

# Obtaining ws\_\_monitor Data

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## Obtaining Data

The PWFSLSmoke package currently has 4 different sources of data for creating monitor objects:

- Air Now
- aairsis
- EPA
- WRCC

Below we will look at how to use each of these methods.

### Air Now

To work with Air Now data we are going to use the `airnow_load` function. Let's take a look at the function

`?airnow_load`

>

...

Usage

```
airnow_load(startdate, enddate, monitorIDs = NULL, parameter = "PM2.5",
            baseUrl = "http://smoke.airfire.org/RData/AirNowTech/")
```

Arguments

`startdate`

desired start date (integer or character representing YYYYMMDD[HH])

`enddate`

desired end date (integer or character representing YYYYMMDD[HH])

`monitorIDs`

The set of monitor IDs to be subsetted. When set to NULL, the function returns all the monitor IDs available in the metadata

`parameter`

The parameter of interest

`baseUrl`

base URL for AirNow meta and data files

...

Like most functions that load data, we need a `startdate` and an `enddate`. The rest of the arguments are optional. If we know what monitors we want and have their ID's, we can specify that with the `monitorIDs` parameter. We can also choose to get data other than PM 2.5 with the `parameter` parameter. Here is a complete list of all available parameter codes. Finally, we can pick a base URL. This would be used to download RData from somewhere other than `http://smoke.airfire.org/RData/AirNowTech/`.

Here's an example of how this function could be used to map temperature data in the state of Washington for the first 10 days of August, 2015:

```
> data <- airnow_load(20150801, 20150810, parameter = 'TEMP')
> data <- monitor_subsetBy(data, stateCode == 'WA')
> monitor_leaflet(data, breaks = c(30, 32, 37, 40, 42, 45, 50))
```

## airsis

To work with Air Now data we are going to use the `airnow_load` function. Let's take a look at the function

```
?airsis_load
```

```
>
```

```
...
```

```
Usage
```

```
airsis_load(startdate, enddate, monitorIDs = NULL, stateCodes = NULL,
            url = "http://smoke.airfire.org/RData/AIRSIS/AIRSIS_monitors.RData")
```

```
Arguments
```

```
startdate
```

```
desired start date (integer or character representing YYYYMMDD[HH])
```

```
enddate
```

```
desired end date (integer or character representing YYYYMMDD[HH])
```

```
monitorIDs
```

```
optional vector of monitorIDs used to subset the data
```

```
stateCodes
```

```
optional vector of stateCodes used to subset the data
```

```
url
```

```
The location of the meta and data files (Default = 'http://smoke.airfire.org/RData/AirNowTech/')
...
```

## EPA

To work with Air Now data we are going to use the `airnow_load` function. Let's take a look at the function

```
?epa_createMonitorObject
```

```
>
```

```
...
```

```
Usage
```

```
epa_createMonitorObject(parameterName = "PM2.5", parameterCode = 88101,
                        year = 2013, verbose = TRUE,
                        baseUrl = "http://aqsdr1.epa.gov/aqsweb/aqstmp/airdata/")
```

```
Arguments
```

```
parameterName
```

```
name of parameterName.
```

```
parameterCode
```

```
specific parameter code (e.g. PM2.5 could be 88101 or 88502)
```

```
year
```

```
year
```

```
verbose
```

```
    logical flag to generate verbose output
baseUrl
    base URL for archived hourly data
...
```

## WRCC

To work with Air Now data we are going to use the `wrcc_load` function. Let's take a look at the function

```
?wrcc_load
```

```
>
```

```
...
```

```
Usage
```

```
wrcc_load(startdate, enddate, monitorIDs = NULL, stateCodes = NULL,
           url = "http://smoke.airfire.org/RData/WRCC/WRCC_monitors.RData")
```

```
Arguments
```

```
startdate
```

```
    desired start date (integer or character representing YYYYMMDD[HH])
```

```
enddate
```

```
    desired end date (integer or character representing YYYYMMDD[HH])
```

```
monitorIDs
```

```
    optional vector of monitorIDs used to subset the data
```

```
stateCodes
```

```
    optional vector of stateCodes used to subset the data
```

```
url
```

```
    The location of the meta and data files (Default = 'http://smoke.airfire.org/RData/AirNowTech/')
...
```

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