2019			
	Ave	Average	
County	PM ₁₀ (μg/m ³)	PM ₁₀ AQI	
LA	24.8	23	
El Dorado	12.6	12	
San Luis Obispo	18.4	17	
Placer	15.5	14	
Sacramento	20.8	19	
Fresno	37.9	35	
Inyo	16.1	15	

2019			
	Maximum		
County	PM ₁₀	PM_{10}	
	(µg/m³)	AQI	
LA	769	945	
El Dorado	284	165	
San Luis Obispo	600	757	
Placer	303	175	
Sacramento	985	1,185	
Fresno	471	614	
Inyo	838	1,022	

Air Quality	AQI Value Range	
Good	0 to 50	
Moderate	51 to 100	
Unhealthy for Sensitive Grou	101 to 150	
Unhealthy	151 to 200	
Very Unhealthy	201 to 300	
Hazardous	301 to 500+	

2020			
	Average		
County	PM ₁₀ (μg/m ³)	PM ₁₀ AQI	
LA	30.8	29	
El Dorado	15.3	14	
San Luis Obispo	24.5	23	
Placer	27.7	26	
Sacramento	31.6	29	
Fresno	51.7	48	
Inyo	23.5	22	

2020			
	Maximum		
County	PM ₁₀	PM ₁₀	
	(µg/m³)	AQI	
LA	844	1,029	
El Dorado	846	1,031	
San Luis Obispo	759	934	
Placer	576	731	
Sacramento	701	870	
Fresno	949	1,146	
Inyo	1,988	2,300	

The U.S. EPA developed the Air Quality Index (AQI) which conveys how healthy or unhealthy particulate air pollution is. Using an equation provided by the U.S. EPA the AQI can be calculated for PM_{10} concentrations. The tables on the left show the calculated AQI for each county for 2019 and 2020 based on the average and maximum PM_{10} concentrations. The table above shows the air quality based on the AQI range.