

Air Pollution In India

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State of Global Air 2017 Report

- Globally, air pollution (fine particulate matter - PM 2.5) caused more than 4.2 million premature deaths in 2015
- > As many as 92% of the world's population lives in areas with unhealthy air
- India and China together were responsible for over half (52%) of the total global premature deaths due to air pollution
- India accounts for the world's second highest toll in terms of premature deaths due to air pollution, China tops the list

Global Ranking on Premature Deaths due to Exposure to Ozone:



Additional premature deaths globally due to exposure to Ozone in 2015

2,54,000

Other Highlights of the Report:

The most potent causes of premature deaths globally

- 1. High blood pressure
- 2. Smoking
- 3. High fasting plasma glucose

India tops the dubious list of highest number of premature deaths due to ozone pollution

- 4. High total cholesterol
- 5. Ambient particulate matter (air pollution)

Deaths due to ozone are showing a much higher rate of increase than deaths related to particulate matter

