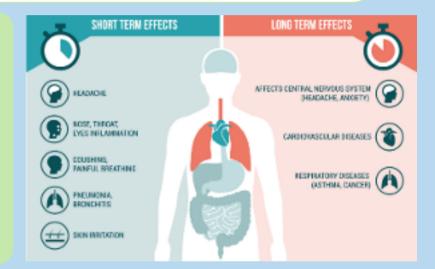
Wood Burning Pollution in Amager

Air pollution kills 7 million people each year and continues to affect the health of Copenhagen citizens. Air pollution caused over 3,500 premature deaths in Copenhagen between 2016 and 2018. The most common sources of air pollution include motor transportation, construction, and notably -- wood stoves.



Health Effects of Particle Pollution

Air pollution kills more than 800 people in Copenhagen every year and has been linked to illnesses such as asthma, diabetes, and cancer. Children are especially vulnerable to air pollution. In addition to the illnesses above, children are at risk of permanent neurological damage and learning disabilities that decrease academic performance and lower their quality of life.



Impact of Wood Burning & Wood Stoves

- Wood burning in Copenhagen contributes twice as much pollution as all of the road vehicles *combined*!
- New wood stoves still contribute significantly to air pollution levels
- Wood stoves even have an impact on the air quality inside your home

What Can You Do?

- Burn only clean, dry, and seasoned wood that has been split and dried for at least 6 months.
- Reduce overall wood burning frequency and volume.
- Clean ashes from the stove. Excess ashes reduce a stove's efficiency.
- Replace old wood stoves with cleaner heating alternatives, such as gas, electric, or wood pellet stoves.
- Burn hardwood rather than softwoods, as they burn slower and produce less smoke.