

Air pollution kills

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'Air pollution 'kills more than 2 million people every year" says [a recent headline](#) and we are continuously seeing similar reports and statistics.

Scientists blame climate change to some degree. It's all down to sooty particles and ozone.



Smog in Beijing

The 2 million deaths claim is a global statistic and accounts for deaths directly related to air pollution. As well as climate change it is also to do with those sooty particles which appear from diesel engines, power plants and coal fires. A further half a million people are thought to die as a result of 'high levels of oxygen, created when vehicle exhaust gases react with oxygen'.

'Dr Jason West from the University of North Carolina said: "Our estimates make outdoor air pollution among the most important environmental risk factors for health. "Many of these deaths are estimated to occur in east Asia and south Asia, where population is high and air pollution is severe." This is where we need to join-up research! OK put limits on diesel exhaust, power plants and coal fires but also recommend at the very least, [green walls](#) where these emissions are a real problem.





Research has confirmed that green walls help to reduce air pollution.

