

### Milan and Lombardia air quality: analysis and prospective in reference to measures to reduce the impact of traffic

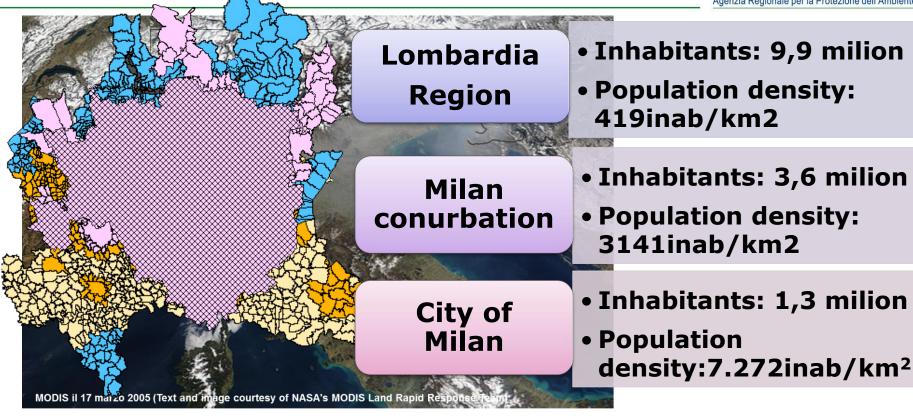
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LA CALIDAD DEL AIRE URBANO: PROBLEMAS Y POSIBLES SOLUCIONES

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### Milano and Lombardia: Where and how many



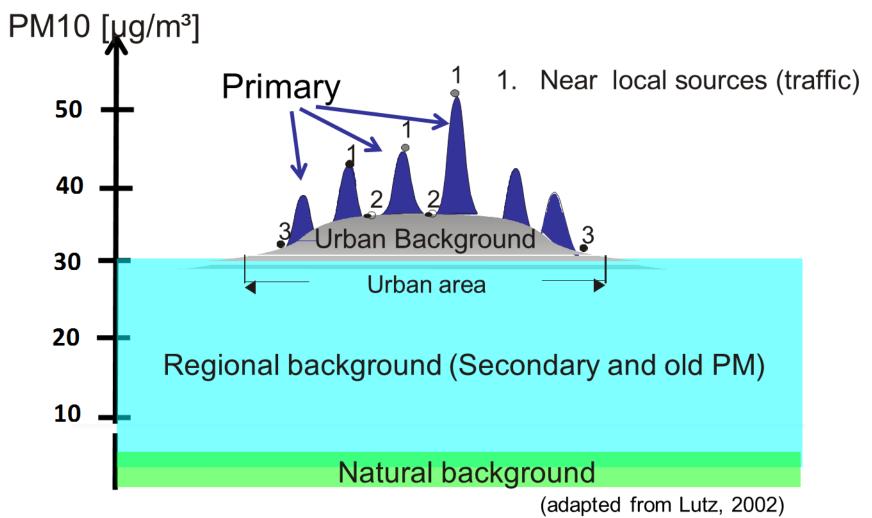


- Po Valley: closed by mountains exceeding 2500 m a.s.l. on three sides
- Meteorological conditions often adverse to air pollution dispersion

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#### Milano and Lombardia



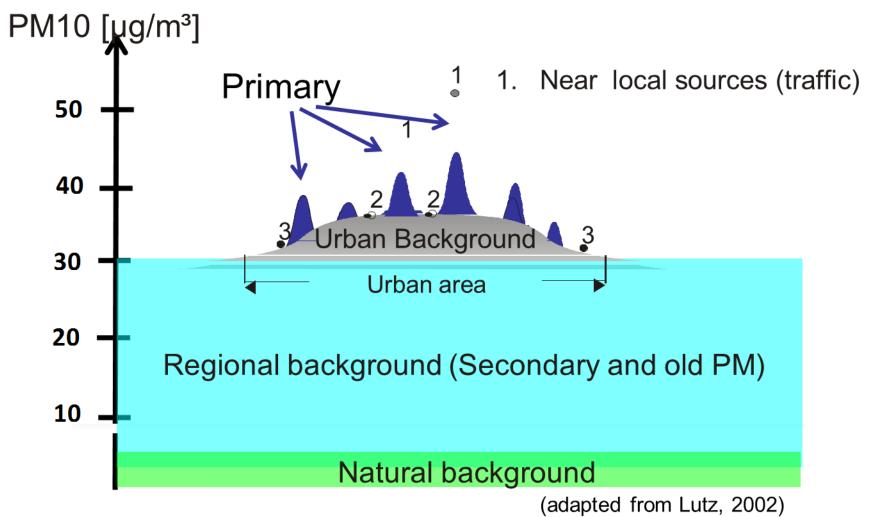


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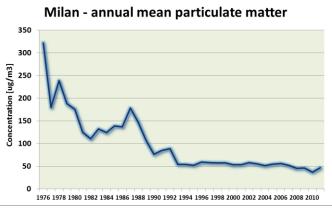
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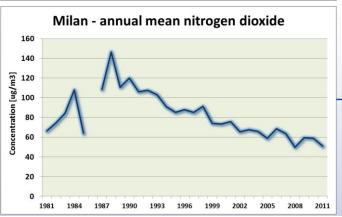
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### **Air Quality**Concentrations are decreasing but:

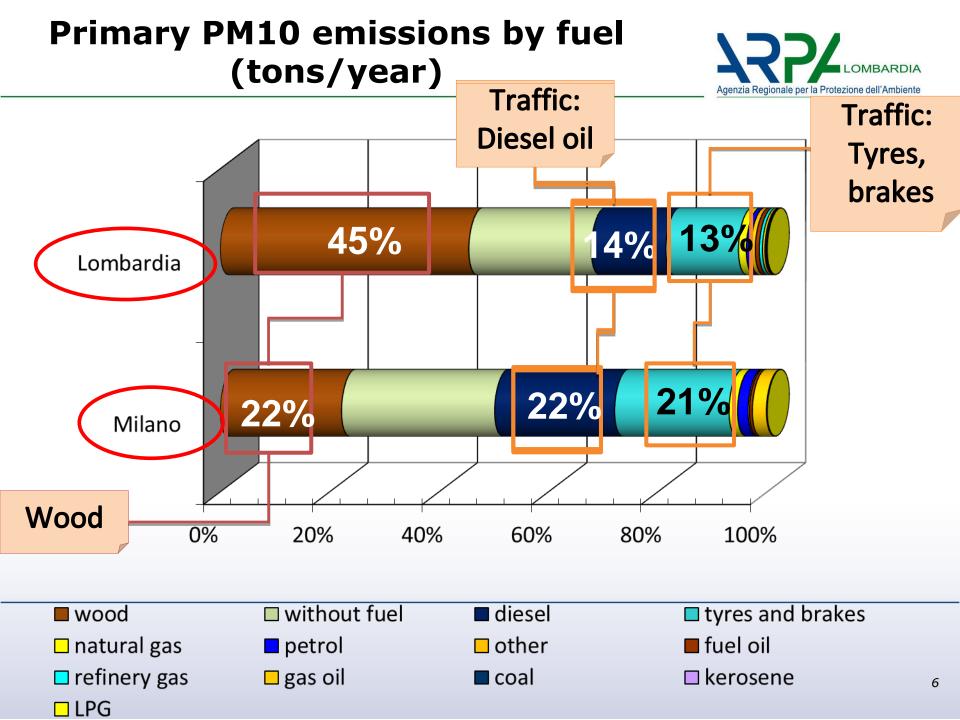






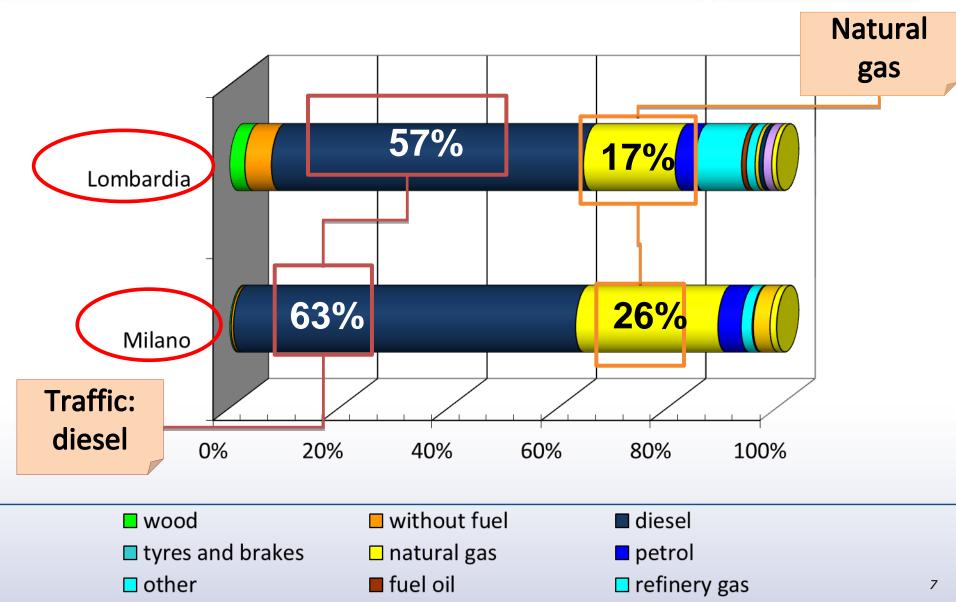


- Widespread PM10 daily limit exceedances (80-100 every year)
- NO2 annual limit exceedances, especially in traffic stations (annual mean in city from 39 to 62 µg/m3)
- B(a)P standard non achieved where wood burning is more diffuse (outside downtown)
- Widespread exceedances of both health and vegetation **Ozone** protection standards (above)



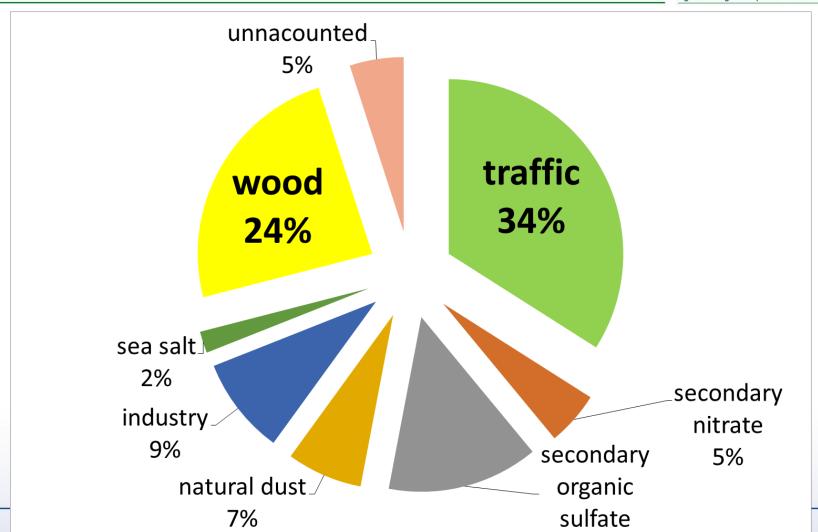
#### NOx emissions by fuel (tons/year)





### Milano PM10 source apportionment from AIRUSE project:





Also the results of source apportionment studies confirm traffic as first source of PM in city, followed by wood combustion

### PRIA: Regional plan of actions on air quality



### TRANSPORT AND MOBILITY

40 measures

- Big LEZ: limitations up to euro 3 diesel cars
- Area C in Milan centre
- Bikes and car sharing
- 2 new underground lines
- Highway speed limits reduction (under study)

### STATIONARY SOURCES

37 measures

- Promotion of energy efficiency and rational use of energy
- Wood combustion rules and limitations
- Industrial plants and waste treatment: BAT and limitations to resettle of new plants

#### AGRICULTURAL AND BREEDING SECTOR

14 measures

 Anaerobic digestion of manure and direct injection in the field

examples

### Some insights: LEZ and "Area C"

LEZ in Conurbation

- Limitation up to Euro 3 diesel car
- Area of 3.6 million of inhabitants
- Important emissions reduction and speed up fleet renewal

AREA C in city center

- Pay 5 € to enter in city center
- Important traffic reduction (-30%) in the area interested
- Primary pollutants reduction (ex. BC) in the area interested
- Important to promote other actions (bike sharing; car sharing)



#### Some insights: bike sharing



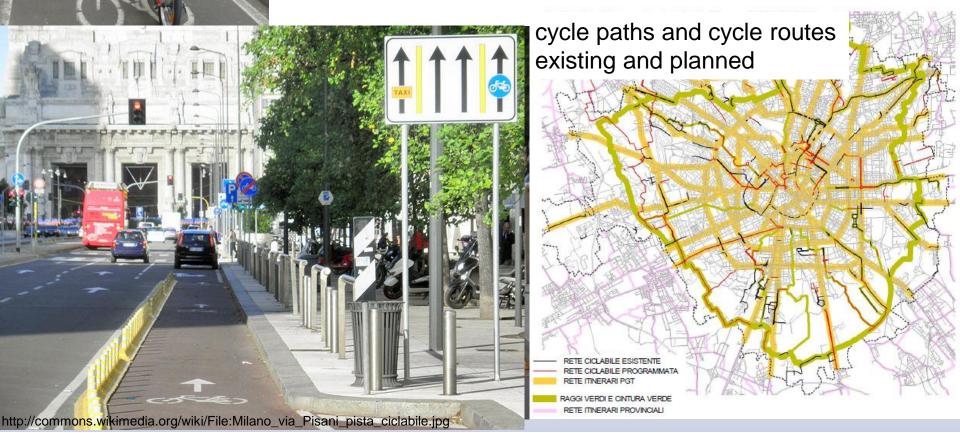




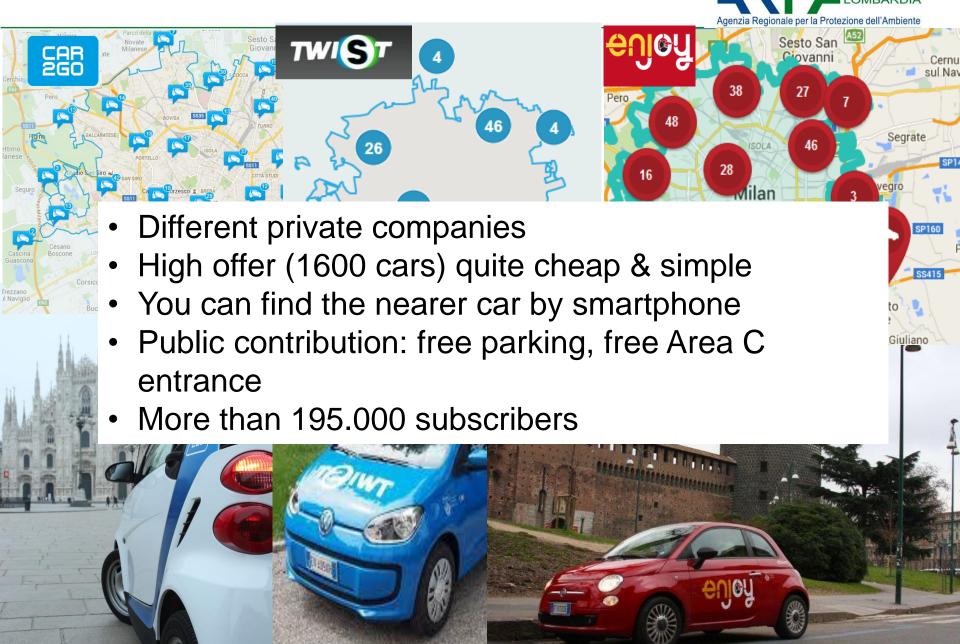
#### Some insights: cycling



- Cycle routes: from 28 km of 1993 to 167 of 2013 (data from Milano Urban Mobilty Plan)
- Safety during cycling
- Security of parking

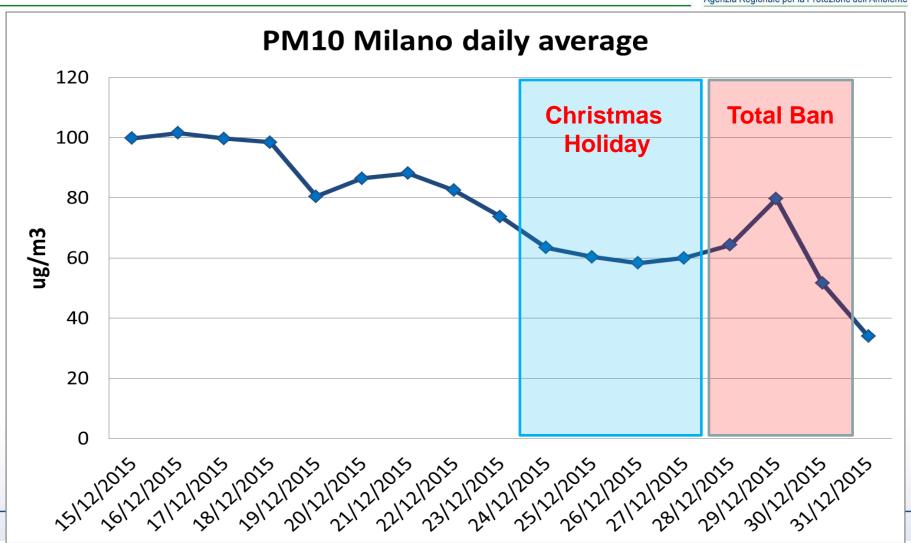


#### Some insights: car sharing



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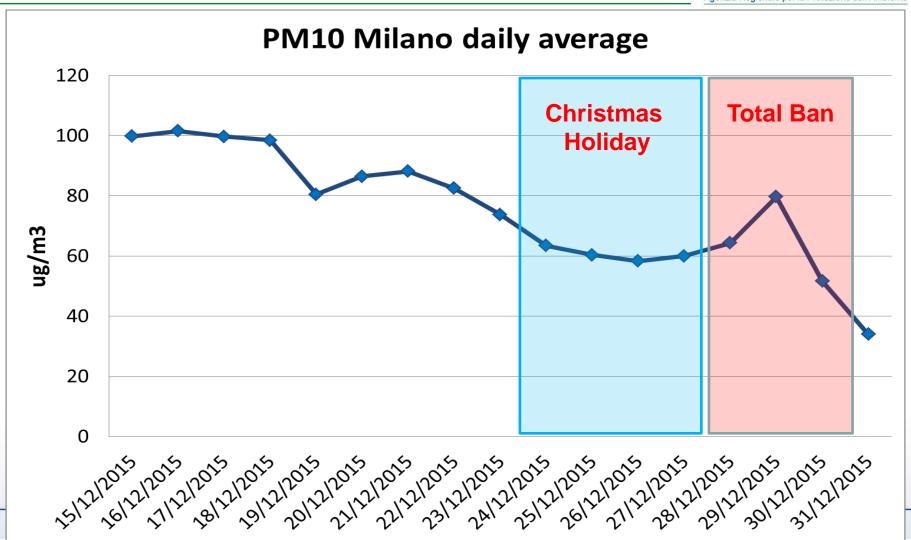




The last episode: Milano, 28, 29 30 dec. 2015 after more than 30 days of consecutive exceedings: TOTAL BAN from 10 am to 16 pm

# Traffic total ban as "emergency" action





Concentrations much more correlated to meteorological conditions! The decrease of traffic for the Christmas Holiday more widespread

# Traffic total ban as "emergency" action



#### Not (so) efficient or effective BUT:

- Great attention from the media (more than 500 interviews in 3 days, national media included)
- Important increase in public awareness
- Air quality has returned to the center of political discussion

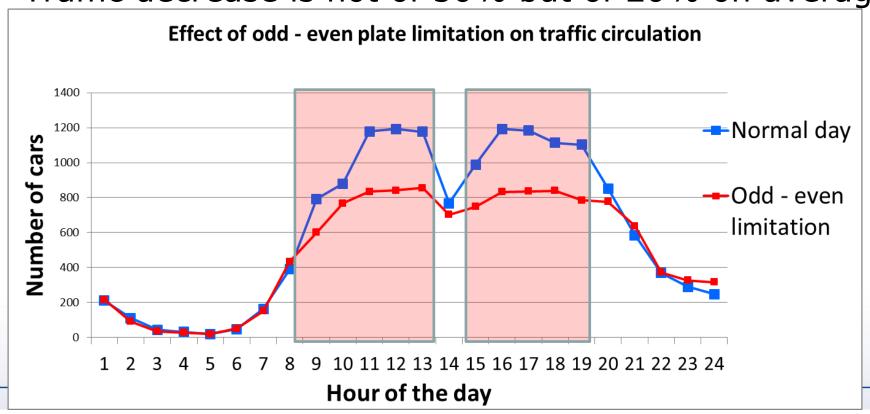


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### Odd – even plate limitation as "emergency" action



- A day can circulate only odd plate cars, the day after only even
- Traffic decrease is not of 50% but of 20% on average



Also in this case, if spatially or temporally limited, it is not very effective

# **Speed limits limitations** (under study)



#### Decrease of limits on highways (es. from 130 to 110 km/h)

- Efficient in reducing NOx emission and (partially) PM10 emissions
- Not popular
- Quite difficult enforcement (but «tutor» system is very effective)

#### Decrease of limits in city center (from 50 km/h to 30 km/h)

- Tailpipe exhaust emissions can increase
- Decrease in resuspension
- Decrease in tyres and brake emissions
- (Decrease in noise)
- (Possible increase in the quality of the conurbation)
- Not always popular
- Difficult enforcement

#### **Summary and Conclusions**



- It is necessary to work on all the sources
- Traffic remain (one of) the most important
- It is necessary a structural approach
- Short term measures can be useful to increase public awareness
- Technological improvements can reduce traffic emissions but
- The decrease of the kilometers done must be pursued
- Road pricing can help to develop alternative way for moving
- The availability of public service is a key factor



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