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2000
National Park Service
Gaseous Air Pollutant Monitoring Network



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GASEOUS POLLUTANT MONITORING NETWORK

Gaseous air pollutants, including ozone and sulfur dioxide, are of concern to the National Park Service (NPS). Pollutants like these can affect park unit biological resources as well as the health of park unit residents and visitors. The NPS established a gaseous pollutant monitoring program for several pollutants linked to effects on NPS resources. This program was designed to meet certain resource management objectives.

The primary objective of this monitoring program is to establish the status and trends of park unit air quality conditions and to determine if a park unit is exceeding the National Ambient Air Quality Standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to protect public health and welfare. In addition, such monitoring is designed to detect changes or trends in pollution levels over time. A monitoring station may also be established if there is documented biological injury due to air pollution in a park unit. Information on ambient air pollution levels is an important part of research on effects of air pollutants on NPS resources, and can help confirm suspected causes of observed effects.

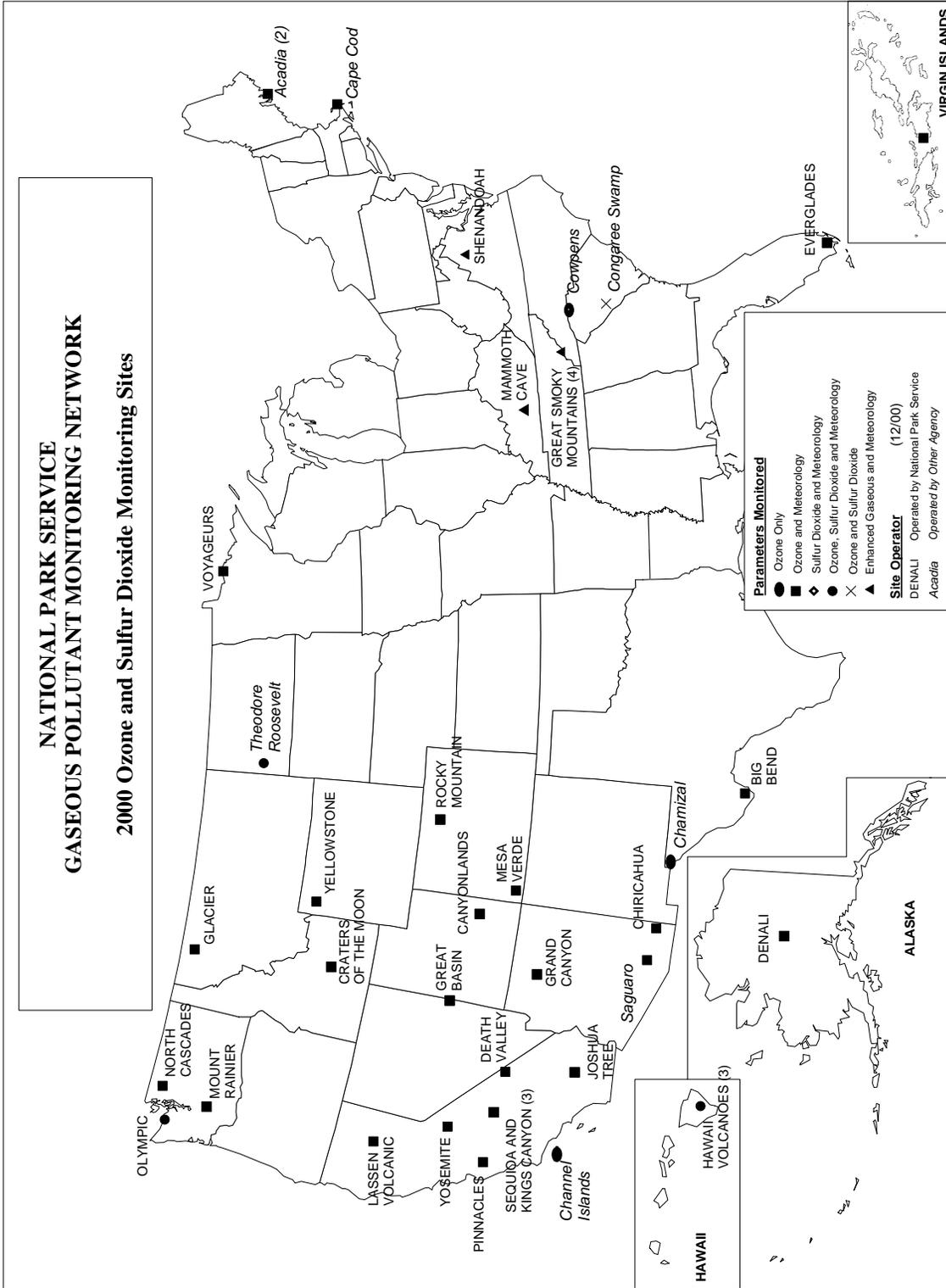
Other monitoring objectives call for the collection of data to support the National Park Service's required involvement in both the development of state air quality control plans, and the evaluation of permit applications for new or expanding air pollution sources wishing to locate near park units. The Clean Air Act gives federal land managers and superintendents an affirmative responsibility to protect air quality related values in Class I areas and to assess whether new sources will have an adverse impact on park unit resources and values. Information on air quality levels in NPS units can also be used to evaluate the performance of atmospheric models that simulate how pollutants are transported into park units and predict impacts on the park unit caused by air pollution sources.

The National Park Service Gaseous Pollutant Monitoring Network site locations and measured parameters collected in this reporting year are shown on the map on the following page. During this reporting period, 40 monitoring sites in 35 units of the National Park System had some combination of ozone, sulfur dioxide, meteorological, and CASTNet dry deposition monitoring. Monitoring methods and quality assurance procedures used in the national park network meet the applicable 40 CFR Part 58 EPA requirements. This allows for the direct comparison of NPS collected data with that collected by the EPA, and state and local air pollution control agencies. Data collected by this network are incorporated in the EPA Aerometric Information Retrieval System (AIRS) database which is a national database of all air quality data collected throughout the country. These data are also stored in the NPS Air Resources Division's Information Management Center (IMC) that allows for easy access and analysis of data.

This report includes a variety of data summaries for data collected at an individual monitoring site at a national park unit during this reporting period. These summaries highlight the average range and frequency of the data collected during the year. A PC-compatible diskette containing a digital copy of all data collected during the year and data summary products included in this report is available. Individual reports are generated for each site where monitoring was conducted in the national park network.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GASEOUS POLLUTANT MONITORING NETWORK

2000 Ozone and Sulfur Dioxide Monitoring Sites



1.2 MAMMOTH CAVE NATIONAL PARK

Mammoth Cave National Park, a Class I area, is located in west central Kentucky. It is noted primarily for its subsurface features which include the largest and longest limestone cave system in the world. This system encompasses more than 300 miles of known subterranean passages. Its location and site specifications are presented on the following page.

The park is the centerpiece of one of the greatest cave regions in the world. The area, with its multitude of limestone caves, underground rivers, springs, and sinkholes, is known as a karst landscape.

An act to provide for the establishment of Mammoth Cave National Park was approved in 1926 "for the benefit and enjoyment of the people." The law creating the park also referenced the 1916 National Park Service Organic Act which stated that the fundamental purpose of national parks is "...to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations."

The dominant vegetation consists of oaks and hickories on the slopes, and of sycamore, elm, and ash along the river banks. However, botanists have identified 84 species of trees, 28 species of shrubs and vines, 29 species of ferns and over 200 species of flowering herbs. There are two areas of forest growth that apparently have never been logged and these areas contain fairly extensive stands of mature white oak, black oak, tulip tree, beech, and maple.

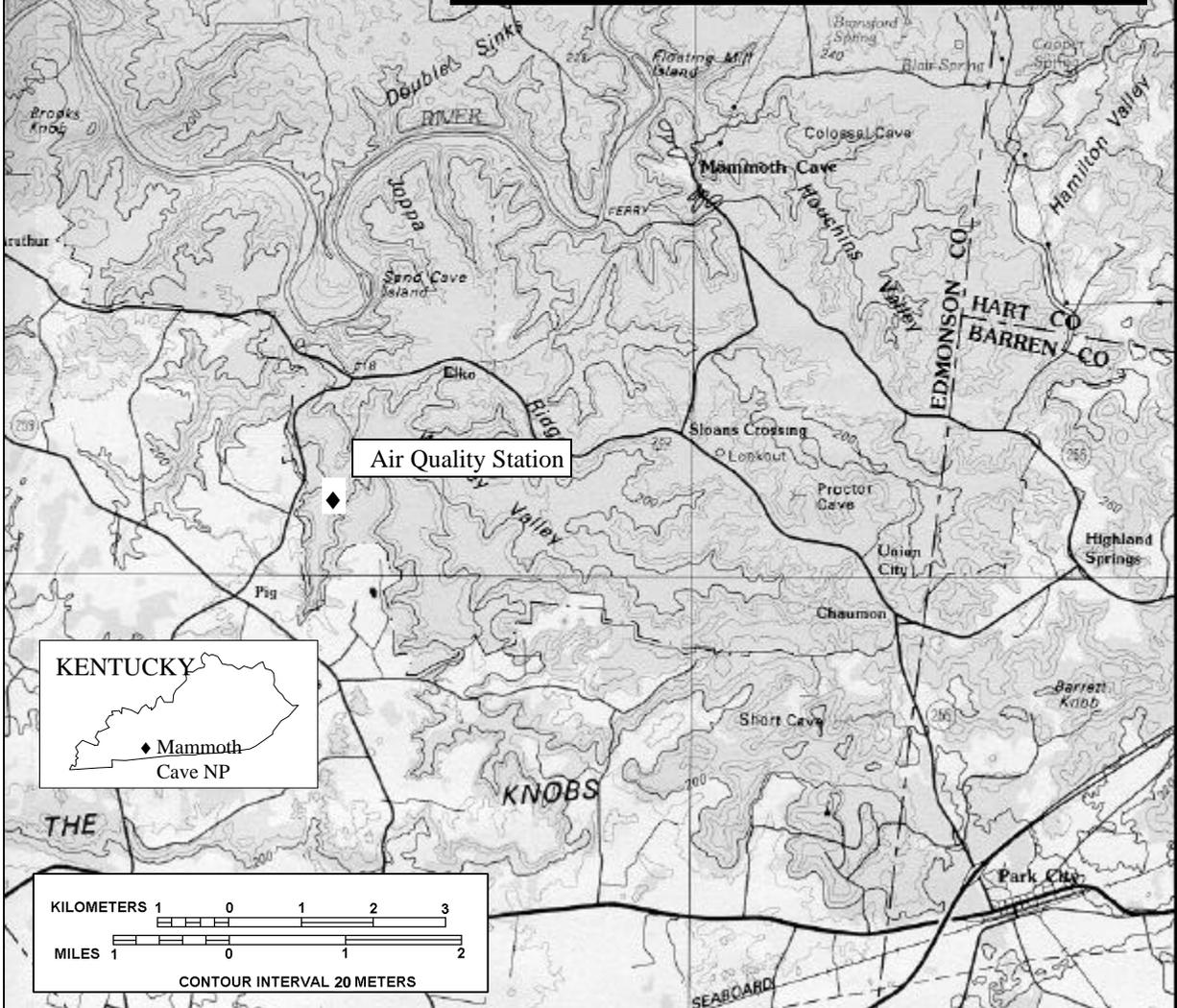
Over 40 species of mammals are found within the park, but the major forms are deer, raccoon, opossum, gray squirrel, rabbit, woodchuck, muskrat, red fox and bat. There are also over 100 species of fish, over 200 of birds, 18 of reptiles, and 15 of amphibians. Many of the cave animals are blind, or nearly so, and some lack skin pigments as a result of living in the total blackness of the cave.

Park lands are rich in cultural resources. Pre-Columbian Indians went into the cave passages to chip minerals off the walls and ceilings. Chipmarks, blackened ceilings from torch smoke, sandals and other clothing artifacts, and mummified remains of Indians have been found in cave passages.

Air quality is being degraded by pollutants such as ozone originating outside the park.

**Mammoth Cave
National Park**

**Ozone Monitoring
NPS Gaseous Air Pollutant Monitoring Network**



SITE IDENTIFICATION		MAP INFORMATION	
Site Abbreviation:	MACA	Mean Elevation:	236 m
AIRS ID NO.:	21-061-0501	Longitude:	86° 08' 53"W
INSTRUMENTATION		Latitude:	37° 07' 53"N
		UTM Zone:	29
O ₃ Analyzer	SO ₂ Analyzer	Easting:	483570 m
Calibrator	Temperature	Northing:	475044 m
Wind Speed	Solar Radiation	Map Reference:	Beaver Dam
Wind Direction	Precipitation		37086-A1
Relative Humidity	Barometric Pressure		1:100,000

2.0 DATA SUMMARY

2.1 OVERVIEW

Based on the site specifications during this annual reporting period, data summaries and statistics are provided in this section.

Data Collection Statistics
Mammoth Cave National Park
Houchin Meadow

Final Data

01/01/00 - 12/31/00

Parameter	Par Code	Data Recovery			Valid Data	
		No. Possible	No. Collected	% Collected	No. Valid	% Valid
Ozone Analyzer	O3	8784	8381	95.4	8268	94.1
Scalar Wind Speed	SWS	8784	8782	100.0	8697	99.0
Vector Wind Speed	VWS	8784	8782	100.0	8697	99.0
Vector Wind Direction	VWD	8784	8782	100.0	8697	99.0
Standard Deviation for Wind Direction	SDWD	8784	8782	100.0	8697	99.0
Ambient Temperature (aspirated)	TMP	8784	8780	100.0	8695	99.0
Relative Humidity	RH	8784	8778	99.9	8211	93.5
Precipitation	RNF	8784	8762	99.7	8676	98.8
Solar Radiation	SOL	8784	8780	100.0	8695	99.0
Barometric Pressure	BAR	8784	8782	100.0	8070	91.9

Notes: All statistics are for hourly averages.

The number collected does not include normal maintenance or events beyond the control of the network.

The percent valid is calculated against the number possible.

Automatic zeros and spans are performed daily on most ambient gas analyzers, therefore, no ambient data can be collected during this time. As a result, the maximum percent valid for ambient gas data typically can not be greater than 95.8.

NPS Performance Goals:

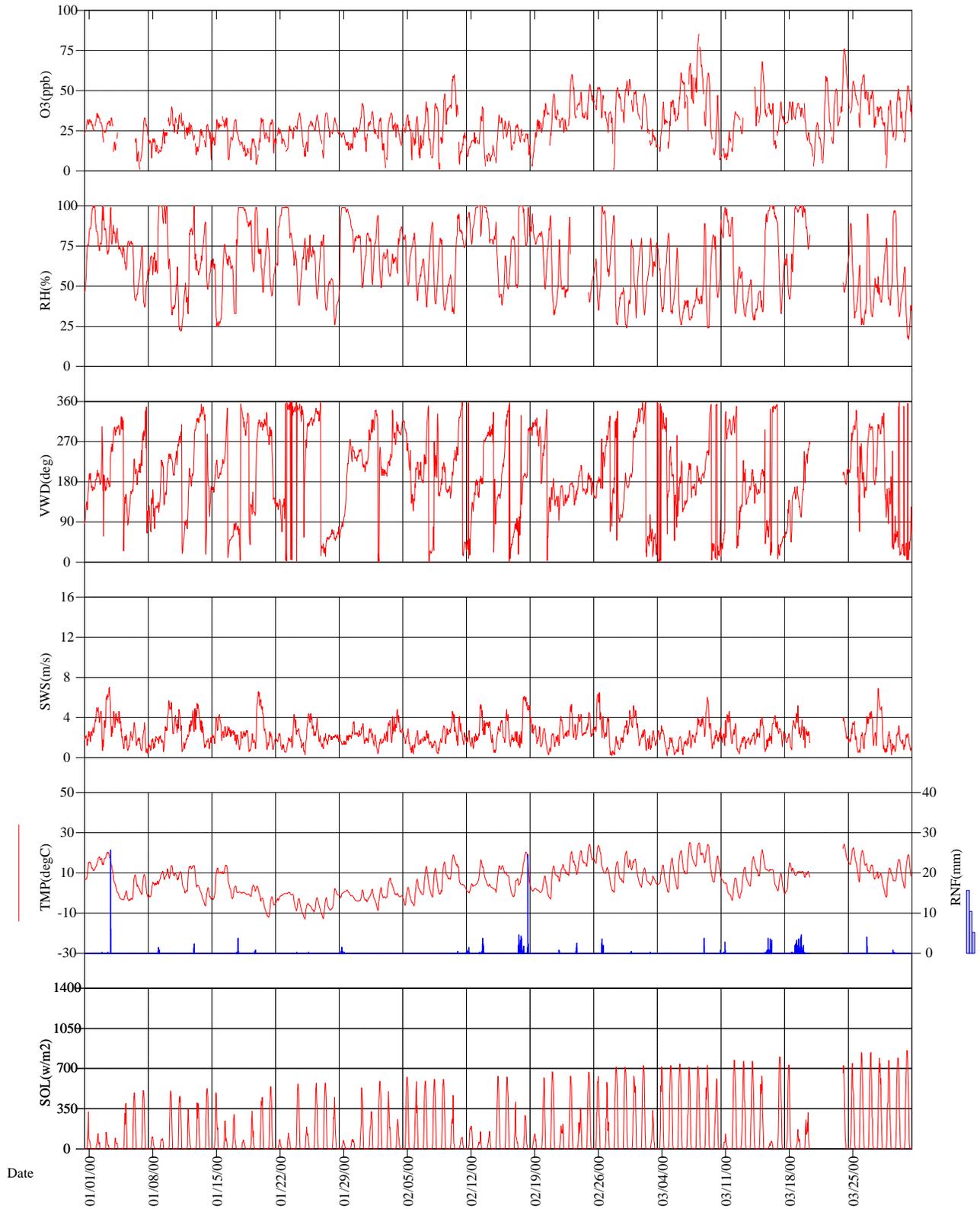
Quarterly Criteria:

- 100% of sites, >= 85% valid data capture
- 90% of sites, >= 90% valid data capture
- 80% of sites, >= 95% valid data capture

Monthly Criteria:

- 100% of sites, >= 60% valid data capture
- 90% of sites, >= 75% valid data capture
- 80% of sites, >= 85% valid data capture

Mammoth Cave National Park - Houchin Meadow

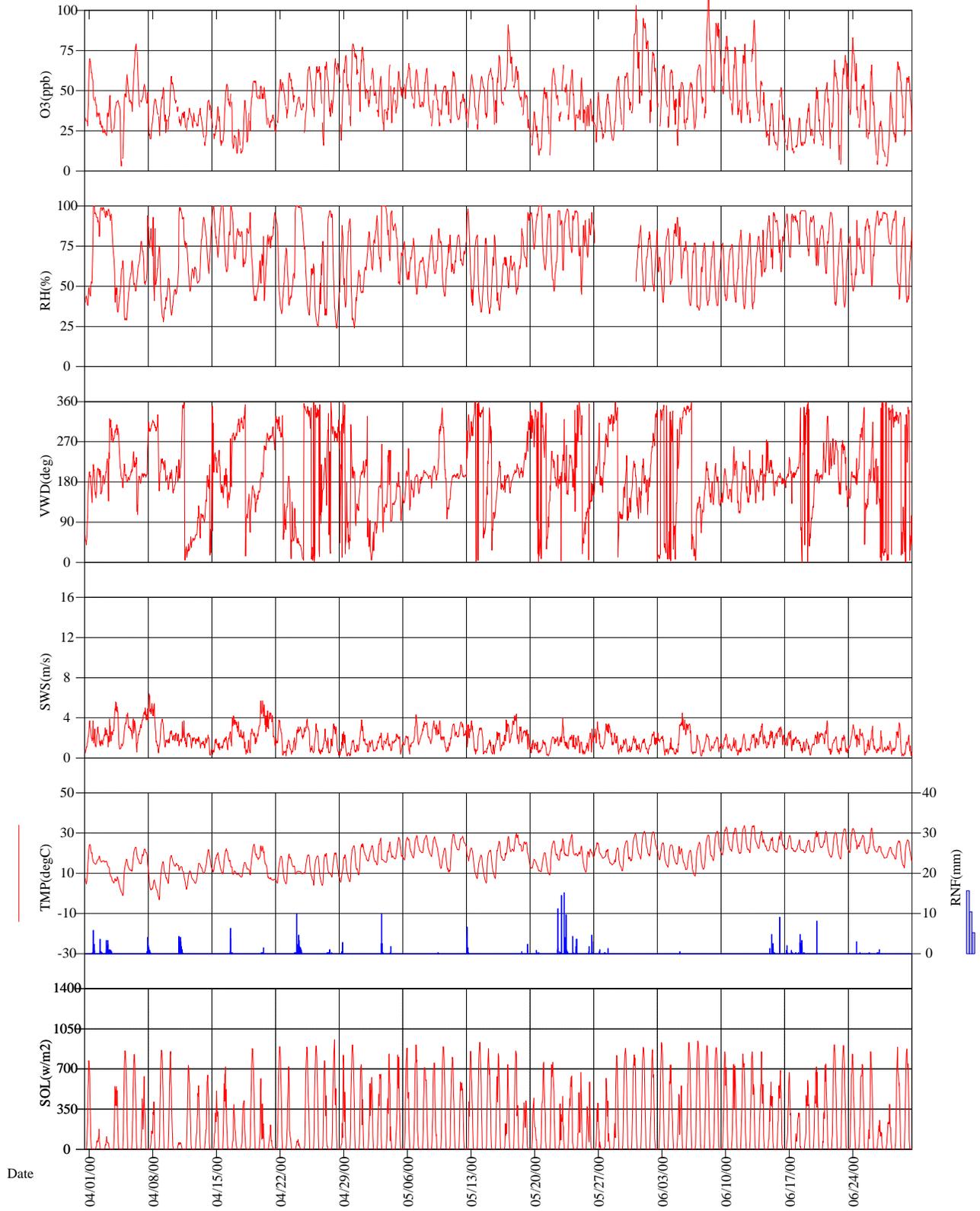


Final Validation

First Quarter 2000

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Mammoth Cave National Park - Houchin Meadow

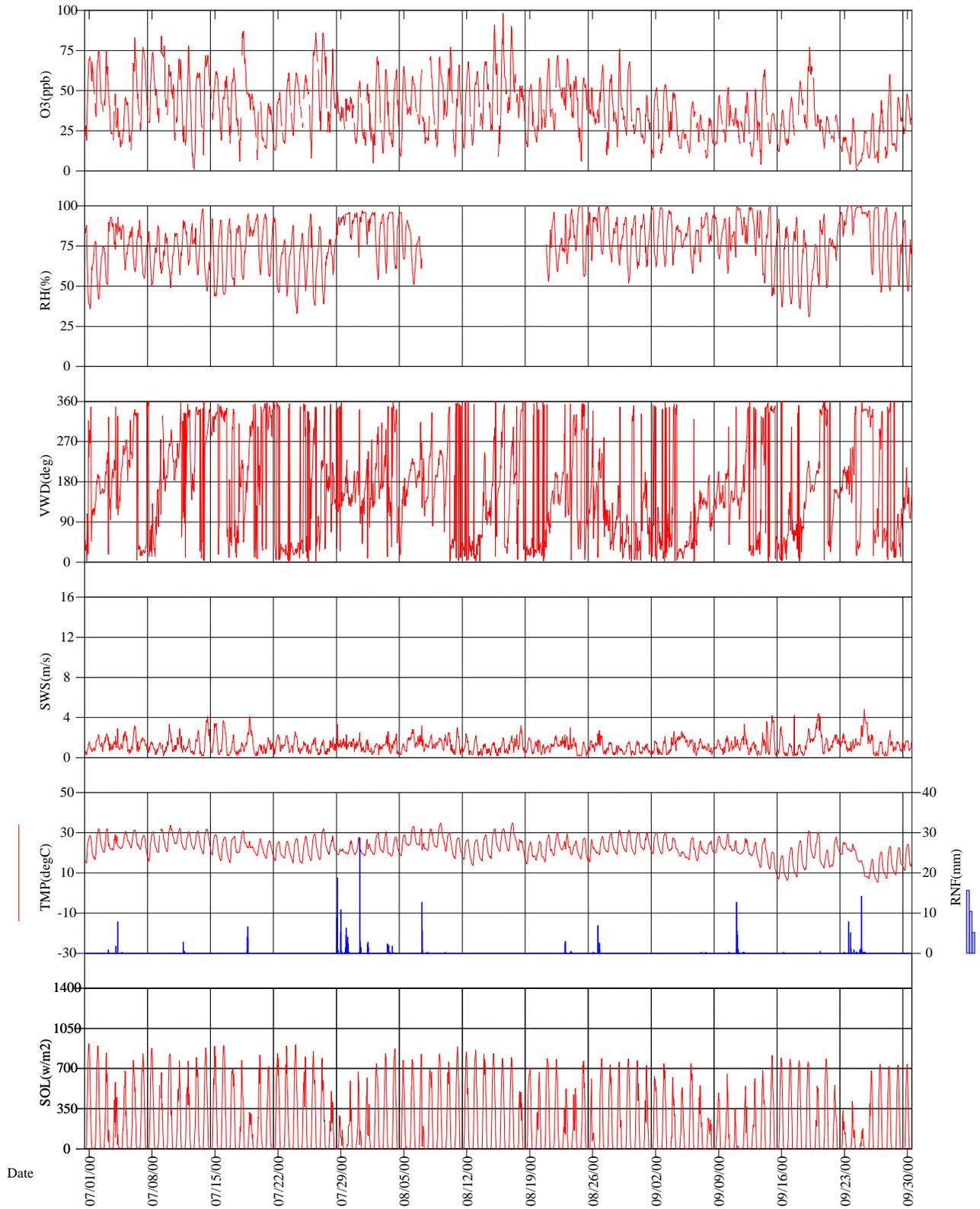


Final Validation

Second Quarter 2000

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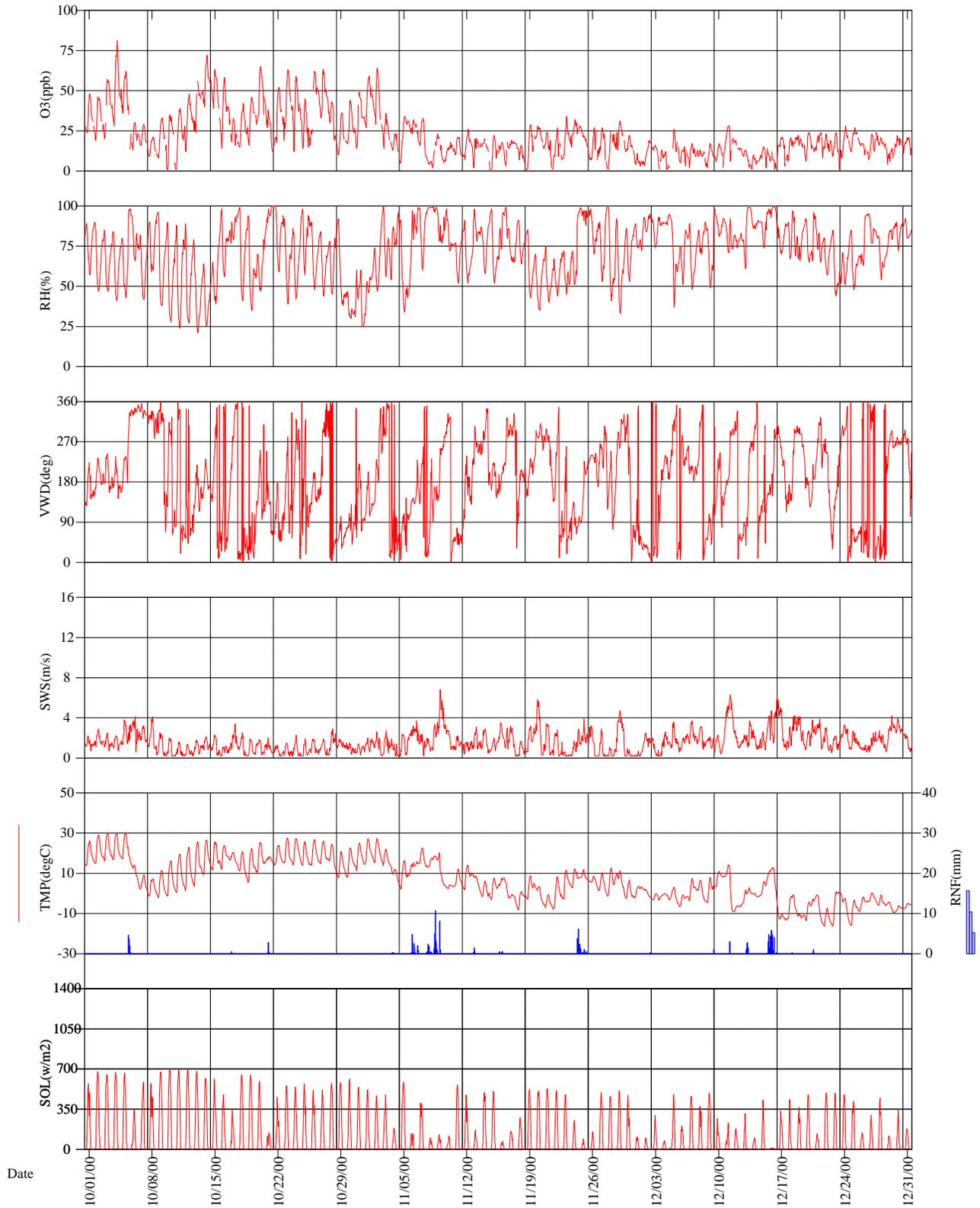


Final Validation

Third Quarter 2000

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Mammoth Cave National Park - Houchin Meadow



Final Validation

Fourth Quarter 2000

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2.2 OZONE DATA SUMMARY

Ozone Quick Look Annual Summary Statistics
Mammoth Cave National Park
Houchin Meadow
01/01/00 - 12/31/00

STATISTIC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MAY- SEP	ANNUAL
DAILY 1-HR MAXIMUM	42 (30)	60 (29)	85 (31)	79 (30)	103 (31)	119 (30)	87 (31)	98 (31)	77 (30)	81 (31)	64 (30)	28 (31)	119 (153)	119 (365)
NO. OF DAYS	31 (30)	40 (29)	49 (31)	55 (30)	62 (31)	65 (30)	65 (31)	66 (31)	44 (30)	50 (31)	28 (30)	20 (31)	60 (153)	48 (365)
AVERAGE DAILY MAXIMUM	31 (30)	47 (29)	66 (31)	62 (30)	68 (31)	73 (30)	60 (31)	57 (31)	51 (30)	55 (31)	45 (30)	20 (31)	73 (151)	73 (358)
MAXIMUM DAILY MEAN	23 (28)	29 (29)	36 (29)	41 (30)	46 (31)	45 (30)	45 (30)	42 (31)	28 (29)	34 (31)	19 (30)	13 (30)	41 (151)	34 (358)
AVERAGE DAILY MEAN	33,000 (28)	52,000 (29)	22,000 (29)	20,000 (30)	6,400 (31)	18,000 (30)	14,500 (29)	14,200 (31)	15,750 (28)	39,000 (31)	29,000 (29)	24,000 (30)	18,000 (149)	52,000 (355)
NO. OF DAYS	3,614 (28)	7,412 (29)	3,789 (29)	2,991 (30)	2,394 (31)	3,914 (30)	3,986 (29)	4,359 (31)	4,121 (28)	5,072 (31)	6,152 (29)	6,176 (30)	3,743 (149)	4,491 (355)
AVERAGE PEAK:MIN RATIO	38 (29)	56 (29)	78 (29)	76 (30)	85 (31)	95 (30)	78 (29)	80 (31)	63 (30)	69 (31)	55 (30)	26 (31)	95 (149)	95 (360)
MAX 9AM-4PM AVERAGE	26 (29)	33 (29)	43 (29)	46 (30)	54 (31)	57 (30)	57 (29)	57 (31)	37 (30)	43 (31)	23 (30)	16 (31)	52 (150)	41 (360)
NO. OF DAYS	25 (28)	31 (29)	40 (29)	45 (30)	51 (31)	53 (30)	53 (29)	51 (31)	34 (30)	39 (31)	21 (30)	15 (31)	49 (150)	38 (360)
MONTHLY 7AM-7PM AVERAGE	35 (28)	53 (29)	72 (29)	70 (30)	80 (31)	85 (30)	70 (29)	69 (31)	60 (30)	62 (31)	50 (30)	23 (31)	85 (150)	85 (360)
NO. OF DAYS	25 (28)	31 (29)	40 (29)	45 (30)	51 (31)	53 (30)	53 (29)	51 (31)	34 (30)	39 (31)	21 (30)	15 (31)	49 (150)	38 (360)
MONTHLY 9AM-4PM AVERAGE	23 (667)	29 (665)	36 (682)	41 (686)	46 (708)	45 (685)	44 (696)	42 (709)	28 (677)	34 (705)	19 (686)	14 (702)	41 (3475)	33 (8268)
NO. OF HOURS	15,403 (667)	19,133 (665)	24,549 (682)	28,054 (686)	32,357 (708)	30,575 (685)	30,655 (696)	29,938 (709)	19,122 (677)	23,993 (705)	12,990 (686)	9,483 (702)	14,2647 (3475)	27,6252 (8268)
SUM0 EXPOSURE INDEX	- (0)	180 (3)	2663 (39)	5400 (81)	7059 (104)	11,945 (164)	10,312 (149)	7,726 (114)	1,026 (16)	2,346 (36)	250 (4)	- (0)	38,068 (547)	48,907 (710)
SUM60 EXPOSURE INDEX	- (0)	- (0)	251 (3)	- (0)	1,160 (13)	3,565 (40)	1,175 (14)	871 (10)	- (0)	81 (1)	- (0)	- (0)	6,771 (77)	7,103 (81)
SUM80 EXPOSURE INDEX	118 (667)	805 (665)	2,808 (682)	4,320 (686)	6,132 (708)	9,283 (685)	7,653 (696)	5,988 (709)	1,071 (677)	2,405 (705)	312 (686)	20 (702)	30,127 (3475)	40,915 (8268)
NO. OF HOURS														

Concentrations in parts per billion (ppb)

Exposures in parts per billion-hours (ppb-hr)

Final Validation

* Statistics defined in the Quick Look subsection of the Glossary

5/24/2001

Frequency Distribution Ozone Analyzer															
Mammoth Cave National Park Houchin Meadow															
Monitoring Season: 04/01/00 - 10/31/00 ¹															
Averaging Period	% Obs. ³	# Obs. ²	Percentile ⁵							Max. Obs.	2nd Max.	Arith. Mean	Geo. Mean	Geo. Stdv.	
			Min. Obs. ⁴	10	30	50	70	90	95						99
1-Hour	100	4866	0.021	0.038	0.049	0.059	0.065	0.077	0.086	0.098	0.119	0.103	0.0581	0.0558	1.34
Concentrations in parts per million (ppm)															

¹Records for this report are selected in accordance with the AIRS Geo-Common file criteria. These criteria are based on the state-specific Monitoring Season defined in AIRS.

²The number of observations (# Obs.) includes all valid observations recorded within the Monitoring Season.

³The percent of valid observations (% Obs.) is the percentage of valid days to the number of possible monitoring days during the Monitoring Season. A valid day is defined as a day with 9 or more valid observations between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m..

⁴The minimum observation value (Min. Obs.) is the minimum daily maximum recorded during the Monitoring Season.

⁵The percentiles and other statistics are derived from the daily maximums.

Ozone Standards Report and
Daily Maximum 1-Hour Concentrations (ppm)

Mammoth Cave National Park
Houchin Meadow

01/01/00 - 12/31/00

Day	Jan-00	Feb-00	Mar-00	Apr-00	May-00	Jun-00	Jul-00	Aug-00	Sep-00	Oct-00	Nov-00	Dec-00
1	.032 S	.037 T	.055 W	.070 S	.077 M	.095 T	.071 S	.054 T	.047 F	.048 S	.059 W	.013 F
2	.036 S	.033 W	.048 T	.046 S	.064 T	.074 F	.075 S	.071 W	.052 S	.046 M	.064 T	.019 S
3	.033 M	.036 T	.026 F	.047 M	.059 W	.066 S	.075 M	.063 T	.054 S	.057 T	.036 F	.016 S
4		.030 F	.043 S	.044 T	.066 T	.063 S	.048 T	.063 F	.049 M	.081 W	.023 S	.013 M
5		.035 S	.044 S	.060 W	.062 F	.055 M	.046 W	.065 S	.026 T	.062 T	.034 S	.026 T
6		.034 S	.061 M	.079 T	.067 S	.055 T	.083 T	.059 S	.043 W	.030 F	.032 M	.015 W
7	.033 F	.043 M	.067 T	.054 F	.063 S	.066 W	.077 F	.063 M	.035 T	.029 S	.033 T	.017 T
8	.021 S	.042 T	.085 W	.045 S	.064 M	.119 T	.074 S	.071 T	.033 F	.021 S	.013 W	.013 F
9	.026 S	.048 W	.061 T	.052 S	.054 T	.092 F	.084 S	.071 W	.047 S	.033 M	.023 T	.017 S
10	.040 M	.060 T	.047 F	.059 M	.053 W	.084 S	.066 M	.077 T	.052 S	.035 T	.018 F	.017 S
11	.036 T	.041 F	.025 S	.044 T	.062 T	.077 S	.070 T	.066 F	.039 M	.039 W	.021 S	.028 M
12	.030 W	.024 S	.037 S	.039 W	.048 F	.079 M	.078 W	.068 S	.049 T	.048 T	.026 S	.020 T
13	.026 T	.040 S		.039 T	.060 S	.094 T	.061 T	.062 S	.051 W	.056 F	.020 M	.014 W
14	.029 F	.016 M		.044 F	.059 S	.056 W	.072 F	.068 M	.063 T	.072 S	.020 T	.010 T
15	.032 S	.035 T	.068 W	.040 S	.064 M	.042 T	.062 S	.091 T	.036 F	.063 S	.022 W	.015 F
16	.034 S	.031 W	.042 T	.054 S	.072 T	.052 F	.059 S	.098 W	.038 S	.058 M	.018 T	.012 S
17	.032 M	.029 T	.043 F	.048 M	.091 W	.033 S	.064 M	.090 T	.046 S	.040 T	.019 F	.021 S
18	.019 T	.026 F	.043 S	.044 T	.067 T	.033 S	.087 T	.053 F	.056 M	.042 W	.017 S	.021 M
19	.020 W	.032 S	.042 S	.056 W	.050 F	.042 M	.051 W	.054 S	.077 T	.046 T	.029 S	.022 T
20	.033 T	.042 S	.042 M	.053 T	.037 S	.052 T		.058 S	.058 W	.065 F	.028 M	.024 W
21	.032 F	.048 M	.030 T	.035 F	.052 S	.055 W	.042 F	.070 M	.034 T	.046 S	.024 T	.024 T
22	.027 S	.038 T	.059 W	.057 S	.064 M	.069 T	.049 S	.072 T	.035 F	.052 S	.027 W	.023 F
23	.028 S	.060 W	.051 T	.061 S	.066 T	.072 F	.061 S	.070 W	.021 S	.063 M	.034 T	.024 S
24	.036 M	.049 T	.076 F	.047 M	.063 W	.083 S	.061 M	.059 T	.033 S	.059 T	.032 F	.028 S
25	.031 T	.054 F	.056 S	.065 T	.058 T	.054 S	.060 T	.058 F	.025 M	.045 W	.028 S	.027 M
26	.035 W	.052 S	.060 S	.065 W	.045 F	.066 M	.086 W	.052 S	.036 T	.062 T	.027 S	.021 T
27	.036 T	.047 S	.050 M	.068 T	.049 S	.031 T	.086 T	.066 S	.044 W	.063 F	.027 M	.023 W
28	.033 F	.052 M	.040 T	.070 F	.048 S	.049 W	.076 F	.060 M	.060 T	.046 S	.025 T	.024 T
29	.024 S	.057 T	.044 W	.072 S	.059 M	.068 T	.049 S	.076 T	.046 F	.036 S	.031 W	.017 F
30	.027 S		.051 T	.079 S	.061 T	.059 F	.046 S	.068 W	.048 S	.044 M	.022 T	.022 S
31	.042 M		.053 F		.103 W		.056 M	.039 T		.049 T		.021 S
Valid Days	28	29	29	30	31	30	30	31	30	31	30	31
Maximum	.042	.060	.085	.079	.103	.119	.087	.098	.077	.081	.064	.028
Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

8268 Total Samples	0 Daily-maxima exceeding the standard of .12 ppm (starred[*])
94.1 % Possible	1 Missing days assumed to be less than the standard
360 Valid daily maxima	0 Daily maximas exceed the alert level of .200 ppm
Final Validation	Concentrations in parts per million (ppm)

Mammoth Cave National Park
Houchin Meadow
2000 Attainment Status With U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
PRIMARY Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard

Ozone Season: April through October

The primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for ozone is designed to protect human health. The level of the primary ozone standard promulgated by the EPA on July 18, 1997 is 0.08 parts per million (ppm) [80 parts per billion, (ppb)], daily maximum 8-hour average. The primary ozone standard is met at an ambient monitoring site when the 3-year average of the annual fourth-highest daily maximum 8-hour average ozone concentration is less than or equal to 0.08 ppm. This standard is not met when the 3-year average is greater than 0.08 ppm. Using the EPA's rounding convention, a computed 3-year average ozone concentration of 0.085 ppm (85 ppb) is the smallest value that is greater than the level of the 0.08 ppm standard.

The primary standard requires 90 percent data completeness, on average, during the 3-year period, with no single year within the period having less than 75 percent data completeness. This data completeness requirement would have to be satisfied in order to determine that the standard has been met at a monitoring site. However, calendar years with less than 75 percent data completeness are included in the computation if the annual fourth-highest daily maximum 8-hour concentration is greater than the level of the standard. A site could be found not to have met the standard with less than complete data. The percent data completeness is the percent of valid ozone monitoring days. A day is valid if valid 8-hour averages are available for at least 75 percent of possible hours in the day (i.e., at least 18 of the 24 averages). An 8-hour average is considered valid if at least 75 percent (or 6) of the hourly averages for the 8-hour period are available.

The table below lists the 3-year average fourth-highest daily maximum 8-hour ozone concentration based on data collected during the reported year and the two previous years. This is the number to compare to the level of the new primary standard. The 3-year average data completeness percent and the reported year highest five daily maximum 8-hour averages are also tabulated. A 'No' in the Data Comp % Met? column indicates EPA data completeness requirement was not met for the three-year period.

Year	3-Year Avg 4th High Daily Max 8-hr Ozone (ppb)	3-Year Avg Data Complete %	Data Complete % Met?	Annual 1st High Daily Max 8-hr Ozone (ppb)	Annual 2nd High Daily Max 8-hr Ozone (ppb)	Annual 3rd High Daily Max 8-hr Ozone (ppb)	Annual 4th High Daily Max 8-hr Ozone (ppb)	Annual 5th High Daily Max 8-hr Ozone (ppb)
2000	94	97%	Yes	98	90	90	88	83

Ozone Analyzer			
10 Highest Daily 1-Hour Average Maximum Concentrations			
Mammoth Cave National Park			
Houchin Meadow			
Final Validation			
01/01/2000 - 12/31/2000			
Value	Date	Hour	Concentration (ppb)
Ozone Analyzer			
1	06/08/2000	15	119*
2	05/31/2000	16	103*
3	08/16/2000	13	98*
4	06/01/2000	11	95*
5	06/13/2000	16	94*
6	06/09/2000	11	92*
7	05/17/2000	14	91*
8	08/15/2000	14	91
9	08/17/2000	11	90*
10	07/18/2000	16	87

* This value was also recorded during one or more hours later in the day.

** This value was also recorded on one or more days later in the reported period.

Episodes with 1-Hour Ozone
 Concentrations > 100 ppb and > 124 ppb
 Mammoth Cave National Park
 Houchin Meadow
 01/01/2000 - 12/31/2000
 FINAL VALIDATION

Site	Date	Beginning Hour	No. Hours		Max (ppb)
			≥ 100 ppb	>124 ppb	
MACA-HM	05/31/00	16	1	0	103
MACA-HM	06/08/00	14	3	0	119
		Total	4	0	119

Note: The primary and secondary national ambient air standard for ozone that applied in 1996 is 0.12 ppm over a one hour period not to be exceeded more than once per year. (A value greater than .12 ppm, 124 ppb, or 235 ug/m³ exceeds the standard.) (40 CFR 50.9 with reference to Appendix D and H.)

Episodes with 8-Hour Average Ozone Concentrations > 84 ppb
 Mammoth Cave National Park
 Houchin Meadow
 01/01/2000 - 12/31/2000
 FINAL VALIDATION

Site	Date	Start and End Time of Daily Maximum 8-Hour Average > 84 ppb (hr)	Daily Maximum 8-Hour Average (ppb)	Number of 8-Hour Averages > 84 ppb During the Day
MACA-HM	05/31/00	11 - 18	90	6
MACA-HM	06/01/00	10 - 17	90	6
MACA-HM	06/08/00	10 - 17	98	8
MACA-HM	06/09/00	10 - 17	88	5
	4	Days with 8-hour average concentrations > 84 ppb		

Note: This table presents episodes of high ozone based on running 8-hour averages. In 1997, the EPA published new primary and secondary national ambient air quality standards for ozone based on 8-hour average ozone concentrations. Attainment of the new primary standard is reached if the annual fourth highest daily maximum 8-hour ozone concentration, averaged over three years, does not exceed 0.08 ppm (84 ppb or 157 ug/m³).

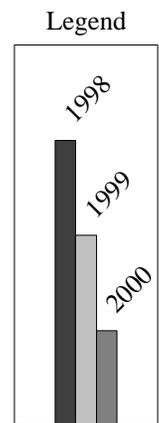
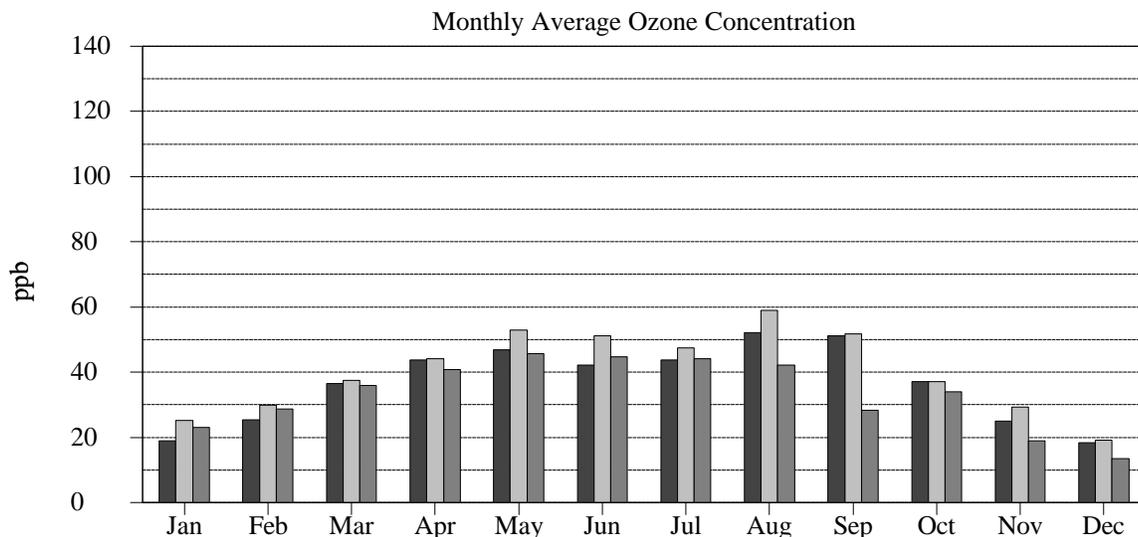
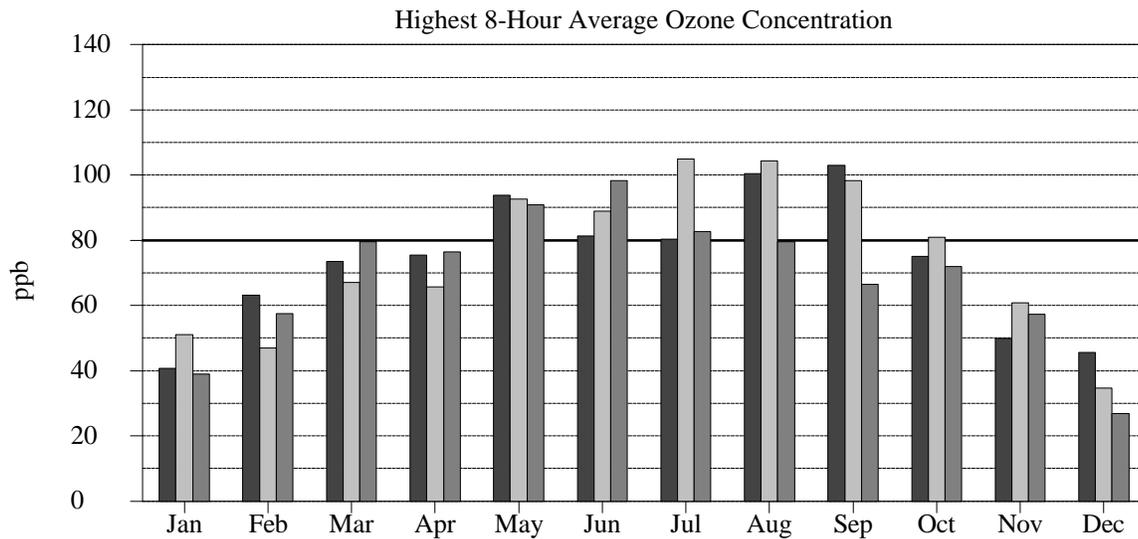
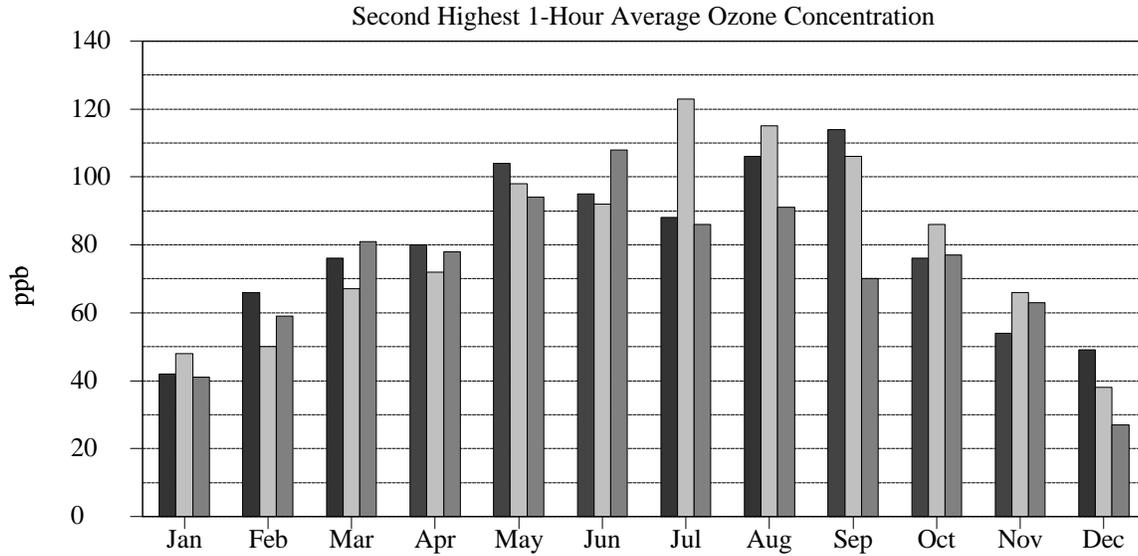
Ozone Rank Listings of Second Highest 1-Hour Average Concentrations, 4th Highest 8-Hour Average Concentrations, and Annual SUM60 Exposure Index for All NPS Monitoring Sites

01/01/2000 - 12/31/2000

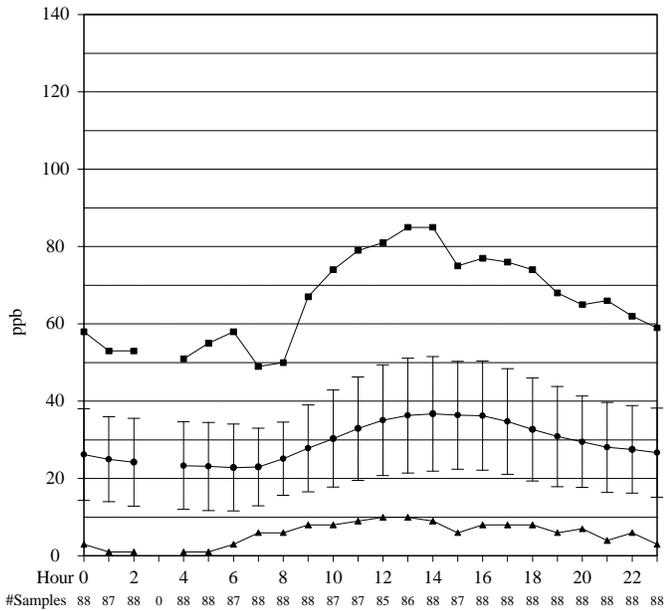
Second Highest 1-Hour Average Concentration		
Site	Rank	Concentration (ppb)
CACO-XX	1	139
JOTR-YV	2	123
GRSM-CD	3	122
YOSE-TD	4	118
SEKI-AS	5	117
COWP-XX	6	115
GRSM-CM	7	114
SEKI-LP	8	114
CHAM-XX	9	111
GRSM-LR	10	110
MACA-HM	11	108
ACAD-CM	12	106
SEKI-LK	13	104
COSW-BL	14	98
GRSM-CC	15	97
ROMO-LP	16	97
PINN-ES	17	96
SHEN-BM	18	95
CHIS-XX	19	92
LAVO-ML	20	88
MEVE-MY	21	88
DEVA-PV	22	87
ACAD-MH	23	85
SAGU-PC	24	84
GRBA-MY	25	82
CANY-IS	26	81
GRCA-AS	27	81
VOYA-SB	28	79
CHIR-ES	29	77
CRMO-VC	30	77
EVER-BC	31	76
YELL-WT	32	73
MORA-TW	33	72
BIBE-KB	34	71
THRO-VC	35	65
GLAC-WG	36	61
OLYM-VC	37	58
VIIS-LP	38	58
NOCA-MM	39	56
HAVO-TH	40	50
DENA-HQ	41	47

4th Highest 8-hour Average Concentration		
Site	Rank	Concentration (ppb)
SEKI-AS	1	105
SEKI-LP	2	101
GRSM-CD	3	100
GRSM-CM	4	96
GRSM-LR	5	96
JOTR-YV	6	96
SEKI-LK	7	90
COWP-XX	8	88
MACA-HM	9	88
YOSE-TD	10	87
CACO-XX	11	83
GRSM-CC	12	81
CHAM-XX	13	80
SHEN-BM	14	80
DEVA-PV	15	79
PINN-ES	16	78
ROMO-LP	17	78
GRBA-MY	18	77
ACAD-CM	19	76
CANY-IS	20	76
LAVO-ML	21	74
COSW-BL	22	73
MEVE-MY	23	73
SAGU-PC	24	72
CHIR-ES	25	71
GRCA-AS	26	71
ACAD-MH	27	70
CRMO-VC	28	66
EVER-BC	29	66
CHIS-XX	30	65
VOYA-SB	31	65
YELL-WT	32	65
BIBE-KB	33	64
THRO-VC	34	59
MORA-TW	35	57
GLAC-WG	36	56
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NOCA-MM	38	48
OLYM-VC	39	47
DENA-HQ	40	44
HAVO-TH	41	43

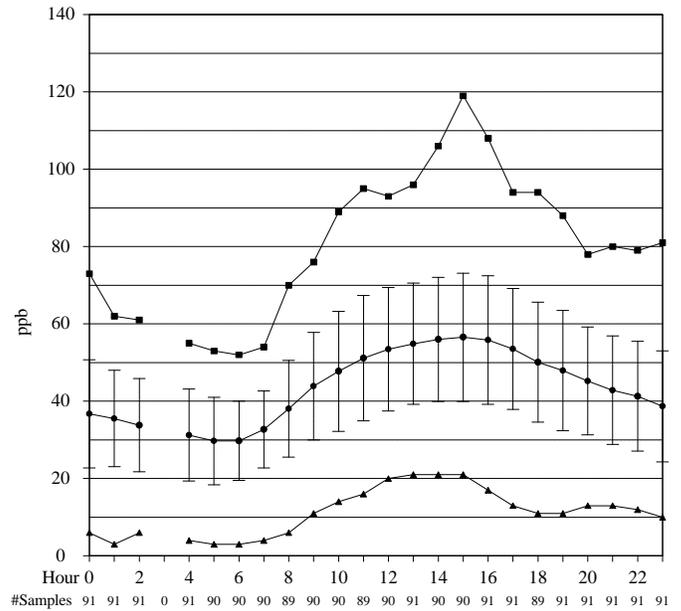
Annual Sum60 Exposure Index		
Site	Rank	Sum60 Count
GRSM-CD	1	195667 2756
GRSM-CM	2	178087 2517
SEKI-LP	3	144383 1894
GRSM-LR	4	138346 1981
JOTR-YV	5	121960 1685
YOSE-TD	6	98751 1433
SEKI-AS	7	91473 1149
SEKI-LK	8	89676 1263
DEVA-PV	9	79510 1207
SHEN-BM	10	73844 1093
ROMO-LP	11	65673 984
GRBA-MY	12	64706 993
GRCA-AS	13	63983 1003
CANY-IS	14	61642 949
COWP-XX	15	57188 803
MEVE-MY	16	55431 851
MACA-HM	17	48907 710
GRSM-CC	18	44635 653
CHIR-ES	19	43204 672
PINN-ES	20	39070 569
LAVO-ML	21	32335 490
CACO-XX	22	30948 440
CHAM-XX	23	30889 439
SAGU-PC	24	26476 400
COSW-BL	25	25769 380
CRMO-VC	26	23165 364
ACAD-CM	27	19339 279
YELL-WT	28	17033 271
ACAD-MH	29	12712 192
EVER-BC	30	8725 133
VOYA-SB	31	7241 112
CHIS-XX	32	5906 89
BIBE-KB	33	5842 92
THRO-VC	34	2348 38
MORA-TW	35	1327 21
GLAC-WG	36	666 11
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HAVO-TH	40	0 0
NOCA-MM	41	0 0



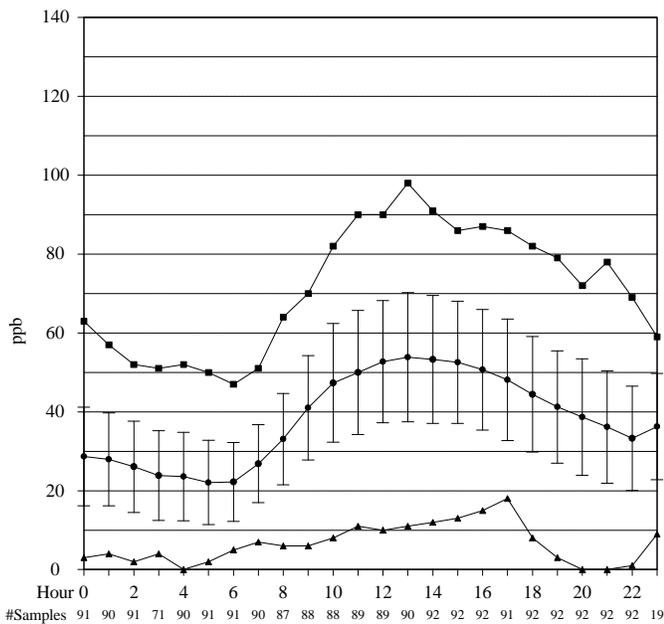
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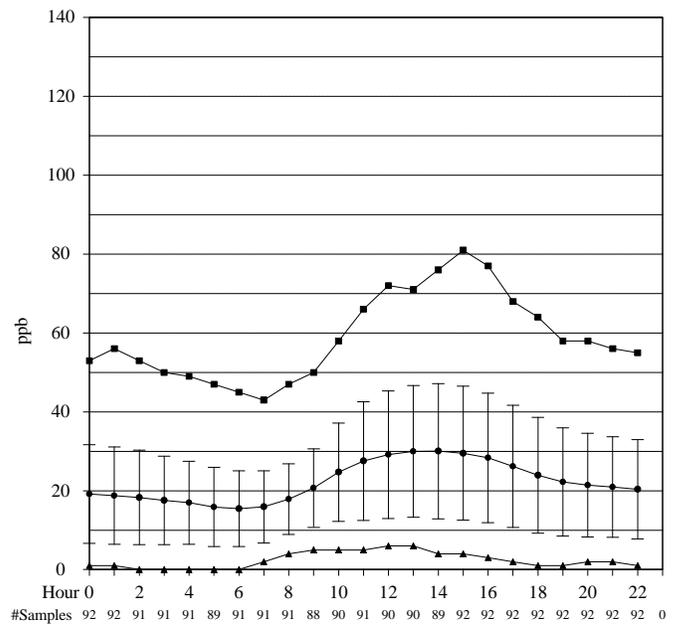
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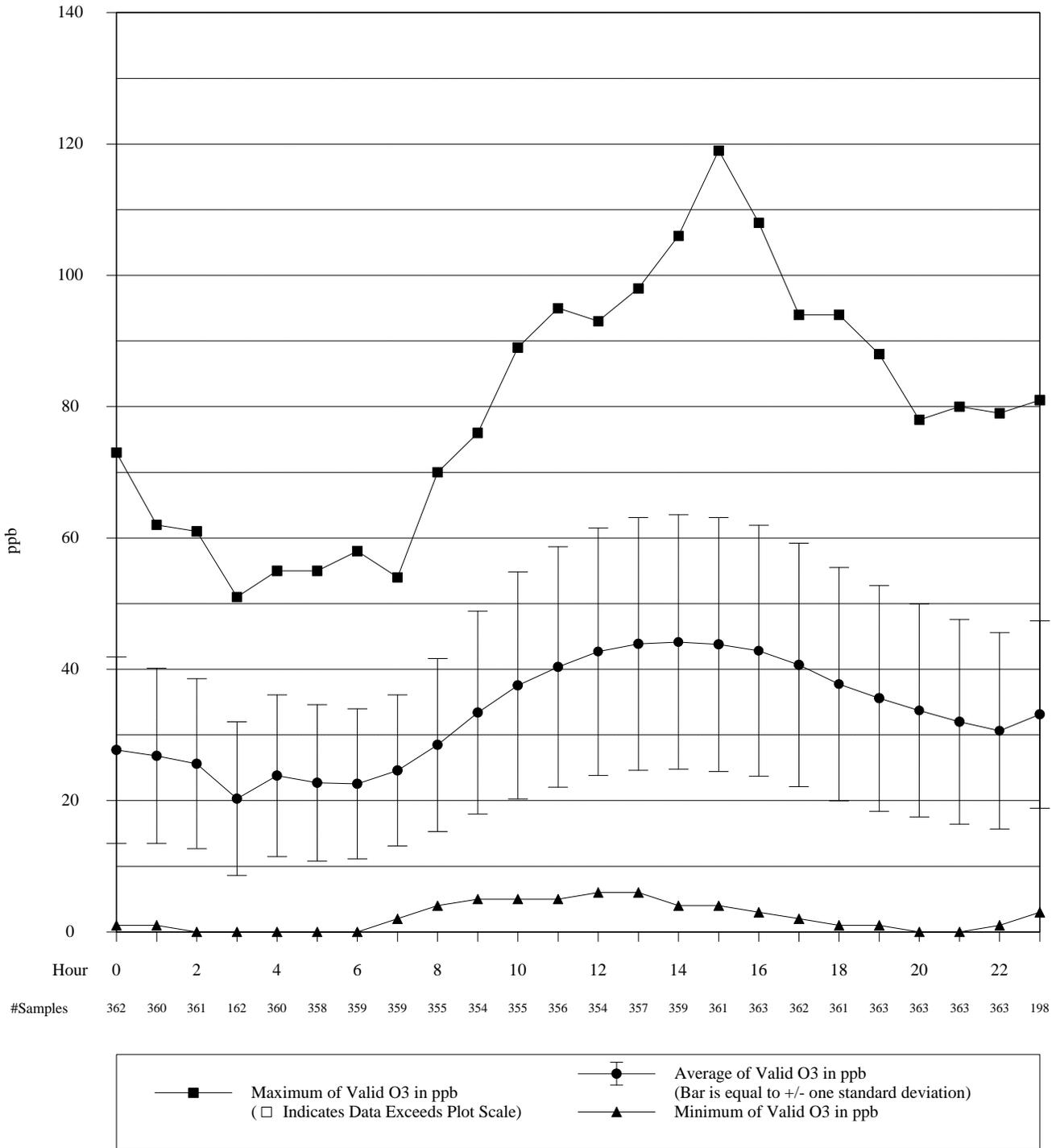
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—■— Maximum of Valid O3 in ppb
 (□ Indicates Data Exceeds Plot Scale)

—○— Average of Valid O3 in ppb
 (Bar is equal to +/- one standard deviation)

—▲— Minimum of Valid O3 in ppb

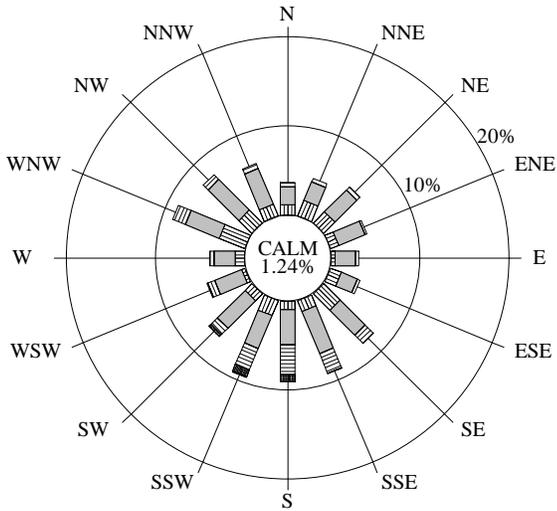


Mammoth Cave
National Park
Houchin Meadow

Quarterly Ozone
Pollutant Rose

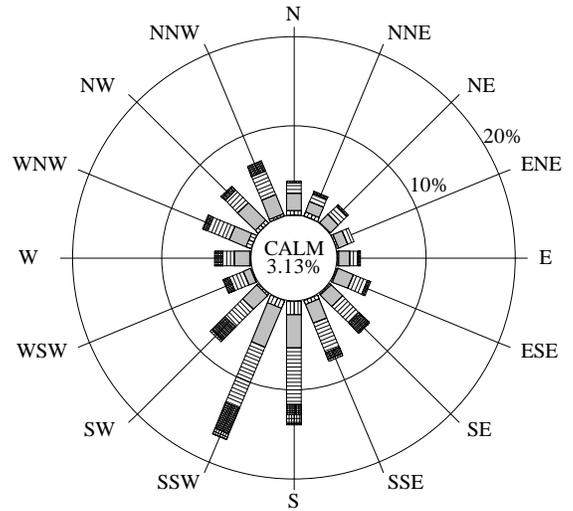
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FIRST QUARTER (JAN-MAR)



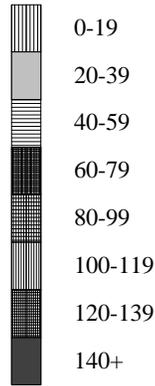
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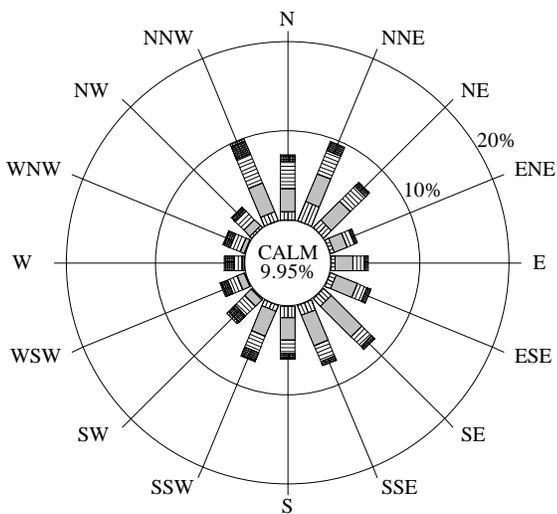


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Ozone (ppb)

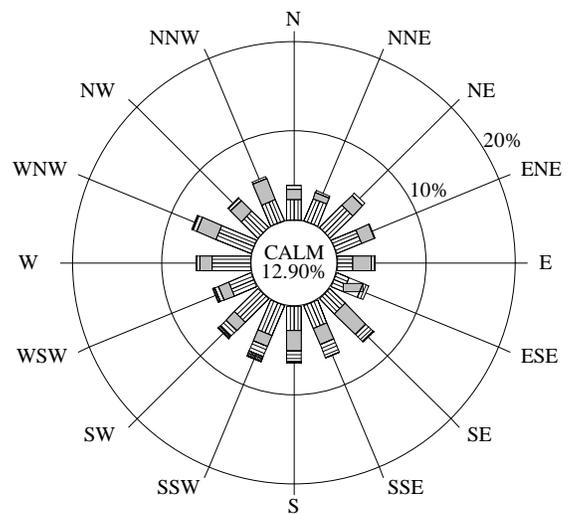


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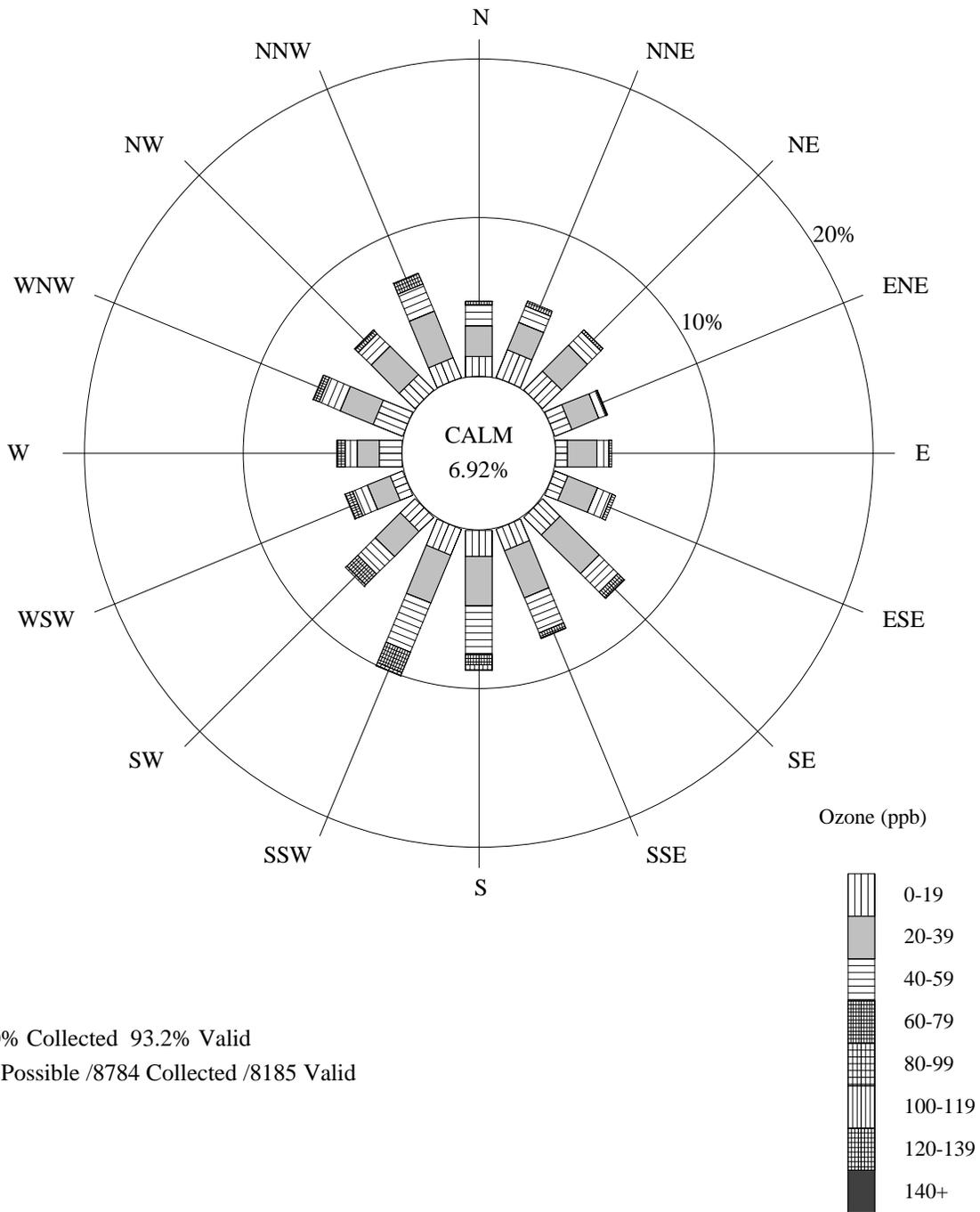


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FOURTH QUARTER (OCT-DEC)



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Ozone Precision Check Summary
Mammoth Cave National Park
Houchin Meadow

Precision checks are required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of all monitoring instruments collecting data which are to be submitted to the EPA Aerometric Information Retrieval System (AIRS). A precision check is performed by challenging the pollutant analyzer with a known concentration of gas (between 0.08 and 0.10 ppm for ozone and sulfur dioxide) from the pollutant transfer standard. This precision check must be performed at least every 14 days of monitoring operation. The percent difference between the analyzer and the transfer standard is then calculated.¹ According to NPS Standard Operating Procedures, the pollutant analyzer must respond within 10% of the transfer standard. The table below gives the number of precision checks performed during each quarter, the average² of all the individual precision check percent differences for the quarter, and the upper and lower 95% probability limits³ for precision checks. The probability limits represent the interval having a 95% chance of containing the true average percent difference. The quarterly average percent difference and probability limits should ideally be within +/- 10%.

Final Validation 01/01/2000 - 12/31/2000				
Calendar Quarter	Number of Precision Checks	Average Percent Difference ^{1 2}	Lower 95% Probability Limit ³	Upper 95% Probability Limit ³
1	12	1.27	-2.17	4.72
2	13	4.06	-4.22	12.35
3	74	2.28	-5.35	9.91
4	92	-1.65	-7.45	4.14

¹ Percent Difference = $\frac{\text{analyzer} - \text{transfer std}}{\text{transfer std}} \times 100$.

² Average Percent Difference is the mean of all individual precision check percent differences during the quarter.

³ Upper/Lower 95% Probability Limits = (Average Percent Difference) +/- (1.96)(Standard Deviation of precision check percent differences in the quarter.)

2.3 METEOROLOGICAL DATA SUMMARY

Summary of Selected Meteorological Data

Mammoth Cave National Park

Houchin Meadow

Final Validation

01/01/2000 - 12/31/2000

Parameter	Value	Units	Number	Std Dev
SCALAR WIND SPEED				
Average	1.8	m/s	8697	1.1
Maximum	7.0	m/s		
Percent calm = 7.07				
AMBIENT TEMPERATURE				
Average	13.5	degC	8695	10.5
Maximum	34.9	degC		
Minimum	-16.3	degC		
RELATIVE HUMIDITY				
Average	71	percent	8211	19
Maximum	100	percent		
Minimum	17	percent		
PRECIPITATION (Rainfall or Snow melt)				
Average non-zero rate	2.0	mm/hr	494	3.1
Maximum non-zero rate	28.7	mm/hr		
Minimum non-zero rate	.3	mm/hr		
Accumulated during period	968.1	mm		
SOLAR RADIATION				
Average Daily Total	12,249,840	joules/m2day	363	6,431,359
Maximum Daily Total	25,148,800	joules/m2day		
Minimum Daily Total	403,200	joules/m2day		

Note: Calms are included in the average scalar wind speed and are defined as winds less than 0.5 m/s (1.0 mph).

Solar radiation terms are based on the calculation of the total amount of solar energy incident on a unit area during each day. The maximum and minimum daily totals are selected from the list of daily totals.

The totals for all days are then added and divided by the number of days to yield the average daily total. Only days with 24 valid values are included in these statistics.

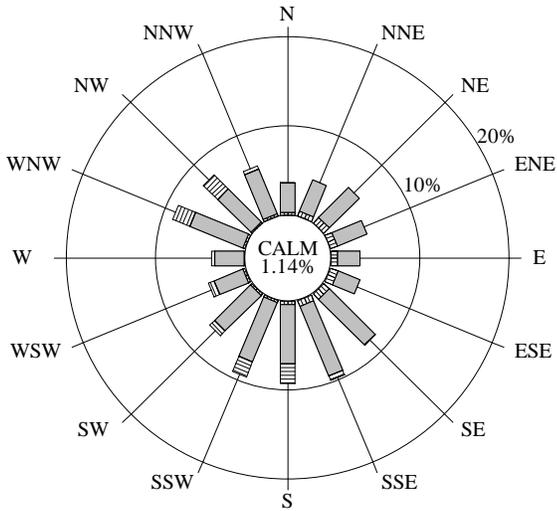
NA indicates instrument not available.

Mammoth Cave
National Park
Houchin Meadow

Quarterly Wind Rose

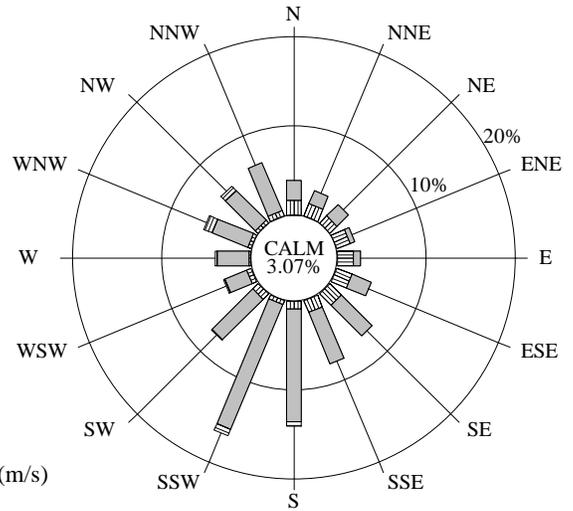
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FIRST QUARTER (JAN-MAR)



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SECOND QUARTER (APR-JUN)

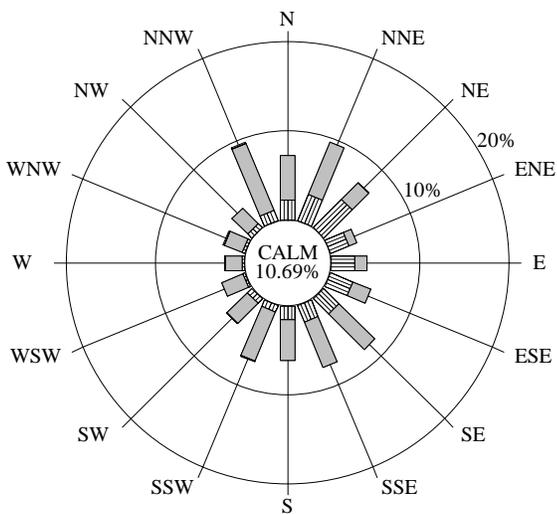


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Scalar Wind Speed (m/s)

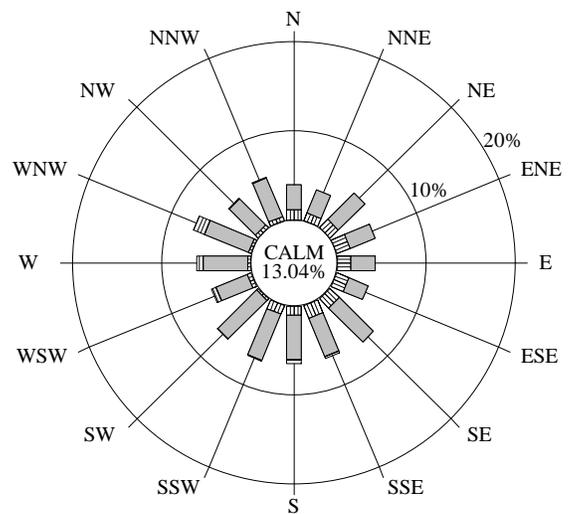


THIRD QUARTER (JUL-SEP)

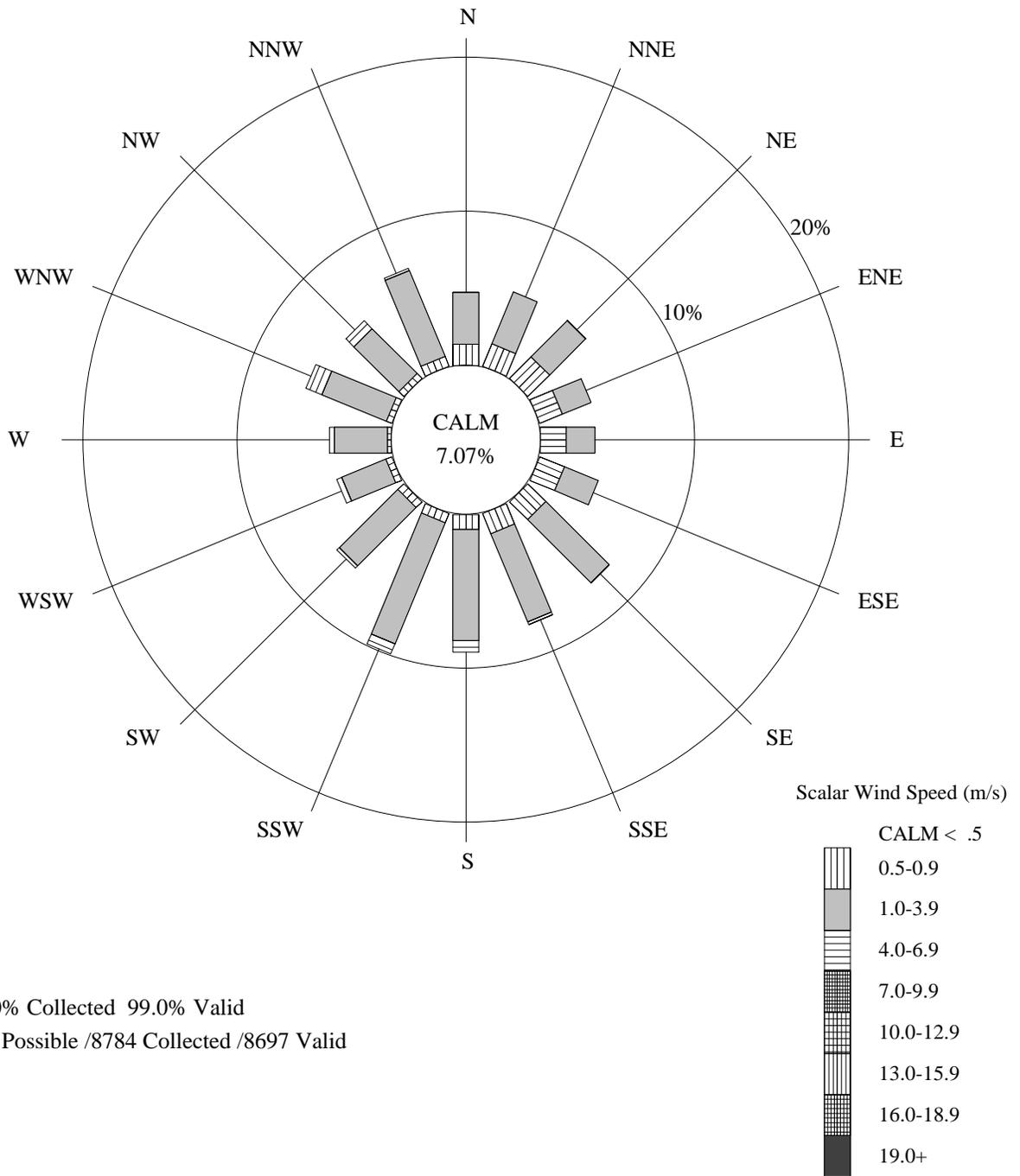


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2208 Possible /2208 Collected /2207 Valid

FOURTH QUARTER (OCT-DEC)



100.0% Collected 100.0% Valid
2208 Possible /2208 Collected /2208 Valid



100.0% Collected 99.0% Valid
8784 Possible /8784 Collected /8697 Valid

3.0 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AIR RESOURCES DIVISION DATA SOURCES

3.1 GUIDE TO ATTACHED DATA DISKS

Data disks containing ASCII files of the validated hourly data, as shown in the following table are available. Please return the enclosed postcard or contact the address below. These data may be imported into other programs to perform additional data processing and analysis. The data format of each file is included within each file. The second table describes the validation codes used in the data tables to indicate why data are missing or invalid. Wind and pollutant frequency distribution tables in ASCII format are also included on the diskette if available for this site.

Data users should acknowledge the National Park Service Air Resources Division whenever using these data or any portion of this report.

3.2 OTHER SOURCES FOR RETRIEVING NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GASEOUS POLLUTANT DATA

The data contained in this report may also be obtained from the following sources:

- National Park Service AIRWeb (<http://www.aqd.nps.gov/natnet/ard>) - available after last quarter 2000
- EPA AIRS database
- Data requests directed to:

NPS Air Resources Division
Information Management Center
c/o Air Resource Specialists, Inc.
1901 Sharp Point Drive, Suite E
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525
Telephone: (970) 484-7941
Fax: (970) 484-3423
E-Mail: AIR-IMC@AIR-RESOURCE.COM

Data Disk Contents Summary	
File Name (s)	Description
Hourly	
ssssyy.DAT	All Validated Air Quality Data
ssssymm.ppp	Monthly Data Summary Tables
ssssAN95.Rpp	Annual Wind and Pollutant Frequency Distribution
ssssQ195.Rpp	Quarter 1 Wind and Pollutant Frequency Distribution
ssssQ295.Rpp	Quarter 2 Wind and Pollutant Frequency Distribution
ssssQ395.Rpp	Quarter 3 Wind and Pollutant Frequency Distribution
ssssQ495.Rpp	Quarter 4 Wind and Pollutant Frequency Distribution
<p>Where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ssss = site code yy = year mm = month ppp = air quality data parameter code AN = Annual Qn = Quarter 1-4 R = Wind Frequency distribution table 	
CASTNet Weekly Species Summary Data	
File Name (s)	Description
CASTNet	
ssssCNyr.ASC	Weekly averages
<p>Where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ssss = site code CN = CASTNet yr = year asc = ascii file 	

NPS IMC and AIRS Invalid Data Codes			
NPS IMC VAL CODE	REASON	AIRS CODE	AIRS REASON
TO	Sample time out of limits	9973	Sample time out of limits
IW	Instrument warmup	9978	Voided by operator
OE	Operator error	9978	
BM	Begin monitoring	9979	Miscellaneous void
TL	Station temp low	9979	
OS	Off scale	9979	
EM	End monitoring	9979	
LI	Local interference	9979	
TH	Station temp high	9979	
IM	Instrument malfunction	9980	Machine malfunction
IN	Interference	9981	Bad weather
RF	Recording system failure	9983	Collection error
NA	No data	9987	Monitoring waived
PF	Power failure	9988	Power Failure
PC	Precision check	9990	Precision Check
ZS	Instrument zero/span check	9991	QC Control Points (Zero/Span)
SA	System audit	9992	QC Audit
PA	Performance audit	9992	
MT	Maintenance	9993	Maintenance/Routine Repairs
OR	Out for repair	9993	
CA	Calibration	9995	Multipoint calibration
SC	Station check	9998	Precision/zero/span

4.0 GLOSSARY

4.1 DEFINITIONS AND COMPUTATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE QUICK LOOK ANNUAL SUMMARY STATISTICS REPORT

The National Park Service Quick Look Annual Summary Statistics Table (Page 2-8) provides ozone summary statistics for various indices computed on a monthly basis for an entire year. Growing season (generically defined to be May 1 - September 30) and annual statistics are also presented under the "MAY-SEP" and "ANNUAL" columns, respectively. All concentrations are expressed in the units of parts per billion (PPB) and exposures in parts per billion-hours (PPB-HR). The definitions for each of the statistics appearing on the Quick Look Annual Summary Table are given below.

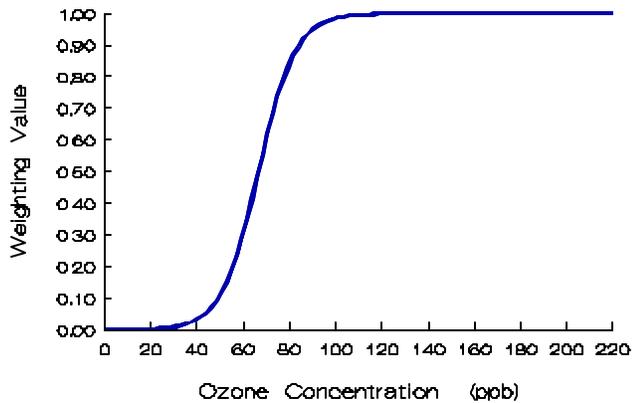
- (1) **Daily 1-Hr Maximum.** The maximum 1-hour average concentration recorded during each month, the growing season or the year regardless of the number of valid hourly observations recorded during a given day. The number in parentheses below this statistic, (N), indicates the number of days in the month, growing season, or year with valid data.
- (2) **Average Daily Maximum.** The average of all Daily 1-Hr Maxima during the month regardless of the number of Daily 1-Hr Maxima recorded during the month. For the "MAY-SEP" column the average of all the Daily Maxima recorded during the growing season is given. For the "ANNUAL" column the average of all the Daily Maxima is given. N is as in (1) above.
- (3) **Maximum Daily Mean.** The maximum of the valid daily means computed for each month, the growing season ("MAY-SEP" column), and the year ("ANNUAL" column). A valid daily mean is one for which 75% of the observations are available for each day, i.e., 18 hours. N is the number of days during each month, growing season, and year with at least 18 observations.
- (4) **Average Daily Mean.** The average of all valid daily means for the month, the growing season ("MAY-SEP" column), and the year ("ANNUAL" column). N is as in (3) above.
- (5) **Max Peak:Min Ratio.** The ratio of the Daily 1-Hr Maximum to the Daily 1-Hr Minimum. A ratio is computed only if a valid Daily Mean is computed and if the Daily 1-Hr Minimum is not equal to zero. N is the number of days with a valid Peak:Min ratio.
- (6) **Average Peak:Min Ratio.** The average of all Peak:Min ratios for the month, growing season, or year. N is as in (5) above.
- (7) **Max 9AM-4PM Average.** The maximum of all valid 9AM-4PM Averages computed for the month, growing season, or year. A valid 9AM-4PM Average is one which has 75% of the observations available during that time period (i.e., 6 hours. N is the number of days with valid averages.)

- (8) **Monthly 9AM-4PM Average.** The average of all valid 9AM-4PM Averages for the month, growing season, or year. N is as in (7) above.
- (9) **Max 7AM-7PM Average.** The maximum of all valid 7AM-7PM Averages computed for the month, growing season, or year. A valid 7AM-7PM Average is one which has 75% of the observations available during that time period, i.e., 9 hours. N is the number of days with valid averages.
- (10) **Monthly 7AM-7PM Average.** The average of all valid 7AM-7PM averages for the month, growing season, or year. N is as in (9) above.
- (11) **Monthly Mean.** The average of all 1-Hr ozone concentrations recorded during the month, growing season, or year. A mean is computed regardless of the number of hours with valid data. N is the number of hours with valid observations.
- (12) **SUM0 Exposure Index.** The monthly sum of all hourly ozone concentrations. Units are PPB-HR. The "MAY-SEP" column sums across the months of May through September to give the cumulative exposure for the growing season. The "ANNUAL" column sums across every month to give the cumulative exposure for the year. N is the number of hours with valid observations and is the same N as in (11) above.
- (13) **SUM60 Exposure Index.** The monthly sum of all hourly ozone concentrations equaling or exceeding 60 PPB. Units are PPB-HR. The "MAY-SEP" column sums across the months of May through September to give the cumulative exposure for the growing season. The "ANNUAL" column sums across every month to give the cumulative exposure for the year. N is the number of hours equaling or exceeding 60 PPB during the month, growing season, or year.
- (14) **SUM80 Exposure Index.** The monthly sum of all hourly ozone concentrations equaling or exceeding 80 PPB. Units are PPB-HR. The "MAY-SEP" column sums across the months of May through September to give the cumulative exposure for the growing season. The "ANNUAL" column sums across every month to give the cumulative exposure for the year. N is the number of hours equaling or exceeding 80 PPB during the month, growing season, or year.
- (15) **W126 Exposure Index.** The monthly sum of all hourly ozone concentrations where each concentration is weighted by a function that gives greater emphasis to the higher hourly concentrations while still including the lower ones. This weighting function provides a weighting value that is unique for each hourly ozone concentration. The weighting function, as described by Lefohn, Laurence, and Kohut¹ is:

$$w_i = \frac{1}{1 + 4403 \exp(-.126c_i)}$$

where

Weighting Function Used To Calculate W126 Exposure Index



w_i = weighting value for hourly concentration i ,
and
 c_i = hourly concentration i in PPB.

The graph of weighting value versus ozone concentration, in the figure to the left, illustrates the greater weights given to higher hourly ozone concentrations.

Each hour's weighting value is multiplied by its corresponding hourly concentration. This product is summed over all the valid hours in each month to calculate the monthly W126 exposure.

Thus, the monthly W126 exposure is:

$$W126 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i c_i$$

where

- W126 = monthly W126 exposure index,
- w_i = weighting value for hourly concentration i ,
- c_i = hourly concentration i in PPB, and
- n = number of hours in the month with valid ozone concentrations.

The "MAY-SEP" column sums across the months of May through September to give the cumulative exposure for the growing season. The "ANNUAL" column sums across every month to give the cumulative exposure for the year. The exposure units are PPB-HR.

Because each hour contributes to this exposure index, N is the number of hours with valid observations and is the same N as in (11) and (12) above.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency usually considers air quality statistics, such as a mean, to be "valid" (i.e., representative of the parameter being estimated for the time interval in question) only if 75% or more of the total possible observations have been measured during that time interval. Therefore, one should exercise caution when comparing these statistics between months and sites, particularly those that are not averages (e.g., maxima and exposures) whenever the number of valid observations is less than 75% of the total possible.

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4.2 AIR QUALITY GLOSSARY

Acid Deposition: Air pollution produced when acid chemicals are incorporated into rain, snow, fog, or mist.

Aerometric Information Retrieval System (AIRS): A computer-based database of U.S. air pollution information administered by the EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency).

AIRWeb: Air Resources Web, an air quality information retrieval system for U.S. parks and wildlife refuges developed by the Air Resources Division of the National Park Service and the Air Quality Branch of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Air Pollutant: An unwanted chemical or other material found in the air.

Air Pollution: Degradation of air quality resulting from unwanted chemicals or other materials occurring in the air.

Air Quality: The properties and degree of purity of air to which people and natural and heritage resources are exposed (in the context of national parks).

Air Pollution Control Permitting Process: Process by which facilities are permitted to emit specified types and quantities of air pollutants.

Air Quality Related Values (AQRVs): Values including visibility, flora, fauna, cultural and historical resources, odor, soil, water, and virtually all resources that are dependent upon and affected by air quality. "These values include visibility and those scenic, cultural, biological, and recreation resources of an area that are affected by air quality." (*43 Fed. Reg. 15016*)

Ambient Air: Air that is accessible to the public.

Class I: Areas of the country set aside under the Clean Air Act to receive the most stringent degree of air quality protection.

Class II: Areas of the country protected under the Clean Air Act but identified for somewhat less stringent protection from air pollution damage than Class I, except in specified cases.

Clean Air Act: Originally passed in 1963, our current national air pollution control program is based on the 1970 version of the law. Substantial revisions were made by the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

Continuous Sampling Device: An air analyzer that measures air quality components continuously.

Criteria: Information on health and/or environmental effects of pollution (in the context of criteria air pollutants).

Criteria Air Pollutant: A group of very common air pollutants regulated by EPA on the basis of criteria and for which a National Ambient Air Quality Standard is established (SO₂, NO₂, PM₁₀, Pb, CO, O₃).

Emissions: Release of pollutants into the air from a source.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): The federal agency responsible for regulating air quality.

Monitoring: Measurement of air pollution.

National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS): Permissible levels of criteria air pollutant established to protect public health and welfare.

Ozone (O₃): A criteria air pollutant that is a strong oxidizing agent, reactive with many other compounds and surfaces, and a health hazard in high concentrations. Ozone is formed by nitrogen oxides and organic compounds reacting in sunlight.

Source: Any place or object from which air pollutants are released. Sources that are fixed in space are stationary sources; sources that move are mobile sources.

Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂): A criteria air pollutant that is a gas produced by burning coal and some industrial processes.

* Recent updates to this glossary may be found on the NPSARD AIRWeb - <http://www.aqd.nps.gov/natnet/ard/glossary.htm>.

4.3 GLOSSARY OF AIR QUALITY UNITS

Units Conversion Table			
Parameter Type	Multiply	By	To Obtain
Pollutant	ppm	1000	ppb
	ppm	1960	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Ozone (at 25°C)
	ppm	2615	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Sulfur Dioxide (at 25°C)
	ppb	0.001	ppm
	ppb	1.960	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Ozone (at 25°C)
	ppb	2.615	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Sulfur Dioxide (at 25°C)
	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Ozone (25°C)	0.0005102	ppm
	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Ozone (25°C)	0.5102	ppb
	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Sulfur Dioxide (25°C)	0.0003824	ppm
	$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ Sulfur Dioxide (25°C)	0.3824	ppb
Wind Speed	m/s	2.237	mph
	mph	0.4470	m/s
Solar Radiation	ly/min	697	w/m^2
	w/m^2	0.00143	ly/min
Precipitation	mm/hr	0.0394	in/hr
	in/hr	25.4	mm/hr
Temperature	$^{\circ}\text{C} + 17.78$	1.8	$^{\circ}\text{F}$
	$^{\circ}\text{F} - 32$	5/9	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
<p>Where:</p> <p>ppm = parts per million</p> <p>ppb = parts per billion</p> <p>$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ = micrograms per cubic meter (at 25°C)</p> <p>m/s = meters per second</p> <p>mps = miles per hour</p> <p>ly/min = langley's per minute</p> <p>w/m^2 = watts per square meter</p> <p>mm/hr = millimeters per hour</p> <p>in/hr = inches per hour</p> <p>$^{\circ}\text{C}$ = degrees centigrade</p> <p>$^{\circ}\text{F}$ = degrees fahrenheit</p>			