

What's at Stake for **New York** with New Ozone Regulations?

Manufacturers Face Billions in Costs for Ozone Regulation. The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) new ozone regulation is one of the most expensive regulations in U.S. history. We have made incredible progress over the past 35 years, cutting ozone levels by one-third nationwide. This progress will continue without the new ozone rule.

No-Growth Zones Expand in New York, Growth Stifled. Despite decades of air quality improvements, the administration decided to throw hundreds of counties into nonattainment, stifling growth in many parts of the country. Up to 17 counties in New York exceed the EPA's new standards, counties that are home to 240,976 manufacturing jobs. The barriers created by nonattainment are impacting manufacturers today.

Local Voices Disregarded. Ignoring pleas from leaders in New York, the administration chose to set new targets before communities across the country could come into compliance with the 2008 ozone standards.

Outdated Law Ignores Current State of the Environment, Lacks Flexibility. The administration set ozone standards so strict that many communities find themselves in nonattainment despite the fact that the majority of their ozone comes from natural sources or sources in foreign countries.

Rigid and Unrealistic Deadlines Rarely Met, Make Little Sense. Unrealistically short five-year "review cycles" for ozone and other air quality standards lead to overlapping regulations. The EPA regularly exceeds these five-year deadlines, opening the door to lawsuits and creating an uncertain regulatory landscape for manufacturers.

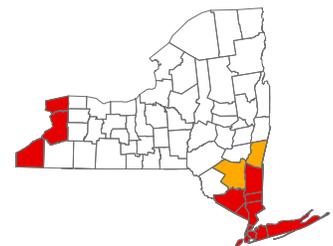
Time for Congress to Restore Balance. Manufacturers need Congress to step up, provide much-needed implementation relief and revise this decades-old policy to give states more flexibility and adopt a policy that better reflects manufacturing and the 21st-century economy.

"Before the Obama administration moves the goalposts with yet another set of requirements that will make it more difficult for our company and other manufacturers to operate their business, they need to allow existing ozone standards to be implemented and give time to American businesses to meet those already stringent and onerous requirements."

— Robert Hyder, President, Dixon Tool & Manufacturing, Inc., Letter to White House on the EPA's Ozone Rule (2015)

Figure 1: Areas Exceeding the EPA's 2015 Ozone Standards (70 ppb)

- Areas with Monitors
- Unmonitored but Likely to Exceed 70 ppb



Based on a three-year period, 2012–2014.
Sources: URS, August 3, 2015; ESRI

Counties in **New York** Exceeding the EPA's Ozone Standards at Risk to Be No-Grow Zones

County	Ozone Level (ppb)
Bronx	75
Dutchess	75
Kings	75
Nassau	75
New York	75
Orange	75
Putnam	75
Queens	75
Richmond	75
Rockland	75
Suffolk	75
Westchester	75
Ulster	72
Erie	71
Niagara	71
Chautauqua	71
Columbia	71

Based on a three-year period, 2012–2014; modeled and interpolated data.
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