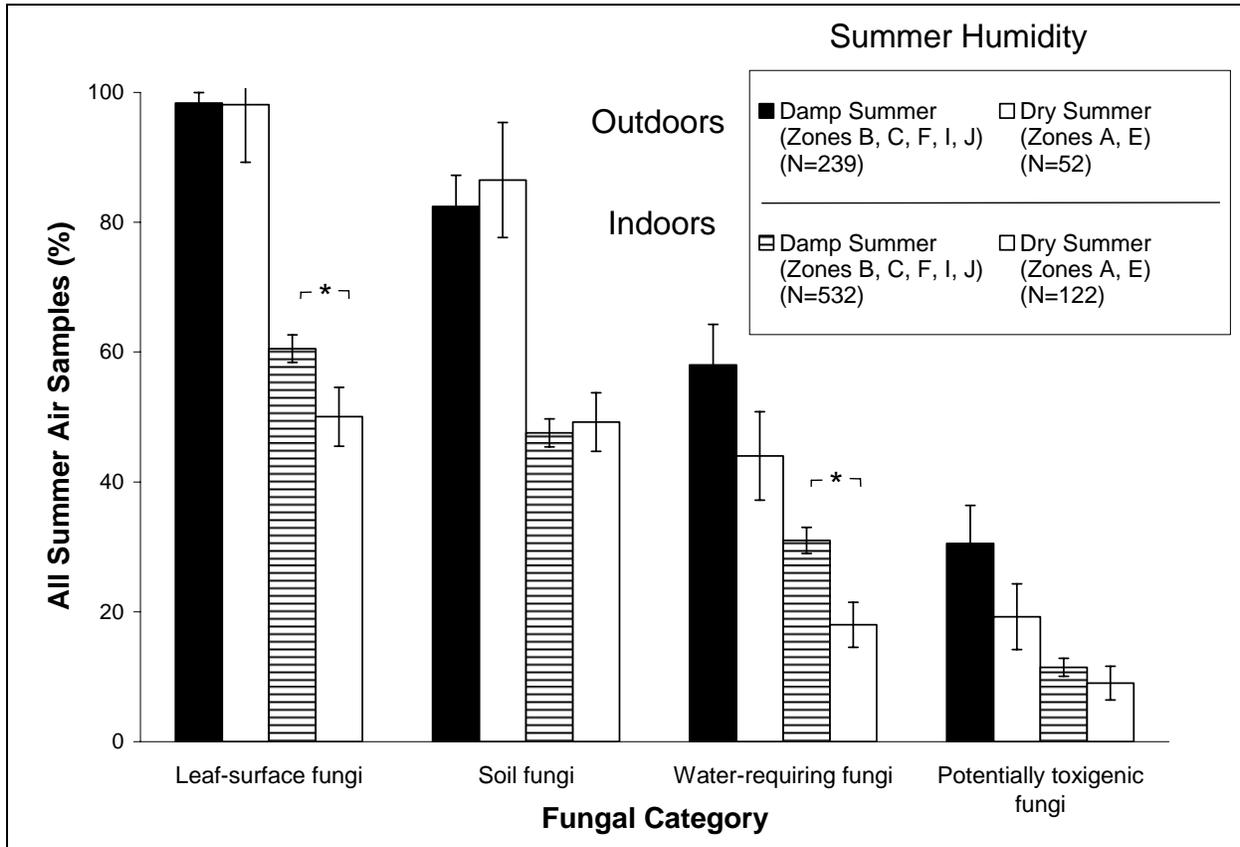


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Airborne Culturable Fungi: Comparison by Summer Humidity (Damp vs. Dry Summers) of Samples Collected Outdoors (left-hand pair) and Indoors (right-hand pair).



Notes:

(1) The only statistically-significant pair-wise differences (Damp vs. Dry Summers) were for Leaf Surface and Water-requiring fungi collected indoors (marked with asterisks).

(2) Error bars that extend beyond 100% are not shown.

Source: Macher, J.M.; Tsai, F.C.; Burton, L.E.; Liu, K.S.; Waldman, J.M. 2001. Prevalence of culturable airborne fungi in 100 U.S. office buildings in the Building Assessment Survey and Evaluation (BASE) study. In: Indoor Air Quality 2001. Moisture, Microbes, and Health Effects: Indoor Air Quality and Moisture in Buildings. November 4-7, 2001. San Francisco, CA. Atlanta, GA: ASHRAE.