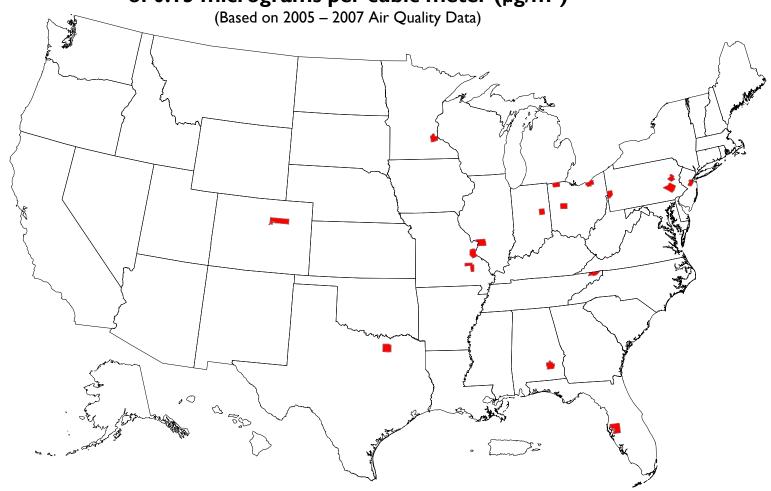


Counties with Monitors Violating the 2008 Lead Standard of 0.15 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³)

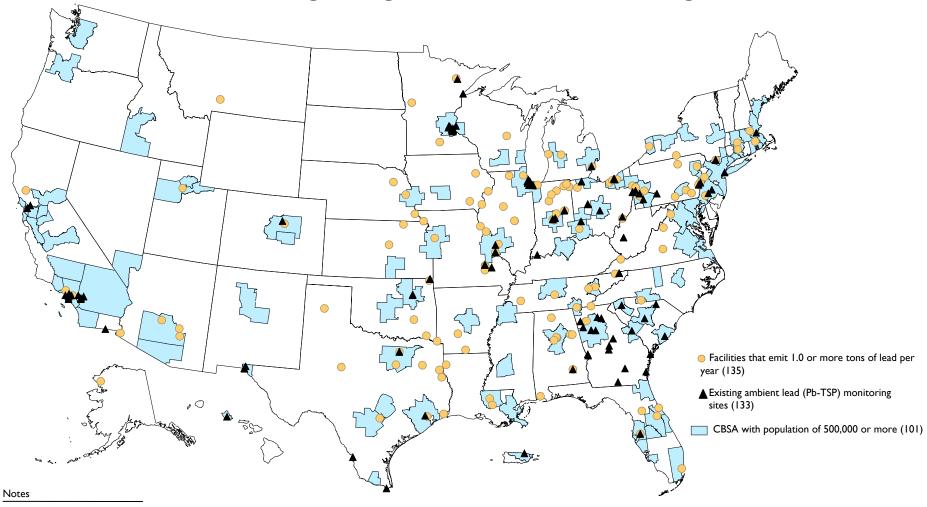


Notes

- 1. 18 of 111 monitored counties violate the 2008 lead standard of 0.15 micrograms per cubic meter (μg/m³) measured as total suspended particulate matter (TSP).
- 2. These estimates are based on the most recent air quality data available (2005–2007). EPA will not designate areas based on these data, but likely on data from 2007-2009 or 2008-2010.
- 3. The existing monitoring network for lead is not sufficient to determine whether many areas of the country would meet the revised standards of 0.15 µg/m3. EPA is re-designing the national lead monitoring network to allow assessment of compliance with the revised standards.
- 4. Monitored air quality data is available from the Air Quality System at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/airs/airsaqs/



Strengthening the Nation's Lead Monitoring Network



- 1. Ambient lead monitoring sites measure lead in total suspended particulate (Pb-TSP). The 133 monitoring sites shown are those operating in 2008.
- 2. The current monitoring network for lead is not sufficient to determine whether many areas of the country would meet the 2008 lead standards. EPA is re-designing the nation's lead monitoring network to allow assessment of compliance with the revised standard. EPA is requiring Pb-TSP monitors in areas near lead sources with emissions greater than or equal to 1.0 ton per year, and a monitor in every urban area with population of 500,000 or greater.
- 3. The emissions estimates used to develop this map are based on EPA's 2002 National Emission Inventory (NEI) with modifications documented in Tom Pace's 05/01/08 memorandum and Marion Hoyer's 05/12/08 and 05/14/08 memoranda to the docket.