

# Ozone pollution in the UK

Ozone is formed when hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides from traffic fumes mix with sunlight. It affects the lungs, causing asthma and heightens sensitivity to allergies such as hay fever

KEY



Number of days when ozone levels exceeded World Health Organisation guidelines, (50-60 parts per billion over an 8 hour period)

DoE survey carried out between April and September 1990

