BASE YEAR 2017 EMISSIONS INVENTORY -2015 OZONE STANDARD (70 PPB)

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Base Year 2017 Emissions Inventory - 2015 Ozone Standard

- Current ozone standard was published in 2015 70 parts per billion (ppb)
- Washington region Nonattainment Area for 2015 ozone standard (70 ppb)
- Levels of nonattainment depend on ozone levels
 - Marginal, Moderate, Serious, Extreme
- Washington region Marginal Ozone Nonattainment Area
- Attainment deadline August 3, 2021 (Attainment to be based on 2018-2020 data)
- Requirements for Marginal Ozone NAA Submission of a comprehensive Base Year emissions inventory to EPA by August 3, 2020
- Base Year selected in coordination with EPA 2017



Ground-level Ozone Health & Environmental Effects

- Difficulty breathing, shortness of breath
- Aggravates coughing and/or chest pain
- Can trigger asthma attacks
- Respiratory infection
- Repeated exposure can result in chronic damage to the lungs
- Sensitive populations: children, older adults, people with asthma, and people who are active outdoors, especially outdoor workers
- Environmental Effects
 - Damage to crops, forests, and vegetation
 - Damage to building materials, rubber, and paint



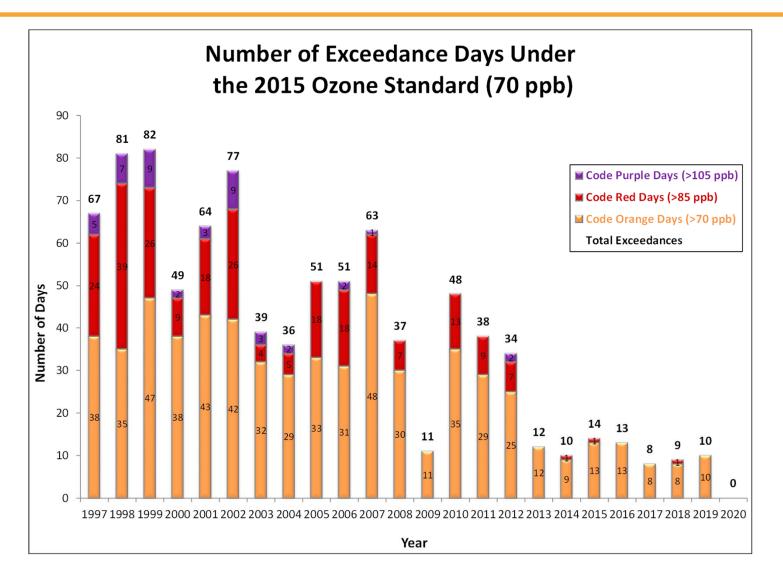
Ozone Monitor Map



Note: State air agencies in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia monitor and provide air pollutant data for the Washington region. EPA also operates a monitor in Beltsville, MD.



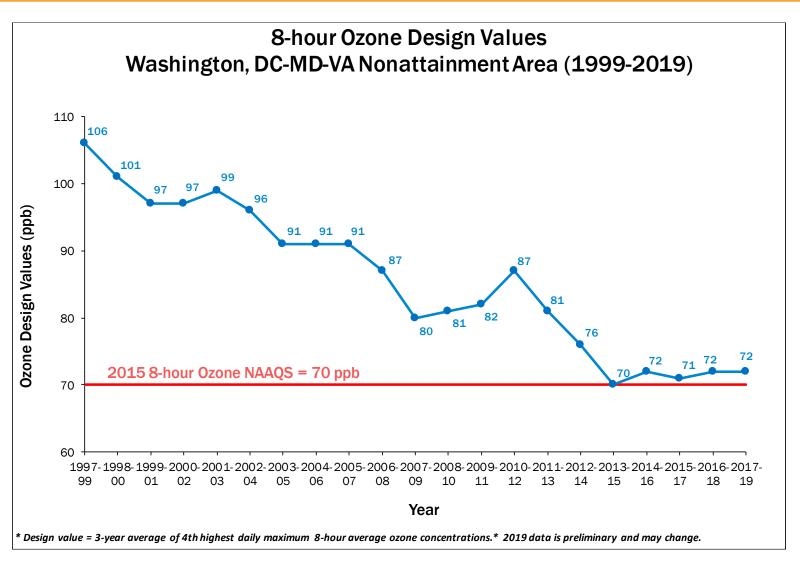
Ozone Exceedance Trend



^{* 2019} and 2020 data are draft.



Ozone Design Value Trend



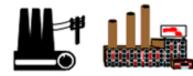
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Overview - BY 2017 Emissions Inventory

Emission Sources

Point



Area





Nonroad



On-Road



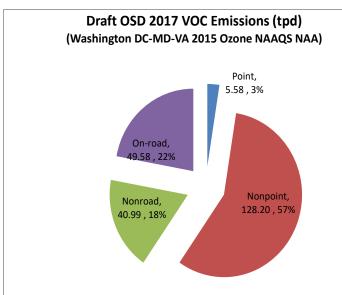


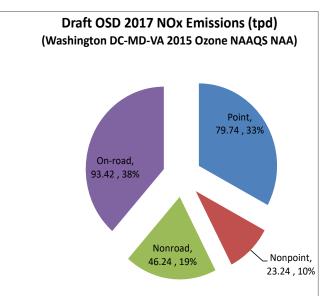
Emission Period & Pollutants

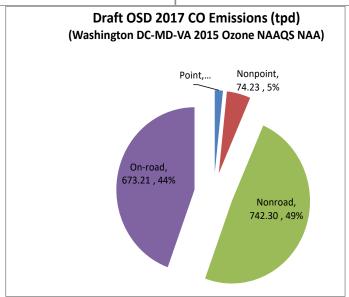
- Emission Period: Average ozone season day emission in 2017
- Pollutants
 - VOC and NOx (Required) These are precursors for ozone
 - Carbon Monoxide (CO) Not required, but added to the inventory document keeping in mind uses in future air quality plans (e.g. ozone redesignation request/maintenance plan)



Emission by Source









Timeline - BY2017 Emissions Inventory

- MWAQC-TAC recommended MWAQC to approve inventory for public comment and hearing (PH&C) process: February 11
- EPA provided comments on inventory before PH&C process started: February 21
- MWAQC approved for PH&C process: February 26
- Public comment period: March 3 July
 - Virginia's current comment period ends on May 27th but will hold a new 30-day comment period for the revised BY2017 inventory document that includes technical corrections to the inventory. This will end likely on July 22nd. The District is in the process of deciding whether to update their inventory and start a new comment period for that.
- No public comment received as of May 21, but Virginia provided technical corrections to inventory: May 13
- MWAQC authorizes MWAQC-Executive Committee to approve response to any comment received and the final inventory document: May 27
- MWAQC-Executive Committee approves the document in July

