The Pollution Character Analysis and Risk Assessment for Metals in Dust and PM₁₀ around Road from China^{*}



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INTRODUCTION

In recent years, with the gradual improvement of road construction, the rapid increase of the number of motor vehicles, vehicle emissions and the current poor vehicle performance, poor vehicle maintenance, higher emission factor^[1] and so on, air pollution caused by the traffic issues becomes the attention^[2-6]. people The harmful focus of gradually substances are accumulated to atmosphere particles surrounding roads due to dust particles (soil dusts, road dusts, construction dusts), vehicle industrial emissions, coal emissions, emissions, biomass burning, secondary particles^[7], which has a certain harmful influence to the atmosphere, soil and plants surrounding roads. Component matters of atmospheric particulates are rather complex and are mainly affected by source and industry, agriculture, geography, climate and other conditions^[3], in which heavy metals attached to particles, due to their chemical stability and hard degradation characteristics, are the most dangerous hazards to the environment and exposed population.

Heavy metals in surface dust leaves and vehicle exhaust emissions have good correlation and Poisson analysis showed the correlation coefficients of Zn, Fe, and Cr are greater than 0.8; the correlation coefficients of Mn and Cu are greater than 0.7; the correlation coefficients of Pb and Ni are greater than 0.6 for the contents of road dusts on the leaves^[8]. The traffic emission plays a significant role in particulate matters from atmospheric roads distance^[9]. the effective The surrounding concentrations of Pb, Cu, Zn, Ni, Cr, Cd, As, Hg in the road dust and soil in several different functional areas of caneva demonstrated that the distribution of heavy metals in road dusts is similar for the soil, indicating that transport activities can make the concentrations of heavy metals in soil surrounding roads to increase by impacting road dusts^[3]. The contents of different size fine particles in Beijing typical roads environment with the Enrichment Factor Analysis and Factor Analysis showed that sources of elements such as Cu, S, Zn, Pb, As, Br are motor vehicles emission, coal and biomass burning, industrial emissions, etc^[10].

Some of atmospheric particles with heavy metals transfer to road surface by dry sedimentation and become road dusts, others still suspend in the atmosphere and can be inhaled particulate matters $(PM_{10})^{[11]}$. However, due to the different of the terrain, climate, and the level of urbanization, the proportion of deposition particulate matters accounted for the total particulate matters is also different^[12-13].

Heavy metals in road dusts are gradually accumulated in the soil surface so that the contents of heavy metals in the soil change and pollute the environment^[14-16]. Heavy metals adsorbed on fine particles^[17-23] are easy into the human body with respiration and continue to accumulate in the body, which resulting that function of the human body impaired and causing disease. Heavy metals such as PGEs, Cd would be gradually accumulated in the body from the liver to the kidneys in the study of heavy metals pollution caused by traffic, which making height, weight, and kidney function of the mice decline^[24]. Heavy metals such as As, Cd, Co, Cr, Ni adsorbed on PM_{2.5} have a carcinogenic risk to human health^[25].

Heavy metals (Pb, Cd, Cu, Zn, Ni, Cr) in road and PM_{10} that people have been dusts concerned^[26-27] at the most of Chinese cities. However, the quantitative data on heavy metals transmission and sources, concentrations and their contamination levels, the degree of pollution to environment and health have not been systematically gathered and intercompared.

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Therefore, this paper focuses on heavy metals contamination in dusts and PM_{10} around roads in China and first analyzes briefly the sources, the transportation of particulates and the ways of evaluation of pollution levels, then reviews the effect of six metals (Pb, Cd, Cu, Zn, Ni, and Cr) related traffic particulate (PM_{10}) and dust to environment and health.

TRANSPORTATION OF PARTICLES

There are two approaches of diffusion of particulate matters, including natural approach and anthropogenic activities. Natural approach refers to particles spread due to natural phenomena (climatic and meteorological factors) with air, water, soil, organisms^[28-31].

In an early study of particles diffusion pollution, it is likely to cause water pollution that particulate matters containing hazardous substances easily go into the water. Besides it can attract the attention of many researchers because of its short time and great harm^[32-34]. Currently, scholars have begun to gradually conduct research about particulate matters that enter into the soil and atmospheric on account of food safety and air pollution problems frequently, in which atmospheric pollution of particulates has been more attention^[28,35]. Because it can transfer with the movement of wind, boundary unlimited and serious harm on downwind areas, besides its diffusion time is short. The chemical compositions of fly ash particles from several to 20 µm in diameter emitted in Northeast Asia showed the same characteristics with Japan and Korea, China, and Taiwan particles using discriminant analysis. And it illustrated most of these compositions were probably transported from Chinese industrial regions through wind^[36]. Due to atmospheric suspended particles (usually in the particle size range<60 μ m) can be spread in the wind, it has important influence on the downwind regions and countries. So the pollution characters of particulate matter have become a hot issue concerned by the world^[37-41].

In order to recognize the activities of diffusion of atmospheric particulate matters, people specialize in models to simulate its activities, including simple box models, Lagrangian or Eulerian models, Gaussian models, and computational fluid dynamics (CFD) based models^[42-45]. Computing characterisation of the fine particle dispersion in the wake of an isolated wheel of vehicle by CFD methods, it showed easily velocity field of the air flow around a rotating wheel and to determine the trajectories for different particle sizes^[46]. The analysis results of ambient monitored data at Santiago using box models showed the concentrations of particles were concerned with humidity, wind speed, and direction^[47]. Lagrangian particle dispersion model was developed to simulate total fine particulate carbon in rural areas, using readily available inputs^[48]. meteorological and emission Anthropogenic activities mainly refer to particulates diffusion due to human activities, agricultural activities, manufacturing activities, mining activities, etc^[49-52]

SAMPLING COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS METHOD

Sampling Site and Sample Collection

Sampling Site and Sample Collection of Road Dust Samples sites in 16 Chinese cities (Shenyang, Huludao, Urumqi, Beijing, Hefei, Jinan, Xi'an, Nanjing, Wuhu, Hangzhou, Shanghai, Baoji, Guiyang, Kunming, Guangzhou, and Hong Kong) typical roads were selected in literatures. The choice of sampling site and collection cities surveyed is based on road dust samples specification issued EPA AP-42 manual and Technical Specifications for Urban Fugitive Dust Pollution Prevention and Control (HJ/T 393-2007) published the environmental protection administration of china. Because of the different amount of various urban road dust, sampling areas of every city are different in order to reach the lower limit of detection of heavy metal. In addition to take the vacuum cleaner sample in Beijing, the rest of the cities road dust samples were collected using a clean plastic dustpan and brushes. The road dust samples were dried thoroughly and then sieved through a <2 mm sieve in order to wipe off stones, plant residues, etc. Then, the sieved road dusts samples would be sieved through 100 mesh nylon sieve and dried in clean plastic bags to subsequent experiments. Sampling Site and Sample Collection of PM₁₀ PM₁₀ sampling data from typical roads of seven cities (Beijing, Harbin, Urumqi, Kaifeng, Nanchang, Huainan, Chengdu) in China and four highways (the section of Changjiu highway from Nanchang to Jiujiang, the section of Changzhang highway from Nanchang to Zhangshu, Jiangsu section of State Road 104 and Kaifeng section of State Road G310) were discussed. The sampling sites in urban and highway were less than 5 m and 30 m from the typical road edge. The choice of PM_{10} sampling collection cities

surveyed is based on Manual methods for ambient air quality monitoring (HJ/T 194-2005) published the environmental protection administration of china. The sampling instrument of PM_{10} was a large flow TSP sampler that was equipped with a cutting head of PM_{10} .

Sampling Analysis Method

Acid digestion is typically used to extract particle-bound metals from traffic assistants. Heavy metals were usually acidified in the laboratory by a or two certain kinds of combinations of HCl, H₂SO₄, HF, HNO₃, HClO₄, and $H_3BO_3^{[53-56]}$. The aqueous extracts can then be subjected to a suite of chemical including atomic absorption analysis, spectrophotometry (AAS)^[57] (if concentrations of heavy metals are high, the way of chemical analysis is flame atomic absorption spectrometry; if low, the way is graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrometry), atomic fluorescence spectrometry (AFS)^[58], inductively coupled plasma mass (ICP-MS)^[59], spectrometry inductively coupled plasma-atomic emission spectrometry (ICP-AES)^[60], atomic emission inductively coupled plasma spectroscopy (ICP-OES)^[60], and X-ray fluorescence spectrometry (XFR)^[61]. The total concentrations of Pb, Zn, Cd, Cu, Ni, and Cr in road dusts of cities surveyed were determined by ICP, ICP-MS, ICPAES, ICP-OES, AAS, GF-AAS, or XRF.

CONCENTRATION OF HEAVY METAL

The concentrations of heavy metals (Pb, Zn, Cd, Cu, Ni, Cr) in road dusts, PM_{10} around urban roads and PM_{10} around highways are shown in Tables 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

Concentrations of Heavy Metals in Road Dust

Table 1 shows that the mean concentrations of Pb, Zn, Cd, Cu, Ni, and Cr in urban road dusts from China are 172.54, 769.46, 7.53, 129.44, 43.71, and 85.11 mg/kg, respectively; The heavy metal concentration ranges are observed to be 14.18-533.2, 162.33-5271, 0.285-72.84, 51.89-264.4, 21.47-86, and 36-167 mg/kg, respectively. Nowadays there are on normal because road dust concentration is influenced by many aspects. So we use elements background values in soil of China (China B) and maximum permissible concentrations of potential toxic elements for agricultural soils of China (PTE-MPC) to reflect the element pollution levels of road dust. Besides, it is obvious that the concentrations of six heavy metals in the urban road dusts in all the cities exceed their background values, in which the concentrations of Zn, Cd, and Cu indeed exceed their maximum permissible concentrations of potential toxic elements. Therefore the current heavy metals pollution in road dusts in urban from China is very serious.



Figure 1. The sampling site of heavy metals in road dust and PM₁₀ in China.

Comparing the mean concentrations of heavy metals in urban road dusts from China and foreign (given in Table 1), it shows that Pb (172.54 mg/kg) pollution is lower than Greece (300.9 mg/kg), Japan (200 mg/kg) and Australia (487 mg/kg), but is higher than Korea (118 mg/kg) and America (73 mg/kg); Zn (769.46 mg/kg) pollution is lower than Japan (1300 mg/kg), but higher than surveyed other countries; Cd (7.53 mg/kg) pollution is highest among surveyed countries; Cu (129.44 mg/kg) pollution is lower than Korea (148 mg/kg), Japan (510 mg/kg), Australia (164 mg/kg) and higher than Greece (123.9 mg/kg), America (105 mg/kg); Ni (43.71 mg/kg) pollution is higher than Australia (27 mg/kg), Korea (16.9 mg/kg), and lower than Greece (57.5 mg/kg). Cr (85.11 mg/kg) pollution is higher than Australia (34 mg/kg) and lower than surveyed other countries. Overall, the level of Cd pollution in road dusts from China is considered to be more serious; other heavy metals pollution are in the medium level.

Heavy metals concentrations in the survey areas of the cities showed that the concentrations of heavy metals in road dusts in Huludao region are far more than the maximum allowable emissions concentrations and background values. It is that because there are a lot of galvanizing and other metallurgical industries there that release heavy metals by refining zinc ore and so on, besides the development of traffic in recent years also increase concentrations of heavy metals. In addition, observing the concentration of heavy metals in road dust, heavy metals concentrations were lower in Guiyang than other cities. It is likely that there are higher vegetation coverage in Guiyang that have some protective effect on heavy metals pollution in road dusts. The average concentrations of six heavy

Table 1. Heavy Metals Concentrations in Urban Road Dust (mg/kg)

City	Pb	Zn	Cd	Cu	Ni	Cr	Reference
Shenyang	106.26	334	4.35	81.33	NG	NG	[62]
Huludao	533.2	5271	72.84	264.4	NG	NG	[63]
Urumqi	53.53	294.47	1.17	94.54	43.28	54.28	[64]
Beijing-1	69.6	248.5	0.71	78.3	41.1	85	[65]
Beijing-2	50.79	NG	0.47	NG	23.43	77.36	[66]
Jinan	59.23	200.56	NG	51.89	NG	57.67	[67]
Hefei	83.34	700.41	2.11	58.68	NG	75.59	[68]
Xi'an	231	422	NG	95	NG	167	[69]
Nanjing	103.4	394	1.094	122.9	55.9	125.5	[70]
Wuhu	95.21	257.7	5.85	162.78	24.73	46.19	[71]
Hangzhou	202.16	321.4	1.59	116.04	25.88	51.29	[72]
Shanghai-1	294.9	733.8	1.23	196.8	83.98	159.3	[73]
Shanghai-2	264	673	NG	182	86	NG	[74]
Ваојі	408.41	715.1	NG	123.17	48.83	NG	[75]
Guiyang	14.18	162.33	0.285	54.8	46.95	36	[76]
Kunming	97.49	316.53	NG	168.8	21.47	79.41	[77]
Guangzhou	240	586	2.41	176	23	78.8	[78]
Hong Kong	181	1450	3.77	173	NG	NG	[79]
Mean	172.54	769.46	7.53	129.44	43.71	85.11	
China B.	26	100	0.097	22.6	26.9	61	[80]
PTE-MPC	300	250	0.3	100	50	200	[81]
Ulsan (Korea)	118	130	1.48	148	16.9	NG	[82]
Kavala (Greece)	300.9	271.6	0.2	123.9	57.5	196	[3]
Massachusetts (USA)	73	240	NG	105	NG	95	[83]
Tokyo (Japan)	200	1300	2	510	NG	130	[84]
Sydney (Australia)	487	523	NG	164	27	34	[85]

Note. China B. refers to background values in soil of China; PTE-MPC refers to maximum permissible concentrations of potential toxic elements for agricultural soils of China.

metals are followed a descending orders: Zn>Pb> Cu>Cr>Ni>Cd, and it is similar to the study of Han^[53].

Heavy Metals Concentrations In PM₁₀ Around Urban Roads

Table 2 shows that the mean concentrations of Pb, Zn, Cd, Cu, Cr, and Ni in PM_{10} around urban roads from China are respectively 0.352, 0.663, 0.037, 0.118, 0.122, and 0.019 µg/m³; Heavy metals concentrations ranges are observed to be 0.064-1.168, 0.243-1.931, 0.001-0.110, 0.039-0.389, 0.004-0.367, and 0.009-0.133 µg/m³, respectively. The average concentrations of six heavy metals are followed a descending orders: Zn>Pb>Cr>Cu>Cd>Ni. Compared with the concentrations of heavy metals in PM₁₀ around urban road at abroad, the concentrations in China are very greater, indicating that it is time that we should carefully assess the impact of heavy metals in PM₁₀ from china to human health.

Heavy Metals Concentrations In PM₁₀ Around Highways From China

Table 3 shows that the mean concentrations of Pb, Zn, Cd, Cu, Cr, and Ni in PM_{10} road around highways from China are 2.05, 3.83, 0.10, 0.35, 0.24, and 0.11 μ g/m³, respectively; The heavy metals concentrations ranges are observed to be 1.42-2.71, 0.81-6.60, 0.03-0.19, 0.133-0.35, 0.099-0.12 μ g/m³, respectively. The average concentrations of six heavy metals are followed a descending orders: Zn>Pb>Cu>

Cr>Ni>Cd, and it shows the different trend with heavy metals concentrations in PM_{10} around urban roads. Compared with heavy metals concentrations in PM_{10} around urban roads, heavy metals concentrations in PM_{10} around highways are higher. It illustrates that heavy metals concentrations in PM_{10} are mainly influenced by vehicle speed^[100].

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Considering the applicability of the evaluation methods to environment and health, different assessment methods to heavy metals in road dusts and PM_{10} around urban roads from China are discussed.

The Sources And Impact to Environment of Heavy Metals

Multivariate Statistical Analysis of Heavy Metals Taking into account data abundant, the surveyed cities are as follows: Urumqi, Beijing-1, Nanjing, Wuhu, Hangzhou, Shanghai-1, Guangzhou, and multivariate statistical analysis to sources of heavy metals in roads dust by SPSS is carried.

The sources of heavy metals in particulate matters are mainly divided into two categories. One is from the vehicle itself, including direct emissions from motor vehicle emissions^[26], road surface abrasion and resuspension in the wake of passing traffic^[101], brake wear, tyre wear^[26,102-104], the use of

Table 2. Heavy Metals Concentrations in PM_{10} around Urban Road from China (µg/n	n ³) and Foreign (ng/m ³)
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City	Pb	Zn	Cd	Cu	Cr	Ni	Reference
Beijing-1	0.682	0.567	NG	0.389	0.291	0.133	[86]
Beijing-2	0.186	0.525	NG	0.067	0.067	0.028	[87]
Harbin	0.295	0.519	NG	0.111	0.367	NG	[88]
Urumqi	0.064	NG	0.002	0.124	NG	NG	[89]
Kaifeng	0.479	0.620	NG	0.069	0.043	0.027	[90]
Nanchang	0.121	0.243	0.110	0.046	0.004	0.009	[91]
Huainan	0.155	0.14	NG	0.039	0.013	0.012	[92]
Chengdu	1.168	1.931	0.001	0.372	0.241	NG	[93]
Mean	0.352	0.663	0.037	0.118	0.122	0.019	
Frankfurt (Germany)	32.6	105.6	0.3	101.5	16.3	7.3	[94]
Birmingham (PM _{7.2}) (UK)	9.6	33	0.21	10	NG	0.93	[95]
Palermo (Italy)	17.5	52.5	NG	58.5	7.1	6.15	[96]
Barcelona (Spain)	57.1	97.3	0.7	48.5	8.2	7.3	[97]
Stockholm (Sweden)	7.2	41	0.12	57.6	6.1	2.9	[26]

and crude oil containing lubricating heavy metals^[104-106]. For example, the combustion of diesel or gasoline can cause concentrations of Ni and Cu to rise in the study of heavy metals in Taiwan some roads^[21]; The brake wear and fuel combustion can make Cu, Co contents increase by calculating emission factors of heavy metals in surrounding roads particulates^[26]. The other is anthropogenic activities, including industries^[107] and agricultural activities. For the concentrations of heavy metals in Harbin road dusts, there are significant differences in different urban functions streets, which the concentrations of heavy metals in Daging road dusts are higher than other roads and it is because there are many industries around Daqing road^[108]. Csavina^[28] also confirmed that concentrations of heavy metals in particulate matter around the mining industry are higher than other areas.

Correspondence analysis Pearson correlation coefficient for each metal in the urban road dusts using SPSS is shown in Table 4. It is clear that Pb, Zn and Pb, Cu have both a good correlation, Pearson correlation coefficients were 0.902 and 0.833, respectively. Besides, the correlation of Zn and Cu is very significant. So it illustrates that the sources of Pb, Zn, and Cu in urban road dusts are similar and mainly attributed to vehicular traffic and industrial discharges^[109-110]. The concentrations of Ni and Cr also show a significant correlation, while there was a negative correlation between Ni, Cd and Cr, Cd, which the correlation coefficients are -0.478 and -0.249, respectively. It explains that the sources of Ni, Cr are similar and mainly attributed to soil parent material^[111], which have adverse influence on the source of Cd that is effected by industrial activities^[112].

Hierarchical cluster analysis Hierarchical Cluster Analysis is a multivariate statistical method that can classify unknown phenomenon and principle is that the same classes of individuals are similar (small difference), individuals in different classes are different. It can easily analysis the source of heavy metals by Hierarchical Cluster Analysis using SPSS, which results in Figure 2. Figure 2 shows that Hierarchical Cluster Analysis put the sources of heavy metals divide into three categories from dendrogram, heavy metals of the first category source include Pb, Zn, and Cu; the second category includes Ni and Cr; the third category is Cd, which is similar to the correlation analysis.

Contamination Levels of Heavy Metals in Urban Road Dusts Based on the limited experimental data, the geo-accumulation index was used to evaluate the pollution levels of heavy metals in urban road dusts from China. The geo-accumulation index is provided in 1969 by scientists at Heidelberg University in Germany sediments Muller Institute^[113]. The geo-accumulation index is calculated using the following equation:

$$I_{geo} = \log_2(\frac{C_n}{1.5B_n}) \tag{1}$$

Where C_n is the content of elements n in sediments (mg·kg⁻¹); B_n refers to geochemical background values in sediments (mg·kg⁻¹); 1.5 is a constant that

Highway	Pb	Zn	Cd	Cu	Cr	Ni	Reference
Changjiu highway	2.20	6.60	0.10	0.65	NG	NG	[43]
Changzhang highway	1.42	4.09	0.03	0.45	NG	NG	[43]
State Road 104	1.85	0.81	0.065	0.040	0.133	0.099	[98]
State Road G310	2.71	NG	0.19	0.24	0.35	0.12	[99]
Mean	2.05	3.83	0.10	0.35	0.24	0.11	

Table 3. Heavy Metals Concentrations in PM_{10} around Highways from China ($\mu g/m^3$)

 Table 4. Correspondence Analysis for Heavy Metals in the Urban Road Dusts

Metal	Pb	Zn	Cd	Cu	Ni	Cr
Pb	1	-	-	-	-	-
Zn	0.902**	1	-	-	-	-
Cd	0.103	-0.018	1	-	-	-
Cu	0.833*	0.835**	0.529	1	-	-
Ni	0.230	0.482	-0.478	0.164	1	-
Cr	0.588	0.785*	-0.249	0.545	0.781*	1

Note.^{*}: Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).^{**}: Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

was presented due to the changes of background value. According to I_{geo}, the pollution levels of heavy metals divided into seven classes which are are uncontaminated uncontaminated (*I*_{aeo}≤0); to moderately contaminated $(0 < I_{aeo} \le 1)$; moderately contaminated $(1 < I_{aeo} \le 2)$; moderately to heavily contaminated $(2 < I_{qeo} \leq 3)$; heavily contaminated $(3 < I_{aeo} \leq 4)$; heavily to extremely contaminated $(4 < I_{aeo} \le 5)$; extremely contaminated $(I_{aeo} \ge 5)$. The I_{aeo} values for the metals in road dusts are shown in Table 5.

The mean I_{geo} values for Pb, Zn, Cd, and Cu in urban road dust are 1.67, 1.68, 3.79, and 1.78, while the mean I_{geo} values for Ni and Cr is -0.05 and -0.27, respectively. From the all cities pollution average values, it shows that Cd contamination level belongs to heavily contaminated; Pb, Zn, and Cu are moderately contaminated; Ni and Cr are uncontaminated. It is similar to the study of Wang^[114]. The pollution levels of Pb, Zn, Cu, Cd are higher than other cities because of lots of metal smelting industries in Huludao. Observing the all cities (in addition to Huludao) pollution levels of Pb and Cd, Pb pollution concentrates in the developed cities such as Xi'an, Shanghai, Guangzhou and the industrial city (Baoji); Cd pollution is more serious in the industrial cities (Shenyang and Wuhu) and the developed cities (Guangzhou and Hong Kong). So the sources of Pb, Cd in urban road dusts are mainly traffic and industry activities, respectively.

The Impact to Health of Heavy Metals

The changes of heavy metals in PM_{10} around roads in Beijing 2000 and 2009 are shown in Figure 3.





Figure 2. Hierarchical Cluster Analysis of heavy metals.

City	Pb	Zn	Cd	Cu	Ni	Cr
Shenyang	1.45	1.15	4.90	1.26	NC	NC
Huludao	3.77	5.14	8.97	2.96	NC	NC
Urumqi	0.46	0.97	3.01	1.48	0.10	-0.75
Beijing-1	0.84	0.73	2.29	1.21	0.03	-0.11
Beijing-2	0.38	NC	1.69	NC	-0.78	-0.24
Jinan	0.60	0.42	NC	0.61	NC	-0.67
Hefei	1.10	2.22	3.86	0.79	NC	-0.28
Xi'an	2.57	1.49	NC	1.49	NC	0.87
Nanjing	1.41	1.39	2.91	1.86	0.47	0.46
Wuhu	1.29	0.78	5.33	2.26	-0.71	-0.99
Hangzhou	2.37	1.10	3.45	1.78	-0.64	-0.84
Shanghai-1	2.92	2.29	3.08	2.54	1.06	0.80
Shanghai-2	2.76	2.17	NC	2.42	1.09	NC
Ваојі	3.39	2.25	NC	1.86	0.28	NC
Guiyang	-1.46	0.11	0.97	0.69	0.22	-1.35
Kunming	1.32	1.08	NC	2.32	-0.91	-0.20
Guangzhou	2.62	1.97	4.05	2.38	-0.81	-0.22
Hong Kong	2.21	3.27	4.70	2.35	NC	NC
Mean	1.67	1.68	3.79	1.78	-0.05	-0.27

Note. NC: Not calculated because of lacking data.

Figure 3 shows that the total concentrations of heavy metals in PM_{10} around roads in 2009 are significantly lower than that of 2000, this is because Beijing implemented traffic control measures during the 2008 Olympic Games, including vehicle restrictions, sealed part of the bus and increasing road cleaning, etc^[10]. Thus, the temporary control of the motor vehicle can directly decrease metals emissions. The risk assessment based on the data in Beijing refers to the Beijing-2.

Heavy metals adsorbed on respirable particulate matter (PM_{10}) is mainly into the human body with respiration. According to USEPA Risk assessment guidance for Superfund^[115], the daily exposure dose equation is as follows:

$$ADD = \frac{C \times IR \times EF \times ED}{BW \times AT}$$
(2)

Where *ADD* is the average daily dose (mg·kg⁻¹·d⁻¹); *C* is the exposure concentration of metals in PM₁₀ (mg·m⁻³); *IR* is a daily ingestion rate (m³·d⁻¹), in which the values^[68] of Children and Adults are 7.63 (m³·d⁻¹) and 12.8 (m³·d⁻¹); *EF* is the exposure frequency in a day (d·a⁻¹) and the value^[117] is 180 (d·a⁻¹) in this essay; *ED* is the exposure duration (a) and the values^[116] of Children and Adults are 6 years and adults 24 years; *BW* is the average body weight (kg) and the values of Children and Adults are 44 kg and adults 63 kg based on 2010 National Physique Monitoring Bulletin; *AT* is the averaging time (d) and the values^[115] of Non-carcinogenic metals and carcinogenic metals are ED×365 and 70×365 in this essay.

Heavy metals of Zn, Pb, and Cu have chronic non-cancer risk on humans, while Cd, Cr, and Ni are carcinogenic metals in this study.

Non-carcinogenic hazard index for each $element^{[115-116]}$ is:

$$HQ = \frac{ADD_i}{RfD_i}$$
(3)



Figure 3. Changes in the heavy metals concentration in Beijing 2000 and 2009.

$$HI = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{ADD_i}{RfD_i}$$
(4)

Carcinogenic hazard index for each element^[115] is:

 $R = ADD_i \times SF_i \tag{5}$

Where *HQ* is non-carcinogenic hazard index for each element; RfD_i is reference dose of metal *i* with respiration (mg·kg⁻¹·d⁻¹); *HI* is non-carcinogenic hazard index for several elements; *R* is lifetime excess risk of certain carcinogenic metal; SF_i is carcinogenic potency index (kg·d·mg⁻¹). According to the data of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Integrated Risk Impact System (IRIS), RfD_{Cu} =0.04, RfD_{Zn} =0.3, RfD_{Pb} =3.52×10⁻³, SF_{Cd} =6.1, SF_{Cr} =4.2, SF_{Ni} =0.91.

The daily exposure dose for adults and children in selected areas are calculated by Equation (2) is shown in Table 6.

Carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic risk values with inhalation by Equations (3), (4), (5) are shown in Tables 7, 8. Because the kinds of heavy metals are different in different cities, non-carcinogenic risk value of individual metal and the total cancer risk value of several metals were calculated. Table 7 shows the HQ values for Pb, Zn, and Cu were lower than 1, besides HI was also lower than 1. It indicated there was no health risk for Pb, Zn, and Cu in survey areas. Compared the HQ values for adults and children, the health risks values of adults were less than children, which may related to the ability of children resisting disease. The health risks values were followed a descending order: Pb>Cu>Zn. From the survey of the city, health risk values for Pb, Cu, and Zn in Kaifeng and Chengdu were significantly higher than other regions, which may related to thriving tourism industry.

Table 8 shows that the carcinogenic risk values of Cd, Cr, and Ni for adults were more than children, which was just the opposite with non-carcinogenic risk. Carcinogenic risk values of Cd, Cr, and Ni in surveied cities were between 10^{-6} and 10^{-4} (cancer risk threshold range) and also within the acceptable level (10^{-4}), indicating that the carcinogenic risk posed by the three metals to children and adult via inhalation is acceptable. Besides, the result of the carcinogenic risk assessment of Cr was based on the assumption that all of the Cr in PM₁₀ were in the form of the more toxic hexavalent chromium, to estimate the worst scenario of Cr^[25,106]. Hence, the

City	Human	Pb	Zn	Cd	Cu	Cr	Ni
Beijing	Adults	1.86×10⁻⁵	5.26×10⁻⁵	NC	6.71×10 ⁻⁶	2.30×10 ⁻⁶	9.62×10 ⁻⁷
	Children	1.59×10 ⁻⁵	4.49×10 ⁻⁵	NC	5.73×10 ⁻⁶	4.91×10 ⁻⁷	2.05×10 ⁻⁷
Harbin	Adults	2.96×10 ⁻⁵	5.20×10 ⁻⁵	NC	1.11×10 ⁻⁵	1.26×10 ⁻⁵	NC
	Children	2.52×10 ⁻⁵	4.44×10 ⁻⁵	NC	9.49×10 ⁻⁶	2.69×10 ⁻⁶	NC
Urumqi	Adults	0.64×10 ⁻⁵	NC	6.87×10 ⁻⁸	1.24×10 ⁻⁵	NC	NC
	Children	0.55×10⁻⁵	NC	1.47×10 ⁻⁸	1.06×10 ⁻⁵	NC	NC
Kaifeng	Adults	4.80×10 ⁻⁵	6.21×10 ⁻⁵	NC	6.91×10 ⁻⁶	1.48×10 ⁻⁶	9.28×10 ⁻⁷
	Children	4.10×10 ⁻⁵	5.30×10 ⁻⁵	NC	5.90×10 ⁻⁶	3.15×10 ⁻⁷	1.98×10 ⁻⁷
Nanchang	Adults	1.21×10 ⁻⁵	2.43×10 ⁻⁵	3.78×10 ⁻⁶	4.61×10 ⁻⁶	1.37×10 ⁻⁷	3.09×10 ⁻⁷
	Children	1.03×10 ⁻⁵	2.08×10 ⁻⁵	8.06×10 ⁻⁷	3.93×10 ⁻⁶	2.93×10 ⁻⁸	6.60×10 ⁻⁸
Huainan	Adults	1.55×10 ⁻⁵	1.40×10 ⁻⁵	NC	3.91×10 ⁻⁶	4.47×10 ⁻⁷	4.12×10 ⁻⁷
	Children	1.33×10 ⁻⁵	1.20×10 ⁻⁵	NC	3.34×10 ⁻⁶	9.53×10 ⁻⁸	8.80×10 ⁻⁸
Chengdu	Adults	11.7×10 ⁻⁵	19.3×10 ⁻⁵	3.44×10 ⁻⁸	3.73×10 ⁻⁵	8.28×10 ⁻⁶	NC
	Childrn	9.99×10 ⁻⁵	16.5×10 ⁻⁵	0.73×10 ⁻⁸	3.18×10 ⁻⁵	1.77×10 ⁻⁶	NC
Mean	Adults	3.53×10 ⁻⁵	6.64×10 ⁻⁵	1.29×10 ⁻⁶	1.19×10 ⁻⁵	4.21×10 ⁻⁶	6.53×10 ⁻⁷
	Children	3.02×10 ⁻⁵	5.67×10 ⁻⁵	2.76×10 ⁻⁷	1.01×10 ⁻⁵	8.98×10 ⁻⁷	1.39×10 ⁻⁷

Table 6. Exposure Dose with Respiration

Table 7. The Non-carcinogenic Risk Values with Inhalation in Surveyed Cities

City	Human	Pb	Zn	Cu	н
Beijing	Adults	5.28×10 ⁻³	0.18×10 ⁻³	0.17×10 ⁻³	5.63×10 ⁻³
	Children	4.52×10 ⁻³	0.15×10 ⁻³	3.74×10 ⁻³	8.41×10 ⁻³
Harbin	Adults	8.41×10 ⁻³	0.17×10 ⁻³	0.28×10 ⁻³	8.86×10 ⁻³
	Children	7.16×10 ⁻³	0.15×10 ⁻³	3.70×10 ⁻³	11.01×10 ⁻³
Urumqi	Adults	1.82×10 ⁻³	NC	0.31×10 ⁻³	NC
	Children	1.55×10 ⁻³	NC	0.27×10 ⁻³	NC
Kaifeng	Adults	1.36×10 ⁻²	0.21×10 ⁻³	0.17×10 ⁻³	13.98×10 ⁻³
	Children	1.17×10 ⁻²	0.18×10 ⁻³	4.42×10 ⁻³	16.3×10 ⁻³
Nanchang	Adults	3.44×10 ⁻³	0.08×10 ⁻³	0.12×10 ⁻³	3.64×10 ⁻³
	Children	2.93×10 ⁻³	0.07×10 ⁻³	1.73×10 ⁻³	4.73×10 ⁻³
Huainan	Adults	4.40×10 ⁻³	0.05×10 ⁻³	0.10×10 ⁻³	4.55×10 ⁻³
	Children	3.78×10 ⁻³	0.04×10 ⁻³	1.00×10 ⁻³	4.82×10 ⁻³
Chengdu	Adults	3.32×10 ⁻²	0.64×10 ⁻³	0.93×10 ⁻³	34.77×10 ⁻³
	Children	2.84×10 ⁻²	0.55×10 ⁻³	1.38×10 ⁻²	42.75×10 ⁻³
Mean	Adults	1.00×10 ⁻²	0.22×10 ⁻³	0.30×10 ⁻³	10.52×10 ⁻³
	Children	8.58×10 ⁻³	0.19×10 ⁻³	4.73×10 ⁻³	13.5×10 ⁻³

Table 8. The Carcinogenic Risk Values with Inhalation in Surveyed Cities

City	Human	Cd	Cr	Ni
Beijing	Adults	NC	0.97×10 ⁻⁵	0.88×10 ⁻⁶
	Children	NC	2.06×10 ⁻⁶	0.19×10 ⁻⁶
Harbin	Adults	NC	5.29×10 ⁻⁵	NC
	Children	NC	1.13×10 ⁻⁵	NC
Urumqi	Adults	0.42×10 ⁻⁶	NC	NC
	Children	0.09×10 ⁻⁶	NC	NC
Kaifeng	Adults	NC	0.62×10 ⁻⁵	0.84×10 ⁻⁶
	Children	NC	1.32×10 ⁻⁵	0.18×10 ⁻⁶
Nanchang	Adults	2.31×10 ⁻⁵	0.58×10^{-6}	0.28×10 ⁻⁶
	Children	4.91×10 ⁻⁶	0.12×10 ⁻⁶	0.06×10 ⁻⁶
Huainan	Adults	NC	1.88×10 ⁻⁶	0.37×10 ⁻⁶
	Children	NC	0.74×10 ⁻⁵	0.08×10 ⁻⁶
Chengdu	Adults	0.21×10 ⁻⁶	3.48×10 ⁻⁵	NC
	Children	0.04×10 ⁻⁶	0.74×10 ⁻⁵	NC

carcinogenic risk of Cr was overestimated in this study.

Even though carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic risks were also within the acceptable level, we must know the fact that we only account the risk values exposure to metals via ingestion, and if other routes such as dermal contact were considered, the estimated risks might be higher.

CONCLUSIONS

According to the concentrations of heavy metals in roads dust and PM_{10} from China, they are followed a descending orders: Zn>Pb>Cu>Cr>Ni>Cd; the concentrations of heavy metals in PM_{10} from highways is obvious more than cities, which shows that the heavy metals concentrations in PM_{10} around roads are mainly affected traffic. This indicates that the urban road dusts and PM_{10} around roads have been significantly impacted by heavy metals derived from anthropogenic activities.

The results of sources apportionment to heavy metals in road dusts by Correspondence Analysis and Hierarchical Cluster Analysis are the same, and the sources of Cu, Zn, and Pb are similar because of good correlations; the sources of Cr and Ni are classified as a category; Cd alone is a category that is unlike the above two categories. The mean *I_{aeo}* values for Pb, Zn, Cu, and Cd in urban road dust are more than 0, while the mean I_{qeo} values for Cr and Ni are lower than 0. It indicates that Cd contamination level belongs to heavily contaminated; Zn, Cu, and Pb are moderately contaminated; Cr and Ni are uncontaminated.

Based on carcinogenic risk values of Ni, Cr, Cd and non-carcinogenic risk values of Cu, Zn, Pb in PM_{10} around roads, carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic risks via ingestion are also within the acceptable level, but if other routes of exposure such as dermal contact were considered, the estimated risks might be higher.

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