

Department of Environmental Conservation's Air Monitoring Program Community-Based Air Monitoring Project

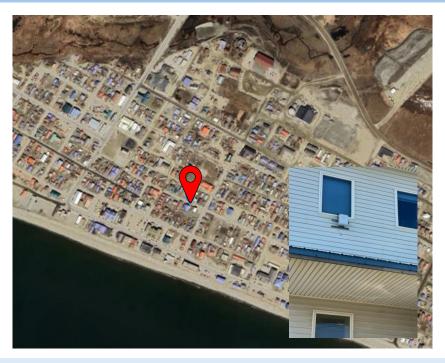
2024 Summer Season Air Quality Report for Norton Sound Health Corporation, Nome, Alaska

The QuantAQ MODULAIR sensor in Nome (107 W 3rd Ave, Nome, AK 99762) was installed on 05/23/2024.

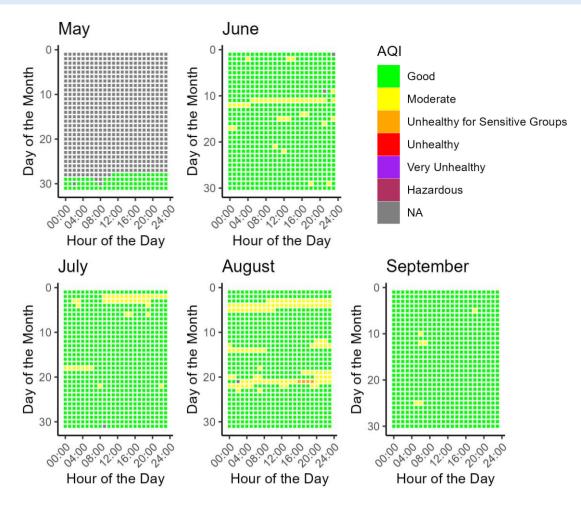
The sensor measures for carbon monoxide (CO), ozone (O_3), nitrogen oxide (NO), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), particulate matter (PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀), temperature (°C), and relative humidity (RH).

Data is collected every minute and is then processed into hourly averages. The sensor in Nome has run well since it began sampling on May 28, 2024. there have been no physical issues with the sensor.

This data report covers the date range of May 28, 2024, to September 30, 2024.

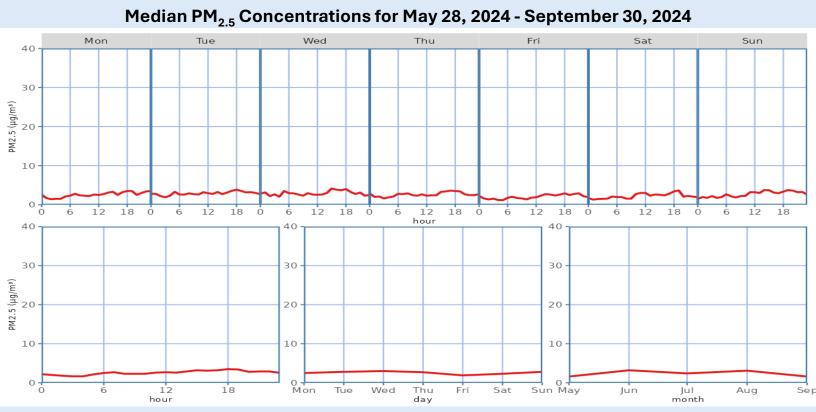








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Descriptive Statistics of Air Pollutants*

Parameter	1-hr PM _{2.5} (µg/m³)	24-hr PM _{2.5} (µg/m³)	1-hr PM ₁₀ (μg/m³)	24-hr PM ₁₀ (µg/m³)	1-hr O ₃ (ppb)	1-hr NO ₂ (ppb)	1-hr NO (ppb)	1-hr CO (ppb)
Min								
	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	15.00	2.56	1.41	621.18
Mean								
	3.62	3.60	67.4 **	67.37 **	31.85	15.88	2.20	708.75
1 st Max								
	43.70	25.60	1296 **	263 **	54.80	26.65	8.86	1021.21
2 nd Max								
	41.60	13.30	808 **	228 **	54.10	26.61	7.50	1018.26

Data Discussion

Nome's $PM_{2.5}$ ambient air quality for the summer 2024 season fell mostly in the "good" range of the Air Quality Index (AQI; more information about AQI is provided on page 3), with several days of "moderate" air quality in June through August. August experienced the highest concentrations of $PM_{2.5}$ with one day reaching "unhealthy for sensitive groups" due to smoke from wildfires across Interior Alaska. Diurnal patterns show little variability of $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations across different days of the week or times of day.

* These statistics are based on preliminary data readings and are intended to provide a brief overview of sensor activity. Finalized data may be obtained upon request and through our annual statistical reports. Data from the community sensor network is non-regulatory and not comparable to the EPA's National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS; more information about the EPA NAAQS is provided on page 3).

** PM10 particle sensors are influenced by weather events such as fog and snow due to hygroscopic effects, creating false maximum values that do not pose health risks.



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Data Access

To access historical data for your community's sensor, please email a request to: <u>AMQA-Data-Request@alaska.gov</u>. Data will be provided in Excel or .csv format.

Questions or Comments?

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