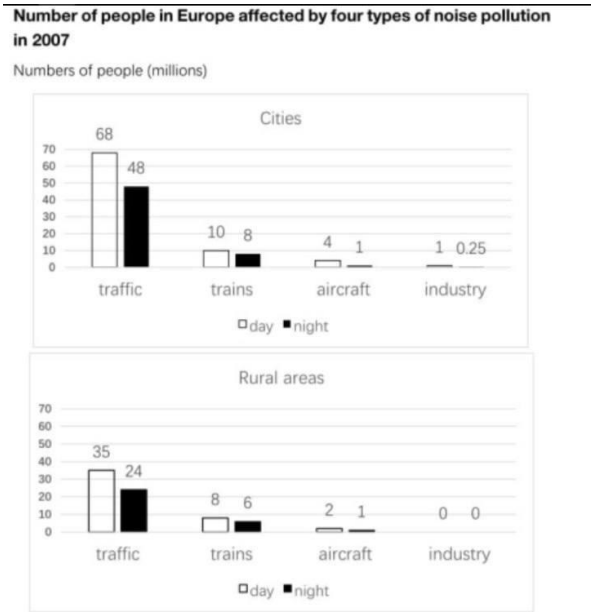


Introduction: The bar charts compare the number of urban and rural dwellers affected by harmful noise levels in Europe in 2007.

Overview: 3 - 4 sentences which show the main features of the task.

1st key feature - traffic the highest
2nd key feature - industry the lowest
3rd key feature - more affected people in cities than the countryside.

Main body 1: cities from the biggest to the smallest.
Main body 2: the countryside from the biggest to the smallest.

The leading + noun ----- sports type/ lesuire time activity/ age group/ country.
Counterpart - day/night - male/female - children/elderly - renewable/fossil fuel.
people were affected by train-caused noise. - passive voice (7+ GR

In general, traffic was the leading contributor to noise pollution in both cities and the countryside, *followed by* trains, aircraft and industry. ***Furthermore,*** a significantly higher number of affected people was registered in urban regions than their counterpart.

In cities, the main cause of noise pollution was traffic both during the day and night *(68 million vs 48 million)*. The number of people exposed to noise due to trains followed in second, but with a considerable margin (10 million affected during day-time vs 8 million during night-time). Aircrafts ranked third in terms of producing noise pollution, with 4 million people during the day and 3 million less than this at the night, while industry affected 1 million during the day and a quarter million at the night. This sector showed the smallest noise pollution exposure.

In the countryside, the similar pattern of main causes of noise pollution was repeated, albeit with smaller figures. Traffic exposed 35 million and 24 milion individuals to harmful noise levels (the day-time vs the night-time), whereas 8 million (the day-time) and 6 million (the night-time) people were affected by train-caused noise. Aircraft was the least contributor to noise pollution in rural areas, with only 2 and 1 million during the day and night, but there was no noise pollution produced by industry in these regions. ***244 words***