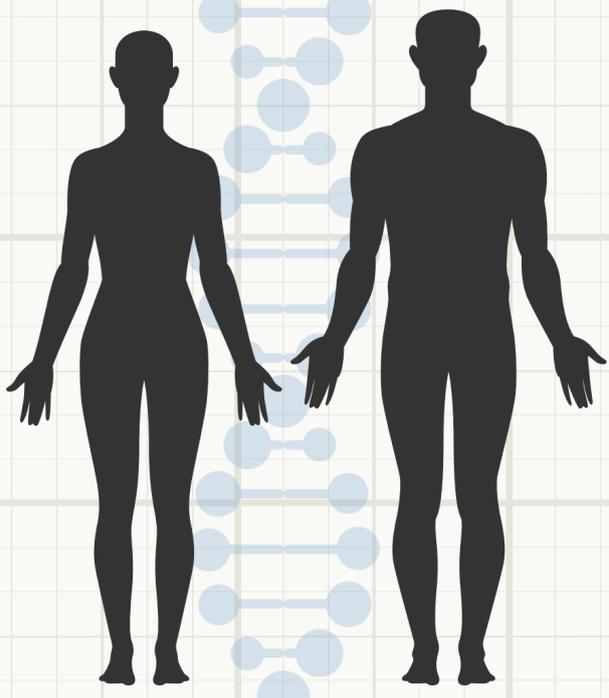


AIR POLLUTION & YOUR HEALTH

Air pollution has devastating effects on health, particularly the heart, lungs, and brain.



Air pollution contributes to or exacerbates certain neurological diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, multiple sclerosis, and stroke. It also stunts child development and permanently damages the brain.

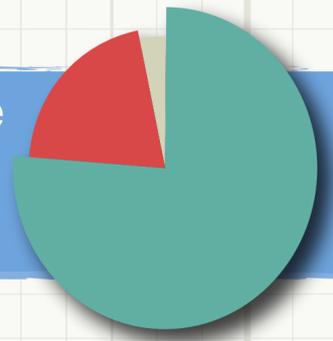


Prolonged exposure to toxic pollutants in the air can cause deadly heart disease and other damage to the cardiovascular system. As little as 15 minutes of exposure to particle pollution can result in an increase in blood pressure.



The most obvious symptoms of air pollution exposure come from the respiratory system. Asthma, COPD, cancers, and numerous other lung diseases are known to be directly linked to breathing dirty air.

ABC Coke emits noxious odors and particulate matter as well as a number of **carcinogens**, including benzene, naphthalene, and arsenic.



BY THE NUMBERS

7M

Global premature deaths annually from air pollution
*World Health Organization

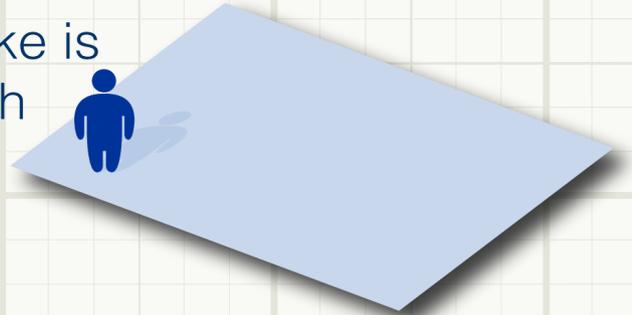
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Preventable heart disease deaths from NO₂ pollution among nonwhite Americans
*University of Minnesota

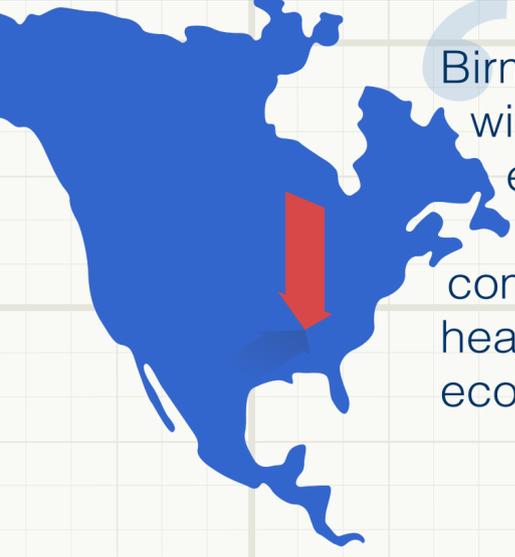
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Percentage of Alabama children with asthma — or 137,091 kids
*Alabama Department of Public Health

The cancer risk where ABC Coke is located is 106 in a million, which is **47% higher** than the U.S. average cancer risk.



A CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE



Birmingham ranks in the top 15 urban areas with the largest disparity in air pollution exposure between whites and nonwhites, placing an undue burden on poor communities and people of color. Clean, healthy air is a right, and one's skin color or economic status shouldn't determine their opportunity to live a healthy life.

Emissions from ABC Coke will adversely and disproportionately impact a predominantly African-American community. Granting the permit will violate EPA regulations promulgated to implement the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

66.7%

THE BOTTOM LINE

Air pollution kills, but it's preventable. Technology exists to properly monitor and reduce emissions from polluting industries. **The Jefferson County Health Officer must deny the ABC Coke permit** in order to protect the health and quality of life of residents who live and work near the facility in Tarrant.

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