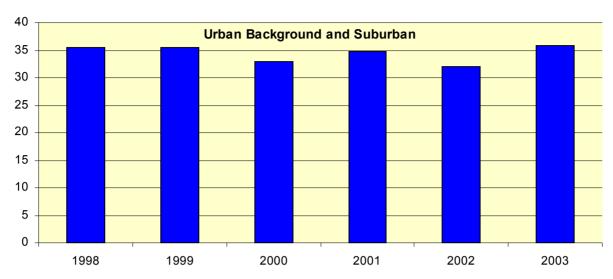


Figure A2.17 Average Annual Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations across 2 Rural Sites (μg/m³)

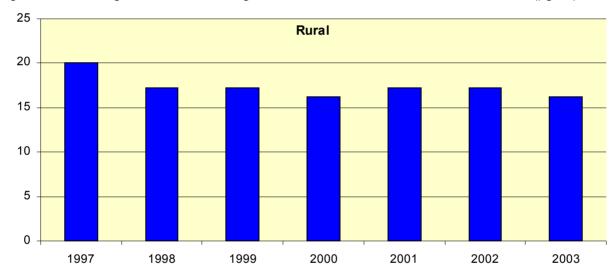


Figure A2.18 Normalised Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations Averaged by Site Type

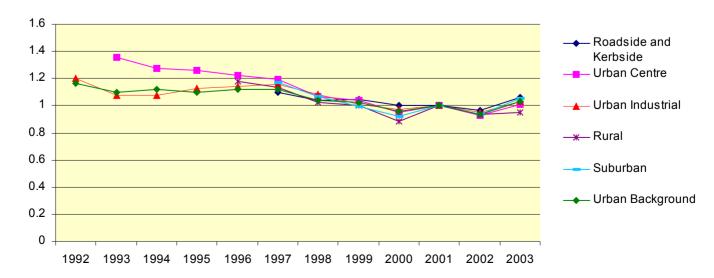




Figure A2.19 Normalised Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations Averaged by Region

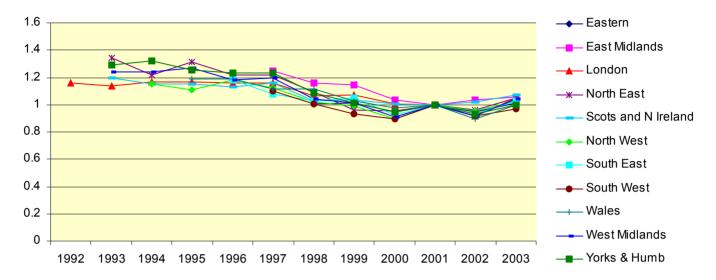
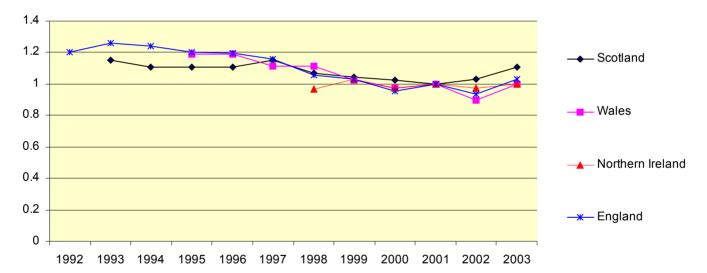


Figure A2.20 Normalised Nitrogen Dioxide Concentrations Averaged by Country





A3.1 The number of exceedences of 200 $\mu g/m^3$ as a 1-hour mean nitrogen dioxide concentration is difficult to show graphically. The data for all site-years with at least 90% data capture are therefore tabulated below.

Table A3.1 The Number of Exceedences of 200 $\mu g/m^3$ as a 1-hour Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentration, each Year at each Site With at Least 90% Data Capture.

| Region | Site | Type | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|----------|----------------------|------------------|----------|------|------|------|-------|----------|------|------|------|----------|------|------|
| E | CambridgeRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Ē E | NorwichRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E | StOsvth | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| E | WickenFen | Rural | | | | | | | 0 | | | | | |
| E | Stevenage | Suburban | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | |
| E | Southend-on-Sea | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | |
| E | Thurrock | Urban background | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| E | NorwichCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EM | LincolnRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | 41 | 14 | | | | |
| EM | Ladvbower | Rural | 0 | | | | | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| EM | Northampton | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| EM | LeicesterCentre | Urban centre | | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EM | NottinghamCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| L | CamdenKerbside | Kerbside | | | | | | 34 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| L | LondonCromwellRoad | Kerbside | 49 | 32 | 68 | 133 | | | | | | | | |
| L | LondonMarvleboneRoad | Kerbside | | | | | | | 71 | 64 | 104 | 60 | 2 | 434 |
| L | HaringevRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 32 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | |
| L | HounslowRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| L | LondonA3Roadside | Roadside | | | | | | | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | | |
| L | LondonBromley | Roadside | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 |
| L | LondonCromwellRoad2 | Roadside | | | | | | | | 12 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| L | SuttonRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | 12 | 0 | 0 | | 3 | | |
| Ī | | Roadside | | | | | | 40 | 10 | 11 | 3 | | 2 | 4 |
| Ī | LondonBexley | Suburban | | | | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| Ī | LondonEltham | Suburban | | | | | | 14 | | Ö | Ō | Ō | 0 | Ō |
| ī | LondonHillingdon | Suburban | | | | | | 18 | | | Ō | Ō | Ō | |
| Ī | LondonSutton | Suburban | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| ī | LondonBrent | Urban background | | | | | | 12 | Õ | Õ | Õ | | 0 | 1 |
| ī | LondonBridgePlace | Urban background | 71 | 9 | 59 | 44 | 26 | 21 | 1 | | | | | |
| ī | LondonN.Kensington | Urban background | | | - 00 | | 4 | 20 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Ī | LondonTeddinaton | Urban background | | | | | _ | 7 | Ō | 0 | 0 | Ō | 0 | Ô |
| ī | LondonWestminster | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | |
| ī | WestLondon | Urban background | 11 | 9 | 20 | 10 | 17 | 38 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Ů. | 0 |
| Ī | LondonBloomsbury | Urban centre | | 5 | 15 | 24 | 17 | 20 | 0 | 9 | Ö | | | |
| ī | LondonHackney | Urban centre | | | - 10 | | - ' ' | 35 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 0 | | 3 |
| ī | LondonLewisham | Urban centre | | | | | | - 00 | 0 | 0 | | | 0 | 1 |
| ī | LondonSouthwark | Urban centre | | | | | | | Ö | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| ī | LondonWandsworth | Urban centre | | | | | | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| NE | Stockton-on-TeesYarm | Roadside | | | | | | 10 | | | | 0 | 1 | |
| NE NE | Redcar | Suburban | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | Ó | 0 |
| NE | NewcastleCentre | Urban centre | | 14 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| NE | Billingham | Urban industrial | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | - 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| NE | Middlesbrough | Urban industrial | 1 ' | | | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | | 0 |
| NI | Derry | Urban background | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NI | BelfastCentre | Urban centre | 1 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | , J | 0 | 0 |
| NW | BurvRoadside | Roadside | 1 | | | 10 | J | | 6 | J | 5 | 11 | 0 | |
| NW | ManchesterSouth | Suburban | 1 | | | | | 0 | 0 | | | 0 | | 0 |
| NW | Blackpool | Urban background | | | | | | <u> </u> | | | | <u> </u> | 0 | 0 |
| NW | Bolton | Urban background | 1 | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| NW | ManchesterTownHall | Urban background | 84 | 9 | 109 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| NW | Preston | Urban background | J- | | 100 | 14 | - | | | U | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NW | Stockport | Urban background | 1 | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | | |
| NW | StockportShawHeath | Urban background | 1 | | | | | | | J | | | | 2 |
| NW | WiganLeigh | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NW | WirralTranmere | Urban background | 1 | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NW | LiverpoolCentre | Urban centre | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | - 0 | U |
| NW | ManchesterPiccadilly | Urban centre | † | | U | U | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 3 |
| NW | SalfordEccles | Urban industrial | 1 | | | | | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 1 |
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Table A3.1 (continued) The Number of Exceedences of 200 μ g/m³ as a 1-hour Mean Nitrogen Dioxide Concentration, each Year at each Site With at Least 90% Data Capture.

| Region | Site | Type | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|----------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Scot | GlasgowKerbside | Kerbside | | | | | | | 65 | 46 | 18 | 54 | 38 | 42 |
| Scot | Dumfries | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 3 |
| Scot | Inverness | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| | Aberdeen | Urban background | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | GlasgowCitvChambers | Urban background | 0 | | 3 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 0 |
| | EdinburghCentre | Urban centre | | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | | 0 | | 1 | 8 | | |
| | GlasgowCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | 4 | | | | | 2 | |
| | Grangemouth | Urban industrial | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | 0 |
| | BrightonRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 3 | |
| SE | HoveRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SE SE SE SE SE SE SE SE SE SE SE SE | OxfordCentre | Roadside | | | | | | | | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| SF | Harwell | Rural | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | |
| SF | LullingtonHeath | Rural | | | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| SF | Rochester | Rural | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | Ō | Ō | 0 |
| SF | Canterbury | Urban background | | | | | | _ | | | | Ō | Ō | Ō |
| SF | Portsmouth | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | Ô | Ô | Ö |
| SF | Reading | Urban background | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | ñ | ñ | |
| SF | ReadingNewTown | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | _ | 1 | |
| SF | SouthamptonCentre | Urban centre | | | 0 | | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SW | BathRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | | 2 | | | | ñ | Õ |
| | BristolOldMarket | Roadside | | | | | | 2 | 5 | | | | | |
| | ExeterRoadside | Roadside | | | | | | Ô | 0 | Λ | Λ | n | 3 | Ω |
| | Bournemouth | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | n | 0 |
| | BristolCentre | Urban centre | | | 0 | 3 | 0 | | 2 | Ο | Ο | 0 | n | |
| | PlymouthCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | | | | | n | n | 0 |
| | Wrexham | Roadside | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| | Cwmbran | Urban background | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | |
| | PortTalbot | Urban background | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | n | 0 |
| | CardiffCentre | Urban centre | | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Õ | Õ | 0 | Ö | 7 | |
| | Swansea | Urban centre | | | | Ō | n | Ō | 0 | Ō | ñ | n n | n | Ω |
| | WalsallWillenhall | Suburban | | | | | | | 0 | | | 2 | n | 0 |
| | BirminghamEast | Urban background | | | 9 | 24 | | 3 | Ö | 0 | 0 | Ō | Ŏ. | 0 |
| WM | LeamingtonSpa | Urban background | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | n | |
| | SandwellWestBromwich | | | | | | | | | 0 | | 0 | n | |
| | WalsallAlumwell | Urban background | 19 | 2 | 13 | | 0 | 1 | | Õ | 1 | 0 | Ŏ. | 0 |
| | BirminghamCentre | Urban centre | - 10 | 1 | 5 | 21 | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 'n | 1 | n | |
| | CoventryCentre | Urban centre | | i | , | | | · · | 0 | | | i . | | |
| | Stoke-on-TrentCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | WolverhamptonCentre | Urban centre | | | | | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| * | BarnslevGawber | Urban background | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| | BradfordCentre | Urban centre | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 1 |
| | HullCentre | Urban centre | | | 2 | 0 | 1 | Ο | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | · · | |
| Ÿ | LeedsCentre | Urban centre | 1 | | 7 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Ÿ | RotherhamCentre | Urban centre | | | | | U | | _ U | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | SheffieldCentre | Urban centre | | | | | 1 | n | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | SheffieldTinslev | Urban industrial | 21 | 33 | 7 | | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

A3.2 In order to provide some rudimentary analysis of these data, focusing only on sites with data for 2003 and at least 1 of the 2 preceding years (2001 and 2002) those sites which measured more exceedences of 200μg/m³ in 2003 than in either preceding year were identified. These are listed in Table A3.2. Those sites that measured fewer exceedences than in one of the 2 preceding years were also identified. These are also listed in Table A3.2. Finally those sites with no reported change over these 3 years were identified. The results show that despite some sites showing large increases in the number of 1-hour exceedences, on the whole there has been no significant net worsening of air quality with regard to the 1-hour NO₂ standard.



Table A3.2 Sites Reporting a Deterioration, Improvement, and No Net Change in Air Quality with Regard to the 1-hour Nitrogen Dioxide Standard during the period 2001 to 2003 (inclusive).

| Sites With More Exceedences of the 1-hour NO ₂ standard in 2003 than in either of the 2 previous | Sites With an Equal Number of Exceedences ¹ of the 1-hour NO ₂ | Sites With Fewer Exceedences of the 1- hour NO ₂ standard in |
|---|--|---|
| years | standard in 2003 as in 1 | 2003 than in 1 of the 2 |
| years | of the 2 previous years | previous years |
| CamdenKerbside | NorwichRoadside | GlasgowKerbside |
| LondonMarvleboneRoad | LondonBromlev | ExeterRoadside |
| LondonCromwellRoad2 | SouthwarkRoadside | London N. Kensington |
| TowerHamletsRoadside | Inverness | Bolton |
| Dumfries | HoveRoadside | ManchesterTownHall |
| OxfordCentre | BathRoadside | GlasgowCitvChambers |
| Thurrock | Ladybower | BradfordCentre |
| LondonBrent | Rochester | Billingham |
| LondonHacknev | LondonBexley | Middlesbrough |
| LondonLewisham | LondonEltham | SalfordEccles |
| LondonWandsworth | Redcar | |
| ManchesterPiccadilly | ManchesterSouth | |
| WolverhamptonCentre | WalsallWillenhall | |
| | Northampton | |
| | LondonTeddington | |
| | WestLondon | |
| | Derry | |
| | Blackpool | |
| | Preston | |
| | WiganLeigh | |
| | WirralTranmere | |
| | Canterburv | |
| | Portsmouth | |
| | Bournemouth | |
| | PortTalbot | |
| | BirminghamEast | |
| | WalsallAlumwell | |
| | NorwichCentre | |
| | LeicesterCentre | |
| | NottinghamCentre | |
| | NewcastleCentre | |
| | BelfastCentre | |
| | SouthamptonCentre | |
| | PlymouthCentre Swansas | |
| | Swansea Stoke-on-TrentCentre | |
| | RotherhamCentre | |
| | SheffieldCentre | |
| | Grangemouth | |
| | SheffieldTinsley | |
| | Orientela Finaley | |
| 13 sites in total | 40 sites in total | 10 sites in total |

¹ Invariably zero



Figure A4.1 Annual Mean NO_x Concentrations in Eastern England (μg/m³)

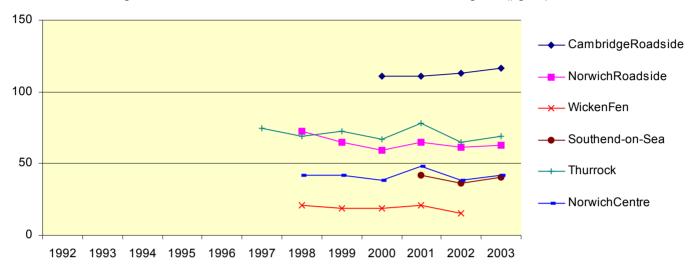


Figure A4.2 Annual Mean NO_x Concentrations in the East Midlands (μg/m³)

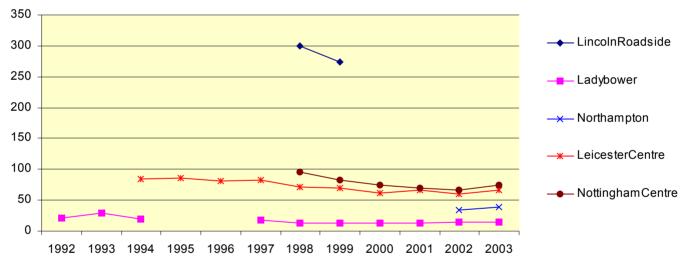


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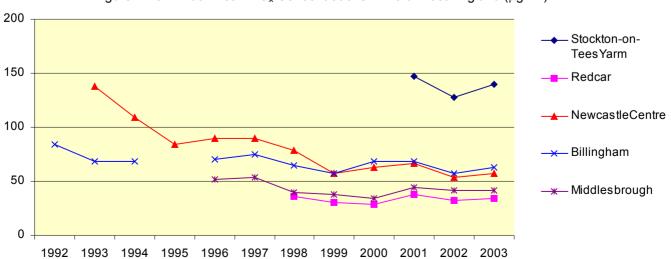




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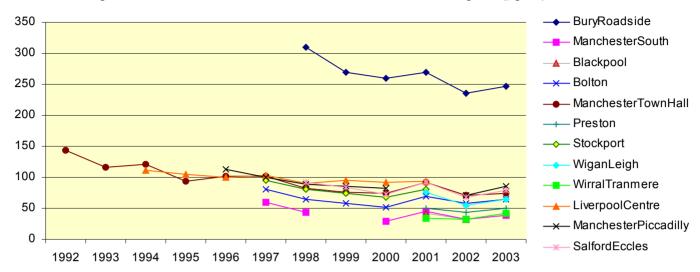


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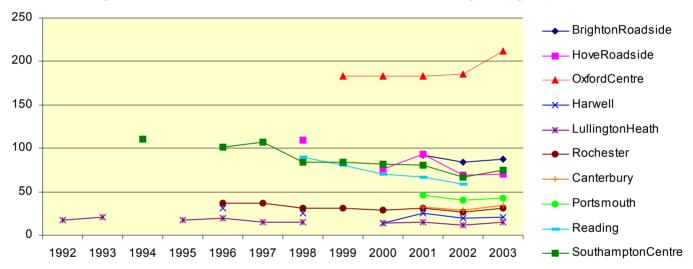


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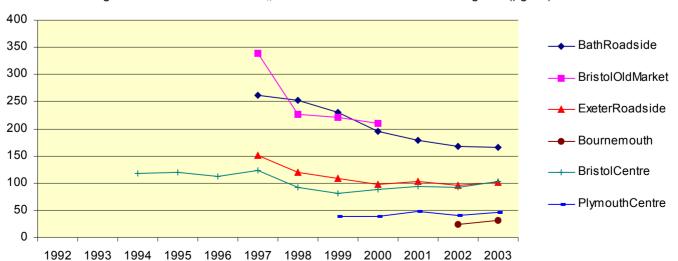




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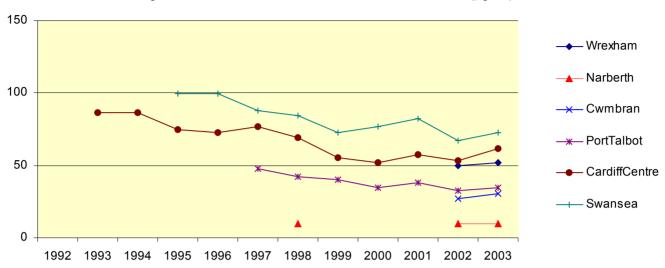


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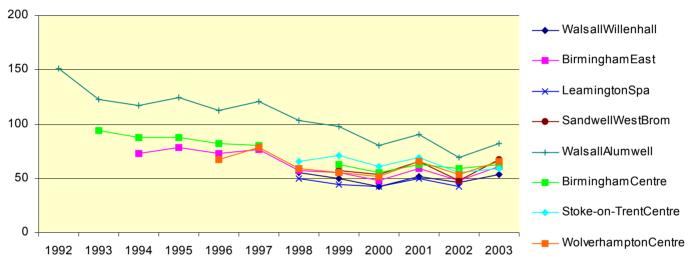


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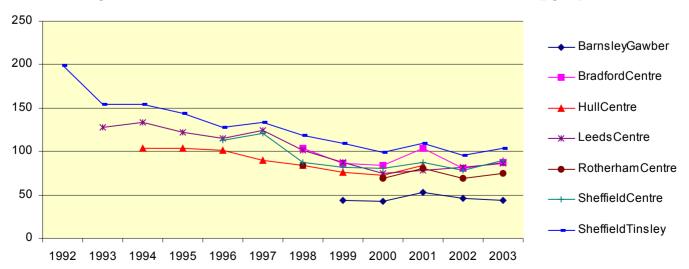




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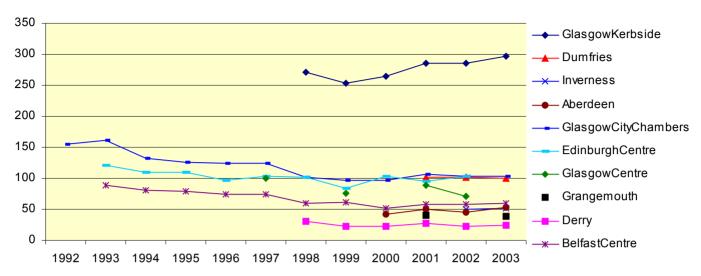


Figure A4.11 Annual Mean NO_x Concentrations at Roadside and Kerbside Sites in London (μg/m³)

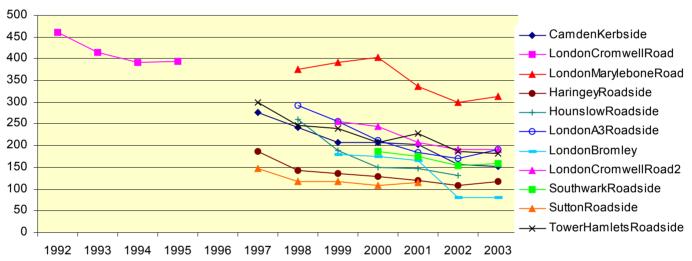


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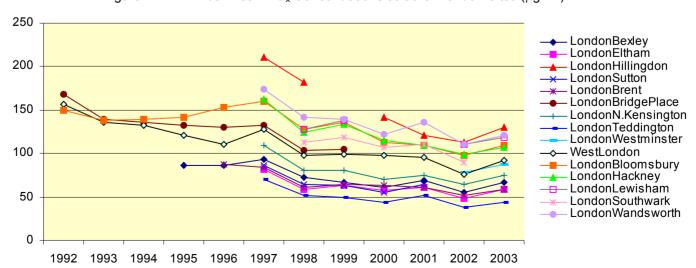




Figure A4.13 Average Annual Mean NO_x Concentrations across 10 Roadside and Kerbside Sites (μg/m³)

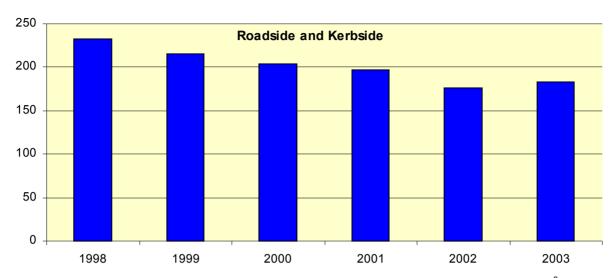


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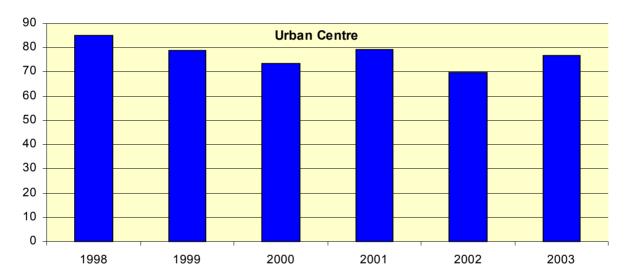


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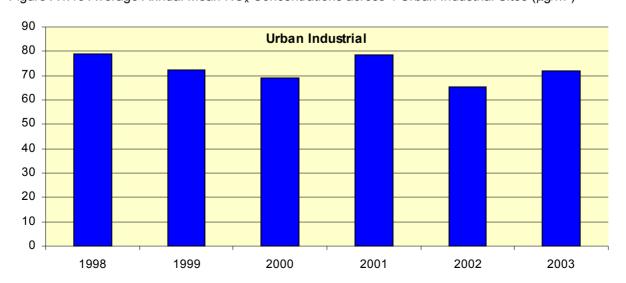




Figure A4.16 Average Annual Mean NO_x Concentrations across 16 Urban Background and Suburban Sites ($\mu g/m^3$)

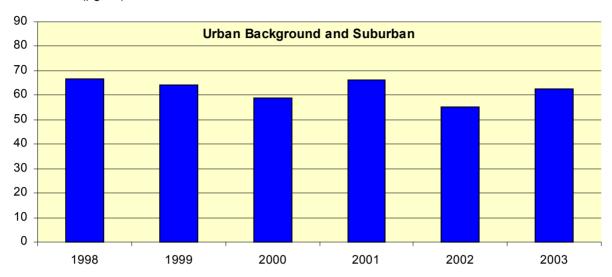


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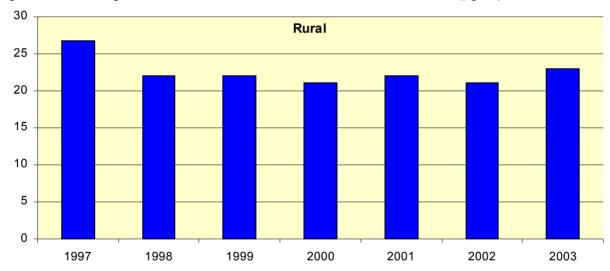


Figure A4.18 Normalised NO_x Concentrations Averaged by Site Type

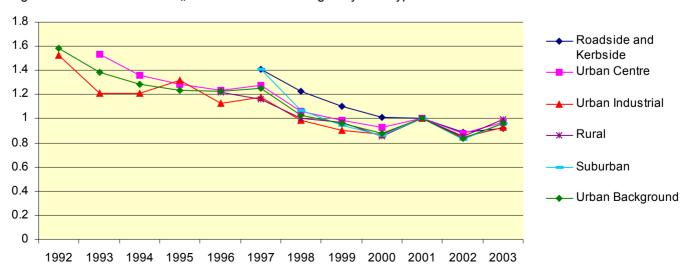




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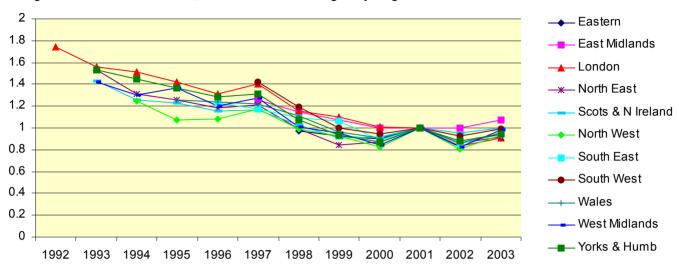


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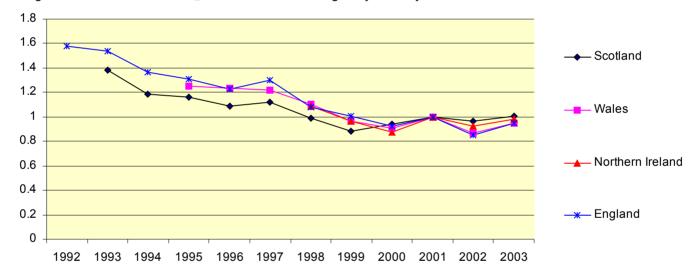




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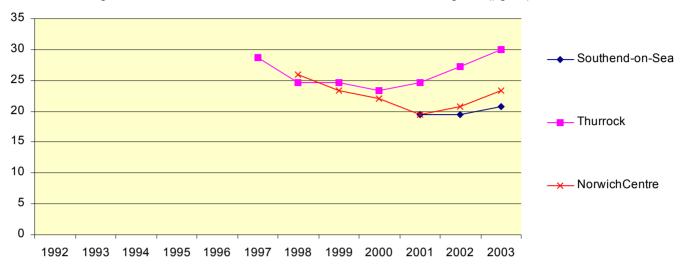


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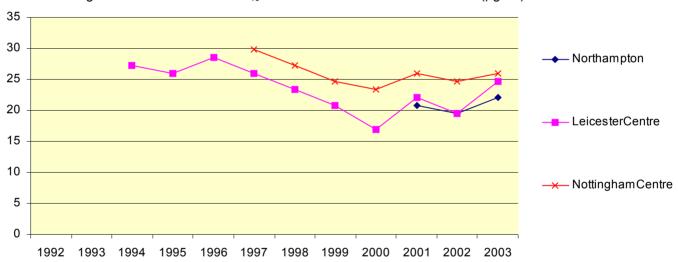


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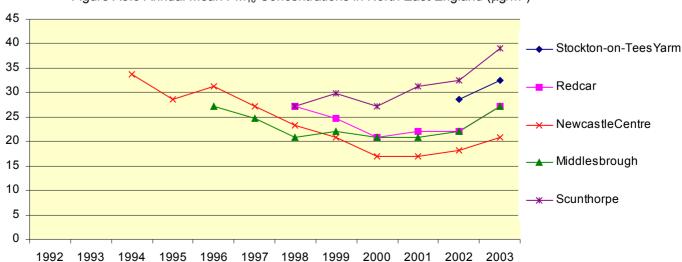




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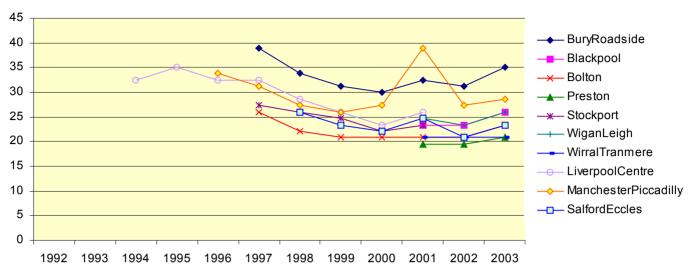


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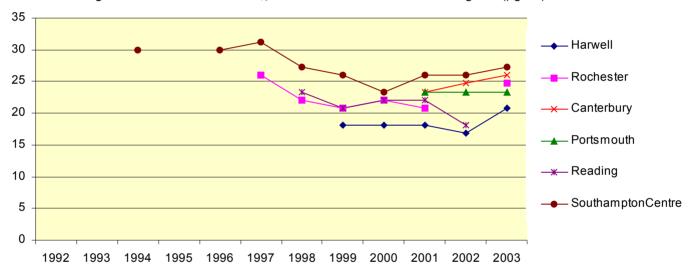


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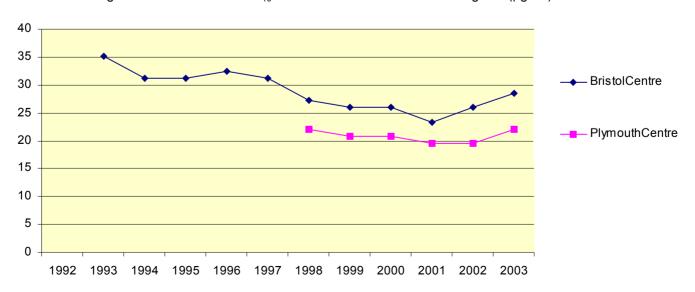




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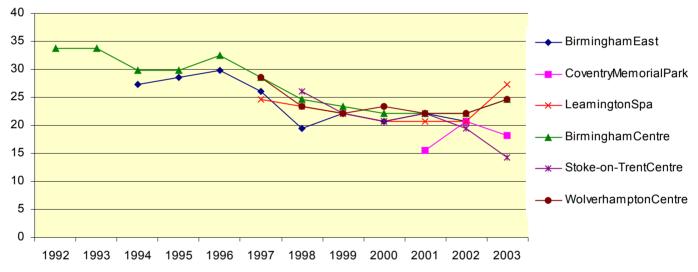


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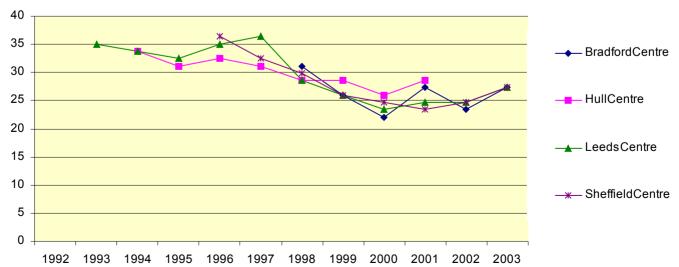




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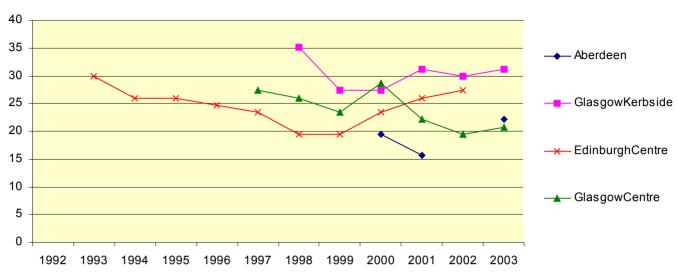


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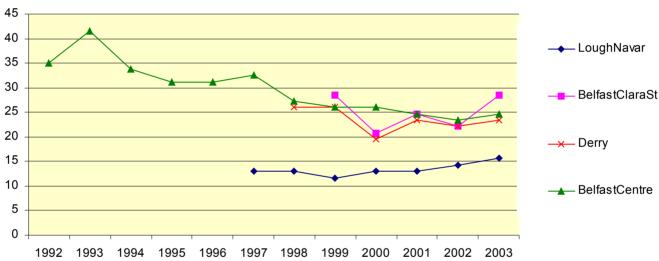
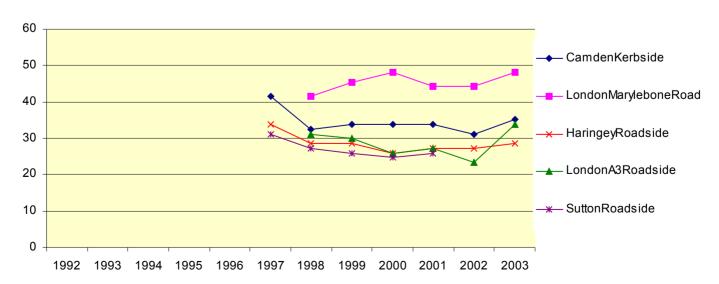


Figure A5.12 Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations at Roadside and Kerbside Sites in London (μg/m³)





LondonN.Kensington

LondonBloomsbury

→ LondonBexley

- LondonEltham

→ LondonHillingdon

→ LondonBrent

Figure A5.13 Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations at Other London Sites (μg/m³)

Figure A5.14 Average Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations across 6 Roadside and Kerbside Sites (μg/m³)

2002 2003

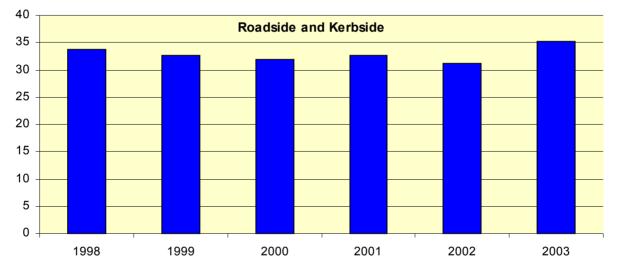


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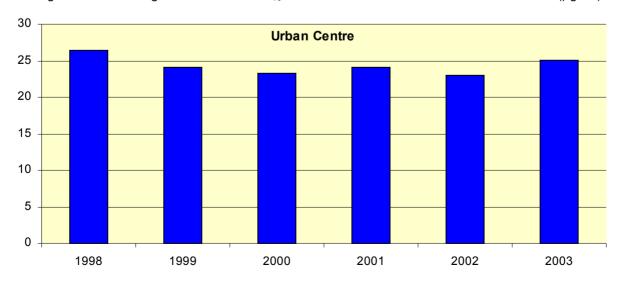




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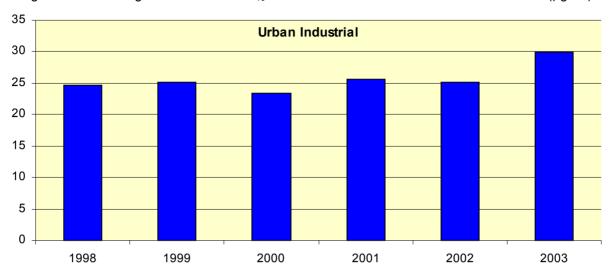


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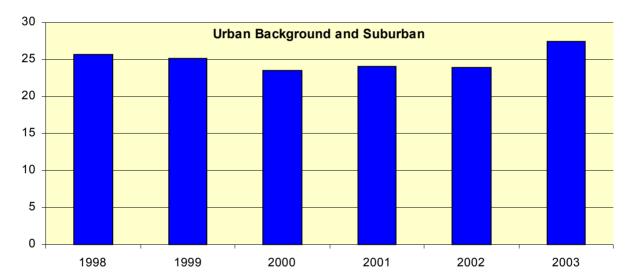


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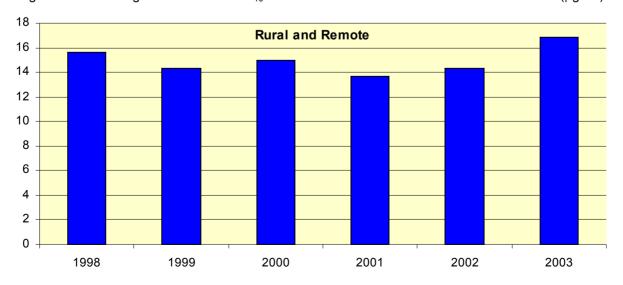




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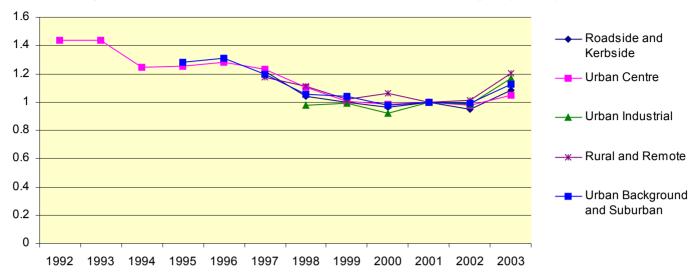


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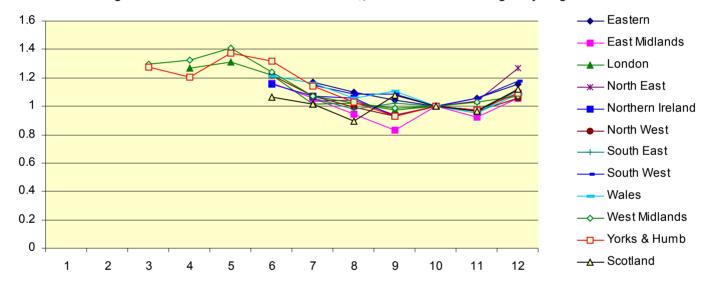


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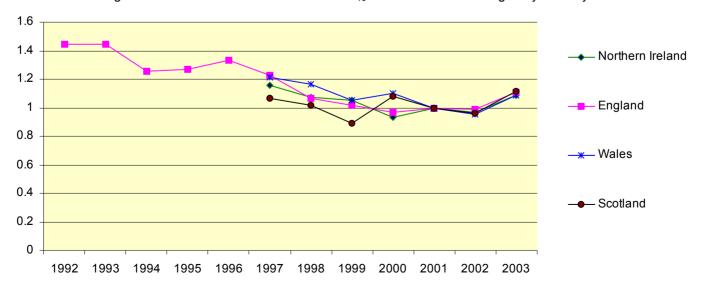




Figure A6.1 Number of 24-hour PM₁₀ Exceedences in Eastern England

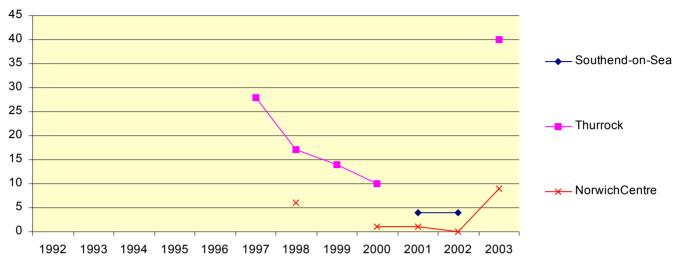


Figure A6.2 Number of 24-hour PM₁₀ Exceedences in the East Midlands

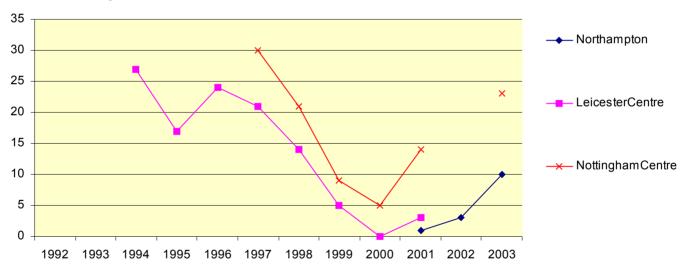


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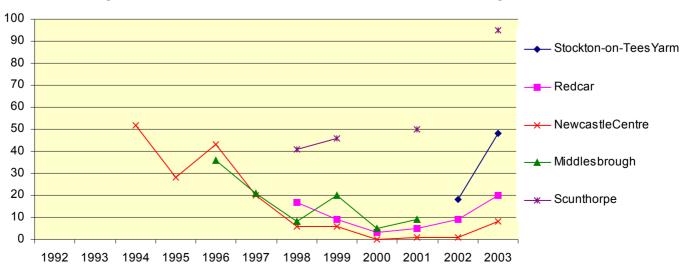




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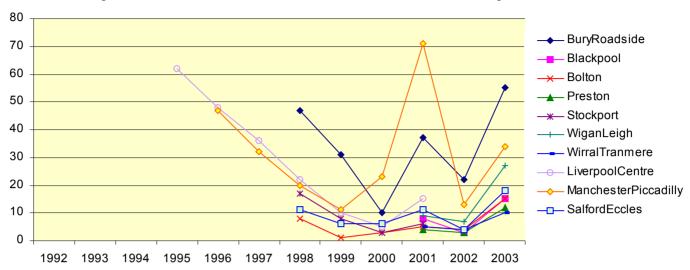


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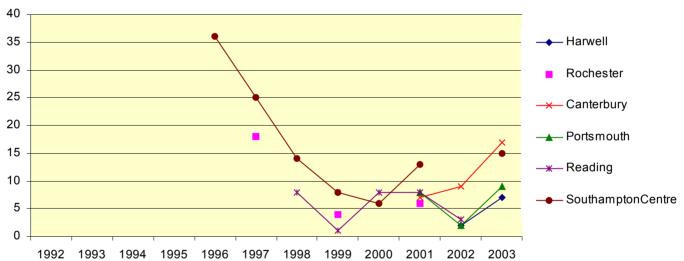


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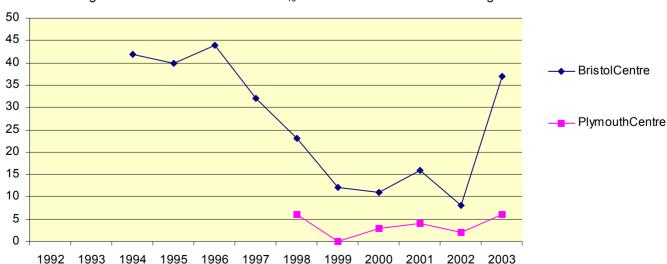




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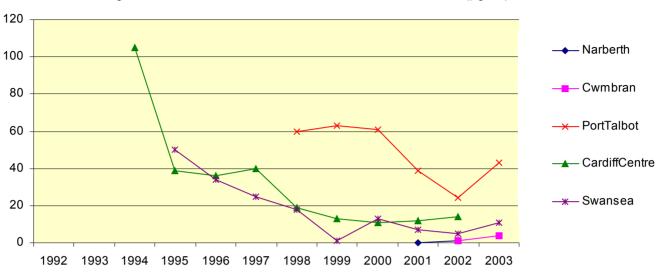


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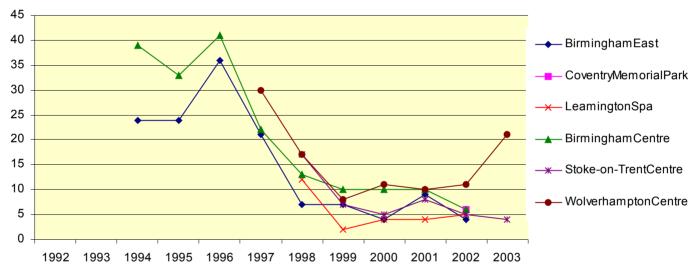
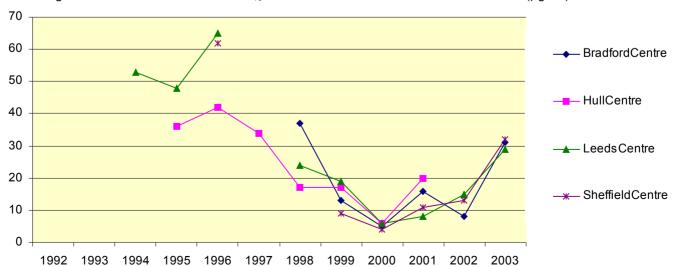
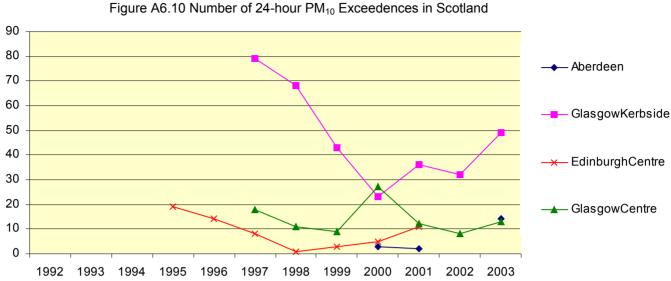


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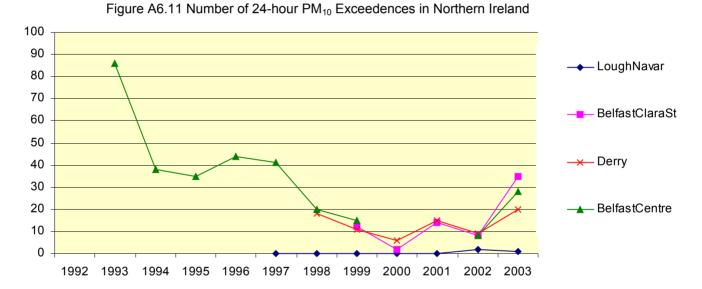


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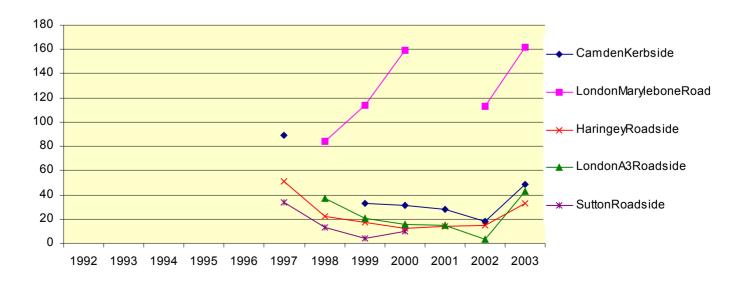




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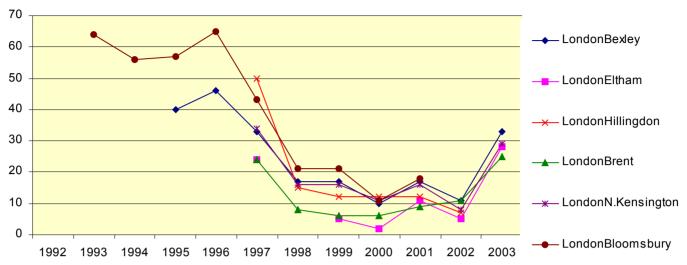


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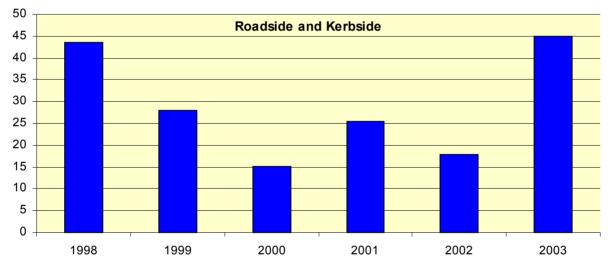


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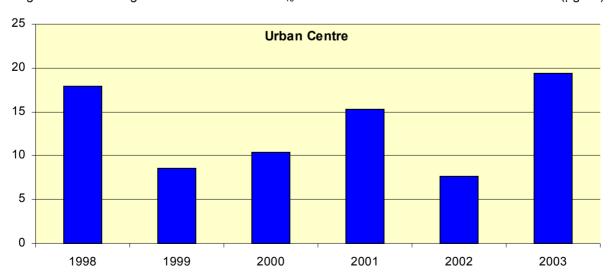




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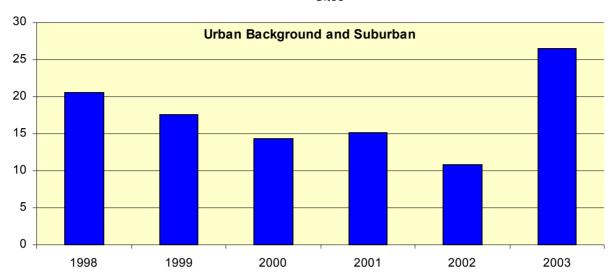


Figure A6.17 Normalised Number of 24-hour PM₁₀ Exceedences Averaged by Site Type

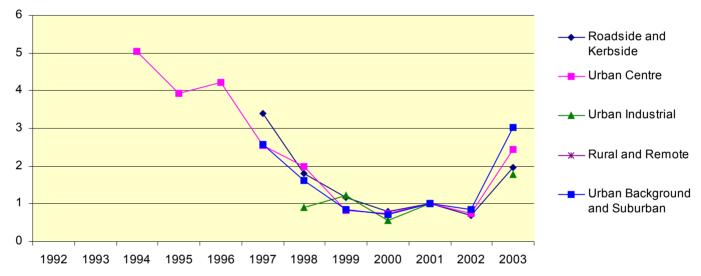
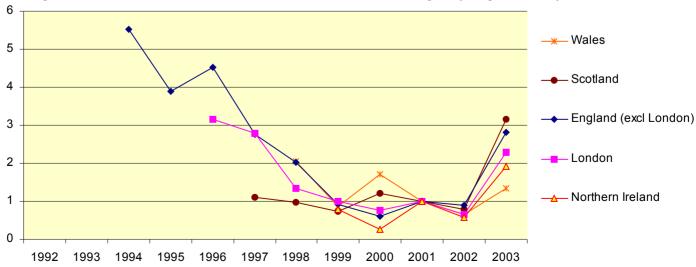


Figure A6.18 Normalised Annual Mean PM₁₀ Concentrations Averaged by Region/Country¹



¹The 90% data capture limitations prevented smaller sub-divisions