

The forecast for the entire Commonwealth is available on the US EPA AirNow website (<https://gispub.epa.gov/airnow/>). Select the Forecast tab and zoom into the area of interest or use the search box in the upper right corner. select “Forecast – Tomorrow” in the Contours box on the left side of screen. See Figure 1 below for an example showing an Air Quality forecast map from the AirNow website.

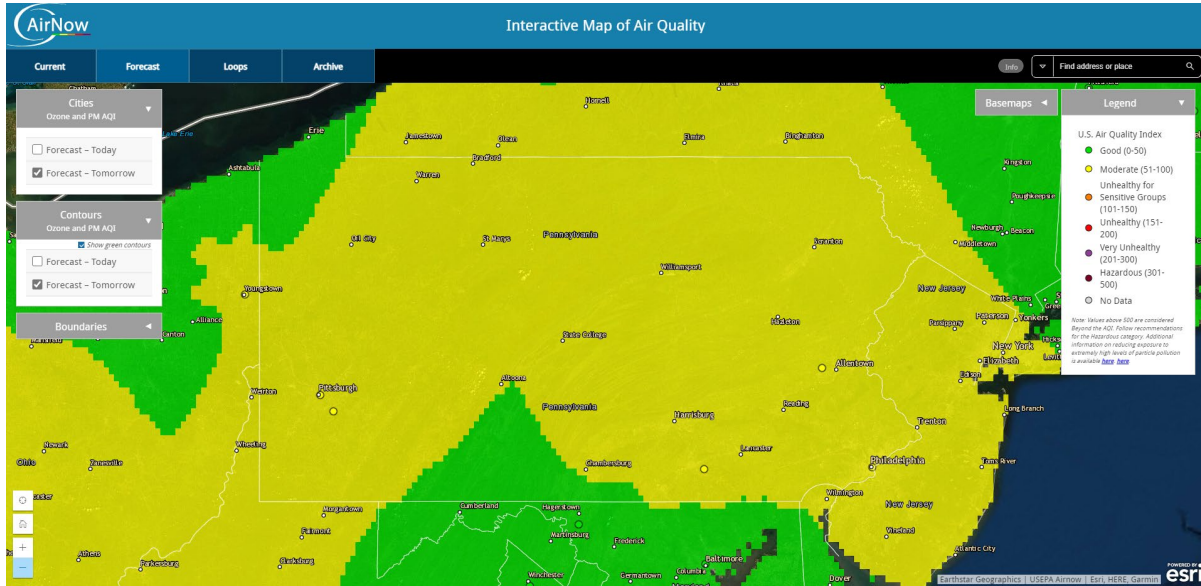


Figure 1: Example of an Air Quality Forecast for Pennsylvania on the AirNow website.

The forecasts are color coded based on the following Air Quality Index scale:

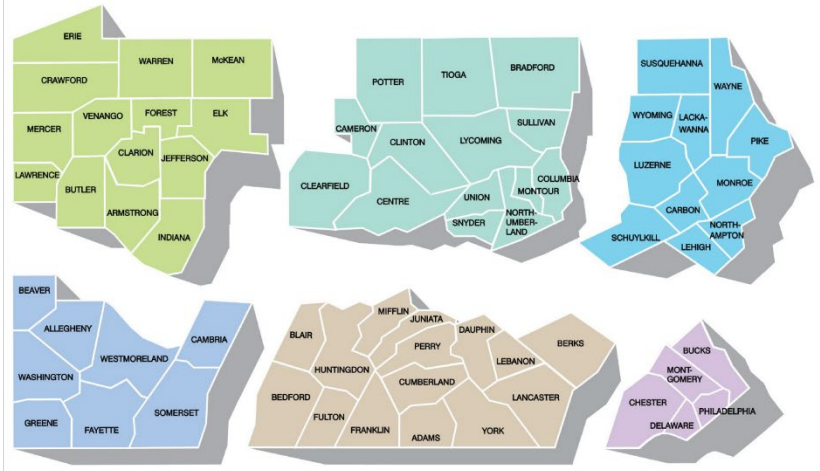
Color	Air Quality Index	Air Quality	Burning/No Burning
Green	0-50	Good	Burning
Yellow	51-100	Moderate	Burning
Orange	101-150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	No Burning
Red	151-200	Unhealthy	No Burning
Purple	201-300	Very Unhealthy	No Burning
Maroon	>300	Hazardous	No Burning

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