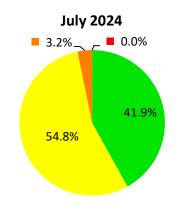
Monthly Air Quality Report July 2024 · Birmingham, AL



SUMMARY

This report presents daily maximum Air Quality Index (AQI) values and corresponding AQI colors from five different pollutants monitored in the Birmingham area: carbon monoxide (CO), particulate matter (PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$), ozone (O₃), and sulfur dioxide (SO₂). The table and figure below show the number of days and percentage of days in each AQI category, respectfully, for the month.

July 2024			
AQI Category	Number of Days		
Good	13		
Moderate	17		
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	1		
Unhealthy	0		



AQI CHART

AQI Levels of Health Concern	AQI Value	Actions to Take		
Good	0-50	None		
Moderate	51-100	Unusually sensitive people should consider limiting prolonged outdoor exertion		
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	101-150	 The following groups should limit prolonged outdoor exertion: People with heart or lung disease Children and older adults People who are active outdoors 		
Unhealthy	151-200	 The following groups should avoid prolonged outdoor exertion: People with heart or lung disease Children and older adults People who are active outdoors Everyone else should limit prolonged outdoor exertion 		
Very Unhealthy	201-300	 The following groups should avoid all outdoor exertion: People with heart or lung disease Children and older adults People who are active outdoors Everyone else should limit outdoor exertion 		

DAILY AQI VALUES

The table below shows this month's daily maximum AQI values and corresponding AQI category for each pollutant.

Date	СО	O ₃	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂
1	2	49	17	49	1
2	2	34	19	54	2
3	1	34	20	47	2
4	2	32	27	59	2
5	2	41	17	53	1
6	3	40	16	48	3
7	3	49	21	58	14
8	5	48	22	57	3
9	1	20	19	41	2
10	3	46	14	39	2
11	5	67	24	61	10
12	5	71	28	64	12
13	6	104	31	74	24
14	7	51	31	77	6
15	3	47	29	62	3
16	2	31	27	56	5
17	2	28	24	55	2
18	2	45	18	52	1
19	2	40	16	48	11
20	2	30	12	31	2
21	2	32	15	49	2
22	2	36	17	50	5
23	2	29	18	51	1
24	3	23	16	37	3
25	3	19	17	39	1
26	3	32	16	52	2
27	5	27	22	58	2
28	2	21	17	31	1
29	3	29	15	38	1
30	5	27	20	57	1
31	8	39	31	63	1

Data in this report is preliminary and has not been through quality assured and quality controlled procedures and should not be used for compliance with EPA's National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). AQI values in this report are used for forecasting and reporting daily air quality to the public. Pollution concentration data is used for compliance with the NAAQS. Daily air quality forecasts and real-time monitoring data can be found at <u>www.jcdh.org</u>.

AIR QUALITY ALERTS

Air quality alerts are issued for days that are forecast to have AQI values greater than 100 for O₃ and/or $PM_{2.5}$. O₃ is forecast by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management during the warm season. PM_{2.5} is forecast by the Jefferson County Department of Health year-round.

The table below shows air quality alerts that were issued for this month and includes the date of the alert, the pollutant for which the alert was issued, and the AQI category that was forecast. There have been a total of 8 air quality alerts issued in 2024 through July.

Date of Alert	Pollutant	AQI Category
7/13/2024	O ₃	Orange

METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS

The calendar below shows all reported weather conditions within the hourly weather observations for each day of the month from the National Weather Service's station located at the Birmingham International Airport.

JULY 2024						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4 BR, HZ, RA, TS	5 BR, RA, TS	6 BR, RA, TS
7	8 RA, TS	9 _{RA, TS}	10	11	12	13
14	15 _{TS}	16 _{TS}	17 _{RA}	18 _{TS}	19 _{RA, TS}	20 BR, RA, TS
21	22	23 BR, RA, TS	24 BR, RA	25 _{BR, RA}	26 _{BR}	27 _{RA, TS}
28 BR, RA, TS	29 _{TS}	30	31			

Weather phenomena and obscuration notations as used by the National Weather Service:

Drizzle (DZ) Haze (HZ) Rain (RA)

Fog (FG) Freezing Drizzle (FZDR) Hail (GR) Smoke (FU)

Ice Pellets (PL) Snow (SN)

Freezing Rain (FZRA) Mist (BR) Thunderstorms (TS)

GRAPHS OF DAILY AQI VALUES BY POLLUTANT

