Air Quality Summary | March 2020



Central Ohio

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Air quality conditions in March 2020 were better than those observed in March 2019 and similar to those observed in March 2018. Frequent storm systems during the month aided vertical mixing, which kept pollutants well dispersed across the Columbus region. These conditions resulted in Good AQI levels on each day during the month.

While weather conditions were likely the primary driver in keeping AQI levels Good, a potential decrease in emissions due to COVID-19 precautions might also be a factor during the latter half of the month. However, an in-depth analysis would be needed at a later date in order to determine the relative impacts from weather and emissions decrease on the air quality.

