



High-definition spatial distribution maps of on-road transport exhaust emissions in Chile, 1990 - 2020.

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Abstract.

15 This description paper presents a detailed and consistent estimate and analysis of exhaust pollutant emissions generated by Chile's road transport activity for the period 1990-2020. The complete database for the period 1990-2020 is available at doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.17632/z69m8xm843.2>. Emissions are provided at high-spatial resolution (0.01° x 0.01°) over continental Chile from 18.5 S to 53.2 S, including local pollutants (CO, VOC, NO_x, MP_{2.5}), black carbon (BC) and greenhouse gases (CO₂, CH₄). The methodology considers 70 vehicle types, based on ten vehicle categories, subdivided into two fuel types and
20 seven emission standards. Vehicle activity was calculated based on official databases of vehicle records and vehicle flow counts. Fuel consumption was calculated based on vehicle activity and contrasted with fuel sales, to calibrate the initial dataset. Emission factors come mainly from COPERT 5, adapted to local conditions in the 15 political regions of Chile, based on emission standards and fuel quality. While vehicle fleet has grown fivefold between 1990 and 2020, CO₂ emissions had followed this trend at a lower rate and emissions of local pollutants have decreased, due to stricter abatement technologies,
25 better fuel quality and enforcement of emission standards. In other words, there has been decoupling between fleet growth and emissions' rate of change. Results were contrasted with EDGAR datasets, showing similarities in CO₂ estimations and striking differences in PM, BC and CO; in the case of NO_x and CH₄ there is coincidence only until 2008. In all cases of divergent results, EDGAR estimates higher emissions.



1 Introduction

30 Building and updating emission inventories provides key information for designing and evaluating public policies concerning
topics relevant for the inhabitants of cities' quality of life, the environment and for mitigation of climate change (Kuenen et
al., 2014; Creutzig et al, 2015). In international and national experiences, the construction of reliable emission inventories for
road transport has been a bottleneck in mapping the emissions in cities (Zheng et al., 2014). In general, these difficulties occur
35 due to two main reasons: the lack of disaggregated data at a level to construct detailed inventories, and the many variables to
consider when modelling emissions, increasing the uncertainty in the estimation of total emissions (Bond et al., 2004; Tolvet
et al., 2016).

Latin America has an urbanization rate of more than 80% and cities suffer changes in local climate and air pollution, imposing
big challenges to cope with (Henríquez and Romero, 2019; Hardoy and Romero-Lankao, 2011). Transport in cities is a major
40 source of air pollution and emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) (Huneeus et al 2020). Reliable inventories are needed to
assess policy measures for air quality and climate change. In the case of Santiago, Chile's capital, there are good examples of
the use of local data to analyse the impact of emissions on air pollution (Mazzeo et al., 2018), health benefits of policy scenarios
(Mena-Carrasco et al., 2012), and for retrospective evaluation of the evolution of mobility and air quality, relating them to
policy measures (Gallardo et al., 2018).

45 Despite research results for specific data analysis, inventories for Chile have huge scope for improvement in terms of data
accuracy and disaggregation. Better inventories are needed for decision making related to cities' air quality and for climate
change commitments. Barraza et al (2017) estimated that the motor vehicles are responsible for 37.3 % of PM_{2.5} in Santiago,
which highlight the role played by mobile sources in large urban areas. The transport sector at large accounts for 25% of 2018-
50 CO₂ estimates in Chile (MMA, 2021). Further, in 2016, a fraction of 7 % of total BC is linked to the on-road transportation
sector (Gallardo et al, 2020). International inventories include data for Chile, however data are often outdated or cover a short-
period of time. For example, EDGAR V4.3.2 covers only between 1970 and 2012, and recently until 2015 (Crippa et al.,
2019a; Crippa et al, 2019b).

55 Chile has two separated inventories, one for GHG and another for criteria pollutants of air quality. The GHG inventory follows
the methodology established by the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change, it has been systematically kept since 2012,
and it includes estimates starting in 1990 (MMA, 2019). This inventory is made in house at the Ministry for the Environment
in coordination with other sectorial ministries, which assures capacity building within the ministry. Although this data set is
well evaluated and consistent, the level of aggregation is national or at best at split into political regions. On the other hand,
60 inventories for criteria pollutants are built in connection with the establishment of attainment plans and produced through
external consultancies, which has resulted in a scattered picture regarding reference years, emission factors used, and cities



along continental Chile. These inventories only consider specific industrial complexes or urban areas but not rural areas or background conditions, which limits the scope of attainment plans as highlighted by Huneus et al (2020).

65 The recent commitment made by Chile before the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNCCC), considers achieving carbon neutrality regarding GHG by 2050, and reducing black carbon emissions by at least 25% by 2030 respect to levels in 2016 (Gobierno de Chile, 2020). To accurately monitoring progress with respect to BC emissions will require an improved spatial resolution and explicit monitoring of BC in PM_{2.5} (Gallardo et al, 2020). The same applies when considering health impacts linked to PM and BC (Burnett et al, 2018, Kirrane, 2019)

70 Chile includes short lived climate pollutants (SLCP) in its inventories since 2012, when the Ministry of Environment joined the Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC) and committed to reduce emissions of SLCP. One of the actions taken was to identify the main sources of these pollutants, concluding that transport was a main emission sector and that black carbon concentrations were worryingly high (Jorquera et al., 2017). Data on black carbon emissions was recently updated showing
75 the situation has not changed significantly (Gallardo et al, 2020). Black carbon (BC) is a pollutant with impact on human health and contributes to climate change in a global and local scale (Bond et al., 2013; Hadley and Kirchstetter, 2012; Ramanathan and Carmichael, 2008), hence motivating the inclusion of a goal for black carbon reduction in Chile's National Determined Contributions to the CMNUCC (Gobierno de Chile, 2020).

80 This description paper presents an extension and update of the data for the emissions inventory for on-road transport in Chile, considering fuel consumption records, vehicle fleet, stricter emission standards requirements and inclusion of motorcycles as a vehicular category. This inventory is based on previous methodologies (MAPS, 2013; SECTRA; Jorquera et al, 2017; Gallardo et al., 2020; Zheng, 2014). It incorporates the latest data available, with the purpose of calculating transport activity to obtain an updated estimate of transport emissions, offering high-resolution spatially distributed maps for Chile.

85 The paper is structured as follows: Section 2 describes the methodology; Section 3 presents main results showing the evolution vehicle technologies and their impact on emissions, and regional differences; Section 4 makes a comparison of results with EDGAR datasets for the period 1990 to 2015; Section 5 concludes.

90 **2 Methodology and data**

The annual emissions database provides estimates of exhaust emissions for on-road transport, i.e., vehicles traveling on public routes, nationwide, in urban and rural areas, for years 1990 to 2020. It does not include rail, air and sea transport modes and off-road machinery. The calculation of emissions was based on estimations of the number of vehicles and their activity level



by political region, which were used to calculate fuel consumption and, subsequently, exhaust emissions, as summarized in
95 the methodological diagram (Fig. 1) and explained in this section. The resultant emission database was spatially distributed at
0.01x0.01 degrees of latitude and longitude resolution.

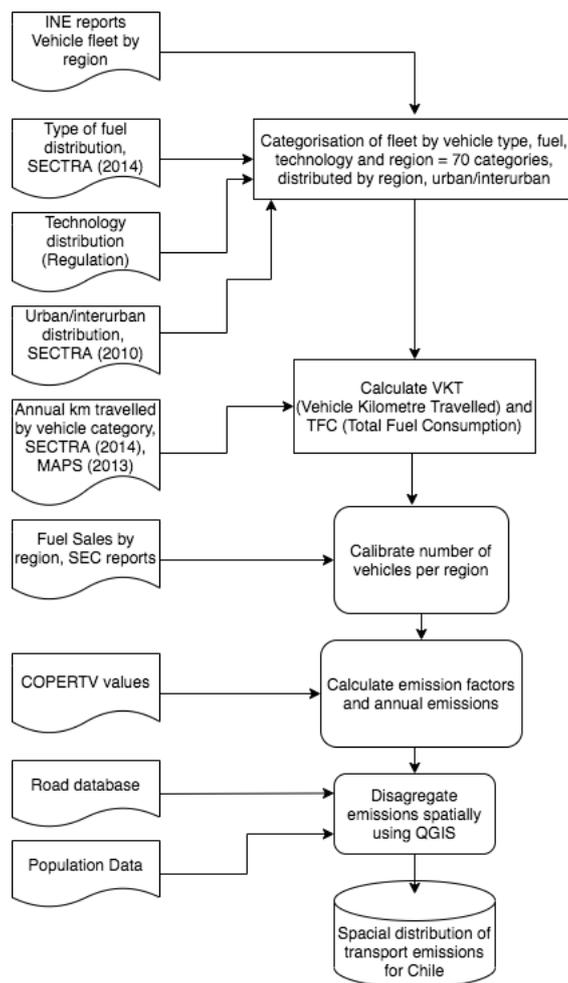


Figure 1. Methodological diagram

00 2.1 Vehicle fleet composition

Vehicle fleet composition was based on official government data. The National Institute of Statistics (INE, <https://www.ine.cl/>) provides annual reports of the total number of vehicles in circulation per political region. Vehicle categories reported are light passenger, commercial and taxi vehicles; 12- and 18-meter buses; light, medium and heavy-duty trucks; and two-wheeled motorized vehicles. Since the emission factors and fuel consumption of the distinct types of vehicles are being modelled using
05 the Computer Programme to calculate Emissions from Road Transport (COPERT) version 5 developed by the European



Consortium of Transport Impact (EMISIA, <https://www.emisia.com>) (Ntziachristos et al., 2009), the equivalence between Chilean INE categories and COPERT is shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Equivalence of European and Chilean main vehicle categories

Europe COPERT	Chile INE	Category Code
Passenger cars (diesel and gasoline, M ₁)	Automobile, station wagon, jeep, taxi	LPV
Light commercial vehicles (diesel and gasoline, N ₁)	Van, pickup truck, minibus	LCV
Urban Bus Standard, Urban Bus Midi	Bus, taxi bus	UBS
Urban Articulated Bus	Bus	UBA
Intercity bus (Coach Standard)	Bus	ICB
HDT (Rigid <=14 t)	Truck	LDT
HDT (Rigid 14 t - 28 t)	Truck	MDT
HDT (Rigid > 28 t and articulated)	Truck, trailer truck	HDT
L-Category (Motorcycles)	Motorcycles and similar	MOT

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Each of these categories was subdivided to distinguish the type of fuel used (gasoline or diesel) using the most recent information from the Ministry of Transport and Telecommunications (MTT) and the secretariat for transportation (SECTRA, 2014) and the technology used, based on the emission standard in its European equivalent (EURO standard). To model the vehicle technology distribution, we used information given in the Supreme Decrees of MTT and the Ministry of the Environment (MMA), corresponding to the enforcement of emission technologies standards for new vehicles entering the national fleet (all vehicles are imported), for the distinct vehicular categories distinguishing between regions.

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Table 2. Introduction of emission standards for vehicle categories in Chile

Category	Region	Year of exigency													
		1992	1993	1994	1996	1998	2002	2005	2006	2011	2012	2013	2014	2018	2020
Gasoline LPV	XIII	EPA 83				Euro 1		Euro 3		Euro 4			Euro 5		Euro 6
	V and VI	EPA 83					Euro 1	Euro 3			Euro 4	Euro 5			
	Rest of the country			EPA 83			Euro 1	Euro 3			Euro 4	Euro 5			
Diesel LCV	XIII	EPA 83		Euro 1		Euro 1		Euro 3	Euro 4	Euro V					
	V and VI	EPA 83					Euro 1	Euro 3			Euro 4	Euro 5			
	Rest of the country		EPA 83				Euro 1	Euro 3			Euro 4	Euro 5			
Trucks LDT MDT	XIII			Euro I		Euro II		Euro III	Euro III DPF	Euro IV		Euro V			



HDT									
	IV to X				Euro III	Euro IV		Euro V	
	II and III				Euro II	Euro IV		Euro V	
	Rest of the country				Euro II				
Buses	XIII	Euro I	Euro II	Euro III		Euro III DPF	Euro IV DPF	Euro V	Euro VI
UBS	public transport								
UBA									
ICB									
	XIII other buses	Euro I	Euro II		Euro III			Euro IV	Euro V
	IV to X		Euro I	Euro II	Euro III			Euro IV	Euro V
	Rest of the country				Euro II			Euro IV	Euro V
2-wheeler	All regions		Euro 1		Euro 2	Euro 3			
MOT									

20 Information in Table 1 is based on the following government decrees: DS82/93MTT, DS 54/94MTT, DS 55/94MTT, DS 130/2002MMT, DS4/2012MMA, available at <https://www.bcn.cl/leychile/>.

The combination of categories, fuels and emission standards generates a total of 70 types of vehicles for the emission analysis, distributed over political regions and distinguishing between urban and interurban activity. The distribution of vehicles into urban and interurban activity per region was based on a proportional regional distribution according to SECTRA (2010).

25 2.2 Calculation of vehicle activity and fuel consumption

Activity level is expressed as VKT (vehicle kilometre travelled) calculated as the sum of the vehicles in each type per kilometres driven (Eq. 1).

$$VKT = \sum_{i,j,k}^N N_{i,j,k} \cdot KM_{i,j,k} \quad (1)$$

30 where $N_{i,j,k}$ is the number of vehicles of type i in region j and road class k (urban or interurban); $KM_{i,j,k}$ are the kilometres travelled per year by vehicles type i , in region j and road class k .

The kilometres travelled by each type of vehicle used in equation 1 are shown in Table 3. They correspond to estimations by SECTRA (2014) and MAPS (2013) for the first level of vehicle aggregation (main vehicle categories on Table 1).

35 Table 3. Annual activity level per region and vehicle type (AL). Currently, there are 15 political regions in Chile numbered from I to XV, being XIII the Metropolitan Region of Santiago.



Region	Year kilometres travelled [km yr ⁻¹]					
	LPV	LCV	MOT	Taxi	Bus	Truck
I, XIV	8,228	9,873	5,000	16,455	40,361	30,271
II	13,302	15,962	5,000	26,604	66,618	46,120
III	14,382	17,259	5,000	28,765	57,942	43,456
IV	15,241	18,289	5,000	30,482	54,292	37,587
V	13,986	16,784	5,000	27,973	33,598	23,260
VI	12,127	14,552	5,000	24,254	28,935	20,032
VII	12,582	15,099	5,000	25,165	39,394	27,273
VIII	12,390	14,869	5,000	24,781	54,455	37,700
IX	13,515	16,217	5,000	27,029	56,173	38,889
X, XV	14,494	17,393	5,000	28,989	58,059	40,195
XI	12,089	14,507	5,000	24,178	31,175	21,175
XII	7,284	8,741	5,000	14,569	45,503	34,877
XIII	14,956	17,948	5,000	37,405	67,368	29,471

Source: authors elaboration based on SECTRA (2014)

40 Once the number of vehicles per region has been obtained, the Total Fuel Consumption (TFC) for a given year was calculated as shown in Eq. (2):

$$TFC = \sum_{ijklm} \frac{AL_{ijkl} \times N_{ij} \times X_{1ijk} \times X_{2ijl} \times X_{3ijm}}{FC_{ijklm}} \quad (2)$$

where i is the region to which the vehicle belongs; j represents the vehicle type (passenger, commercial, bus, truck, motorcycle); k represents the share of the subcategory for the distinct vehicle types: for passenger and commercial vehicles the subcategories are diesel and gasoline, for buses are rigid, articulated and intercity and for trucks are light, medium and heavy duty; l represents the share of vehicles that drive on urban areas or interurban roads; m is the share of vehicles according to their emission control technology: Pre Euro I, Euro I – VI. The terms of Equation 1 represent the following: AL is the annual activity level of the vehicle [$km \cdot year^{-1} \cdot veh^{-1}$], N is the total number of registered vehicles per year and per region where the sub-indices disaggregate this amount into the subcategories mentioned, FC is the fuel consumption per vehicle [$km \cdot lt^{-1}$], X_1 is the percentage of the distinct subcategories, X_2 is the share of traffic counts depending if the vehicle is driven in urban or rural areas and X_3 is the percentage of vehicles with distinct emission control technologies. Thus, equation 1 is used to calculate the total fuel consumption for each category presented as sub-indices.

55 TFC was compared to real fuel sales for each region. The Electricity and Fuel Superintendence (SEC, www.sec.cl) provides information on sales of diesel and gasoline for the transportation sector, by political region. The calculated TFC (see Equation 1) was compared to the data given by SEC and then a correction factor to the total number of registered vehicles in each region



is applied to make these two fuel consumptions equal, correcting for those vehicles that are registered but do not contribute to actual driving activity. Thus, the number of active vehicles in a region was inferred and adjusted accordingly.

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2.3. Emission factors and annual emissions

The estimation of emissions considered that all vehicles that enter Chile are required to comply with the European EURO regulations or their US equivalent, according to the regulation requirements on Table 2 (Introduction of emission standards for vehicle categories in Chile). The assignment of emission factors for each of these vehicle types was carried out by applying COPERT V values (EEA, 2019), adapted to the Chilean fleet (Gomez, 2020). Total emissions are calculated multiplying VKT by an emission factor in grams per kilometre. The result is a regional emission database distinguishing by urban and interurban emissions, for CO, CO₂, VOC, NO_x, PM_{2.5}, CH₄ and BC.

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With the calculated mobility demand, emissions of pollutants based on vehicle-kilometres travelled by the different vehicular categories can be estimated through Eq. (3) (Zheng et al., 2014):

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$$EMIS_{n,m,l,k,j,i} = \sum_{ijklmn} VKT_{ijklm} \times EF_{ijklmn} \quad (3)$$

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where the sub-index n represents the pollutant: CO₂, CO, NO_x, PM_{2.5}, BC, VOC and CH₄. EF is the emission factor for the pollutant n [$gr. km^{-1}$] for each vehicle.

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CO₂, CO, NO_x, PM_{2.5}, VOC emission factors are being modelled using COPERT 5 methodology (Ntziachristos et al., 2009) based on the average speed in the driving cycles given by previous studies in all regions of Chile (Osses et al., 2014). CH₄ emission factors used are from previous reports (Ntziachristos et al., 2007; USEPA, 2018). However, COPERT 5 does not model black carbon emission factors due to the difficulty of the classification of this type of aerosol (Bond et al., 2013). Nonetheless, there have been studies to determine black carbon fractions in particulate matter, distinguishing between vehicle technology and fuel type, considering that elemental carbon and black carbon fractions are equivalent (Bond et al., 2004; Chow et al., 2010; Minjares et al., 2014; Ntziachristos et al., 2007). These fraction values can be used to obtain BC emission factors as follows:

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$$EF_{BC} = EF_{PM} F_{2.5} F_{BC} \quad (4)$$

where EF_{PM} is the emission factor of the total particulate matter in the exhaust, $F_{2.5}$ is the mass fraction of particles that have an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5 μm or less and F_{BC} is the fraction of black carbon in these particles. The mass fraction of fine



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particles used is 0.9 since in a generic and ideal particle distribution, between 80 and 95% of the total mass of the particles are concentrated in this range (Payri and Desantes, 2011). Table 1 shows the black carbon fractions used, distinguishing vehicle category, motorization and vehicle technology. Motorcycle BC emission factors used were taken from the literature (Cai et al., 2013).

Table 4. BC/PM_{2.5} fractions for the vehicle emission technologies in Chile.

Vehicle Category	Pre Euro [%]	Euro I/1 [%]	Euro II/2 [%]	Euro III/3 [%]	Euro IV/4 [%]	Euro V/5 [%]	Euro VI/6 [%]
Bus	50	65	65	70	75	75	15
Light duty truck	55	70	80	85	87	10	29
Medium duty truck	47	70	81	72	69	23	25
Heavy duty truck	50	65	65	70	75	75	15
Commercial and passenger light diesel vehicle	47	70	80	72	69	25	25
Commercial and passenger light gasoline vehicle	30	25	25	25	15	17	17

Roman number notation applies for heavy duty vehicles and Arabic numbers apply to light commercial and passenger vehicles.

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2.4 Spatial disaggregation

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The spatial distribution of transport emissions per political region consists of allocating Gg of emissions per year to each cell in a grid, with cells of 0.01x0.01 degrees of latitude and longitude covering the fifteen regions in the country. The regions correspond to the political administrative division of the territory. The distribution depends on the types of roads in each cell, the vehicle flow, and the presence of urban population.

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The identification of roads in each cell was based on road network maps, available from the official roads database for Chile's and the official regional limits (BCN, 2020). The information on Chile's road network was complemented with data from OpenStreetMap (OSM, 2020). It covers a total of 77.800 km of rural and urban roads. Each road on the network was classified into a hierarchy comprising freeways, arterials, collectors, and local roads. The estimation of vehicle flow on each type of road resulted from applying a road weight factor, based on toll barrier vehicle counts at interurban roads and origin-destination surveys in urban roads. Average weight factors are 54% for freeways, 23% on arterials, 16% for collectors and 7% on local roads.

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Emissions were distributed over the road network using QGIS opensource software. Urban emissions were also distributed between the cities of each region according to their population (INE, 2017). QGIS allocates emissions to cells based on the type of roads, with their weight factor, and the presence of cities. Therefore, emissions for each cell depend on the roads and



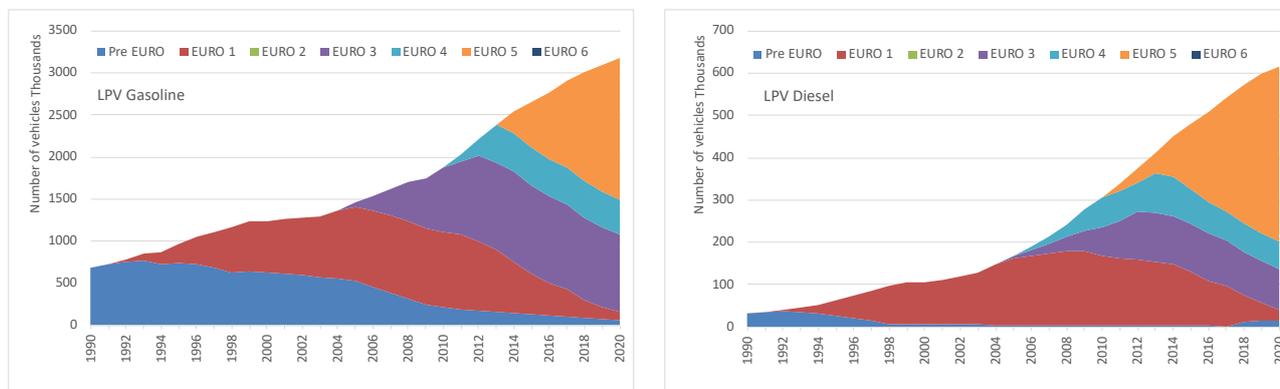
the presence of urban population. The number of kilometres in each cell is proportional to the annual emission for each cell in the grid, and the sum of emissions in all cells coincide with the total emission assigned to each region of the country.

3 Results and discussion

15 3.1 Evolution of fuel quality, vehicle technology and emission factors

Based on the information given in section 2.3, the number of vehicles and their technological evolution has been determined, according to European emission standards (Pre EURO, EURO 1-6 for light duty vehicles, EURO I-VI for trucks and buses). The enforcement of stricter emission standards along the country has been sustained by permanent national fuel quality improvements. The reduction of sulphur in fuels have been progressive since 1990 to 2004 from 5000 ppm to 50 ppm of sulphur in diesel and from 1000 ppm to 30 ppm in gasoline. In April 2001, the elimination of leaded gasoline was made effective, which allowed national enforcement of three-way catalytic converters, reducing the levels of CO, VOC, NO_x and also particulate matter from motor vehicles (Moreno et al., 2010). Since 2004 the levels of ppm of sulphur in diesel and gasoline are regulated by law for the whole country. In the year 2010 the standard was fixed in 10 ppm for gasoline [DS N°66 MMA, 2010] and 15 ppm for diesel since 2012 (DS40.263/2012 MMA). Currently, with the introduction of EURO 6/VI emission standards (DS40/2019 MMA), the maximum limit of sulphur in diesel is set at 10 ppm in the country. These policies, involving the introduction of better fuel quality and stricter emission standards (Table 2), are expected to keep decreasing the exhaust emissions of local pollutants from on-road transportation, even considering the permanent increase of mobility. The evolution of emission standards and number of vehicles for the whole country is shown in Figures 2 and 3, adding up specific regional information from 1990 until 2020.

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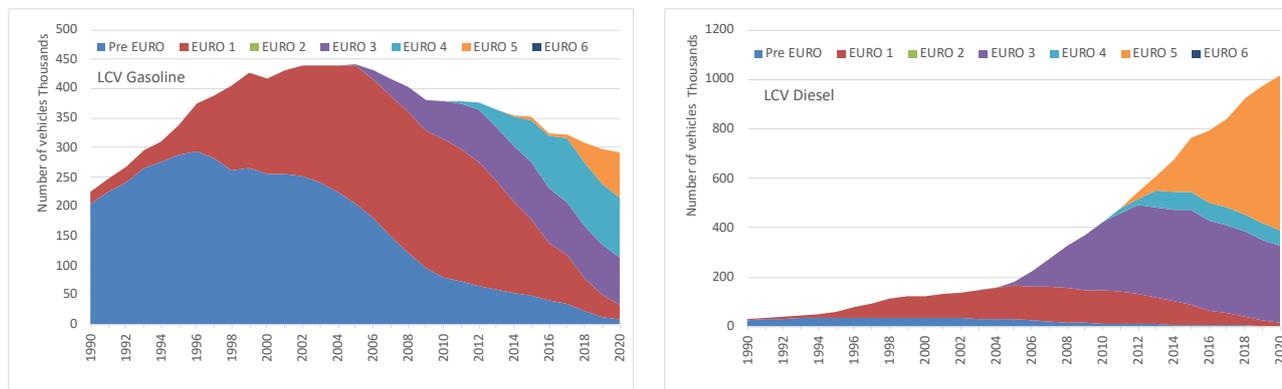
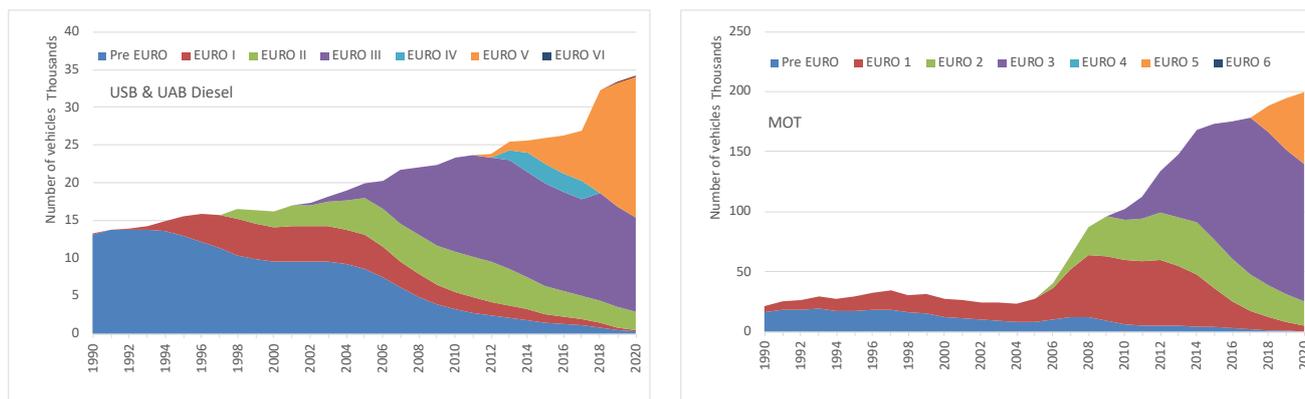
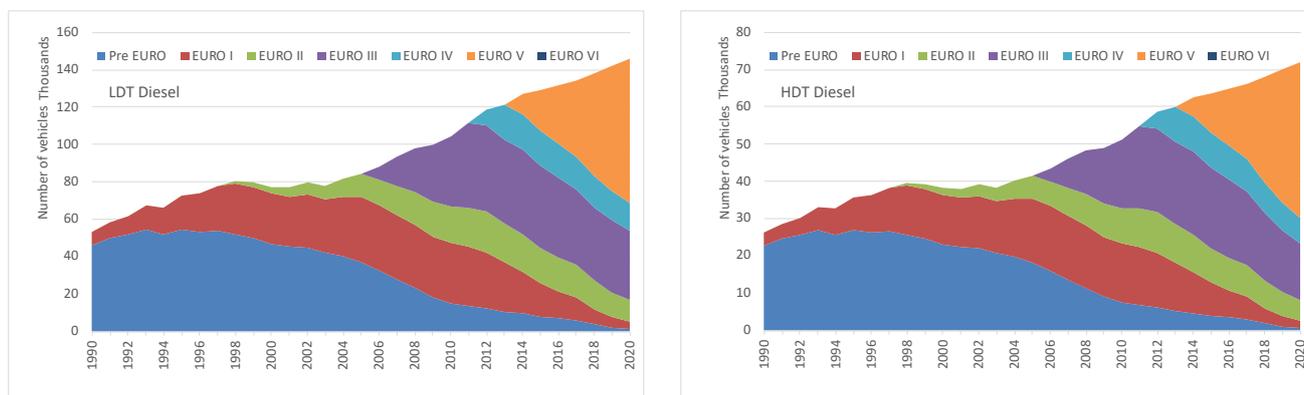


Figure 2. Emission standards and vehicle fleet in Chile, 1990–2020, for light passenger vehicles (LPV) and light commercial vehicles (LCV), using gasoline and diesel respectively

Figure 2 shows a continuous growth of light vehicles in Chile, except for the LCV-gasoline category, whose fall is offset by a strong increase in LCV-diesel vehicles. The total fleet of active light vehicles, both gasoline and diesel, grew from 968 thousand to 5.1 million units between 1990 and 2020. The gradual disappearance of technologies prior to EURO requirements (Pre EURO) and EURO 1 standards is also observed, ending in 2020 with a fleet mixed between EURO 3 and EURO 5. By 2020 there are already a few EURO 6 vehicles, but they cannot be distinguished in the graphs.





40 Figure 3. Emission standards and vehicle fleet in Chile, 1990-2020, for urban standard buses (USB), urban articulated buses (UAB), 2-
45 wheelers (MOT), light-duty trucks (LDT) and heavy-duty trucks (HDT)

45 The vehicles in categories of heavy diesel vehicles have similar behaviors. The number of heavy diesel vehicle units shows a
sustained growth, going from 92 thousand in 1990 to 250 thousand in 2020, adding all types of buses and trucks in Chile. The
introduction of standards has been gradual, with the disappearance of Pre EURO and EURO I vehicles in 2020, leaving a
mixed fleet between EURO II - EURO V at the end of the analysis period. By 2020, the first low-emission buses for public
transport were operating in the Metropolitan Region, with a total of 700 EURO VI units and 400 electric buses, which is almost
50 imperceptible in the upper left graph of Figure 3.

Two-wheel vehicles were not important in Chile until 2006, when it started to increase, all of them 4-stroke. The fleet of 22
thousand units in 1990 grew to 200 thousand motorcycles in 2020, most of them complying with the EURO 4 standard. A
growing urban congestion and the proliferation of home delivery services can explain this higher demand for motorcycles in
55 Chile.

Knowing the different vehicle technologies in Chile and their equivalence with the European categories (Table 1), it is possible
to obtain the emission factors from the values reported by the COPERT model (Ntziachristos et al., 2009). For doing this,
different activity parameters are considered, where the most relevant are the average speed of displacement and load level.
60 Table 6 shows the result of this assignment, considering urban speeds for light vehicles, buses and motorcycles, and interurban
speeds for trucks. The vehicle categories correspond to those indicated in Table 6.

Table 6. Emission factors used for different compounds and vehicle categories in Chile, the numbers 0-6 indicate the corresponding
65 EURO standards, and the letters G/D correspond to gasoline or diesel respectively.



Vehicle ID	CO ₂ [g/km]	NO _x [g/km]	PM _{2.5} [g/km]x10 ³	BC [g/km]x10 ³	CO [g/km]x10 ²	VOC [g/km]x10 ²
LPV0G / LPV0D	262,2 / 179,77	2,41 / 0,53	2,56 / 197,83	0,76 / 59,35	2569.67 / 60.41	217.42 / 13.4
LPV1G / LPV1D	186,02 / 155,99	0,33 / 0,64	2,56 / 72,31	0,76 / 21,69	186.82 / 37.52	16.96 / 4.77
LPV3G / LPV3D	189,48 / 155,06	0,06 / 0,74	1,23 / 34,21	0,37 / 10,26	69.02 / 8.02	1.85 / 1.65
LPV4G / LPV4D	195,82 / 155,06	0,04 / 0,56	1,23 / 28,59	0,37 / 8,57	28.37 / 7.58	1.33 / 1.08
LPV5G / LPV5D	195,82 / 155,06	0,02 / 0,59	1,42 / 2,24	0,42 / 0,67	29.57 / 3.92	0.64 / 0.09
LPV6G / LPV6D	195,82 / 155,06	0,02 / 0,48	1,5 / 1,57	0,45 / 0,47	26.34 / 5.25	0.67 / 0.09
LCV0G / LCV0D	254,6 / 263,84	2,95 / 1,69	2,56 / 304,63	0,76 / 91,38	1667.32 / 118.4	160.6 / 12.64
LCV1G / LCV1D	298,68 / 236,59	0,45 / 1,19	2,56 / 96,94	0,76 / 29,08	454.88 / 49.93	18.88 / 12.64
LCV3G / LCV3D	298,68 / 236,59	0,09 / 1	1,23 / 64,95	0,37 / 19,48	236.54 / 40.94	2.64 / 7.84
LCV4G / LCV4D	298,68 / 236,59	0,04 / 0,81	1,23 / 33,93	0,37 / 10,17	127.36 / 32.45	1.13 / 2.9
LCV5G / LCV5D	176,44 / 222,44	0,01 / 1,3	1,79 / 1,15	0,53 / 0,34	54.73 / 0.02	0.7 / 0.01
LCV6G / LCV6D	176,44 / 222,44	0,01 / 1,05	1,79 / 1,15	0,53 / 0,34	54.73 / 0.02	0.7 / 0.01
LDT0 / HDT0	493,01 / 944,4	6,51 / 11,7	307,78 / 456,57	92,33 / 136,97	209.78 / 242.71	97.88 / 74.69
LDT1 / HDT1	422,69 / 809,91	4,16 / 8,26	159,18 / 358,77	47,75 / 107,63	88.52 / 197.02	29.37 / 66.55
LDT2 / HDT2	405,64 / 784,26	4,48 / 9,02	83,67 / 172,92	25,1 / 51,87	73.75 / 161.41	19.51 / 44.54
LDT3 / HDT3	427,7 / 816,16	3,53 / 7,29	79,58 / 176,38	23,87 / 52,91	85.59 / 194.45	18.06 / 41.21
LDT4 / HDT4	413,89 / 774,93	2,41 / 4,94	19,2 / 38,47	5,76 / 11,54	43.74 / 93.83	2.62 / 5.45
LDT5 / HDT5	398,37 / 754,6	2,43 / 5,1	22,83 / 49,14	6,85 / 14,74	83.13 / 172.56	1.06 / 2.78
LDT6 / HDT6	406,46 / 765,95	0,17 / 0,39	2,27 / 4,82	0,68 / 1,44	10.45 / 16.27	1.64 / 3.67
USB0	1053,64	14,97	648,87	194,66	466.39	157.8
USB1	899,39	9,2	355,07	106,52	218.14	64.99
USB2	872,14	9,9	178,03	53,41	187.25	44.45
USB3 / UAB3	914,04 / 1277,34	8,33 / 11,91	172,38 / 239,89	51,71 / 71,96	203.87 / 323	40.92 / 52.51
USB5 / UAB5	821,83 / 1157,95	5,54 / 6,57	49,53 / 67,73	14,86 / 20,32	204.83 / 305.32	2.74 / 3.72
USB6 / UAB6	847,25 / 1186,81	0,37 / 0,41	4,83 / 6,27	1,45 / 1,88	21.45 / 25.49	3.58 / 4.63
MOT1 / MOT2	94,2 / 94,2	0,04 / 0,05	80 / 40	24 / 12	1298.98 / 1027.62	326.26 / 173.26
MOT3 / MOT5	55,6 / 55,26	0,05 / 0,03	12 / 12	3,6 / 3,6	1027.62 / 533.51	173.26 / 97.75

70 In total, 70 vehicle categories are generated, which are doubled to 140 types of emission when considering urban and interurban travelling speeds. All these emission types apply to the different pollutants, which are shown in Table 6. In general, all emission factors decrease as the level of the EURO standard is increased. CO₂ emissions for gasoline vehicles are higher than diesel vehicles, this compound being the one with the least reductions since all technologies burn fossil fuels. Diesel vehicles contribute most of the emissions of PM_{2.5}, BC and NO_x, but with important reductions when going from EURO 4 / IV to 75 EURO 5 / V or EURO 6 / VI. It is interesting to note the high emission factors of PM_{2.5} and CO from motorcycles, especially considering their recent increase in the Chilean vehicle fleet.



3.2 Annual emission trends at a national level

Using the activity levels and emission factors previously described, total emissions are calculated by pollutant, vehicle type, and country region. Table 7 shows a summary of the total annual emissions, with the variation percentages between 1990 and 2020. CO₂ has an increase of 207.7%, compared to 309% in mobility growth (VKT) for the same period. CO₂ official values for on-road transportation have been reported by Chile from 2010 until 2018 (MMA, 2018), differing by $\pm 1.4\%$ with values shown in Table 7 during those years.

Table 7. Total annual exhaust emissions produced by on-road transportation in Chile, 1990-2020

	Year							(2020-1990)/1990 increase (+)/decrease (-)
	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	
CO ₂ [Gg yr ⁻¹]	8.6	12.4	14.6	14.9	19.2	22.1	26.6	+207.7%
NO _x [ton yr ⁻¹]	75.0	100.0	103.0	101.1	99.7	87.4	90.3	+20.4%
BC [ton yr ⁻¹]	1.0	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.2	+16.9%
PM _{2.5} [ton yr ⁻¹]	2.0	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.1	2.3	1.7	-12.5%
CH ₄ [ton yr ⁻¹]	2.6	3.4	3.3	2.7	2.0	1.3	0.7	-71.6%
CO [ton yr ⁻¹]	546.8	671.7	594.8	436.4	247.0	155.0	85.1	-84.4%
VOC [ton yr ⁻¹]	54.6	67.9	59.6	43.2	25.1	15.0	6.8	-87.5%

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Unlike CO₂, the rest of the local pollutants included in Table 7 are decoupled from the growth in mobility, reducing their contribution significantly thanks to technological improvements. NO_x is the one with the least reduction compared with economic growth, with 20.4% of emissions in 2020 compared to 1990. Emissions of PM_{2.5} and BC go up for the first 20 years of analysis, starting to decrease after 2010, where the reduction ratio of PM_{2.5} is greater than BC. CO and VOCs, mainly associated with gasoline engines, show significant reductions, mainly due to the massive incorporation of three-way catalytic converters required for vehicles complying with EURO standards.

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Table 8. Total annual exhaust emissions by vehicle type in Chile, 1990-2020

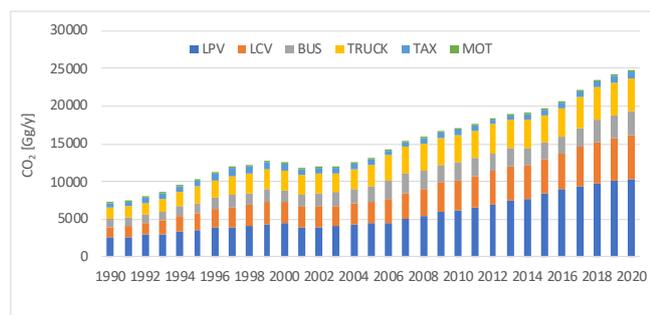
	Category	Year						
		1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020
CO ₂ [Gg yr ⁻¹]	LPV	3.38	4.54	5.48	5.45	7.33	9.78	11.69
	BUS	1.23	1.62	1.84	2.12	2.59	2.37	3.09
	TRUCK	1.73	2.46	2.55	2.89	3.62	3.67	4.57
	LCV	1.62	2.69	3.52	3.55	4.82	5.40	6.12
	TAXI	0.67	1.13	1.20	0.90	0.84	0.85	1.07
	MOT	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.07	0.07
	NO _x [ton yr ⁻¹]	LPV	21.44	25.22	24.92	21.77	16.51	13.14
	BUS	16.32	20.79	22.87	25.70	27.16	21.55	22.82
	TRUCK	21.07	29.39	30.05	33.06	37.15	32.91	33.05
	LCV	11.98	18.56	19.73	17.26	17.37	18.98	23.23



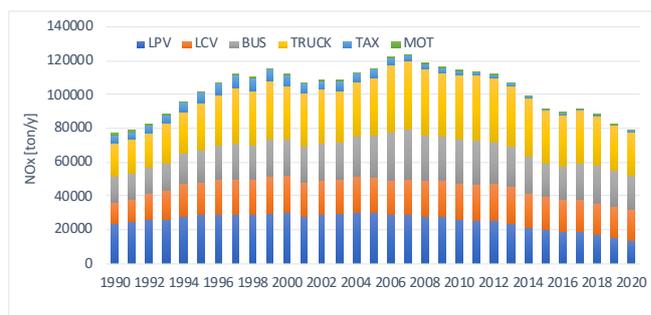
	TAXI	4.14	6.05	5.45	3.36	1.49	0.75	0.33
	MOT	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.05
PM _{2.5} [ton yr ⁻¹]	LPV	0.13	0.17	0.19	0.27	0.37	0.31	0.25
	BUS	0.69	0.88	0.86	0.84	0.68	0.45	0.38
	TRUCK	0.99	1.37	1.36	1.39	1.23	0.82	0.58
	LCV	0.13	0.23	0.37	0.48	0.78	0.70	0.49
	TAXI	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
	MOT	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.02
BC [ton yr ⁻¹]	LPV	0.08	0.10	0.12	0.18	0.25	0.20	0.13
	BUS	0.35	0.45	0.46	0.47	0.42	0.29	0.27
	TRUCK	0.52	0.74	0.75	0.80	0.78	0.54	0.39
	LCV	0.07	0.13	0.22	0.30	0.59	0.55	0.40
	TAXI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	MOT	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
CO [ton yr ⁻¹]	LPV	360.98	400.45	346.54	254.48	135.47	83.53	43.98
	BUS	4.48	5.61	5.61	5.92	6.18	5.19	6.85
	TRUCK	6.11	8.41	8.51	8.77	9.13	8.05	9.77
	LCV	99.05	148.79	141.72	112.71	71.49	44.04	18.02
	TAXI	74.01	105.69	90.00	52.58	18.77	8.54	2.87
	MOT	2.15	2.77	2.44	1.94	5.96	5.66	3.62
VOC [ton yr ⁻¹]	LPV	31.55	35.09	30.51	22.31	11.66	6.62	2.86
	BUS	1.50	1.88	1.80	1.77	1.49	0.97	0.73
	TRUCK	2.71	3.68	3.66	3.47	2.81	1.80	1.05
	LCV	11.12	16.47	14.45	10.13	5.60	3.26	1.08
	TAXI	6.47	9.28	7.93	4.66	1.65	0.71	0.18
	MOT	1.26	1.54	1.24	0.89	1.92	1.66	0.95
CH ₄ [ton yr ⁻¹]	LPV	1.36	1.56	1.47	1.17	0.78	0.49	0.28
	BUS	0.16	0.21	0.25	0.29	0.29	0.19	0.15
	TRUCK	0.21	0.30	0.35	0.41	0.47	0.33	0.21
	LCV	0.57	0.84	0.80	0.58	0.35	0.19	0.06
	TAXI	0.28	0.41	0.37	0.23	0.10	0.05	0.02
	MOT	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.02

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Table 8 and Figure 4 show annual emission trends for six different compounds, divided by vehicle type. In the case of CO₂ and NO_x, all types of vehicles have relevant contributions (Fig. 4a and 4b); diesel vehicles are responsible for the majority of PM_{2.5} and BC emissions (Fig. 4c and 4d); and gasoline cars dominate CO and VOC emissions (Fig. 4e and 4f).



(a) CO₂



(b) NO_x

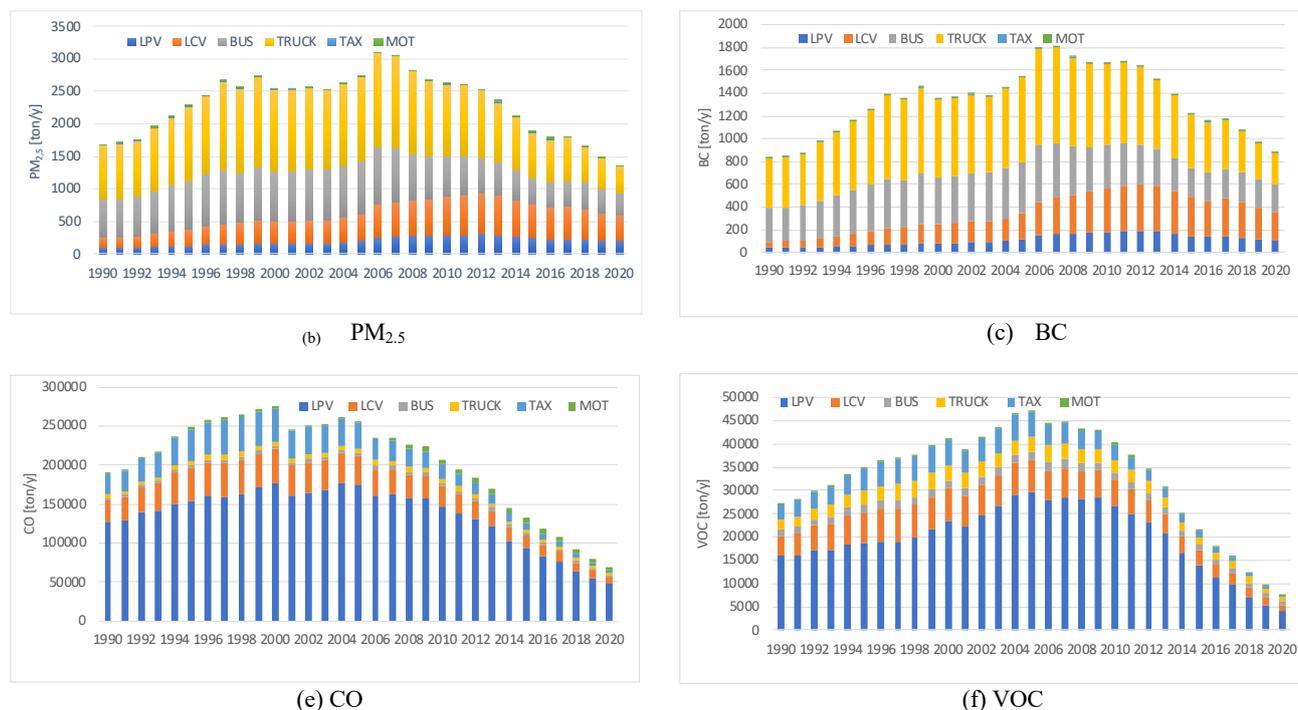


Figure 4. Total annual exhaust emissions trends according to vehicle type in Chile, 1990-2020

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Except for CO and CO₂, all annual emission curves show continuous growth from 1990 to 2006-2008. Thereafter, the general trend for local pollutants is to decrease. This turning point coincides with the change throughout the country in the requirement from EURO 1 to EURO 3 for light vehicles and from EURO II to EURO III for heavy-duty vehicles between 2005 and 2006 (Table 2). The limits for light gasoline vehicles for NO_x, CO and VOC between EURO 1 and EURO 3 are strict, which largely explains this change in trend. The change in PM_{2.5} in 2007 occurs immediately after the year 2006, when EURO III was imposed for buses in the most important regions of the country and EURO II was required for the first time from the rest of the public and private buses (previously many of them had no obligation to meet standards). Subsequently, during the years 2011-2014, EURO 4 and EURO 5 were required for light vehicles and EURO IV and EURO V for buses and trucks, which has allowed to continue reducing emissions despite the growth of the vehicle fleet.

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It is important to note that Chile has one of the most advanced state-own vehicle homologation centres in Latin America (3CV Centro de Control y Certificación Vehicular, <https://www.mtt.gob.cl/3cv.html>), which controls the entry of all new vehicles sold in the country since 1996. 3CV has an emissions laboratory that allows experimental verification of compliance with the regulations in force in Chile, according to European or United States procedures. Additionally, since 2007 the periodic technical inspection (PRT) procedure in Chile includes tests under load and simultaneously controls CO, HC and NO_x for light vehicles, and opacity for buses and trucks. The combination of both procedures, 3CV and PRT, are the main policy tools



20 to enforce that the emissions of the vehicles that circulate in the country comply with the regulations in force at the time of their sale and during their life span.

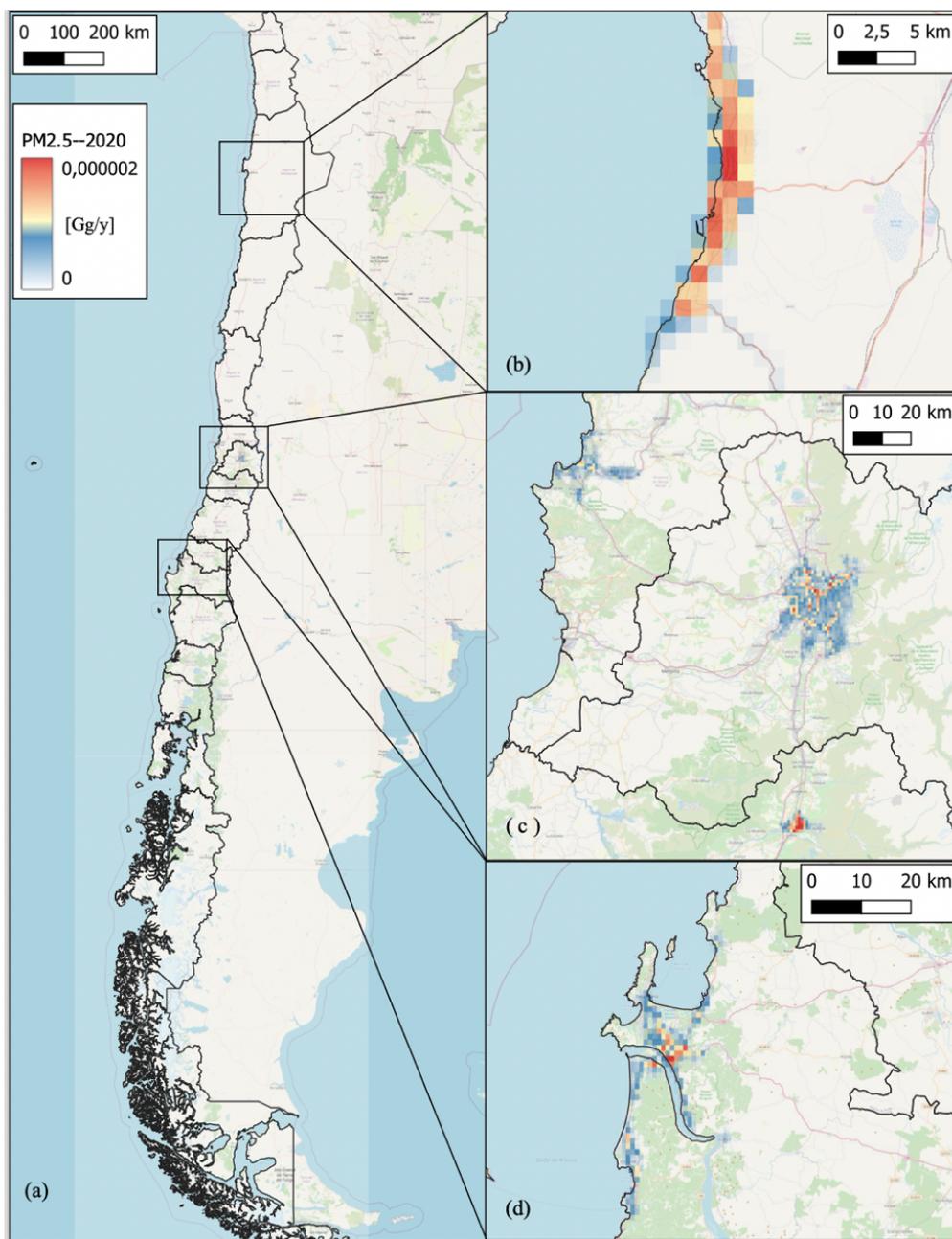
From 2008 onwards, BC emissions are not mitigated with the same rate as $PM_{2.5}$ does, the BC reduction being less effective, which can contribute to local health problems and negative effects on local climate change (Bond et al., 2013; WHO Regional Office for Europe, 2012). This can be explained given that the BC / $PM_{2.5}$ fraction for light vehicles decreases significantly
25 when going from EURO 4 to EURO 5, but this is not the case for heavy vehicles, which have this significant decrease later, between EURO V and EURO VI (Table 4). Trucks and buses are the main contributors to the total emissions of BC, and these two categories are the latest to be required with EURO VI. According to the information given in Table 4, the BC fraction in $PM_{2.5}$ emissions for heavy duty trucks is 75% in EURO V, which is not a considerable reduction compared to other vehicle types.

30 Finally, all the emission curves show a drop in the 1999-2004 period, which is explained by the impact that the Asian financial crisis had on Chile, significantly affecting the sale of motor vehicles and their activity.

3.3 Spatial disaggregation

The complete database for the period 1990-2020 is available at doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.17632/z69m8xm843.2>. This inventory
35 is part of the first gridded national inventory of anthropogenic emission for Chile of criteria pollutants as well as GHG (hereafter INEMA from Spanish Inventario Nacional de EMisiones Antropogénicas), presented by Alamos et al (2021). INEMA comprises emissions for vehicular, industrial, energy, mining and residential sectors for the period 2015-2017 in Chile.

The spatial disaggregation of emissions at the national level shows the high concentration of emissions in urban areas and
40 main roads in the country. Figure 5 shows the fraction of $PM_{2.5}$ emissions for the year 2020 over the cells of 0.01×0.01 degrees of latitude and longitude, which is equivalent to approximately 1.11×1.11 kilometres. It is difficult to clearly identify these emissions on the complete map of Chile, due to its shape (Fig. 5a). However, when zooming in on each region, the populated areas with high emissions on the road network appear. Fig. 5b shows the city of Antofagasta, which is approximately 22 kilometres long and has a population of 388 thousand inhabitants, which concentrates most of the on-road vehicle activity.
45 Fig. 5c corresponds to the Metropolitan Region with Santiago in the centre, where 7 of the almost 19 million inhabitants of Chile live (INE, 2020). The same image shows the city of Valparaíso on the coast and Rancagua, south of Santiago. Finally, Fig. 5d shows the Bio-Bio region, with the city of Concepción that is home to 221 thousand inhabitants.



50 Figure 5. Spatial disaggregation of PM_{2.5} exhaust emissions along the country (a), Antofagasta (b), Metropolitan Region (c) and Bío-Bío/Concepción (d), 2020, as a fraction of Gg/y.

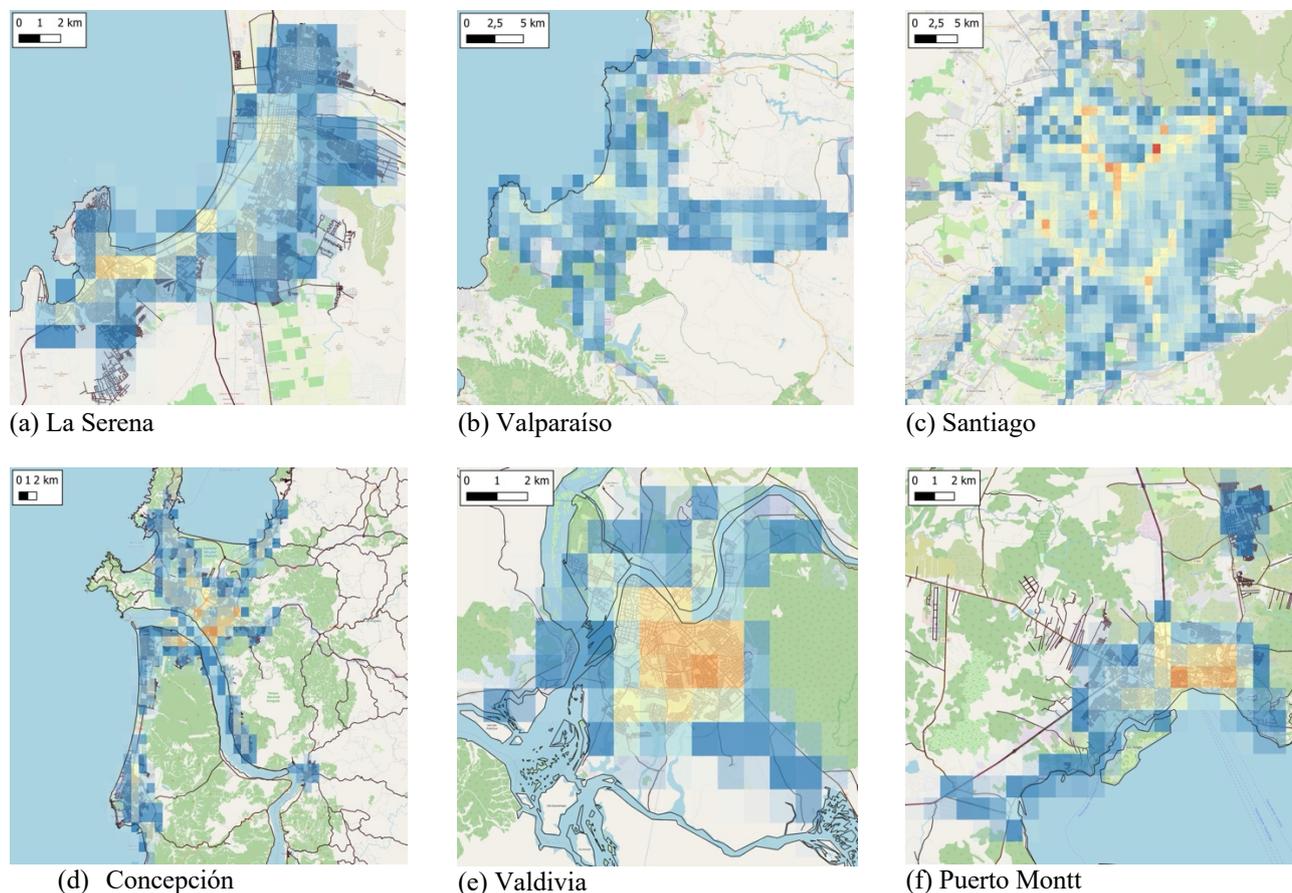


Figure 6. Spatial disaggregation of NO_x exhaust emissions for six cities in Chile, 2020, as a fraction of Gg/y.

The images in Figure 6 show the fraction of NO_x emissions for the year 2020 in six major cities of Chile, from north to south. The emission grid is superimposed with the road network, green areas, and uninhabited areas, obtaining a good matching between them. In each city, the areas of greatest activity are coloured with warmer tones, indicating greater NO_x emissions, decreasing towards colder tones for a lower fraction of these emissions.

3.2.4 Comparison with previous results

A direct comparison of emissions from this study with emissions estimated by the EDGAR global model (Janssens-Maenhout et al., 2017), reflects the differences in estimation approaches between local (bottom-up) and global (top-down) models. Figures 7, 8 and 9 show the comparison among this work (INEMA) and EDGAR v.4.3.2 estimates for CO₂, CH₄, PM, BC, CO, and NO_x from 1990 to 2020.



65 There is a good agreement in CO₂ emissions and trends between this study and EDGAR, with a mean annual difference of -1.0% [-10.5%, 9.4%] and a Pearson $r = 0.99$. Emissions of other pollutants show large differences and even divergent trends for the same period. CH₄ emissions were higher in this study than EDGAR between 1990 and 2007 and lower between 2008 and 2020, with differences between -43.1% and 144.3%. Trends were similar between 1990 and 2004, but divergent after 2008, with the local inventory showing a constant decrease, and the global inventory showing increasing emissions.

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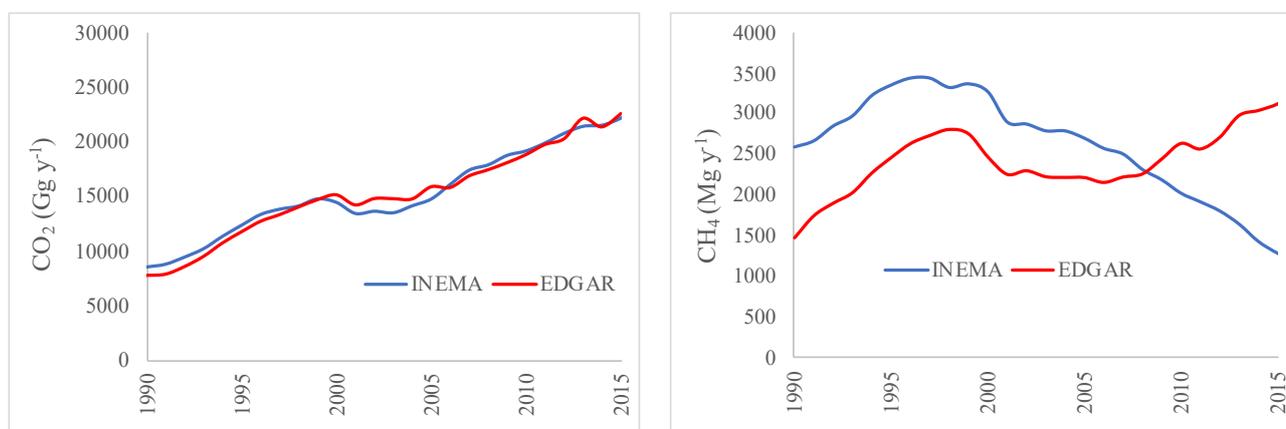
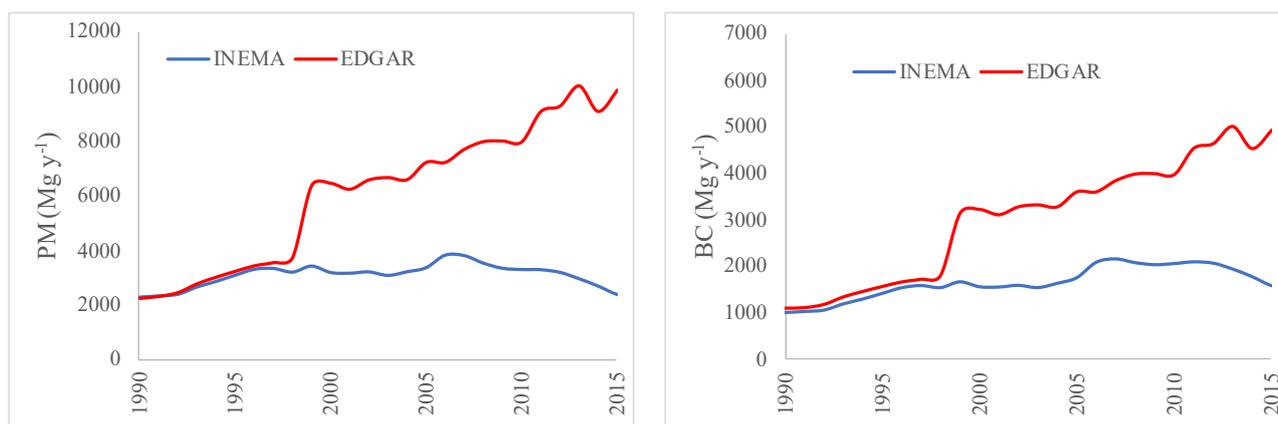


Figure 7. Comparison between CO₂ (right) and CH₄ (left) between this work (INEMA) and EDGAR v4.3.2

75 For PM and BC, there was a good agreement between local and global emissions inventories between 1990 and 1998, followed by a sudden increase and a consistent increasing trend in the global inventory. Such trend that was not followed by local estimates, which show a stabilization between 1997 and 2005, and a rather consistent decrease since 2007. Differences between 1999 and 2015 were between 85% (87%) and 315% (208%) for PM (BC) with respect to the local inventory. Standards for diesel vehicle emissions and sulphur fuel content have been greatly improved since 2000 in Chile, so EDGAR estimates and increasing trends in PM and BC seem to be wrong.





80 Figure 8. Comparison between PM_{2.5} (right) and BC (left) between this work (INEMA) and EDGAR v4.3.2

CO emissions were considerably higher in the global inventories than in the local inventories, with a mean difference of 254% [95% - 811%], and the trends were divergent since 2006, with increasing emissions in the global inventories and decreasing emissions in the local inventories. NO_x emissions showed rather similar levels between 1990 and 2005, with larger differences
85 between 1993 and 1998, but trends diverged after 2005, with increasing emissions in the global inventories and decreasing emissions in the local inventories. Differences increased from 9% in 2009 up to 70% in 2015, with respect to local inventories.

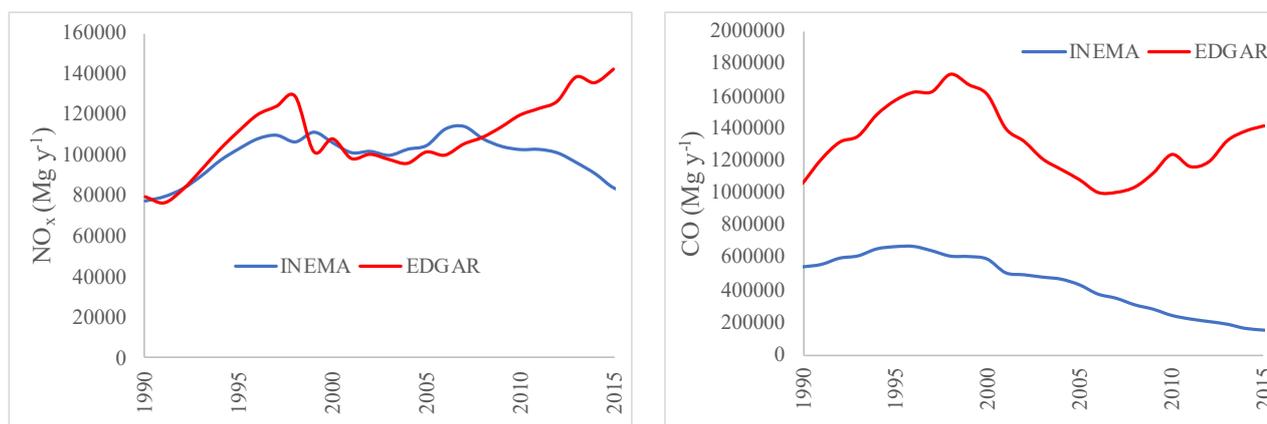


Figure 9. Comparison between NO_x (right) and CO (left) between this work (INEMA) and EDGAR v4.3.2

90 The CO/NO_x ratio was much higher in the global inventories than in the local inventories, with a mean difference of 209% [90% - 457%] and shows a decreasing trend in both. The differences in emissions and trends for CO and NO_x suggest that global emission inventories use emission factors that correspond to technologies older than those that are being used in Chile. Considering the differences between EDGAR data and our results, trends in CO/NO_x ratio for other European and LAC countries were included. A big difference appears between these two groups of fleets, being much higher for LAC examples.
95 In other words, according to EDGAR figures, LAC CO/NO ratios reach European values 40 years later (1970 versus 2012), which seems inaccurate according to local estimates. Chile's CO/NO_x ratios are in the same range as those found in European countries, which is supported by the fleet renewal shown in Figure 10. Most of the Chilean fleet consists of Euro II/2 and Euro III/3 vehicles, which have much lower CO/NO_x ratios than pre-Euro ones.

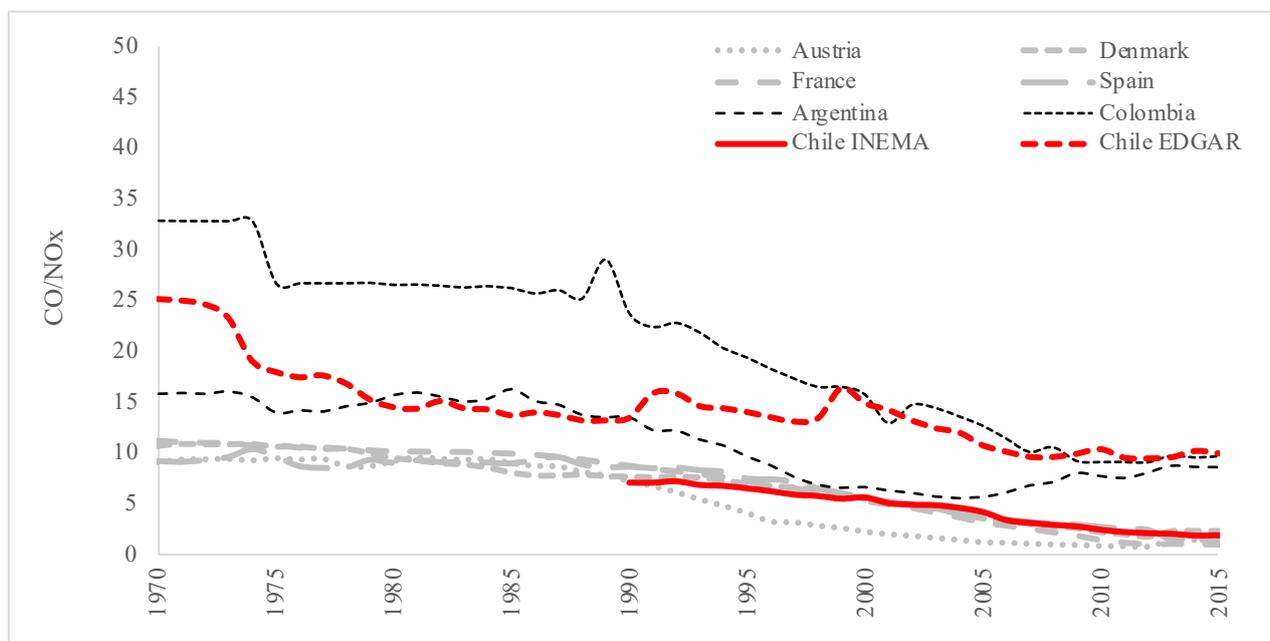


Figure 10. CO/NO_x ratios for Chile and different countries from EDGAR and this work.

Conclusions

This paper describes an original dataset for transport emission in Chile between 1990 and 2020, spatially distributed at 0.01° x 0.01°. The dataset is based on annual reports from governmental agencies, and estimates the evolution of air pollutants (CO, VOC, NO_x, PM_{2.5}), greenhouse gases (CO₂, CH₄) and black carbon (BC). Results were contrasted with EDGAR datasets.

The analysis shows a significant growth of the vehicle fleet coupled with increasing CO₂ emissions, which agree with the national inventory of GHG. Air pollutants show different patterns, with a general decreasing trend which coincides with pollution control measures. Data shows a clear relationship between these emissions and the introduction of better fuel quality, due to reduction of sulphur content, and enforcement of technological improvements. These policy measures included regulation of emission standards for new vehicles into the fleet, mandatory periodic technical inspection for in-use vehicles, as well as effective procedures for regulation enforcement.

The comparison with EDGAR datasets shows agreement in CO₂ estimations and striking differences for local compounds, with EDGAR estimates consistently higher. This disagreement is probably due to differences in assumptions of vehicle technologies characterizing the fleet and quality of the fuel used. In the case of PM and BC trends between EDGAR and this transport dataset diverge from 1998, for CO, NO_x and CH₄ since 2006 -2008. Results suggest that global emission inventories use emissions factors that do not coincide with the technologies of the vehicle fleet. EDGAR assumes a 40-year delay in



20 technological update for Latin-American vehicle fleets compared to European ones, which is inaccurate for the case of Chile according to the dataset presented in this paper.

This paper illustrates the potential of local datasets for policy ex-post impact assessment. It also reinforced the value of available official raw data, produced with transparent methods and on a regular basis, as well as the production of national
25 inventories. Further work could build on the dataset presented in this paper to produce projections and scenarios for future policy making. Work should be done on the construction of local emission factors, this is the only information of the modelling that is not produced locally, real emissions campaigns of a sample of the fleet could strengthen the results of this analysis.

Data availability

30 This dataset contains annual exhaust emission inventories of CO, VOC, NO_x, MP2.5, CO₂, CH₄ and BC from on-road transportation in Chile, for the period 1990–2020. The data is presented as NetCDF4 files, in Gg/y per cell for each specie and year, gridded with a spatial resolution of 0.01° x 0.01° covering the domain 66°–75° W and 17°–56° S. It can be accessed through the open access data repository <http://dx.doi.org/10.17632/z69m8xm843.2>, under a CC-BY 4 license (Osses et al., 2021).

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