

What's at Stake for **Indiana** 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 Indiana, 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 35 counties in Indiana exceed the EPA's new standards, counties that are home to 177,186 manufacturing jobs. The barriers created by nonattainment are impacting manufacturers today.

Local Voices Disregarded. Ignoring pleas from leaders in Indiana, 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Outdated Law Ignores Current State of the Environment, Lacks Flexibility.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.

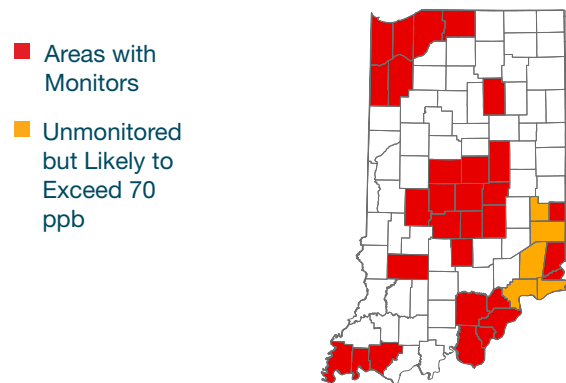
Rigid and Unrealistic Deadlines Rarely Met, Make Little Sense. Unrealistically short five-year "review cycles" for ozone and other air quality standards lead to overlapping regulations. The EPA regularly exceeds these five-year deadlines, opening the door to lawsuits and creating an uncertain regulatory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

"Furthermore, lowering the current standards will put additional burdens on states when there is a lack of authority and reasonable control measures and strategies to meet the new standards."

— Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Comments on the EPA's Proposed National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone (March 13, 2015)

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



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

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

County	Ozone Level (ppb)
Jasper	81
Lake	81
Newton	81
Porter	81
LaPorte	79
Dearborn	75
Ohio	75
Union	75
Posey	74
Vanderburgh	74
Warrick	74
Clark	74
Floyd	74
Harrison	74
Scott	74
Washington	74
St. Joseph	73
Switzerland	72
Franklin	72
Ripley	72
Jefferson	71
Boone	71
Brown	71
Hamilton	71
Hancock	71
Hendricks	71
Johnson	71
Madison	71
Marion	71
Morgan	71
Putnam	71
Shelby	71
Greene	71
Wabash	71
Fayette	71

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