

The Air Quality Index (AQI) is measured by the EPA in 5 counties in central Ohio. The AQI is an approximate indicator of overall air quality, taking into account air pollutants measured at specific locations. Each day on which measurements are taken is assigned one of four categories: "Good," "Moderate," "Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups," or "Unhealthy." The chart below shows the percentage of days on which air quality at central Ohio measurement locations was reported as anything other than "Good." In central Ohio, the Air Quality Index was measured an average of 239 days out of the year from 2001 to 2008. Central Ohio has had no days rated "Unhealthy" (the worst rating) since 2005. Air quality in the region is reported daily on the MORPC website ([www.morpc.org](http://www.morpc.org)).

	Days Per Year with a "Moderate" to "Unhealthy" Air Quality Index								% Change, 2001-2008
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Delaware	110	122	78	65	122	68	105	65	-41.5%
Franklin	208	191	188	175	132	97	120	91	-56.4%
Knox	102	121	71	56	114	66	97	61	-40.0%
Licking	101	113	71	60	92	63	110	71	-29.6%
Madison	117	136	92	70	124	104	133	75	-36.2%
5-County Average	128	137	100	85	117	80	113	72	-43.3%

