

National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS):

National Ambient Air Quality Standards consist of primary and secondary standards. The primary standards define levels of air quality which EPA judges are necessary, with an adequate margin of safety, to protect the public health. The secondary standards define levels of air quality which EPA judges necessary to protect the public welfare from any known or anticipated adverse effects of a pollutant. For PM_{2.5} the levels of the primary and secondary standards are the same.

National Ambient Air Quality Standard for PM_{2.5} - Annual Standard:

The annual standard is designed to provide an appropriate level of protection from long-term exposure to PM_{2.5}. The standard is met when the annual design value is less than or equal to 12 µg/m³. The standard changed from 15 µg/m³ to 12 µg/m³ on March 18, 2013. The annual design value is calculated by averaging the annual means of 3 consecutive complete years of air quality data. The table below compares data collected from 2016 through year-to-date 2022 to the PM_{2.5} annual standard.

PM_{2.5} Annual Means and Annual Design Values

Site Name	Annual Means µg/m ³							Annual Design Values				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Algonquin	8.3	8.3	9.5	10.2	9.3	10.2	8.4	8.7	9.3	9.6	9.9	9.3
Durrett Lane	9.2	8.9	10.2	10.4	9.7	11.2	10.3	9.4	9.8	10.1	10.4	10.4
Cannons Lane	7.9	7.9	9.1	9.6	9.2	9.9	8.6	8.3	8.8	9.3	9.6	9.2
Watson Lane	8.4	8.1	10.5	10.0	9.6	10.6	9.8	9.0	9.6	10.1	10.1	10.0

Bold: Design value for Louisville

National Ambient Air Quality Standard for PM_{2.5} - 24-Hour (Daily) Standard:

The 24-hour standard is designed to provide an appropriate level of protection from short-term exposure to PM_{2.5}. The standard is met when the 24-hour design value is less than or equal to 35 µg/m³. The design value is based on 3 consecutive complete years of air quality data and is calculated by taking the average of the 98th percentile value for each of the 3 years. The 98th percentile value is the 24-hour average out of a year of PM_{2.5} monitoring data below which 98 percent of all 24-hour averages fall. The table below compares data collected from 2016 through year-to-date 2022 to the 24-hour standard for PM_{2.5}.

PM_{2.5} Annual 98th Percentiles and 24-Hour Design Values

Site Name	Annual 98 th Percentile Value µg/m ³							24-Hour Design Values				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Algonquin	17.0	17.8	23.0	20.2	18.9	26.0	16.3	19.3	20.3	20.7	21.7	20.4
Durrett Lane	18.7	20.7	24.7	22.9	22.4	28.3	20.3	21.4	22.8	23.3	24.5	23.7
Cannons Lane	18.7	17.2	22.2	20.5	20.6	26.1	16.1	19.4	20.0	21.1	22.4	20.9
Watson Lane	16.2	17.7	24.3	21.4	21.3	27.2	21.7	19.4	21.1	22.3	23.3	23.4

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8-Hour Ozone Exceedances:

The National Ambient Air Quality Standard for ozone is measured as an 8-hour average. An ozone exceedance occurs when the highest 8-hour average for each day is greater than the NAAQS. The NAAQS was lowered from 80 ppb to 75 ppb in 2007 and from 75 ppb to 70 ppb in 2016. The data below lists the number of exceedances based on the NAAQS at the time the data was collected.

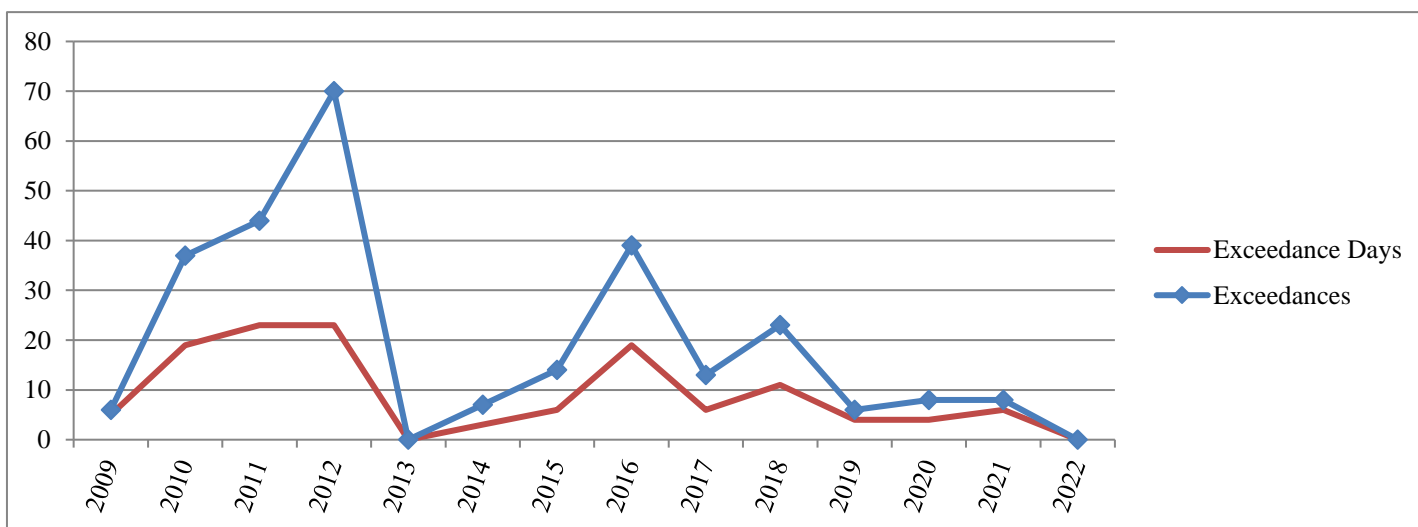
2009-2022 8-Hour Ozone Exceedance Summary through May 12th

Year	Charles-town	New Albany	Bates & Carri-thers	Watson	WLKY& Cannons Lane	Buckner	Shepherds-ville	Louisville MSA Total		Jefferson County Total	
								Exceedances	Days	Exceedances	Days
2009	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	6	5	6	5
2010	4	2	3	3	15	8	2	37	19	21	15
2011	6	5	6	5	8	13	1	44	23	19	14
2012	8	13	7	11	13	14	4	70	23	31	17
2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	3
2015	3	0	4	1	4	2	0	14	6	9	5
2016	7	6	5	3	14	3	1	39	19	22	16
2017	1	5	1	1	4	1	0	13	6	6	4
2018	4	5	3	2	6	1	2	23	11	11	8
2019	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	6	4	4	2
2020	0	1	1	1	4	0	1	8	4	6	4
2021	0	0	4	1	1	1	1	8	6	6	5
2022	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

* Cannons Lane replaced WLKY in 2010. Data through 2009 are from WLKY.

* Carrithers replaced Bates in 2018. Data through 2017 are from Bates.

Historical Graph of 8-Hour Ozone Exceedances



National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Ozone - 8-Hour Standard:

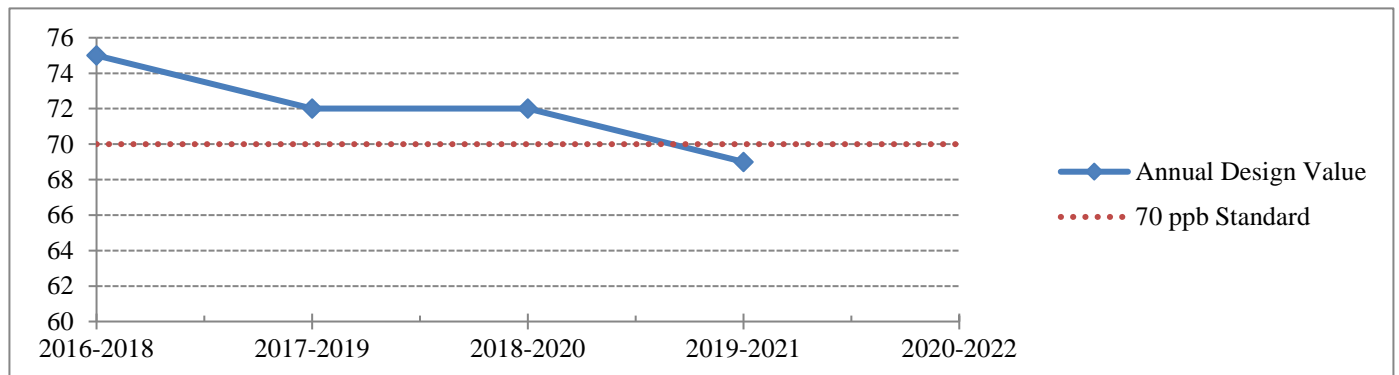
Attainment of the 8-hour standard for ozone at an individual monitor is achieved when the three-year average of the annual fourth-highest daily maximum (4th maximum) 8-hour average ozone concentration is less than 71 ppb. This three-year average is the design value for that monitor. The Louisville MSA row represents the largest 4th maximum and design value* for all monitors within the MSA.

8-Hour Ozone 4th Maximums and Design Values through May 12th

Site Name	4 th Maximums							8-Hour Design Values				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Charlestown	73	68	71	64	63	63		70	67	66	63	
New Albany	73	74	73	63	66	64		73	70	67	64	
Bates/Carrithers	73	65	70	64	68	73		69	66	67	68	
Watson Lane	70	66	69	65	63	67		68	66	65	65	
Cannons Lane	76	72	77	68	71	69		75	72	72	69	
Buckner	69	64	69	65	61	65		67	66	65	63	
Shepherdsville	67	63	68	63	65	65		66	64	65	64	
Louisville MSA	76	74	77	68	71	73	#N/A	75	72	72	69	#N/A

* Design Value calculations are approximations based on preliminary summary data and may differ from official design value calculations

8-Hour Ozone Design Value Trend Chart



Attainment of the SO₂ Standard:

Attainment of the new standard is achieved when the 3-year average of the 99th percentile annual distribution of the daily maxima is less than or equal to 75 ppb. Since this value can be calculated from historical data, the table below indicates those values based on 2016-2022 data.

SO₂ Annual 99th Percentiles and Annual Design Values

Site Name	Annual 99 th Percentiles (ppb)							Annual Design Values				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Watson Lane	26	14	16	15	15	13	8	19	15	15	14	12
Algonquin	16	11	12	6	5	4	4	13	10	8	5	4
Cannons Lane	8	7	8	9	8	9	8	8	8	8	9	8
New Albany	11	8	9	7	4	4	2	9	8	7	5	3

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