



Evaluations of 1997 Fuel Consumption Patterns of Heavy Duty Trucks

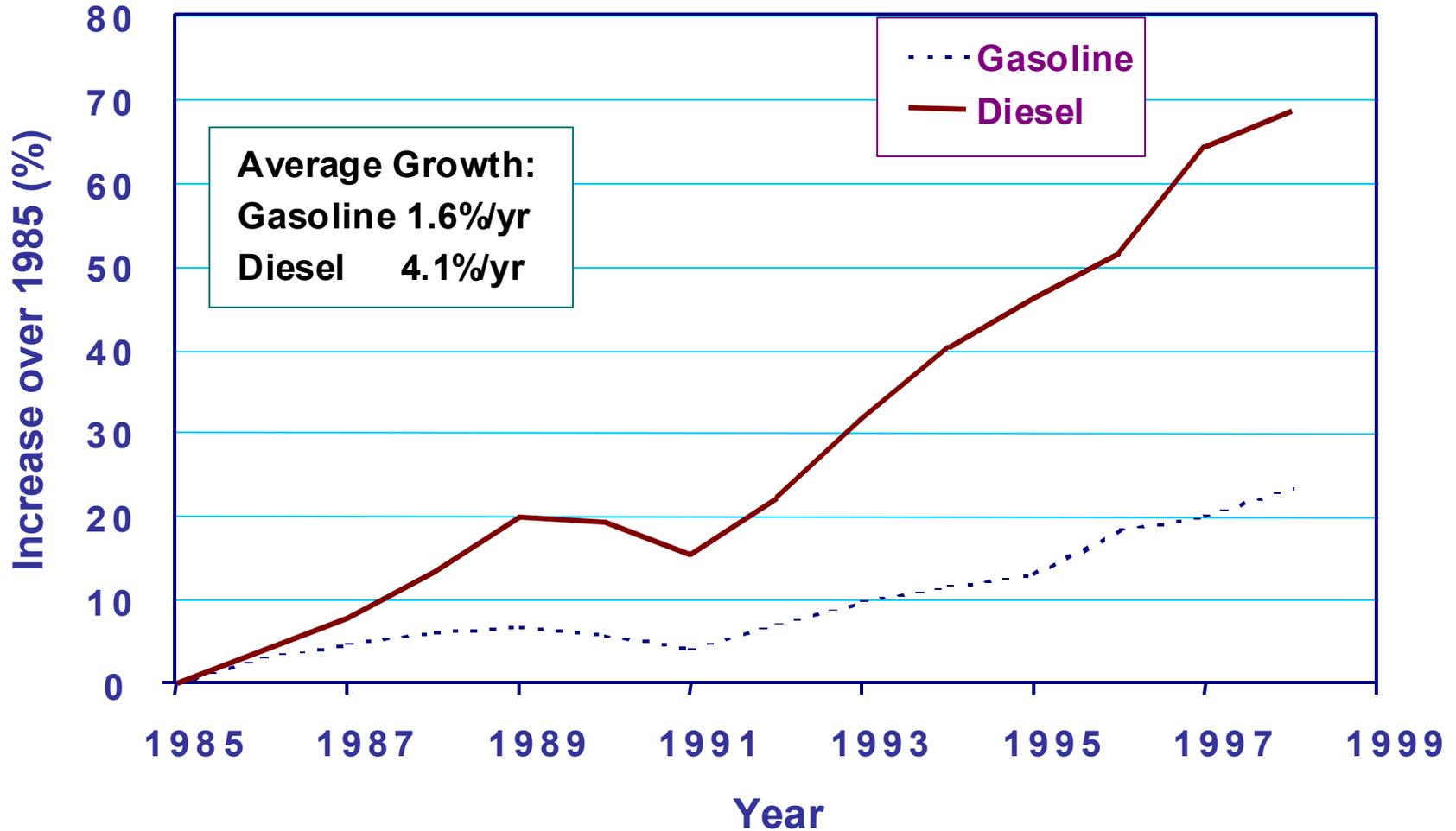
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Diesel Fuel Consumption is Rising at a Faster Rate Than Gasoline Consumption





Gross Vehicle Weight Class Analysis

- ❖ **The 1997 VIUS contains two fields for GVW class**
 1. **Based on vehicle registration (used in this analysis)**
 2. **Based on respondent reported average vehicle weight**
- ❖ **Class 2B trucks are difficult to classify**
 1. **All trucks in class 2 bunched together**
 2. **Average weight data not available for all**



Class 2B Trucks' Gasoline and Diesel Consumption Required More Judgment

❖ Class 2B trucks classification difficulty addressed

Following assumptions were made:

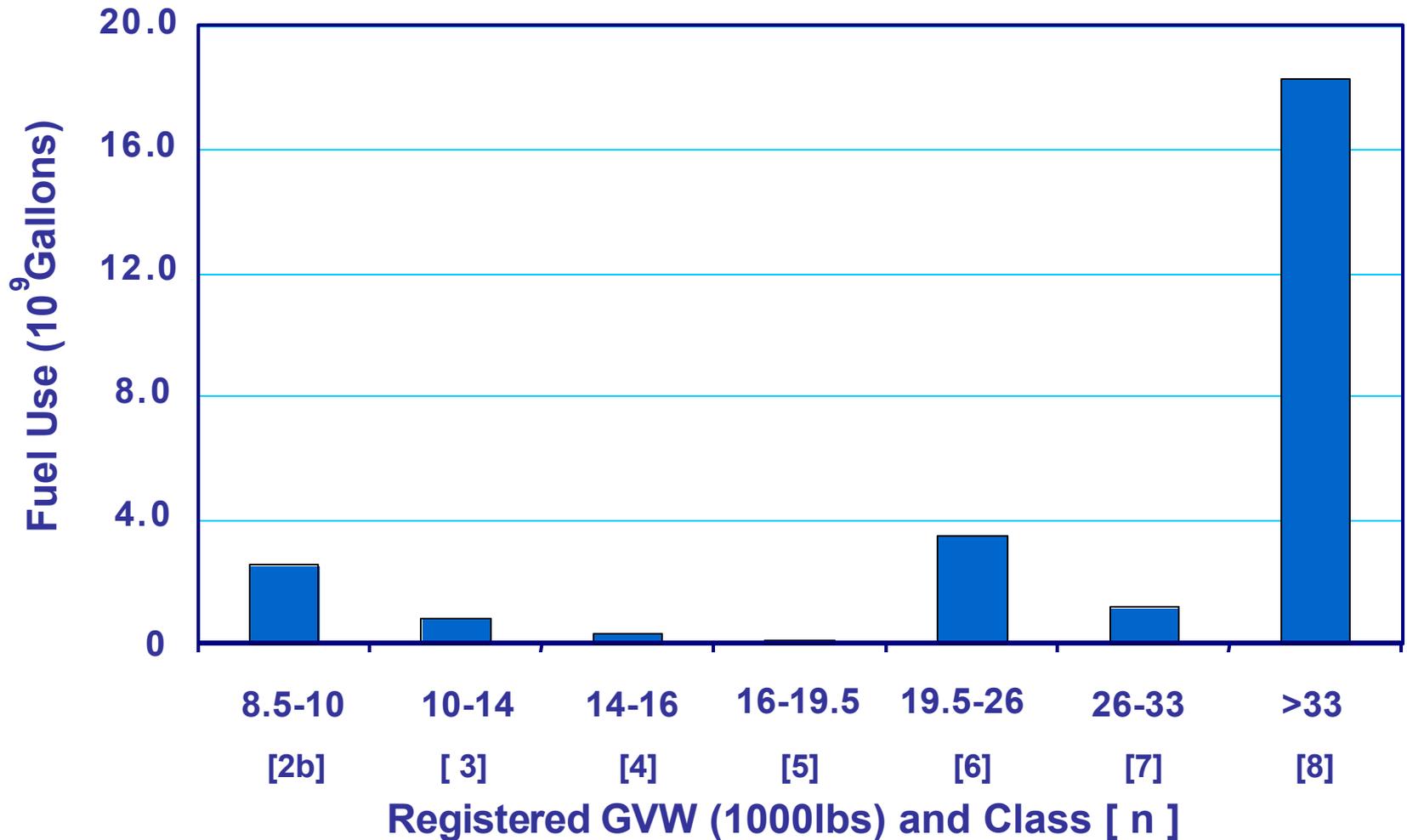
All commercial class 2 diesel trucks assumed as class 2B

- a) *Commercial Class 2 gasoline trucks with 6.0L or larger engine assumed as class 2B after cross-checking with "Gasoline truck index" by Truck Index, Inc. (new)*

❖ Only commercial use trucks are analyzed

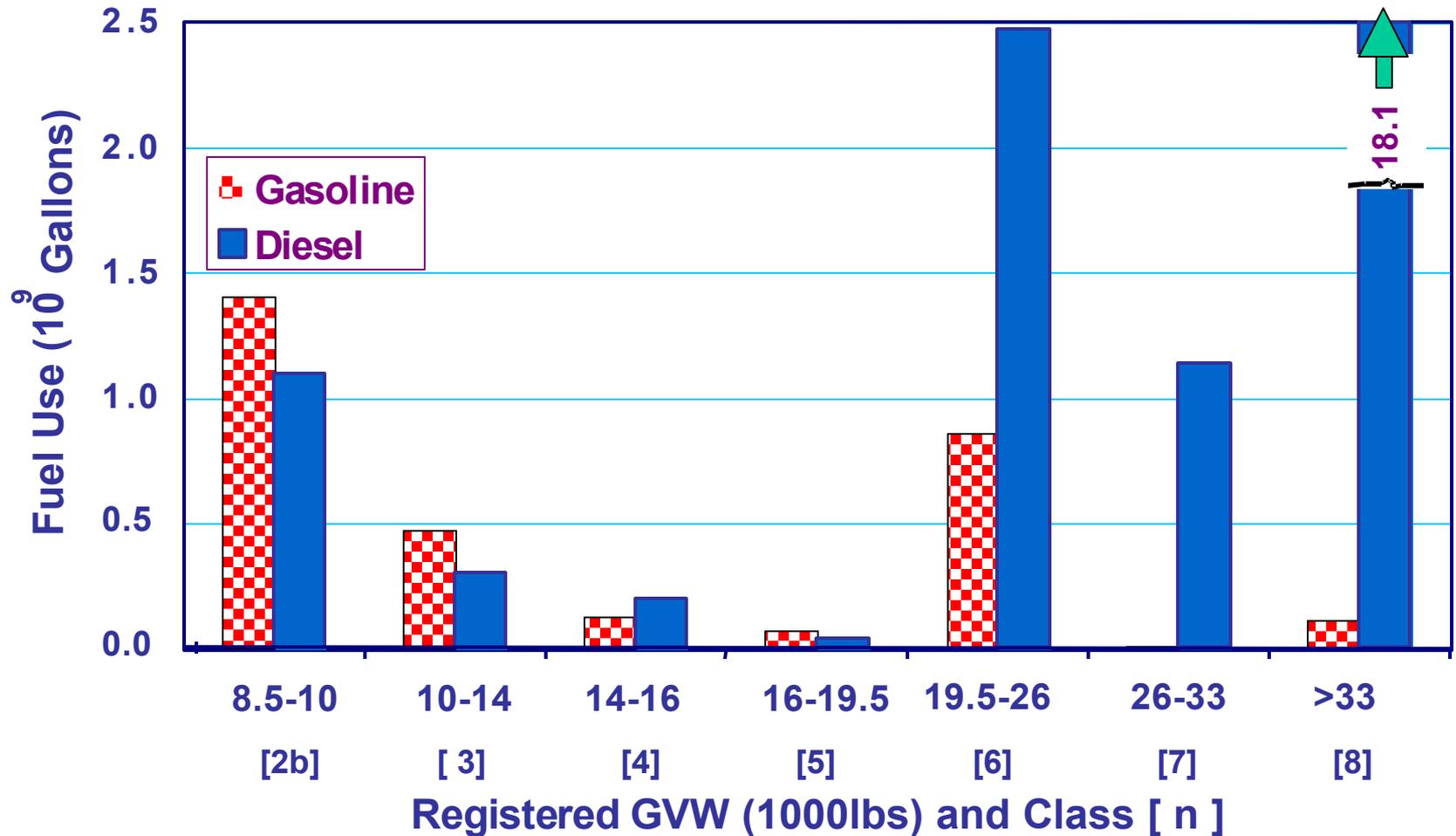


For Commercial Trucks, Class 8 was Estimated to Dominate Total Fuel Consumption



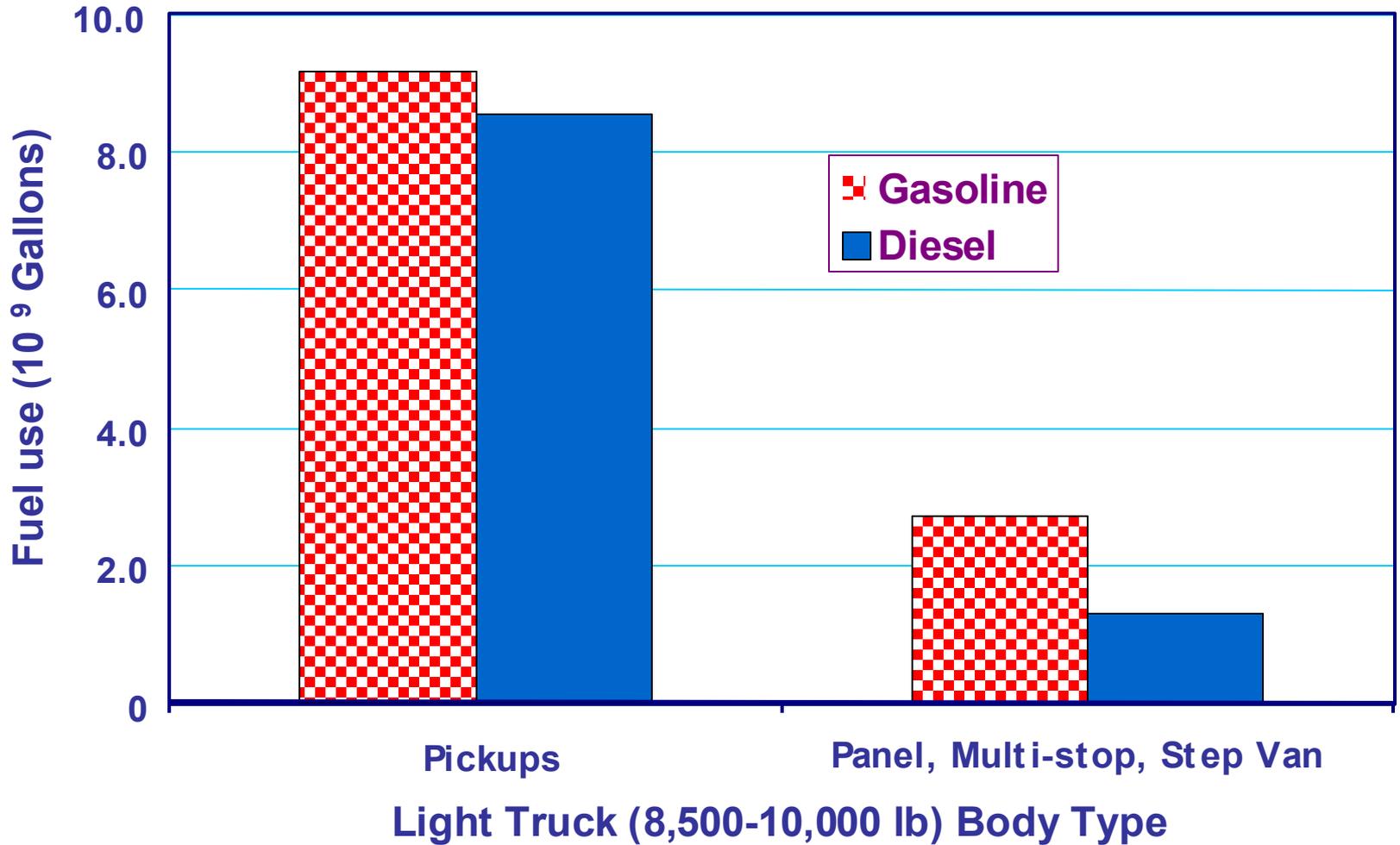


Gasoline? The Highest Proportional Use Is In 2B-5, the Highest Amount in 2B



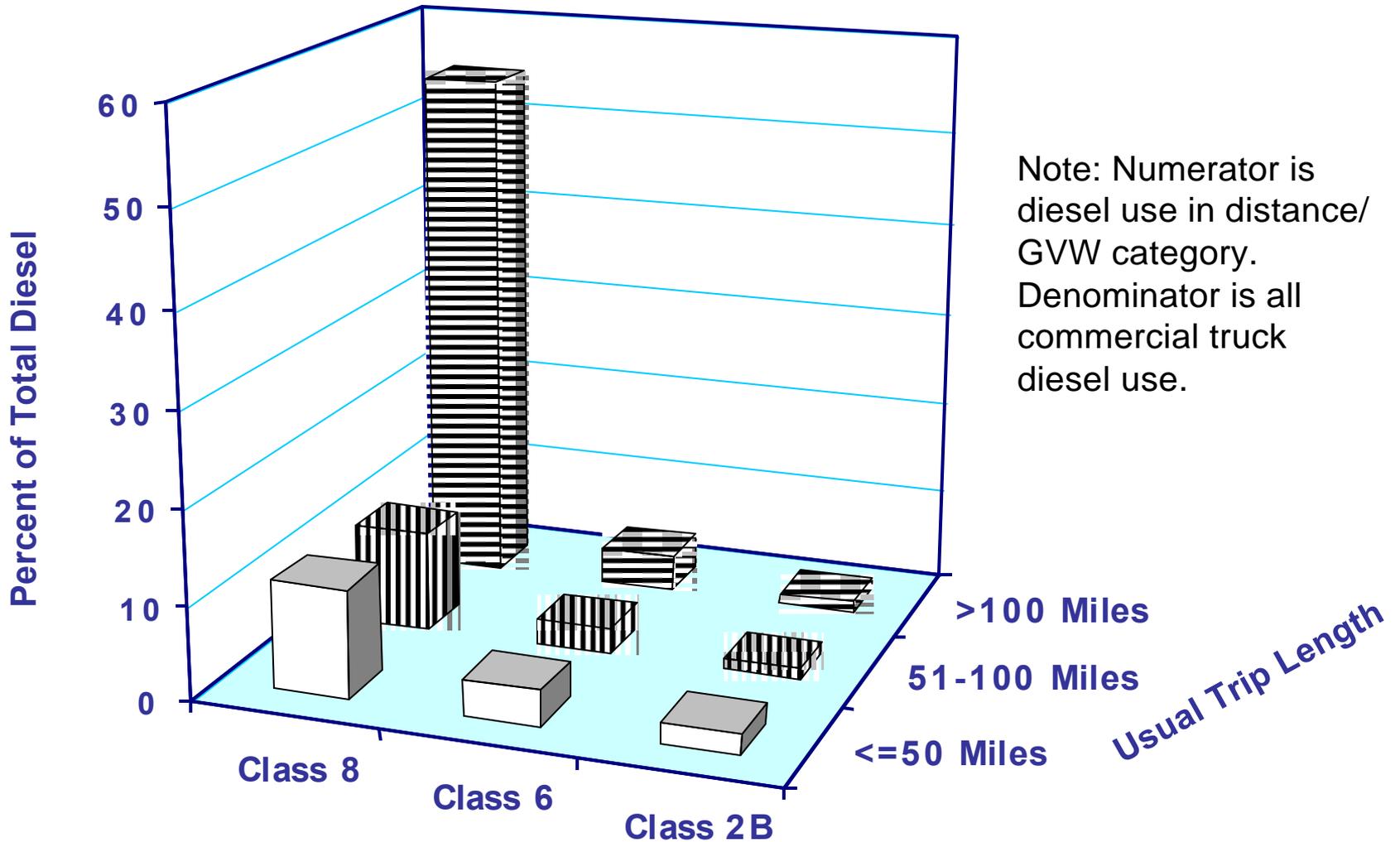


Within Class 2, Pickup Trucks Use Gasoline and Diesel Nearly Equally, While Closed Body Light Trucks Use More Gasoline





Class 8 Trucks on Trips >100 Miles Use More Than Half of Commercial Truck Diesel Fuel





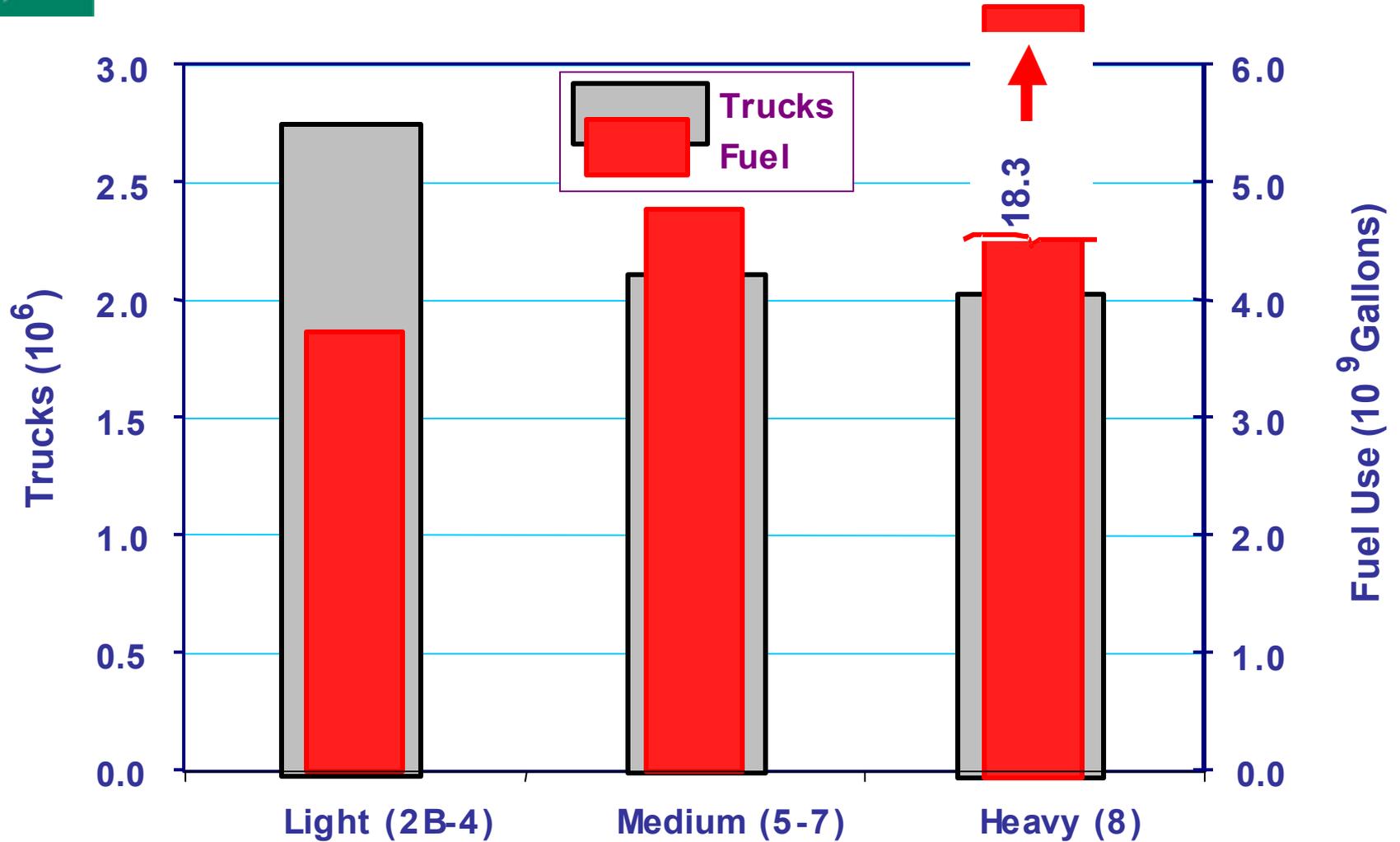
Analysis by Truck Groups

- ❖ **Three groups are created for aggregation, and simplification:**
 1. **Light, representing 8,500-16,000 lbs classes**
 2. **Medium, representing 16,000-33,000 lbs classes**
 3. **Heavy, representing >33,000 lbs class**

- ❖ **The next three slides use this grouping:**

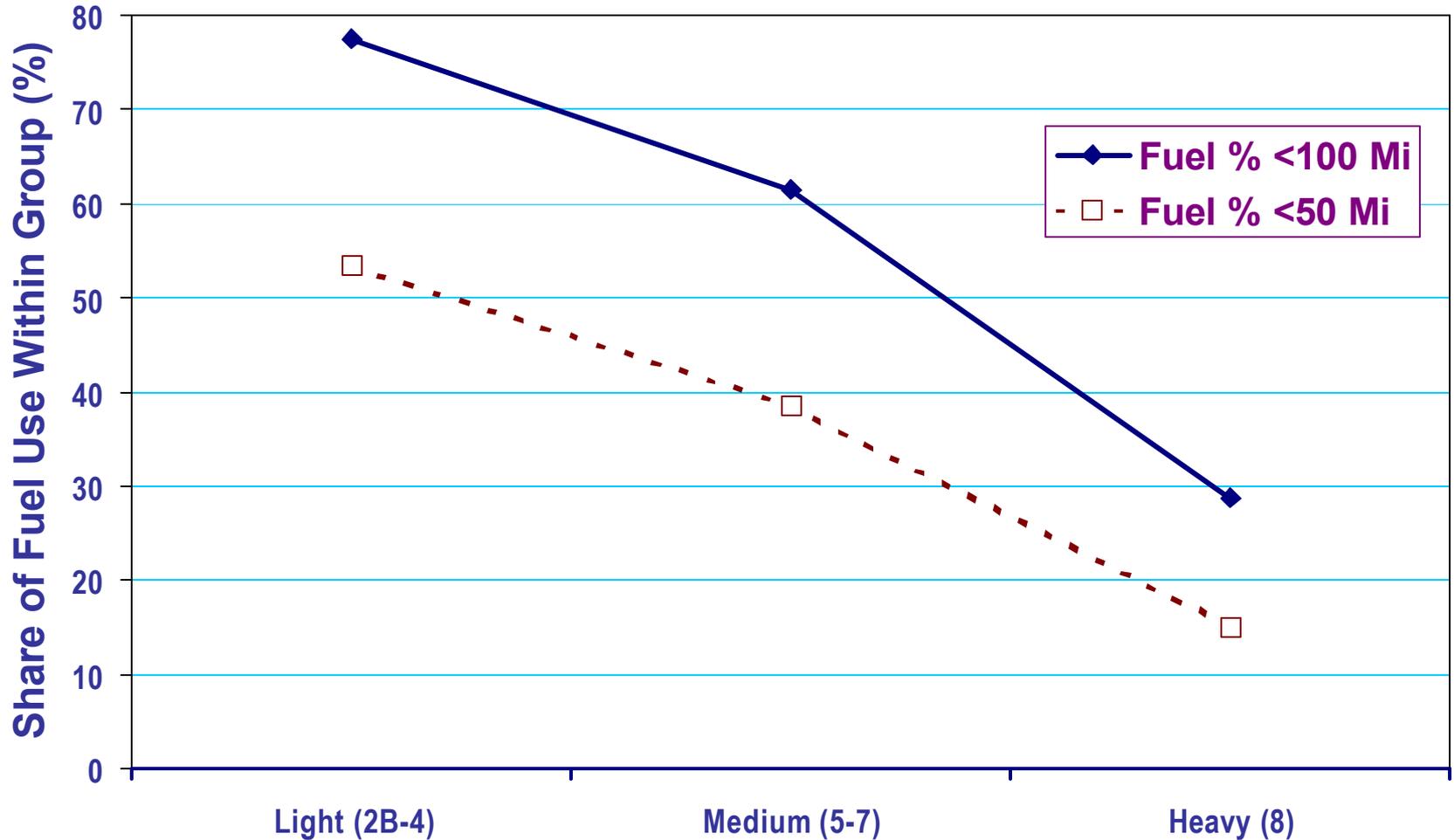


Although Commercial Fuel Use is Dominated by Class 8 Trucks, Numbers of Lighter Trucks are Far Greater





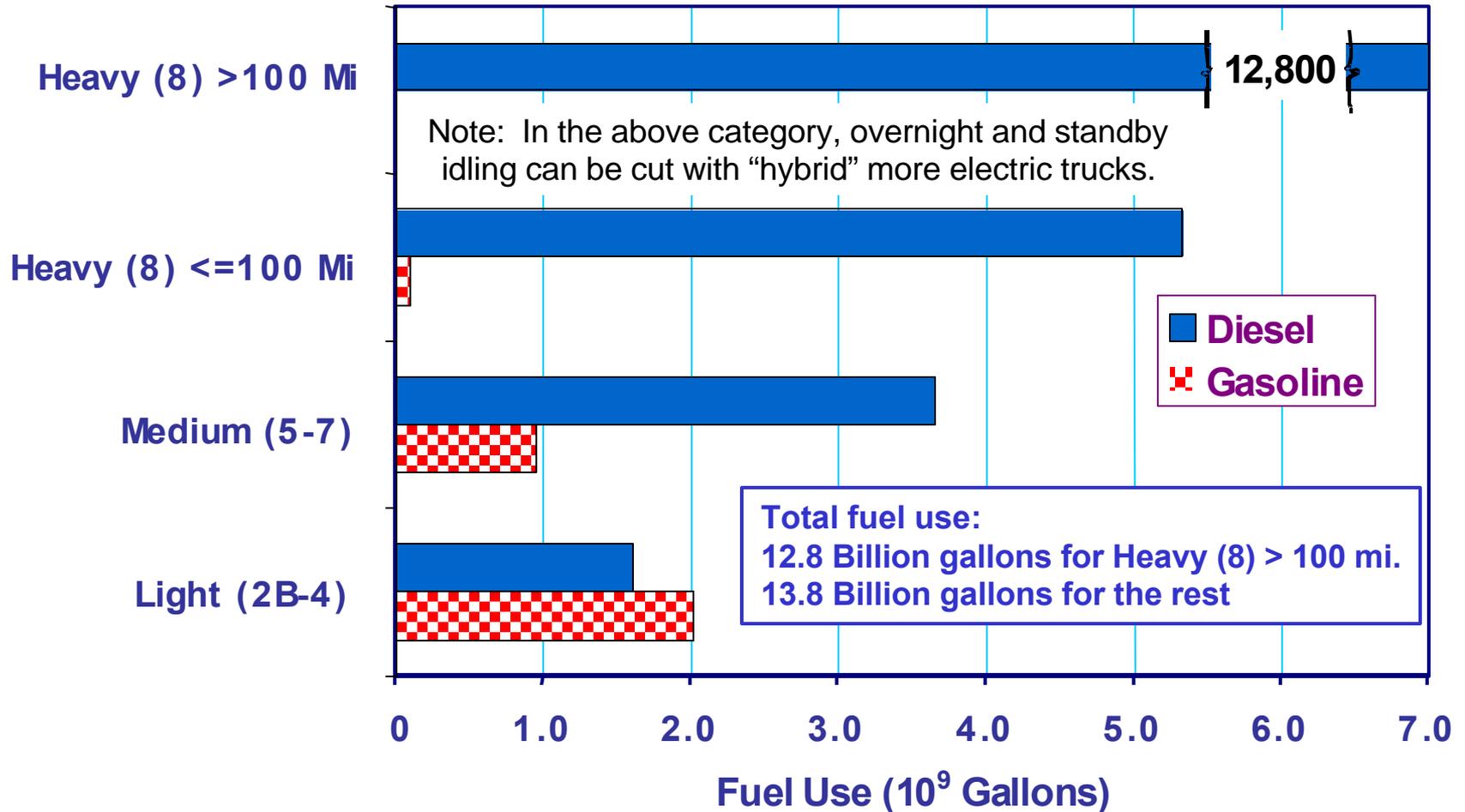
As Truck GVW Decreases, The Share of Fuel for Trip Length Less Than 100 Miles Jumps





A Large Fraction of Commercial Truck Fuel Use Is a Candidate for Reduction Through Hybridization. An Even Higher Proportion of Trucks Would Be Candidates

Assumption: Most Heavy (8) ≤ 100 Mi, Medium, and Light trucks are suitable for hybridization



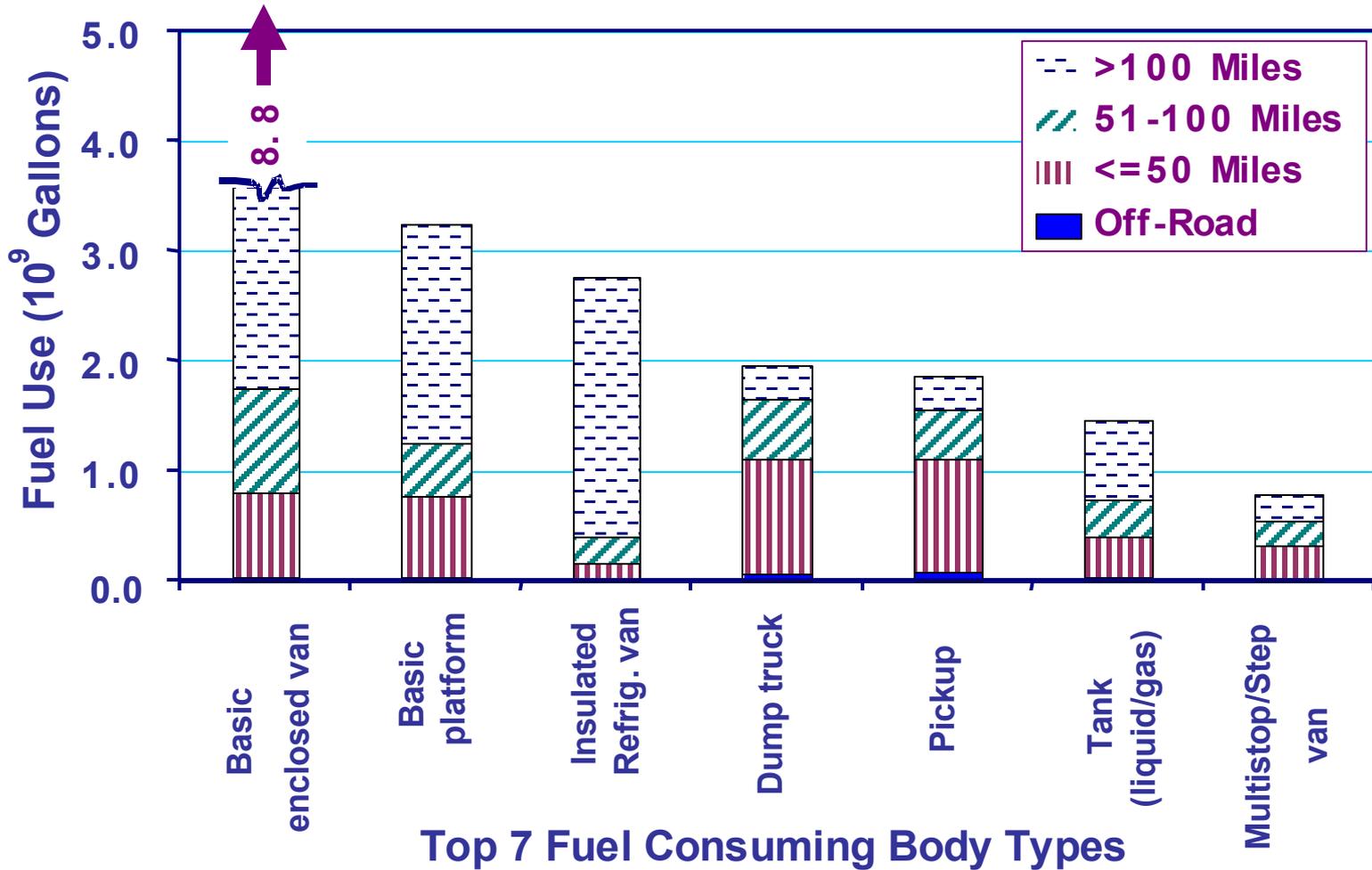


Top Ten Body Types by Truck Population

Body Type (commercial trucks only)	Trucks (10 ³)	VMT (10 ⁶)	Fuel (10 ⁶ Gln)	Avg VMT	Avg Gln/Yr
1. Pickup	1,587	23,663	1,865*	14,910	1,175
2. Basic enclosed van	949	55,304	8,786*	58,295	9,260
3. Basic platform	934	21,021	3,233*	22,435	3,450
4. Dump truck	588	11,066	1,964*	18,830	3,340
5. Multistop or step van	396	7,251	788*	18,290	1,990
6. Panel/van (excl minivan)	294	4,377	365	14,910	1,245
7. Grain body	287	2,754	500	9,585	1,740
8. Platform with devices	283	3,551	523	12,545	1,850
9. Tank truck (liquid/gas)	241	8,593	1,461*	35,665	6,065
10. Insulated refrig. van	230	16,325	2,767*	70,920	12,020

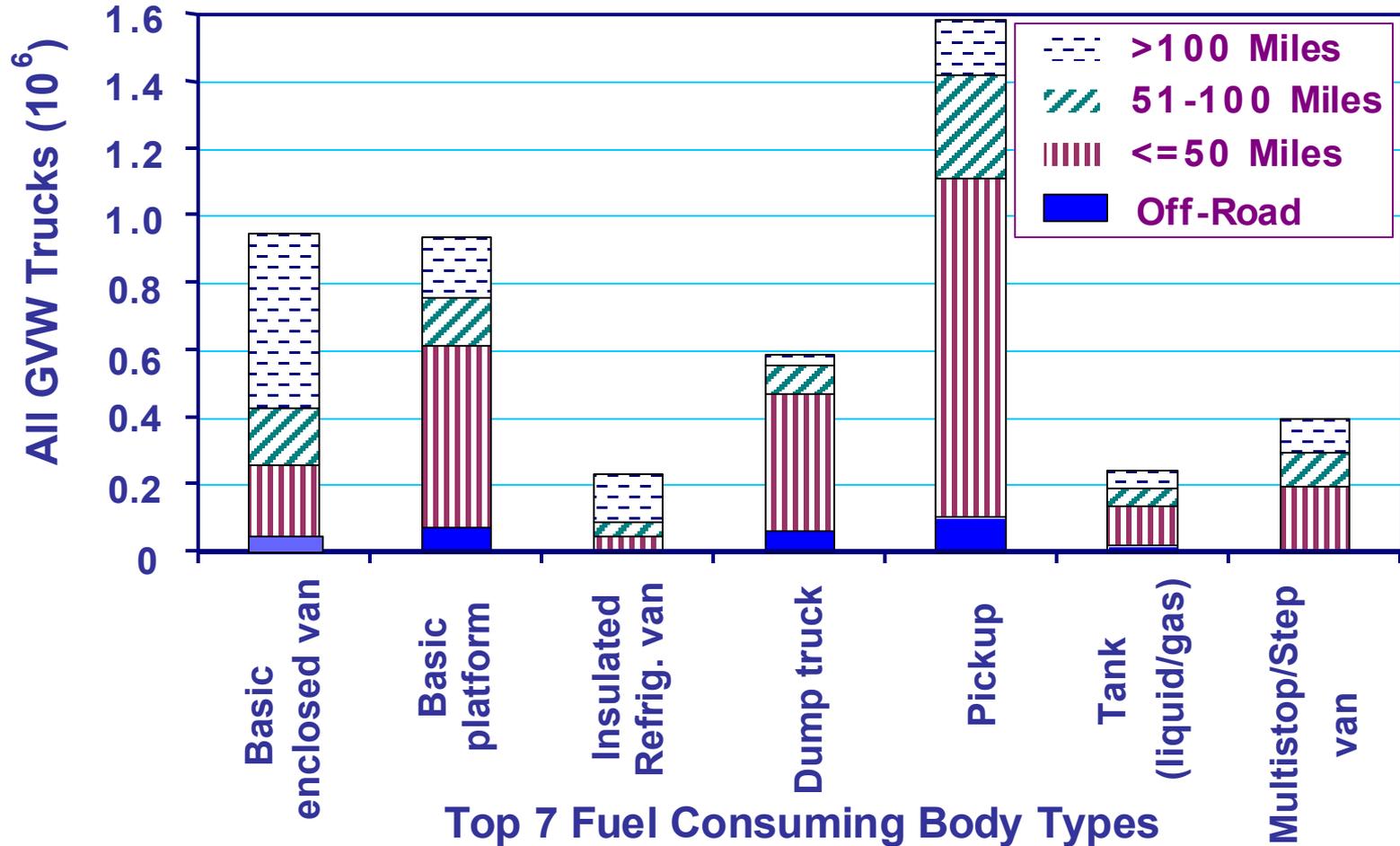


Most Long-Haul Truck Fuel Use is in Long Trips, but for Dumps, Pickups, & Multistop/Step Vans Most is in Short Trips





On a Number of Trucks Utilized Basis, Shorter Trips Dominate Intended Use





Estimating Fuel Consumption Through Application of Analytical Tools

❖ **Determinants of simulated in-use MPG**

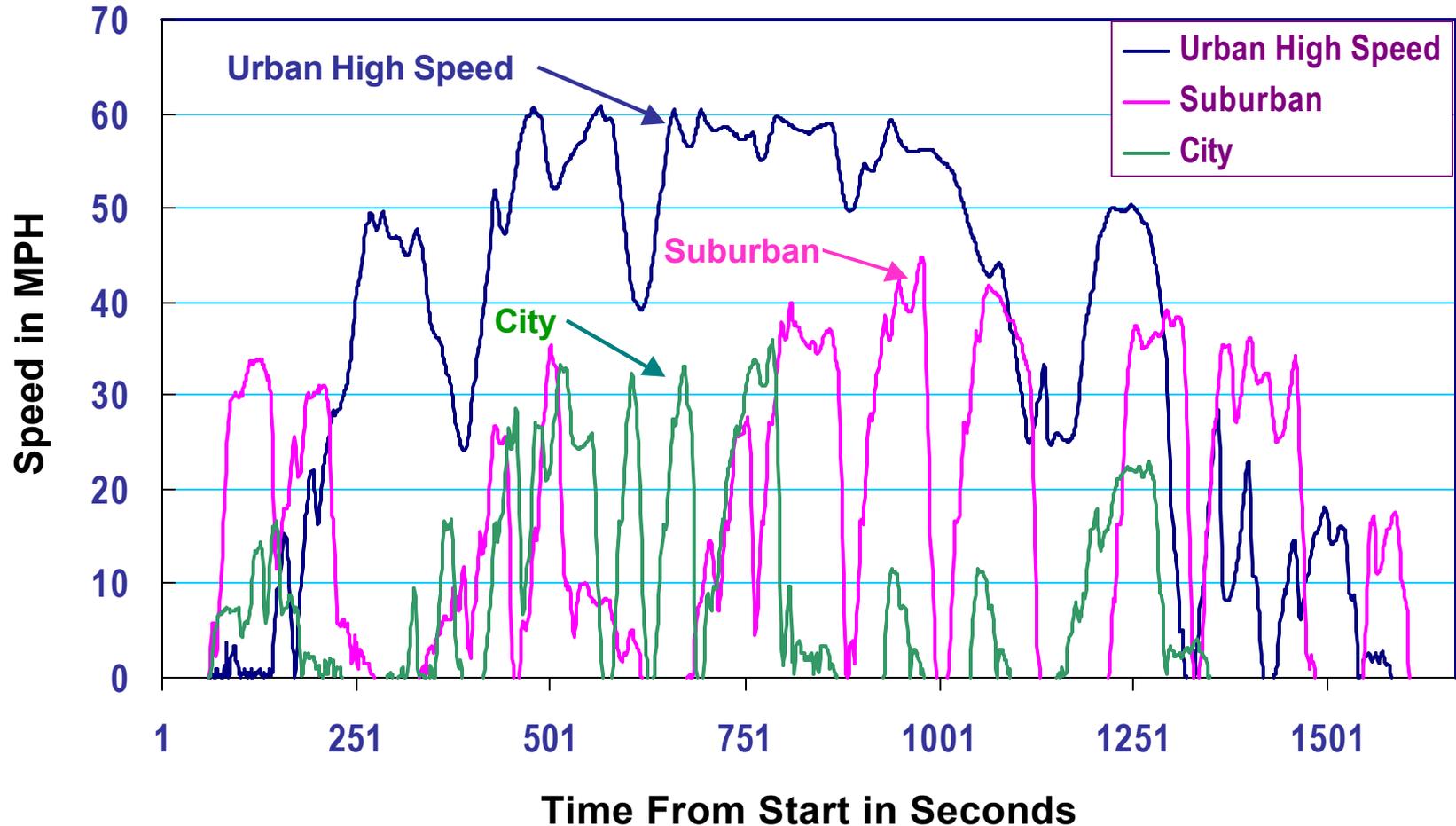
- **Proper vehicle information**
 - Load carried (total mass)
 - Vehicle specifics
- **Driving patterns (cycles) of the trucks**
- **Mix of driving cycles (of those available)**
- **“Off cycle” idling**

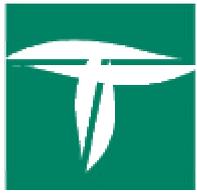
❖ **Example to illustrate potential:**

- **Class 8 Aggregate Analysis**



Class 8 Truck Realistic Driving Cycles Have Been Developed by WVU for NREL, by Chasing Trucks





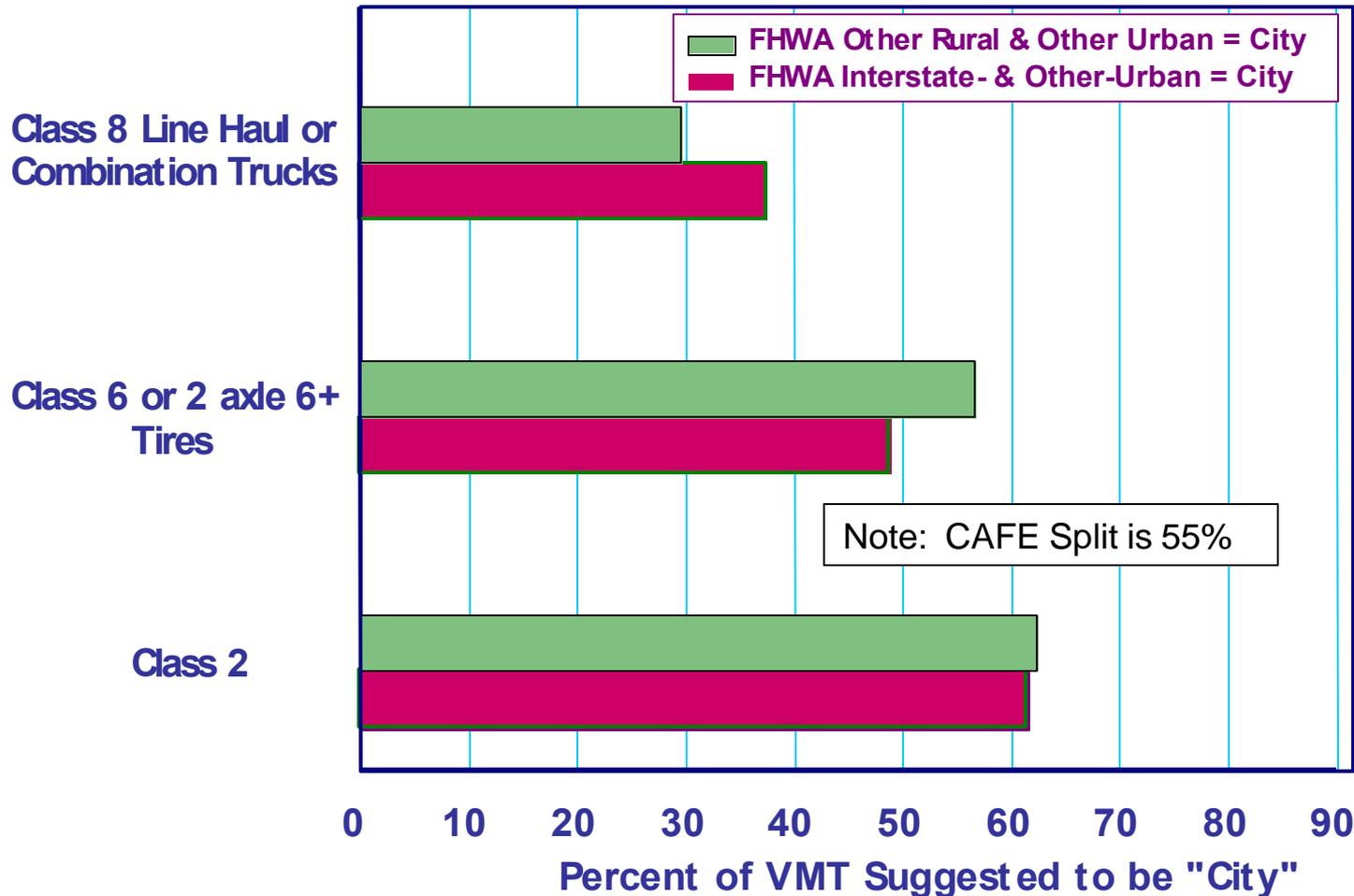
Size of Shortfall of Requested Cycle mph by Modeled Full Class 8 Tractor-Trailer Supports WVU Traces

Driving Cycle	Highest Deviation	2 nd Highest Deviation	3 rd Highest Deviation	Average Speed
US06	33	32	31	48
WVU "5 Peak"	34	28	23	25
EPA UDDS	6	6	5.5	19
WVU Urban High Speed	5	2.8	1.8	34
WVU Suburban	5	4	3.5	14
WVU Yard (City)	3.4	2.4	2.3	3.3

A 330 kW engine used



Mixed Driving Cycles Are Used by EPA with “City & Highway”. What is City & Highway for HD Trucks?



FHWA Categories:
Interstate Rural
Other Arterial Rural
Other Rural
Interstate Urban
Other Urban

Notes:

1. Commercial truck “highway” cycles much more steady in speed than CAFÉ highway.
2. Commercial truck “city” cycle not like CAFÉ city cycle.
3. Class 2 will use CAFÉ cycles.



Vehicle Simulations Imply that Cycle Model Estimates and Field Data Can be Reasonably Reconciled for Class 8, With Plausible “City” (33%) vs. “Highway” Splits.

(Assumes suburban and urban high speed are “city”, interstate steady speed is “highway”)

<<<<Percent VMT on Cycle>>>>

Usual Trip Length	WVU	WVU Urban	Interstate		Simulated mpg	VIUS mpg	Implied Off-Cycle Idling %
	Suburban	High Speed	65mph	70mph			
<50	28%	57%	15%		5.65	5.61	0.7%
50-100	25%	53%	23%		5.74	5.68	1.1%
>100	7%	12%	27%	54%	6.09	5.89	3.4%
Total	11%	21%	25%	42%	6.00	5.83	2.9%
	⏟ “City”		⏟ “Highway”				
Model mpg	4.32	6.34	6.72	6.07		Idling	6% if >500 mi trip

Note: VIUS mpg is an average from the five top fuel consuming class 8 trucks.
MPG values not identical to other estimates herein



Vehicle Simulation (Here Class 8) for Suitable Driving Cycles Could Allow Accurate MPG Gain Estimates

- ❖ **Simulation-based estimates (Class 8) - range for multiple cycles**
 - C_d from 0.7 to 0.5..... 0% to 26%
 - C_d from 0.7 to 0.4 ☐ 4% to 41%
 - C_r from 0.0065 to 0.0055..... 2.5% to 6.4%
 - Engine peak efficiency to 50%..... 11-14% on Interstate
 - Increase of average loads on TMT/gal..... Perhaps 5-10%
 - Reduced “off-cycle” idling..... ☐ 3% (6% long line haul)
- ❖ **Judgmental hybridization estimates (all Classes)**
 - Hybridization: up to 70% in class 2b-4
(educated guess for WVU City, Suburban, up to 45% in class 6-7
and Urban High Speed cycles. up to 20% in class 8
No gain at steady speed).
 - Reductions of hard accelerations..... Not estimated
(driver training, ITS traffic control)

Note: Synthesis of estimates requires industry input.



Conclusion

In conjunction with VIUS, the recently developed vehicle simulation models such as ADVISOR and PSAT make possible a very detailed evaluation of the probable in-use driving behavior of specific types of trucks, and the best mix of fuel saving technologies for a given truck and driving behavior.