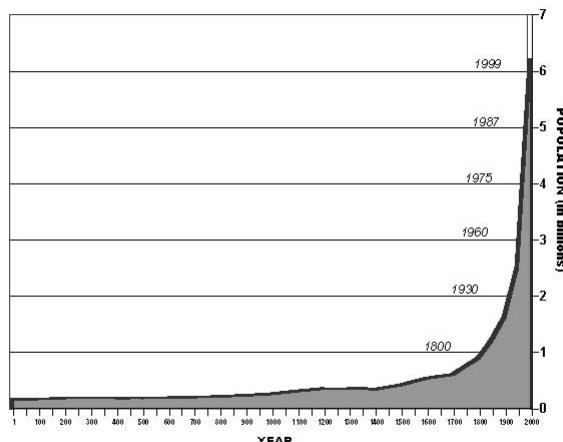




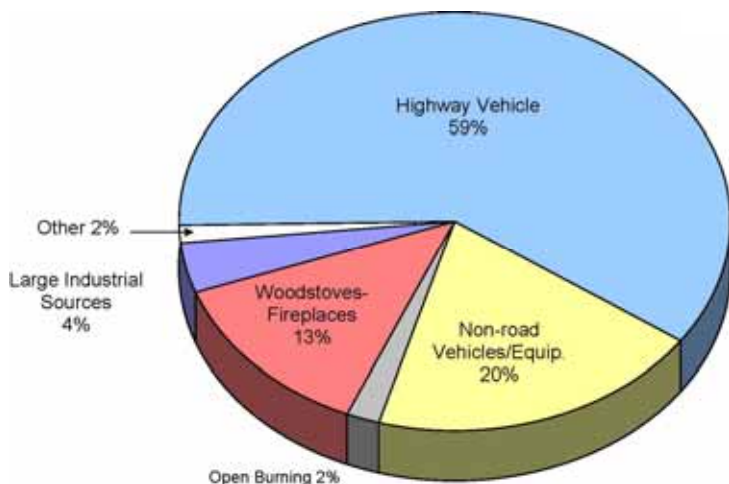
Air Quality Facts

- The world population grew from 3 to 6 billion people between 1960 and 1999 and is projected to grow to almost 9 billion by 2050. (*Population Connection, 2006*)
- Individual activities such as driving, wood heating, and outdoor burning produce over 85% of our state's air pollution. (Source: Department of Ecology April, 2005)
- If we're creating this much pollution now, think about how much more there could be as the population grows!

Human Population Growth Since 1 A.D.



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- Each year the average car emits over 600 pounds of air pollution. (Washington State Department of Ecology)
- If only 1% of U.S. car owners left their cars at home one day a week, it could save 42 million gallons of gasoline a year. (*The Student Environmental Action Guide*)
- Energy use for the average home produces twice the pollution as the average car.

- Americans are only 5 % of world's population, yet consume 25% of the world's resources. (Population Connections, 2006)

What we can all do to keep our air clean and our planet healthy:

- Walk, bike or carpool instead of using automobiles for all transportation
- Use energy more efficiently
- Reduce, reuse, and recycle
- Plant trees
- Support clean energy policies

For more information, visit the Northwest Clean Air Agency's website at www.nwcleanair.org.