6. Atmospheric Supply of Mercury to the Baltic Sea in 2006

In this chapter the results of model evaluation of mercury atmospheric input to the Baltic Sea and its sub-basins for 2006 is presented. Modelling of mercury atmospheric transport and depositions was carried out using MSC-E Eulerian Heavy Metal transport model MSCE-HM (*Travnikov and Ilyin*, 2005). Latest available official information on mercury emission from HELCOM countries and other European countries was used in computations. Based on these data levels of annual and monthly mercury depositions to the Baltic Sea region have been obtained and contributions of HELCOM countries emission sources to the depositions over the Baltic Sea are estimated. Model results were compared with observed levels of mercury concentrations in air and precipitation measured at monitoring sites around the Baltic Sea in 2006.

6.1 Mercury emissions

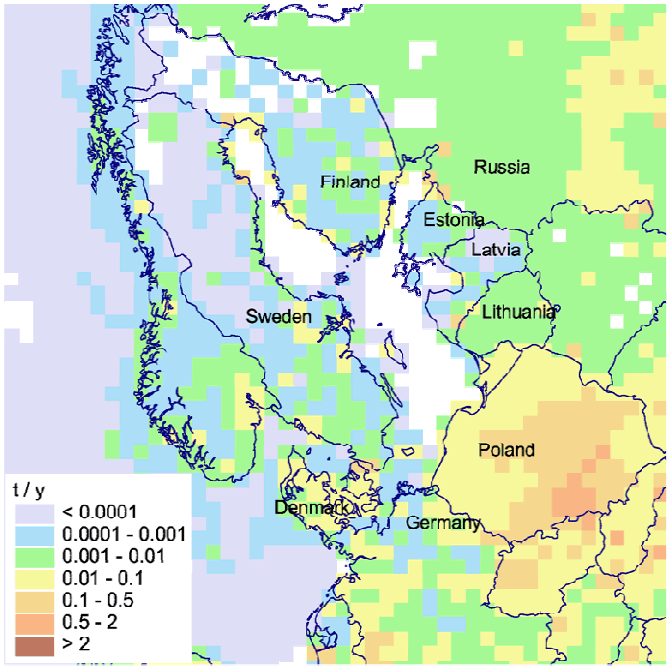


Figure 6.1. Annual total anthropogenic emissions of mercury in the Baltic Sea region for 2006, t/y.

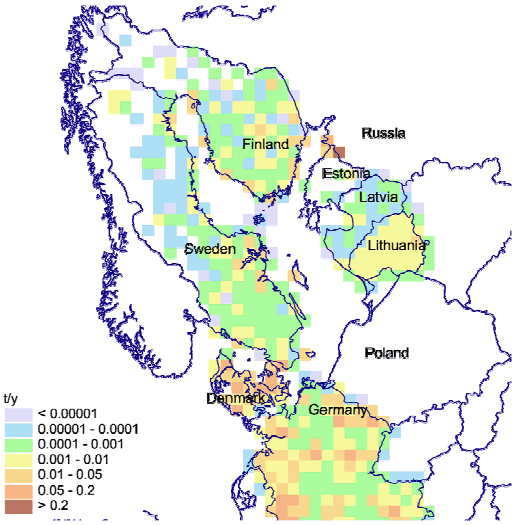
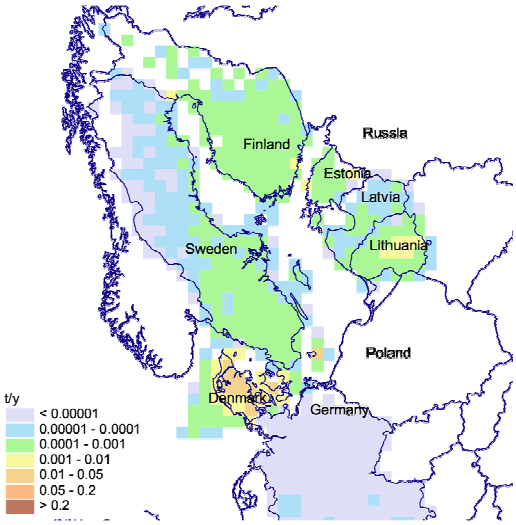


Figure 6.2. Annual mercury emission from Combustion in Power Plants and Industry sector for 2006, t/y.



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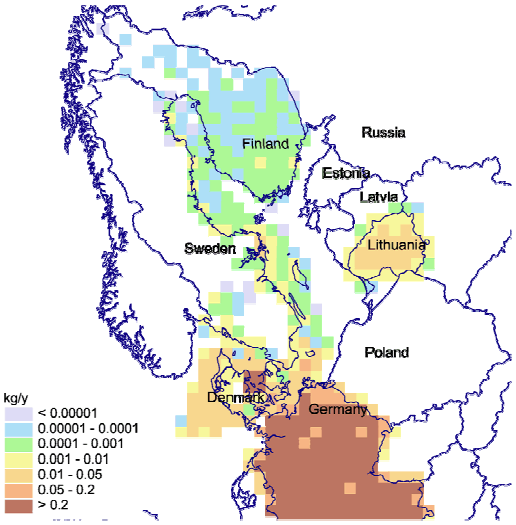

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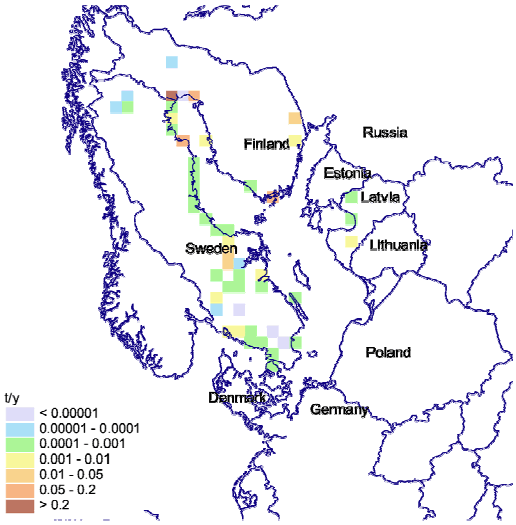

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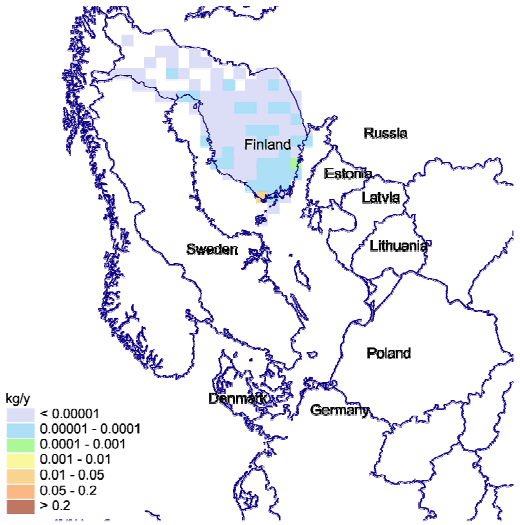


Figure 6.6. Annual mercury emission of Finland from Solvent and Other Product Use sector for 2006, kg/y.

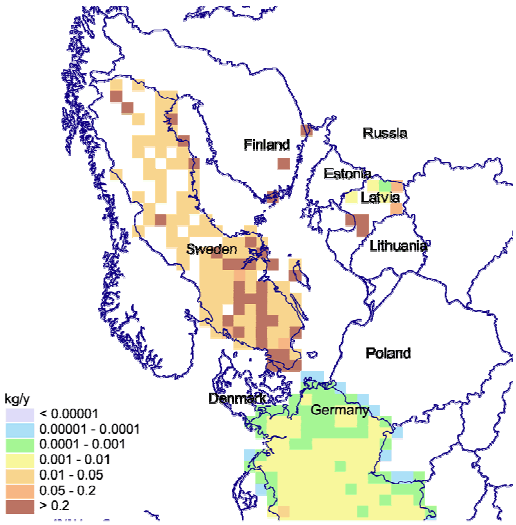


Figure 6.7. Annual mercury emission from Waste sector for 2006, kg/y.

Table 6.1. Annual total mercury anthropogenic emissions of HELCOM countries from different sectors for 2006, in tonnes per year

NFR emission sector	Sector name	Denmark	Estonia	Finland	Germany	Latvia	Lithuania	Poland	Russia	Sweden
1	Combustion in Power Plants and Industry	0.94	0.5	0.42	2.68	0.01	0.39	18.26	14	0.27
2a	Transport above 1000m	0	NA	NA	NE	NA	NA	NA	NA	NE
2b	Transport below 1000m	0.005	0	2.0E-05	0.11	NA	0.0004	0		0.0002
3	Commercial, Residential and Other Stationary Combustion	0.33	0.02	0.03	0.001	0.004	0.02	1.44		0.02
4	Fugitive Emissions From Fuels		NA	NA				0.29		0.004
5	Industrial Processes	0	0	0.52	0.001	0.007		1.15		0.17
6	Solvent and Other Product Use	NA	NA	1.2E-05				NA		
7	Agriculture							NA		
8	Waste		0	0.006	0.0003	0.003		0.12		0.12
9	Other									
Total		**1.28**	**0.52**	**0.98**	**2.79**	**0.03**	**0.42**	**21.26**	**14**	**0.59**

NA – not available
NE – not estimated

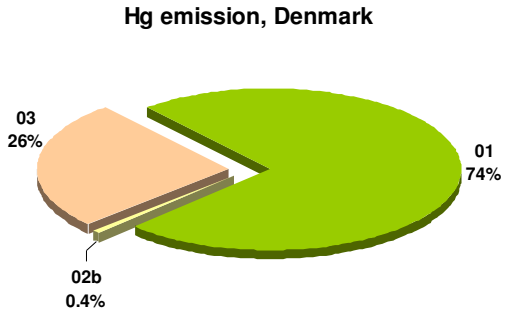
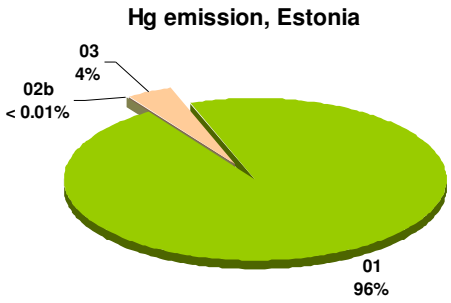


Figure 6.8. Percentage of annual total mercury emission from different sectors in Denmark for 2006



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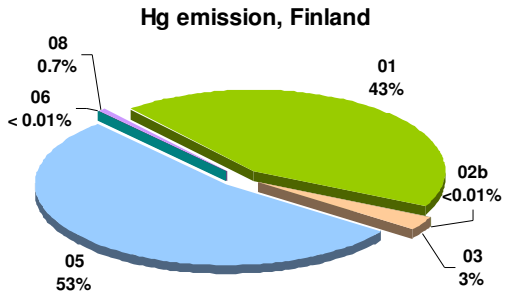

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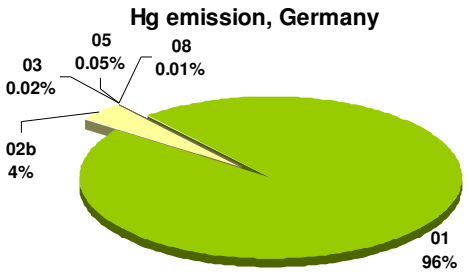


Figure 6.11. Percentage of annual total mercury emission from different sectors in Germany for 2006

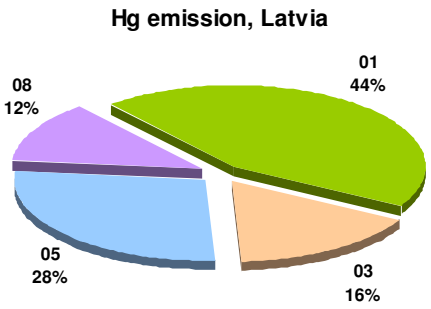


Figure 6.12. Percentage of annual total mercury emission from different sectors in Latvia for 2006

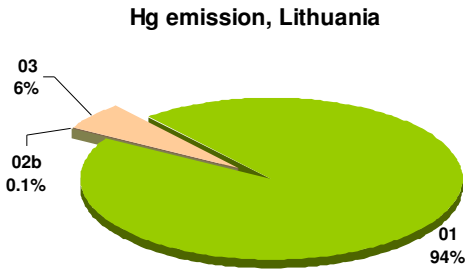


Figure 6.13. Percentage of annual total mercury emission from different sectors in Lithuania for 2006

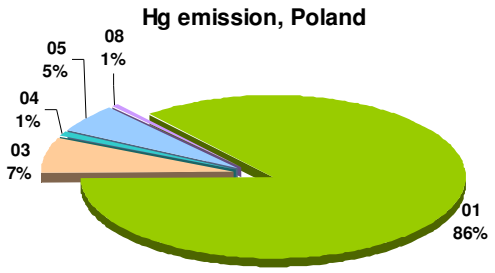
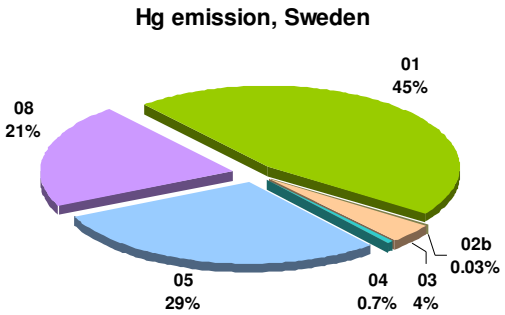


Figure 6.14. Percentage of annual total mercury emission from different sectors in Poland for 2006



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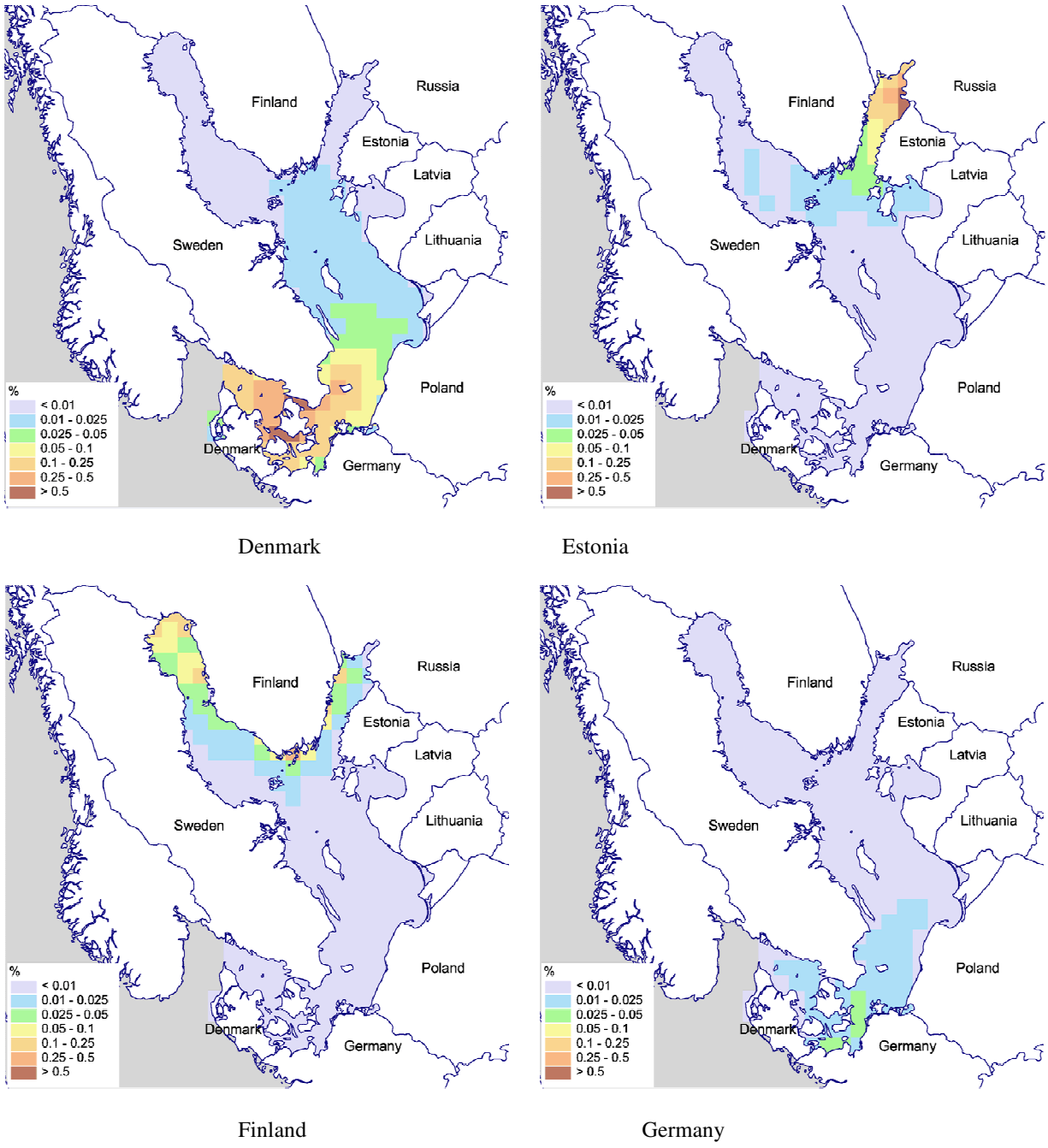

Denmark Estonia

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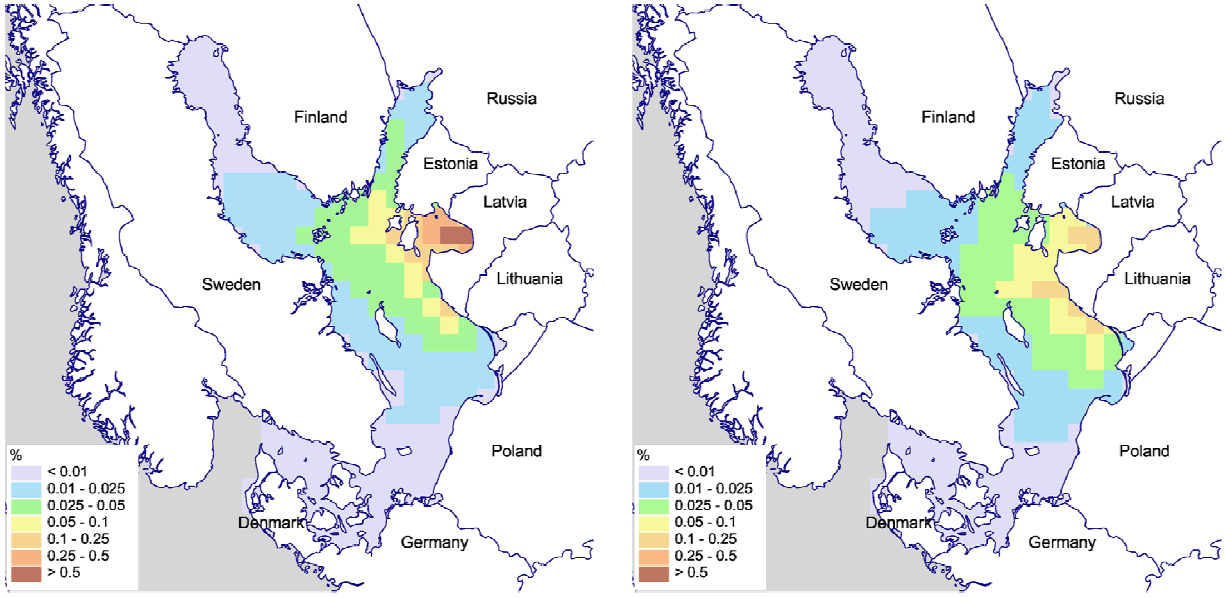
Figure 6.16. Maps with the fractions (in %) of annual total anthropogenic mercury emissions from HELCOM Parties deposited into the Baltic Sea in 2006 (percent per deposition over the 50x50 km grid cell).



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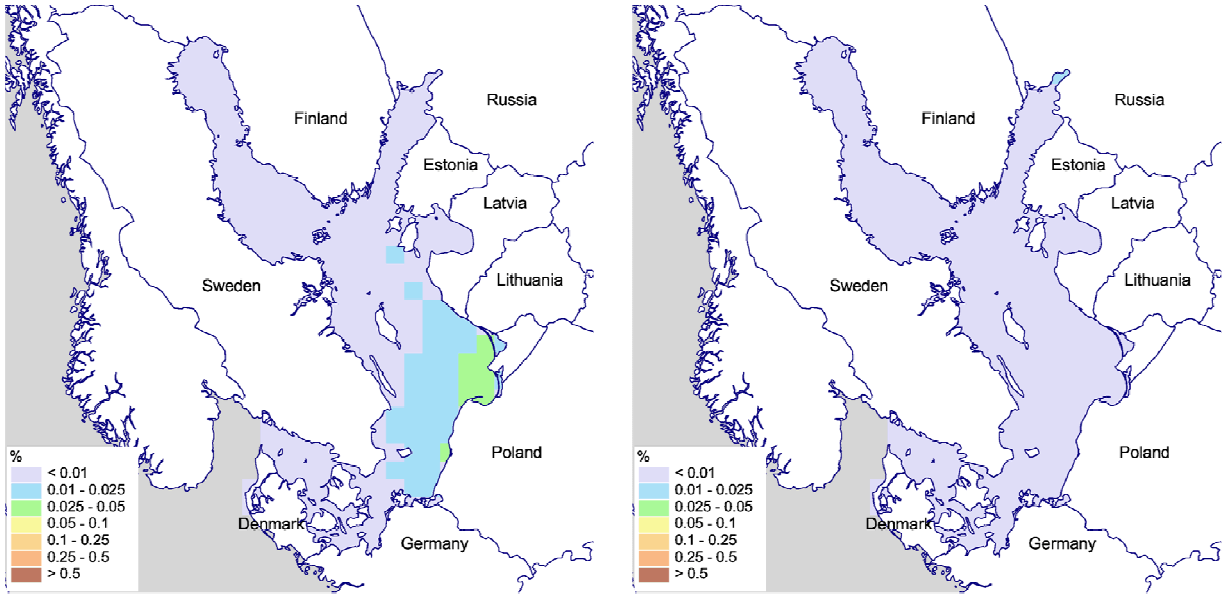

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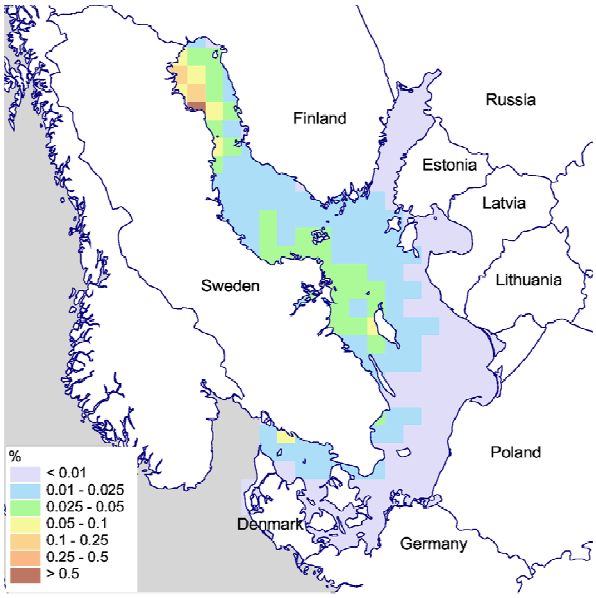

Sweden

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Table 6.2. Annual total anthropogenic emissions of mercury of HELCOM countries and other EMEP countries in period 1990-2006, tonnes (Expert estimates of emissions are shaded).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Denmark	3.2	3.5	3.3	3.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.3
Estonia	1.1	1.0	0.830	0.640	0.640	0.600	0.610	0.590	0.530	0.510	0.550	0.490	0.500	0.580	0.540	0.520	0.520
Finland	1.1	0.865	0.738	0.609	0.656	0.713	0.764	0.570	0.548	1.1	0.574	0.731	0.659	0.778	0.744	0.851	0.981
Germany	19	13	8.4	5.3	2.8	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.8
Latvia	0.310	0.241	0.209	0.200	0.229	0.171	0.202	0.150	0.141	0.120	0.063	0.049	0.040	0.032	0.028	0.027	0.026
Lithuania	0.018	0.016	0.011	0.014	0.013	0.153	0.159	0.232	0.245	0.253	0.252	0.516	0.314	0.352	0.417	0.413	0.418
Poland	33	33	32	33	32	32	34	33	30	27	26	23	20	20	20	20	21
Russia	16	13	11	12	10	10	10	9.6	9.4	9.9	10	10	10	11	12	14	14
Sweden	1.6	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.949	0.934	0.777	0.660	0.679	0.761	0.786	0.730	0.595
HELCOM	**76**	**66**	**58**	**56**	**51**	**50**	**52**	**50**	**46**	**44**	**42**	**40**	**36**	**38**	**38**	**41**	**42**
Albania	0.511	0.480	0.449	0.419	0.388	0.357	0.326	0.296	0.265	0.234	0.203	0.202	0.202	0.201	0.200	0.199	0.199
Armenia	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.167	0.170	0.174	0.177	0.180	0.184
Austria	2.1	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.948	0.936	0.895	0.954	0.935	0.976	0.943	0.996	1.0
Azerbaijan	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	0.984	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
Belarus	1.1	1.1	0.879	0.721	0.602	0.511	0.297	0.310	0.392	0.380	0.358	0.522	0.565	0.603	0.632	0.649	0.716
Belgium	6.6	5.7	5.8	3.9	4.2	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.0	3.1	2.5	2.1	3.1	2.8	2.9	1.8	1.8
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Bulgaria	13	12	11	9.4	8.1	6.9	4.7	4.3	4.7	4.1	4.2	4.0	3.9	5.0	4.7	3.4	3.7
Croatia	1.2	0.977	0.805	0.632	0.460	0.287	0.297	0.318	0.320	0.307	0.410	0.405	0.449	0.563	0.710	0.693	0.587
Cyprus	0.660	0.680	0.770	0.830	0.880	0.800	0.850	0.890	0.950	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3
Czech Republic	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.9	5.5	5.2	3.7	3.8	3.3	2.8	1.8	2.1	3.8	3.8
France	27	28	26	24	23	22	21	16	16	14	13	11	11	8.8	8.6	9.1	7.9
Georgia	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.253	0.258	0.264	0.269	0.274	0.279	0.284
Greece	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Hungary	6.3	5.8	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.0	4.0	3.8	4.1	3.2
Iceland	0.048	0.054	0.060	0.066	0.072	0.078	0.084	0.091	0.097	0.103	0.109	0.108	0.108	0.108	0.108	0.107	0.107
Ireland	1.0	1.1	0.994	0.992	0.943	0.937	0.858	0.725	0.619	0.491	0.415	0.438	0.422	0.407	0.410	0.424	0.374
Italy	12	11	11	10	10	11	10	10	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	11
Kazakhstan	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
Luxembourg	0.300	0.275	0.250	0.225	0.200	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.286	0.275	0.293	0.288	0.288	0.288	0.288	0.288
Malta	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.489	0.546	0.535	0.582	0.582	0.602	0.610
Monaco	0.108	0.110	0.121	0.132	0.069	0.069	0.073	0.083	0.078	0.079	0.081	0.086	0.077	0.064	0.057	0.057	0.041
Netherlands	3.5	3.9	3.3	2.6	2.0	1.2	1.0	0.705	0.633	0.549	0.875	0.742	0.715	0.663	1.0	0.813	0.814
Norway	1.5	1.4	1.2	0.928	1.0	0.877	0.905	0.905	0.868	0.910	0.756	0.704	0.667	0.678	0.707	0.690	0.690
Portugal	3.8	3.9	4.3	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.6	3.9	4.1	4.1	3.7	3.5	3.8	3.1	3.0	3.2	2.9
Republic of Moldova	3.4	3.8	3.3	1.8	1.3	0.894	0.954	0.571	0.406	0.180	0.259	0.226	0.392	0.340	0.323	0.244	0.217
Romania	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.3	6.7	7.3	8.3	9.4	10	11	8.3
Serbia and Montenegro	3.9	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4
Slovakia	12	9.3	6.2	5.0	3.9	3.9	3.4	3.7	4.1	3.7	4.3	3.8	3.6	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.4
Slovenia	0.770	0.610	0.600	0.540	0.600	0.650	0.570	0.610	0.620	0.590	0.610	0.650	0.640	0.630	0.650	0.640	0.683
Spain	13	14	15	13	13	13	12	9.9	10	11	11	11	12	10	10	10	9.1
Switzerland	6.6	6.1	5.8	5.4	4.9	4.1	3.8	3.5	3.3	2.4	2.1	1.8	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
The FYR of Macedonia	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
Turkey	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	19	19	19	20	20	21
Ukraine	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	5.9	30	6.6	6.0	16
United Kingdom	38	38	36	23	21	20	15	12	11	8.2	8.2	7.9	6.9	7.5	6.5	7.2	7.5
EMEP	**328**	**313**	**294**	**264**	**251**	**244**	**231**	**218**	**210**	**199**	**196**	**190**	**167**	**190**	**168**	**172**	**179**

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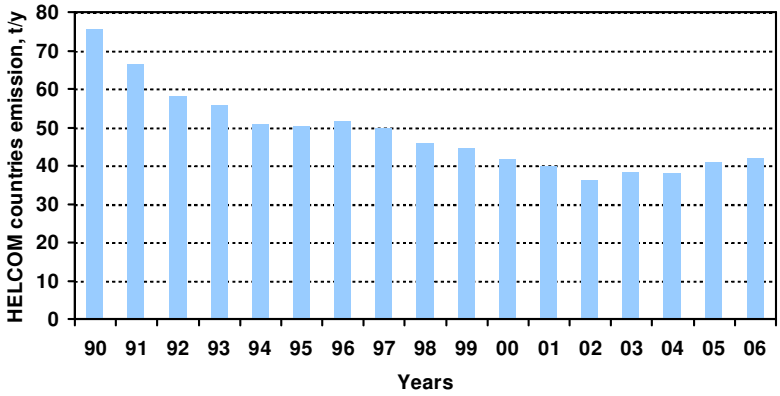

Figure 6.17. Time-series of total annual mercury emissions of HELCOM countries in 1990-2006, tonnes/y.

5.2 Annual total depositions of mercury

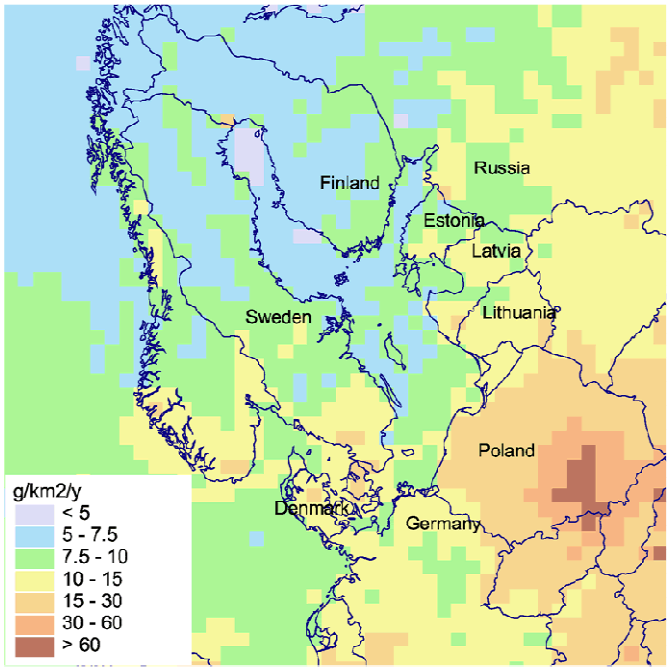

Figure 6.18. Annual total deposition fluxes of mercury over the Baltic Sea region for 2006, g/km^2/y.

5.3 Monthly total depositions of mercury

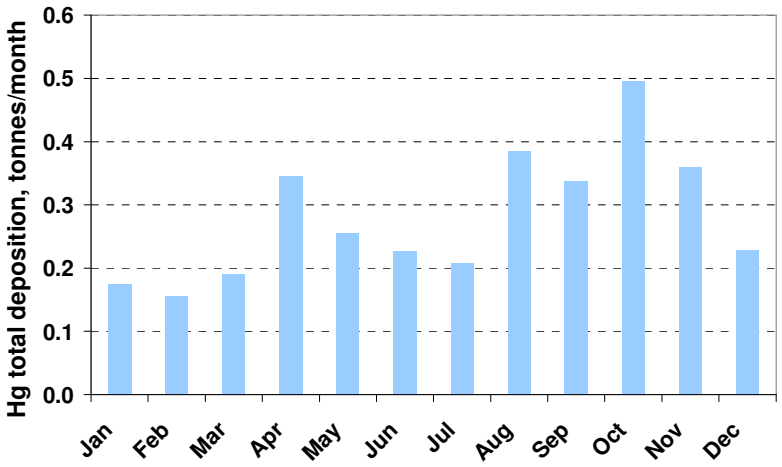

Figure 6.19. Monthly total depositions of mercury to the Baltic Sea for 2006, tonnes/month.

Table 6.2. Monthly total depositions of mercury to the Baltic Sea for 2006, tonnes/month.

Month	Hg
Jan	0.18
Feb	0.16
Mar	0.19
Apr	0.35
May	0.25
Jun	0.23
Jul	0.21
Aug	0.38
Sep	0.34
Oct	0.50
Nov	0.36
Dec	0.23

5.4 Source allocation of mercury deposition

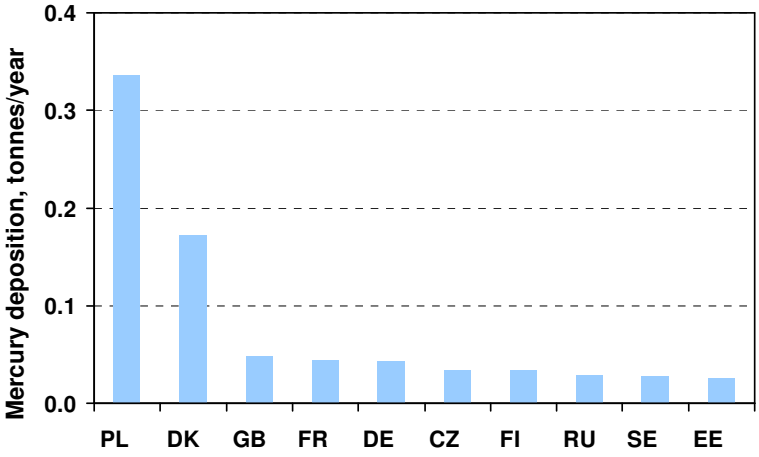

Figure 6.20. Top ten countries with the highest contribution to annual deposition of mercury over the Baltic Sea for 2006, tonnes/year.

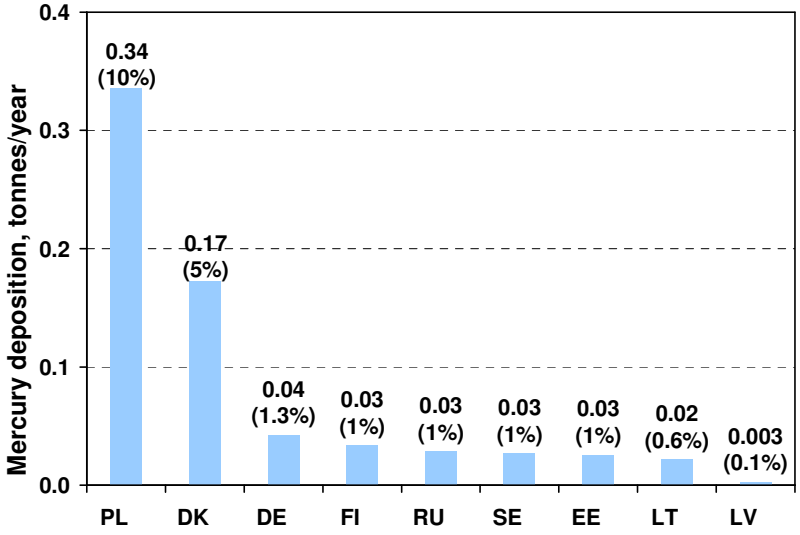

Figure 6.21. Sorted contributions (in %) of HELCOM countries to total depositions over the Baltic Sea for 2006. HELCOM countries emissions of mercury contributed 21% to the total annual mercury depositions over the Baltic Sea in 2006. Contribution of other EMEP countries accounted for 8%. Significant contribution was made by other emission sources, in particular, remote emissions sources, natural emissions and re-emission of mercury (71%).

Table 6.3. Two most significant contributors to the annual total depositions of mercury to the six Baltic Sea sub-basins for 2006.

Sub-basin	Country	%	Country	%	*, %
GUB	Finland	4	Poland	4	83
GUF	Estonia	9	Poland	6	72
GUR	Poland	11	Lithuania	3	74
BAP	Poland	14	Denmark	3	69
BES	Denmark	25	Poland	4	58
KAT	Denmark	18	Poland	4	66
BAS	Poland	10	Denmark	5	71

* - contribution of re-emission, natural and remote sources.

5.5 Comparison of model results with measurements

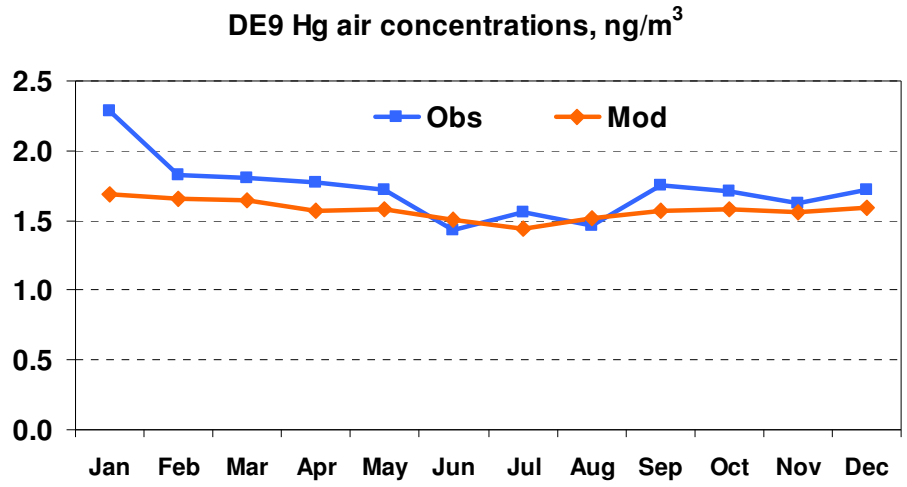

Figure 6.22. Comparison of calculated monthly mean Hg concentrations in air for 2006 with measurements of the station Zingst (DE9). Units: ng / m^3.

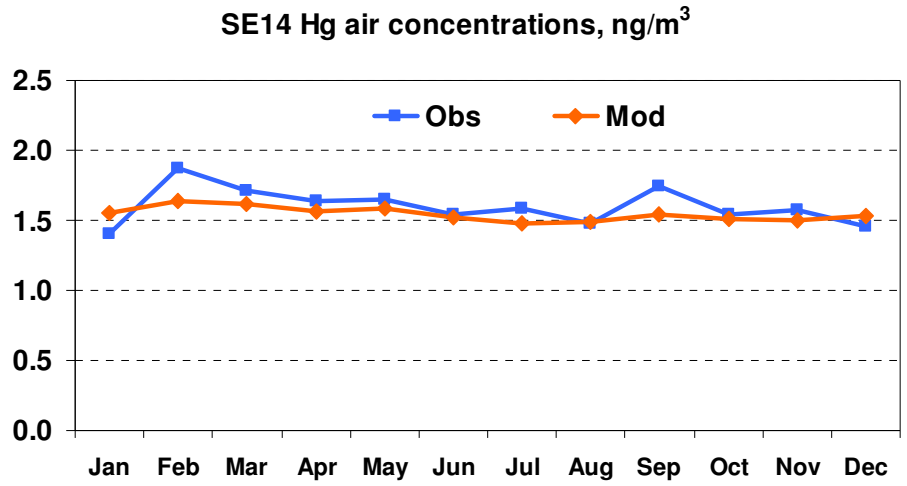

Figure 6.23. Comparison of calculated monthly mean Hg concentrations in air for 2006 with measurements of the station Råö (SE14). Units: ng / m^3.

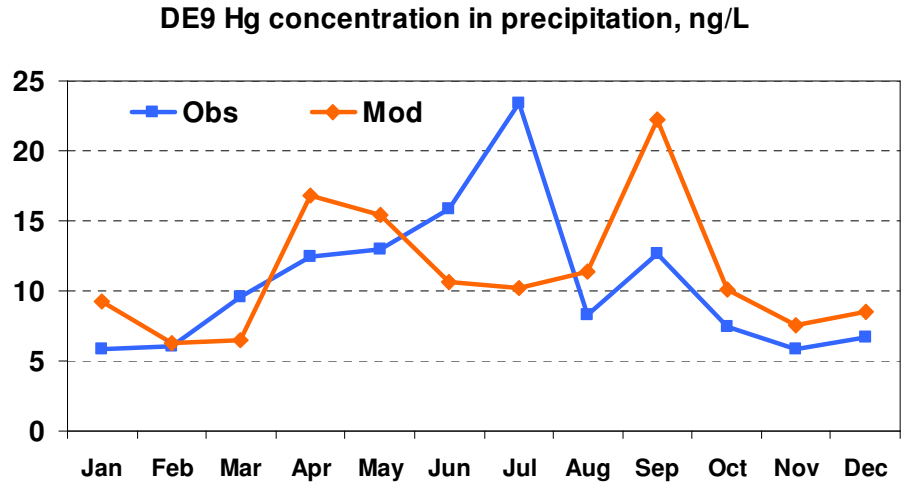

Figure 6.24. Comparison of calculated monthly mean Hg concentrations in precipitation for 2006 with measurements of the station Zingst (DE9). Units: ng/L.

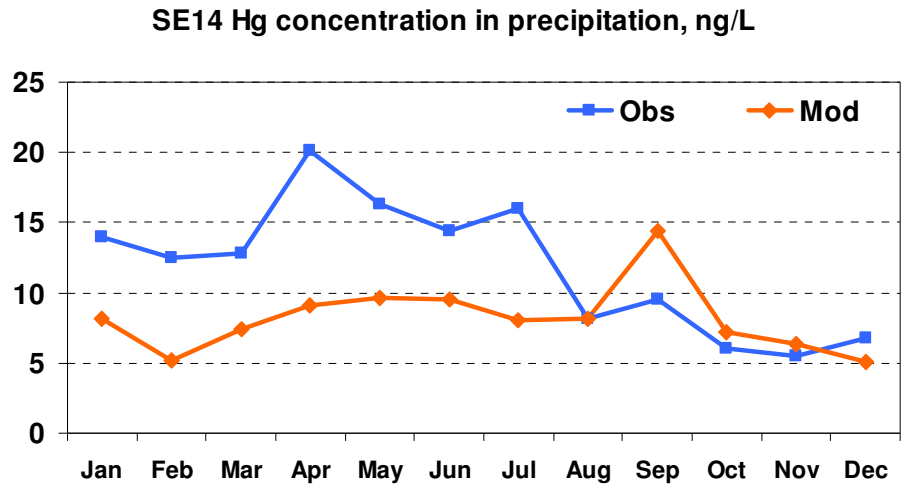

Figure 6.25. Comparison of calculated monthly mean Hg concentrations in precipitation for 2006 with measurements of the station Råö (SE14). Units: ng/L.

Computed concentrations of mercury in air and in precipitation were compared with the measurement data of four monitoring sites around the Baltic Sea. It can be seen that that the model values reasonably agree with the measured concentrations. Some deviations between simulated and observed monthly mean concentrations of mercury can be connected with the uncertainties in seasonal variation of mercury emission used in modeling, differences between measured precipitation amount and the one used in the model, and difficulties in measurements of mercury.