

List of Federal Reformulated Gasoline Program Areas

Clean Air Act

Required Areas:

LOS ANGELES - South Coast Air Basin, South East Desert, Ventura, CA

- Los Angeles County, CA
- Ventura County, CA
- Orange County, CA
- San Bernardino County (partial), CA
- Riverside County (partial), CA

SAN DIEGO County, CA

- San Diego County, CA

HARTFORD - New Haven - Waterbury, CT

- Hartford County (partial), CT
- Litchfield County (partial), CT
- Middlesex County (partial), CT
- New London County (partial), CT
- New Haven County (partial), CT
- Tolland County (partial), CT

NEW YORK - Northern New Jersey - Long Island - Connecticut area, NY-NJ-CT

- Fairfield County, CT
- Litchfield County, (partial), CT
- New Haven County (partial), CT
- Bergen County, NJ
- Essex County, NJ
- Hudson County, NJ
- Hunterdon County, NJ
- Middlesex County, NJ
- Monmouth County, NJ
- Morris County, NJ
- Ocean County, NJ
- Passaic County, NJ
- Somerset County, NJ
- Sussex County, NJ
- Union County, NJ
- Bronx County, NY
- Kings County, NY

- Nassau County, NY
- New York County, NY
- Orange County, NY
- Putnam, NY
- Queens County, NY
- Richmond County, NY
- Rockland County, NY
- Suffolk County, NY
- Westchester County, NY

PHILADELPHIA - Wilmington - Trenton - Cecil County, MD area PA-NJ-DE-MD

- New Castle County, DE
- Kent County, DE
- Cecil County, MD
- Burlington County, NJ
- Camden County, NJ
- Cumberland County, NJ
- Gloucester County, NJ
- Mercer County, NJ
- Salem County, NJ
- Bucks County, PA
- Chester County, PA
- Delaware County, PA
- Montgomery County, PA
- Philadelphia County, PA

CHICAGO - Gary - Lake County, IL - Indiana - Wisconsin area

- Cook County, IL
- Du Page County, IL
- Kane County, IL
- Lake County, IL
- McHenry County, IL
- Will County, IL
- Grundy County, IL, (partial)
- Kendall County, IL, (partial)
- Lake County, IN
- Porter County, IN

BALTIMORE, MD

- Anne Arundel County, MD
- Baltimore County, MD
- Carroll County, MD
- Harford County, MD
- Howard County, MD
- The City of Baltimore, MD

HOUSTON - Galveston - Brazoria, TX

- Brazoria County, TX
- Chambers County, TX
- Fort Bend County, TX
- Galveston County, TX
- Harris County, TX
- Liberty County, TX
- Montgomery County, TX
- Waller County, TX

MILWAUKEE - Racine, WI

- Kenosha County, WI
- Milwaukee County, WI
- Ozaukee County, WI
- Racine County, WI
- Washington County, WI
- Waukesha County, WI

SACRAMENTO, CA¹

- El Dorado County (partial), CA
- Placer County (partial), CA
- Sacramento County, CA
- Solano County (partial), CA
- Sutter County (partial), CA
- Yolo County, CA

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY, CA²

- Fresno County, CA
- Kent County (partial), CA
- Kings County, CA
- Madera County, CA
- Merced County, CA
- San Joaquin, CA
- Stanislaus County, CA
- Tulare County, CA

¹ Sacramento, CA was reclassified from Serious to Severe ozone nonattainment effective June 1, 1995. RFG was required as of June 1, 1996.

² San Joaquin Valley, CA area (excluding East Kern County) was reclassified as Severe ozone nonattainment effective December 10, 2001. RFG was required as of December 10, 2002.

BATON ROUGE, LA³

- Ascension Parish
- East Baton Rouge Parish
- Iberville Parish
- Livingston Parish
- West Baton Rouge Parish

ATLANTA, GA⁴

- Cherokee County
- Clayton County
- Cobb County
- Coweta County
- DeKalb County
- Douglas County
- Fayette County
- Forsyth County
- Fulton County
- Gwinnett County
- Henry County
- Paulding County
- Rockdale County

"Opt-In" Areas (Voluntary):

CONNECTICUT, The Entire State

- Litchfield County (partial), CT
- Hartford County (partial), CT
- Middlesex County (partial), CT
- New London County (partial), CT
- Tolland County (partial), CT
- Windham County, CT

DELAWARE, The Entire State

- Sussex nonattainment area
- Sussex County, DE

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- Washington, DC-MD-VA area (DC portion)

³ Baton Rouge, LA was reclassified to Severe ozone nonattainment effective June 23, 2003. RFG is required as of June 23, 2004.

⁴ Atlanta, GA was reclassified to Severe ozone nonattainment effective January 1, 2004. RFG is required as of January 1, 2005.

- Entire District of Columbia

KENTUCKY

Cincinnati-Hamilton KY-OH area (KY portion)

- Boone County, KY
- Campbell County, KY
- Kenton County, KY

Louisville, KY-IN area (KY portion)

- Jefferson County, KY
- Bullitt County (partial), KY
- Oldham County (partial), KY

MARYLAND

Washington, DC-MD-VA area (MD portion)

- Calvert County, MD
- Charles County, MD
- Frederick County, MD
- Montgomery County, MD
- Prince Georges County, MD

Kent & Queen Anne's nonattainment area

- Queen Anne's County, MD
- Kent County, MD

MASSACHUSETTS, The Entire State

Boston-Lawrence-Worcester (E. MA)

- Barnstable County, MA
- Bristol County, MA
- Dukes County, MA
- Essex County, MA
- Middlesex County, MA
- Nantucket County, MA
- Norfolk County, MA
- Plymouth County, MA
- Suffolk County, MA
- Worcester County, MA

Springfield (Western MA) nonattainment areas

- Berkshire County, MA
- Franklin County, MA
- Hampden County, MA
- Hampshire County, MA

MISSOURI (Effective Opt-In Date is June 1, 1999)

St. Louis nonattainment area

- St. Louis County
- St Louis (city)
- Franklin County
- Jefferson County
- St. Charles County

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Boston-Lawrence-Worcester, MA-NH nonattainment area (NH portion)

- Hillsborough County, NH
- Rockingham County, NH
- Merrimack County, NH
- Strafford County, NH

NEW JERSEY, The Entire State

Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton area (NJ portion)

- Warren County, NJ

Atlantic City nonattainment area

- Atlantic County, NJ
- Cape May County, NJ

NEW YORK

Essex nonattainment area

- Dutchess County, NY
- Essex County (partial), NY

RHODE ISLAND, The Entire State

Providence nonattainment area

- Bristol County, RI
- Kent County, RI
- Newport County, RI
- Providence County, RI
- Washington County, RI

TEXAS

Dallas-Fort Worth nonattainment area

- Collin County, TX
- Dallas County, TX
- Denton County, TX
- Tarrant County, TX

VIRGINIA

Washington DC-MD-VA area (VA portion)

- Alexandria, VA
- Arlington County, VA
- Fairfax, VA

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- Falls Church, VA
- Loudoun County, VA
- Manassas, VA
- Manassas Park, VA
- Prince William County, VA
- Stafford County, VA

Richmond, VA nonattainment area

- Charles City County, VA
- Chesterfield County, VA
- Colonial Heights, VA
- Hanover County, VA
- Henrico County, VA
- Hopewell, VA
- Richmond, VA

Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News area

- Chesapeake, VA
- Hampton, VA
- James City County, VA
- Newport News, VA
- Norfolk, VA
- Poquoson, VA
- Portsmouth, VA
- Suffolk, VA
- Virginia Beach, VA
- Williamsburg, VA
- York County, VA.

"Opt-Out" Areas:

ARIZONA

Phoenix, AZ nonattainment area

- Maricopa County (partial)

- Phoenix opted in the RFG program in 1997; retail stations were required to supply RFG by August 4, 1997.
- In September 1997, the Governor of Arizona submitted an RFG opt-out petition for purposes of adopting a more stringent state RFG program in Phoenix.
- EPA approved the opt-out petition which became effective on June 10, 1998.

MAINE

The following counties in Maine “opted-out” of the RFG program -- the effective opt-out date was March 10, 1999:

Knox & Lincoln nonattainment area

- Knox County, ME
- Lincoln County, ME

Lewiston-Auburn nonattainment area

- Androscoggin County, ME
- Kennebec County, ME

Portland nonattainment area

- Cumberland County, ME
- Sagadahoc County, ME
- York County, ME

The following "Opt-Out" areas withdrew from the federal RFG program before it went into effect on January 1, 1995. See below for details.

MAINE

Hancock and Waldo Counties, ME

- Hancock County
- Waldo County

PENNSYLVANIA

Allentown - Bethlehem - Easton, PA

- Carbon County
- Lehigh County
- Northampton County

Altoona, PA

- Blair County

Erie, PA

- Erie County

Harrisburg - Lebanon - Carlisle, PA

- Cumberland County
- Dauphin County
- Lebanon County
- Perry County

Johnstown, PA

- Cambria County
- Somerset County

Lancaster, PA

- Lancaster County

Pittsburgh - Beaver Valley, PA

- Allegheny County
- Beaver County
- Fayette County
- Washington County
- Westmoreland County
- Armstrong County
- Butler County

Reading, PA

- Berks County

Scranton - Wilkes-Barre, PA

- Columbia County
- Lackawanna County
- Luzerne County
- Monroe County
- Wyoming County

York, PA

- Adams County
- York County

Youngstown, OH - Warren, OH - Sharon, PA*

- Mercer, PA

* Ohio counties have not opted-in.

NEW YORK

Albany - Schenectady - Troy, NY

- Albany County
- Greene County
- Montgomery County
- Rensselaer County
- Saratoga County
- Schenectady County

Jefferson County, NY

Buffalo - Niagara Falls, NY

- Erie County
- Niagara County

- A proposed rule to remove the above "opt-out" areas from the

requirements of the reformulated gasoline program was published June 14, 1995. [On January 1, 1995, a temporary exemption of the RFG requirements in these areas went into effect. On July 1, 1995 this stay was extended until the Agency took final action].

- The final rule, published July 8, 1996 [61 FR 35673], formally removed these areas from the list of RFG covered areas and provided states with general opt-out procedures.
- The July 8 final rule was superseded by a final rule published October 20, 1997 [62 FR 54552], revising the opt-out procedures.

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