



DPM Exposure in Canadian Mines

Mining Diesel Emissions Conference

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Brunswick Mining Division

Inco Limited

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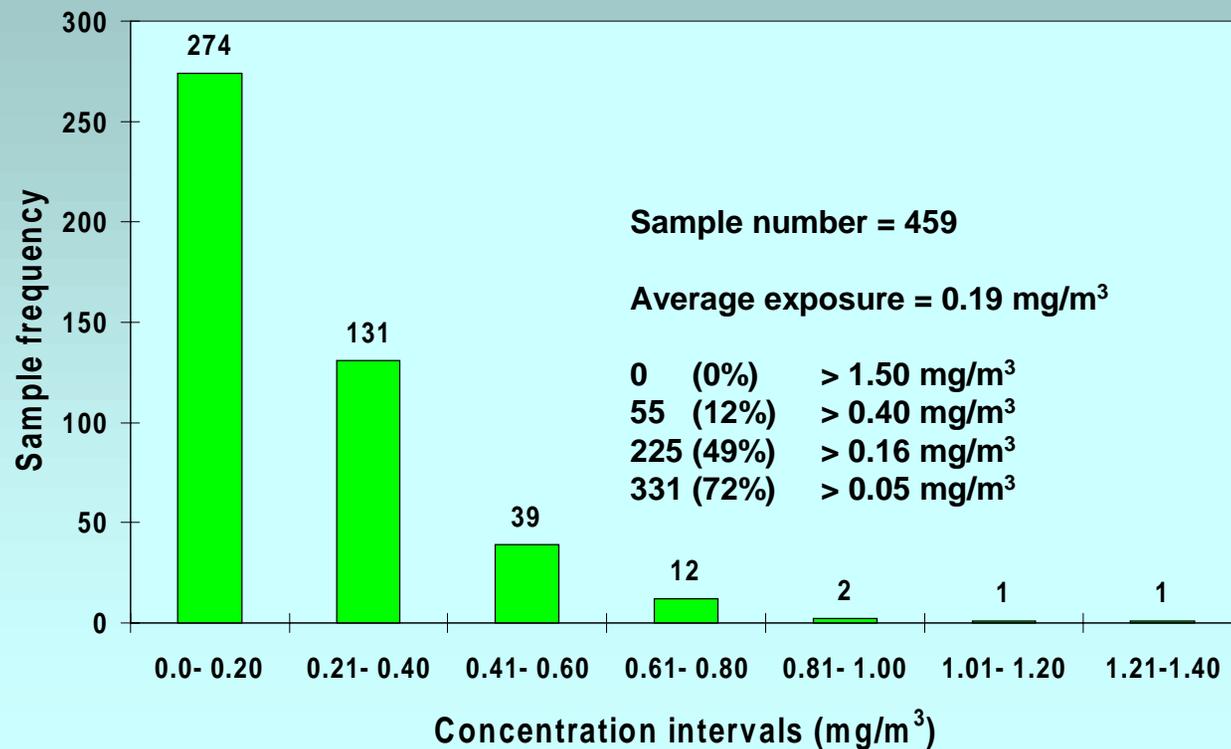
North American Regulation

| Agency/Committee/Regulator | Date Submitted | Exposure Limit |
|------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Canadian ad hoc Diesel Comm. | 1990 |  1.50 mg/m ³ |
| MSHA | 1998 |  0.40 mg/m ³ |
| ACGIH | 1996 |  0.15 mg/m ³ |
| ACGIH | 1998 |  0.05 mg/m ³ |

Canadian Miner Exposure - 1995

Diesel Particulate Matter Exposure (RCD) in Canadian Mines

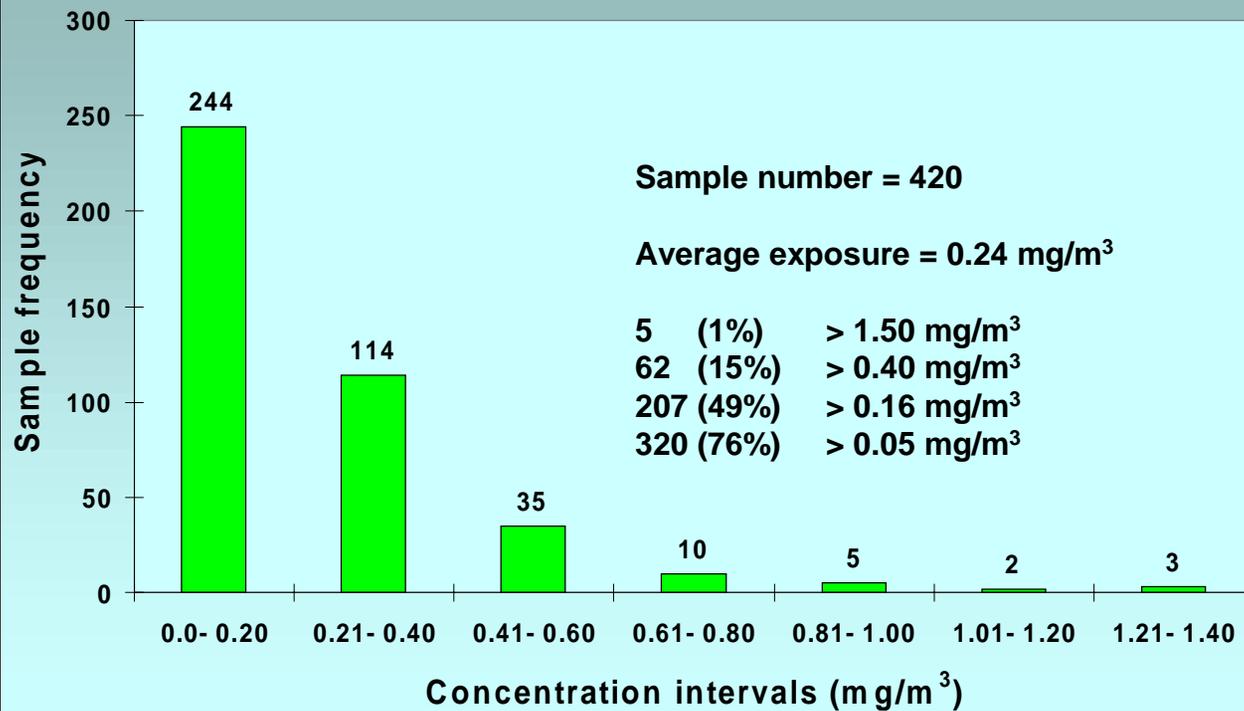
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Canadian Miner Exposure - 1996

Diesel Particulate Matter Exposure (RCD) in Canadian Mines

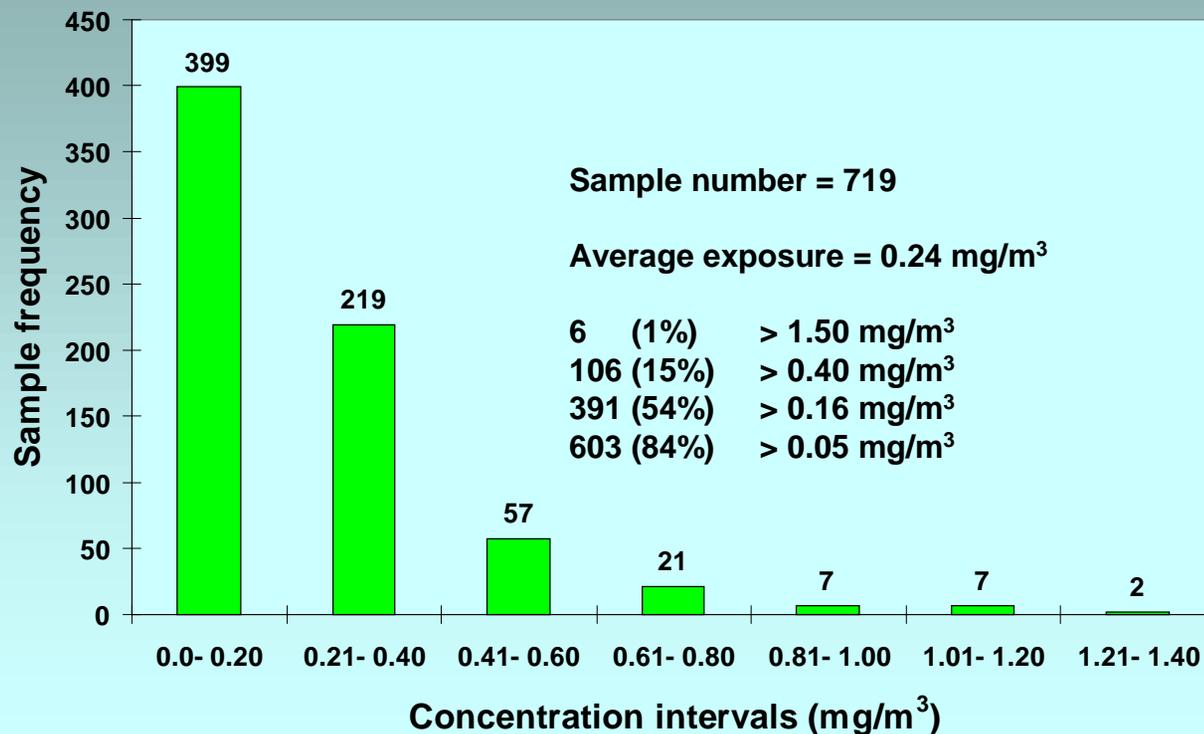
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Canadian Miner Exposure - 1997

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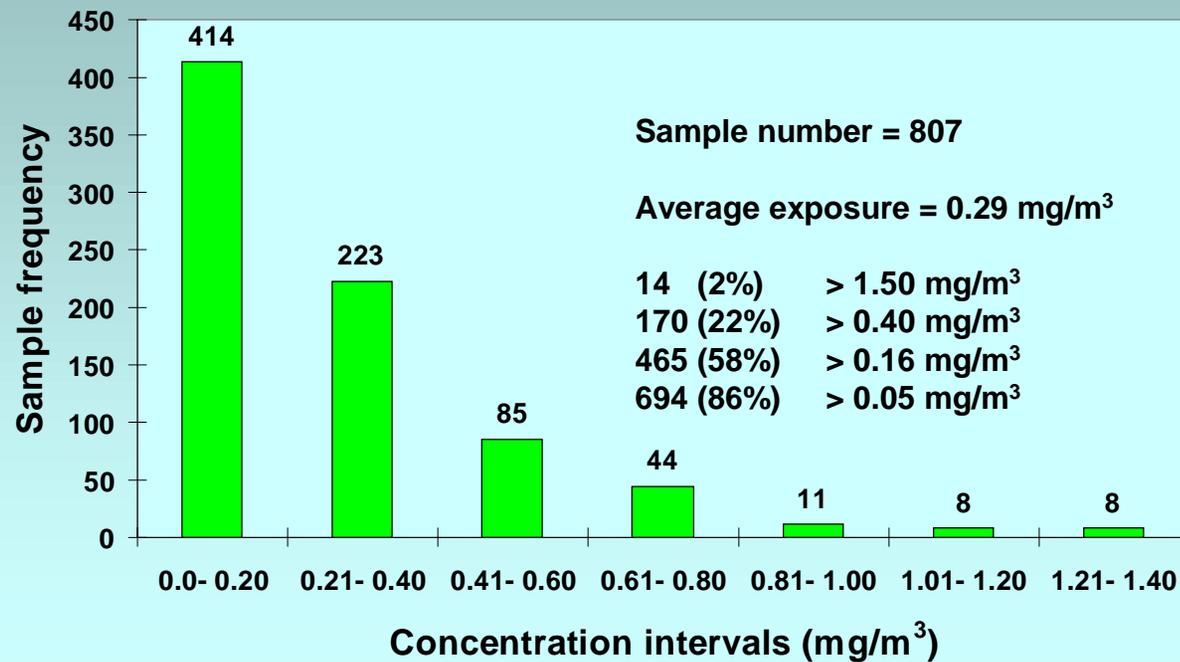
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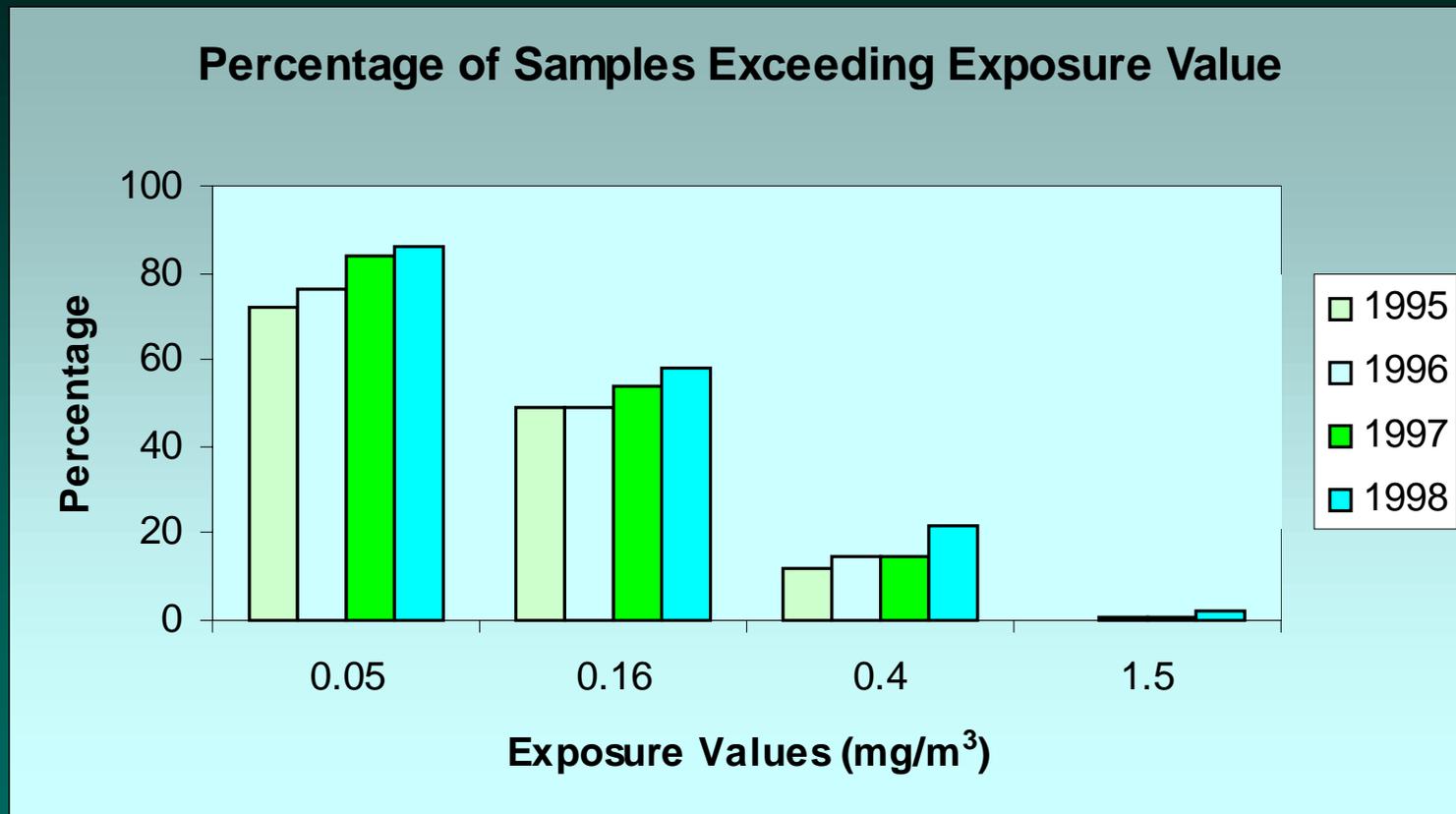
Canadian Miner Exposure - 1998

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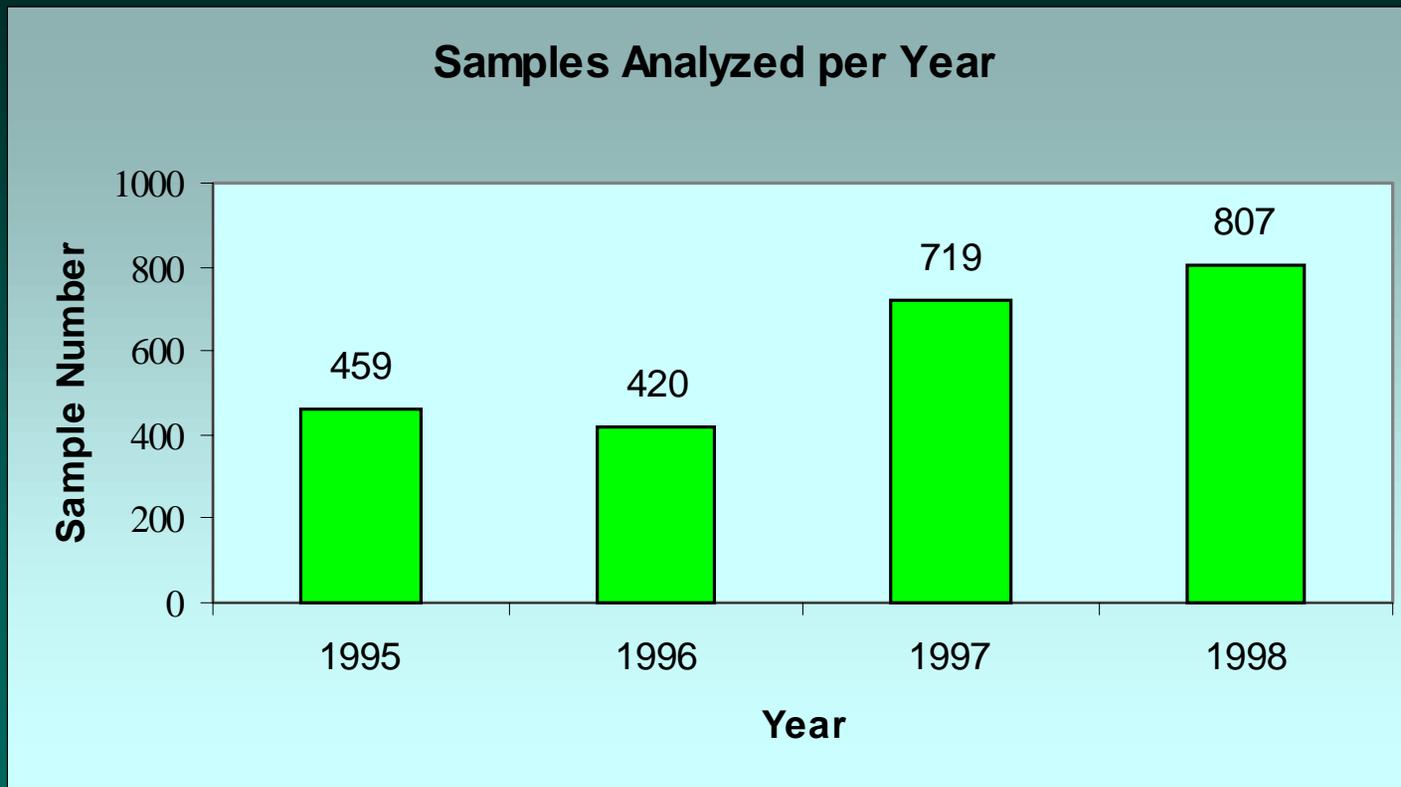
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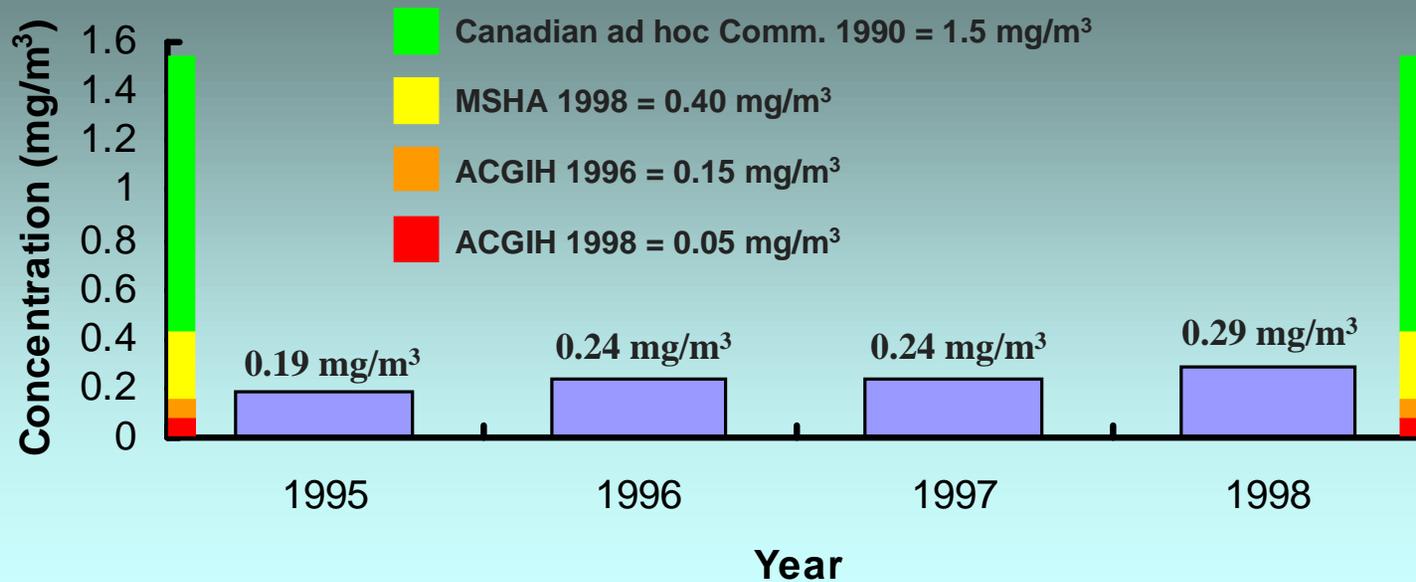


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Averaged Yearly Exposure Values

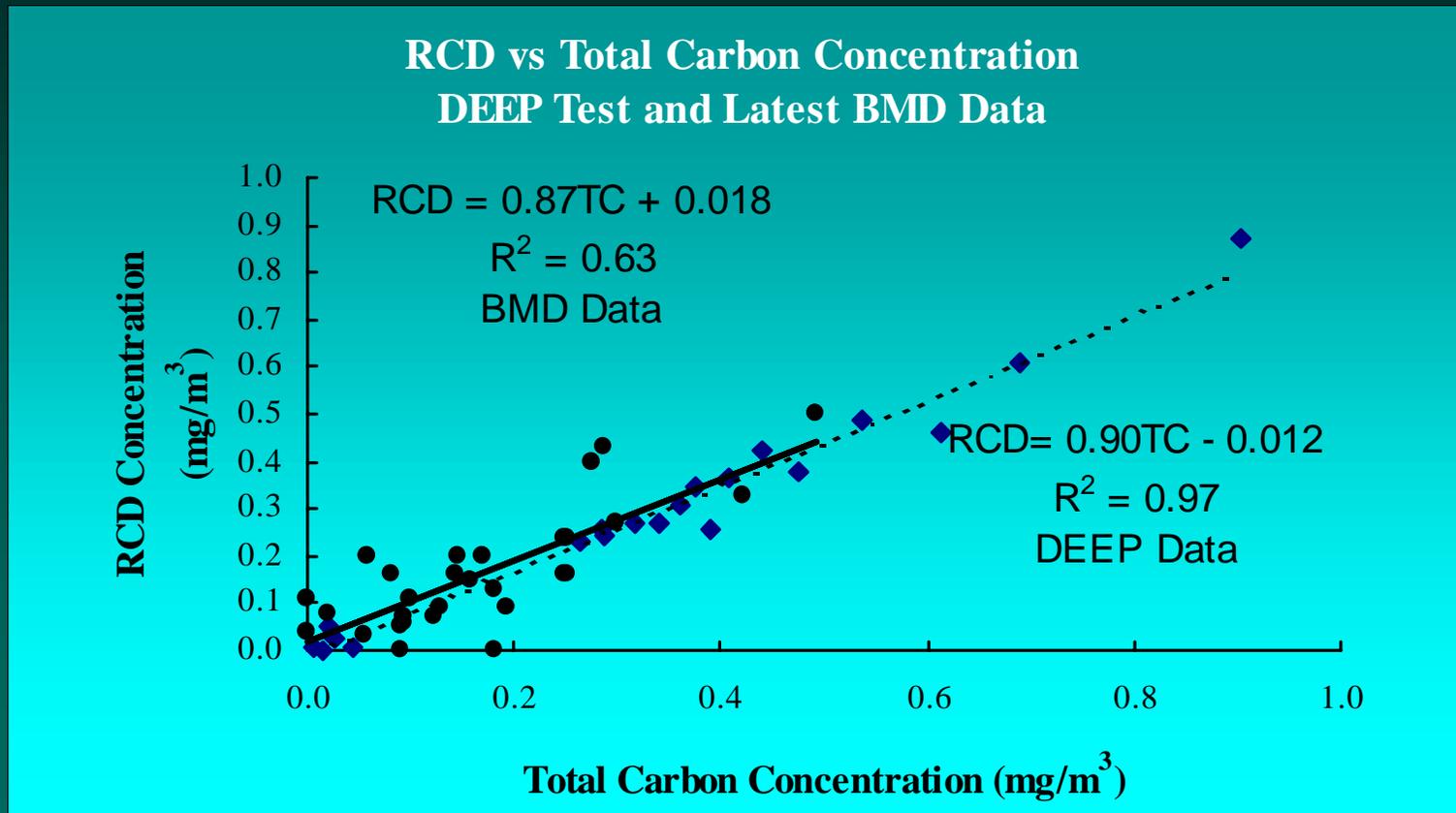




Brunswick Mining Division- Exposure Data (1999)

| <u>Process</u> | <u>No. Samples</u> | <u>RCD</u> (mg/m ³) | <u>TC</u> (mg/m ³) |
|----------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| LHD | 8 | 0.22 | 0.25 |
| H. Trucks | 5 | 0.09 | 0.12 |
| Drilling | 5 | 0.13 | 0.11 |
| Misc. | 10 | 0.18 | 0.17 |
| Overall | 28 | 0.17 | 0.17 |
| CND (1998) | 807 | 0.29 | ----- |

Comparison of RCD and TC - Brunswick Mining Division





Brunswick Mining Division - Observations

- ❖ EC/TC Ratio of about 40%
- ❖ No observations of negative RCD values
- ❖ Average of 0.17 mg/m³
- ❖ Good agreement with previous DEEP work
- ❖ Excellent transition exercise RCD → TC



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RCD Exposure Report (1995 - 1999)

| <i>“Occupations with Potential Exposure”</i> | No. of Samples | Geometric Mean RCD | Lowest Result | Highest Result |
|--|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Loaderman Diesel | 60 | 0.16 mg/m³ | 0.06 mg/m ³ | 0.89 mg/m ³ |
| Truck Driver Haulage | 11 | 0.11 | 0.06 | 0.39 |
| Haulageman | 13 | 0.13 | 0.06 | 0.37 |
| Tram Crew | 37 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 0.64 |
| Development Miner | 81 | 0.15 | 0.06 | 1.62 |
| Production Miner | 20 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.72 |

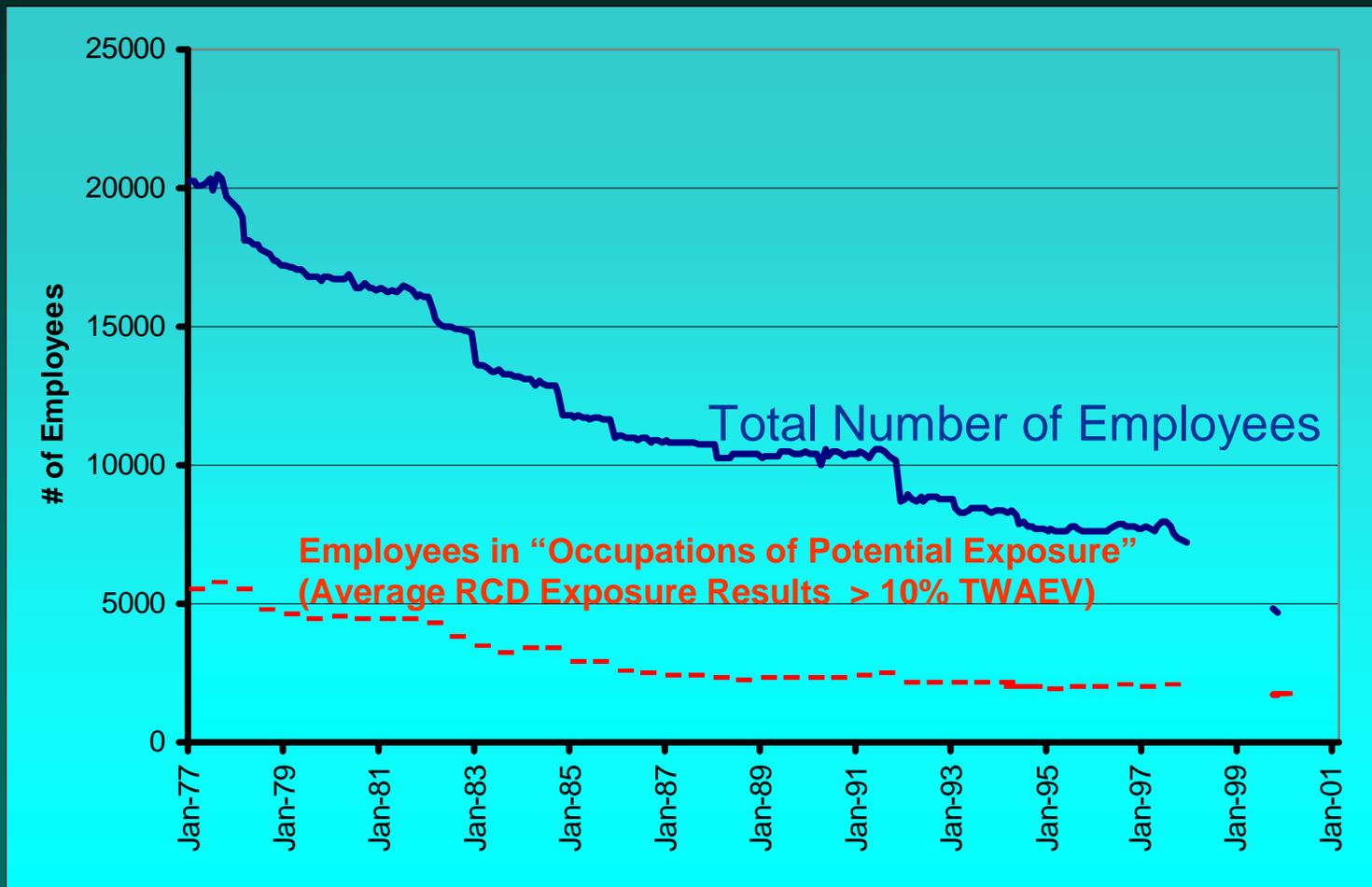


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"Old" RCD Exposure Report (1977 - 1981)

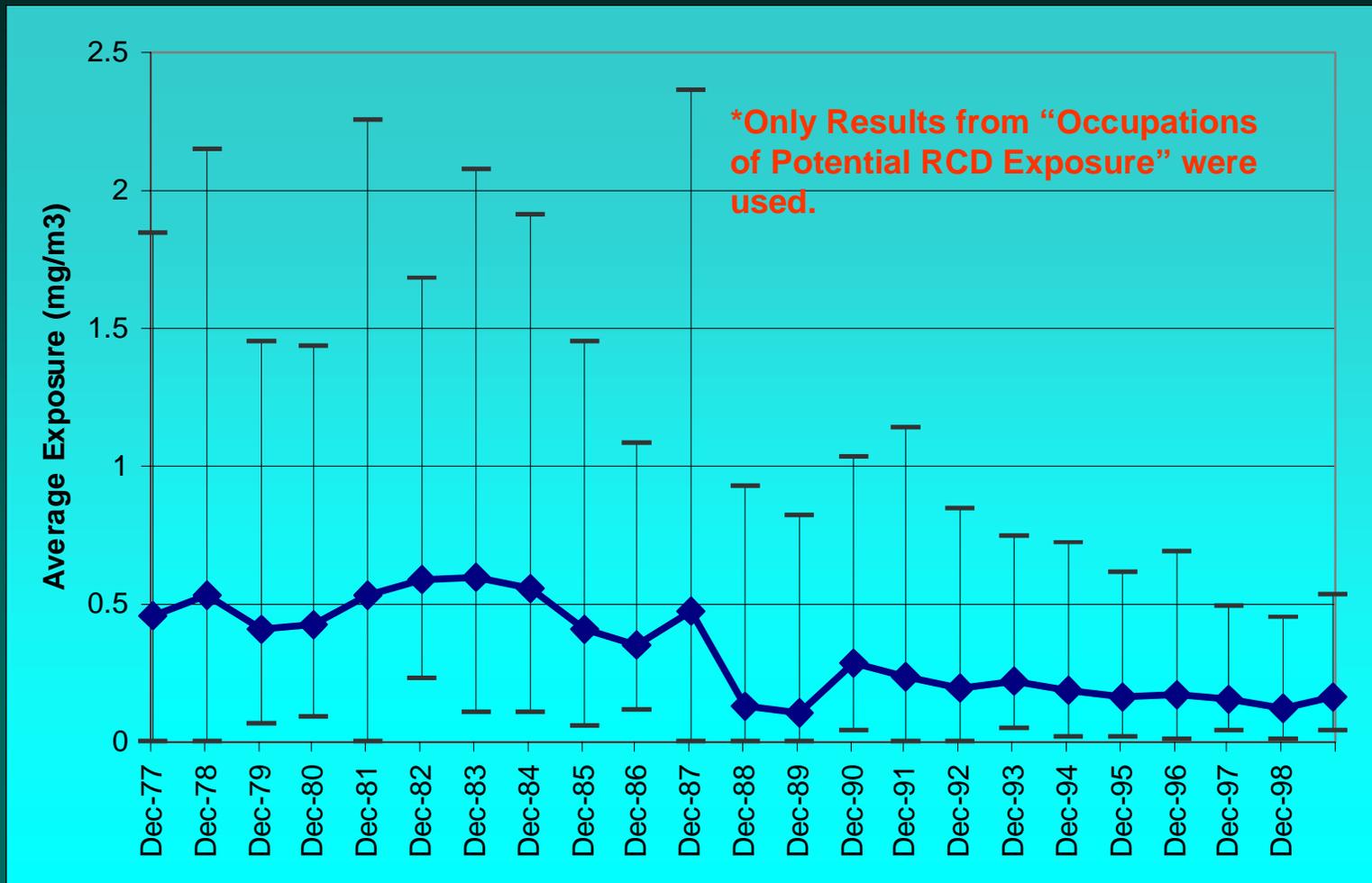
| <i>"Occupations with Potential Exposure"</i> | No. of Samples | Geometric Mean RCD | Lowest Result | Highest Result |
|--|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Loaderman Diesel | 141 | 0.42 mg/m³ | 0.15 mg/m ³ | 1.6 mg/m ³ |
| Truck Driver Haulage | 7 | 0.52 | 0.33 | 1.1 |
| Driller Stope Conventional | 215 | 0.43 | 0.21 | 1.0 |
| Leader Stope Conventional | 75 | 0.24 | 0.03 | 2.2 |
| Driller Drift | 38 | 0.37 | 0.04 | 2.1 |
| Driller Trackless Jumbo | 41 | 0.62 | 0.18 | 5.0 |

Inco Limited - Sudbury District Workforce Changes Since 1977



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*Average RCD Exposures - 1977 to Present**





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Sampling Strategy for Year 2000

- ❖ Work with Joint Health & Safety Committees to quantify effect of extended shifts.
- ❖ No longer monitoring for compliance.
- ❖ Must change sampling method. - (in 1998, 38% of RCD Results from “Potential Concern Occupations” were below the analytical limit of detection)
- ❖ Have fewer workers doing multiple tasks - switch focus to “Potential Concern Activities”