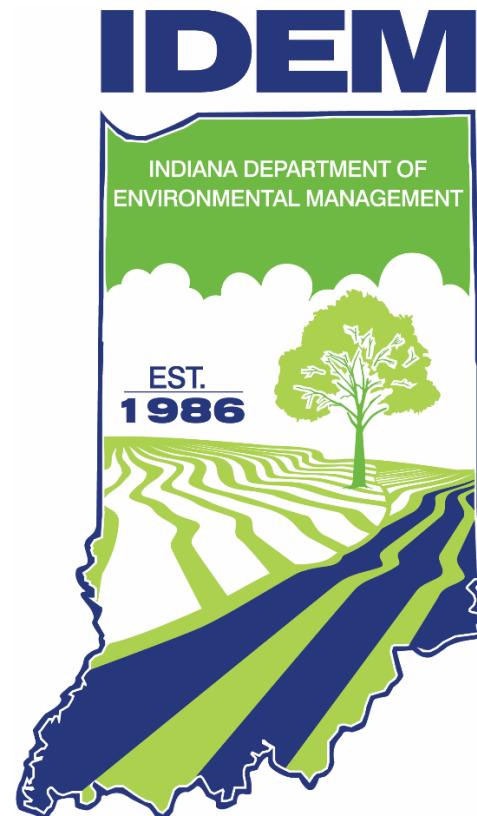


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30-Year Trend Charts

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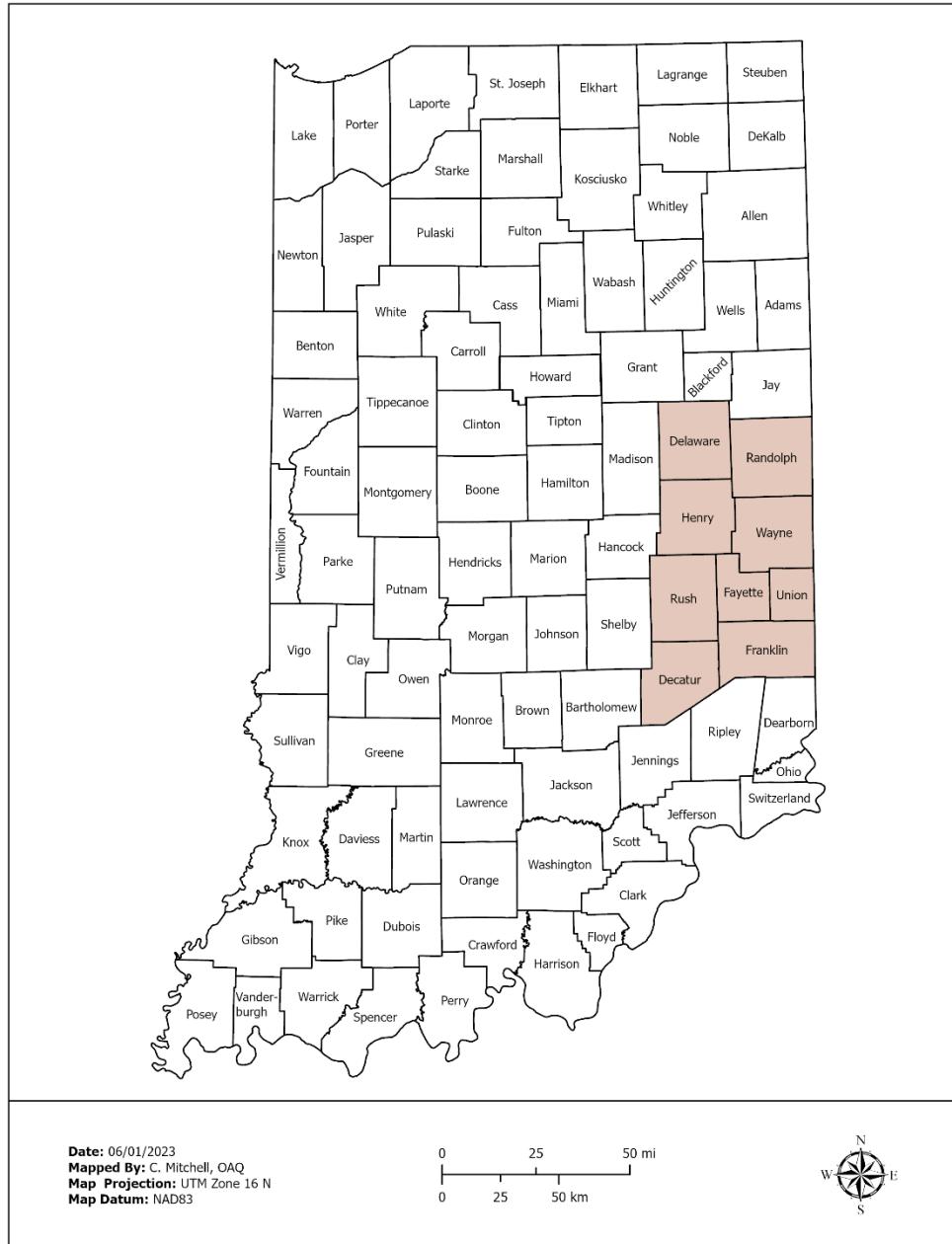
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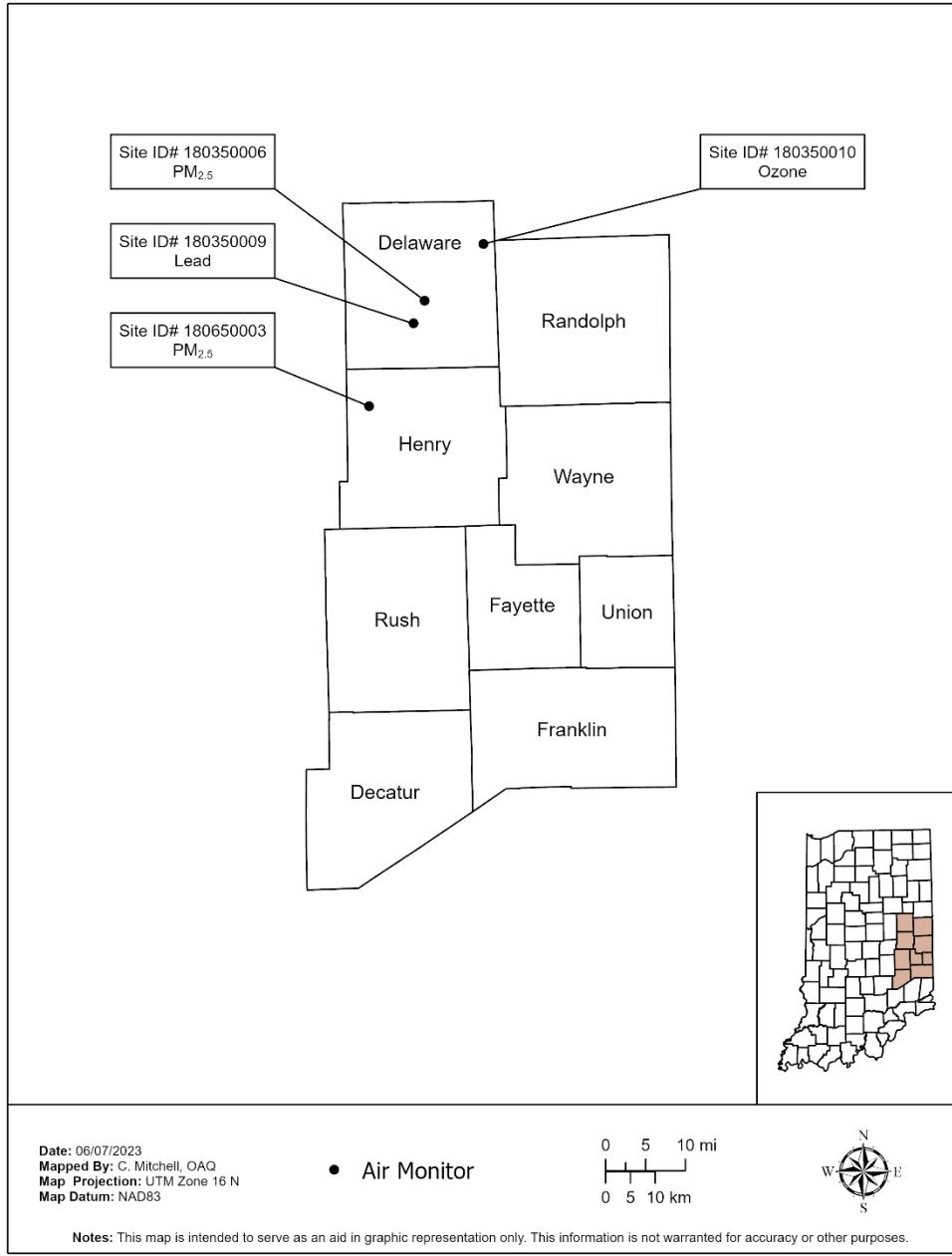
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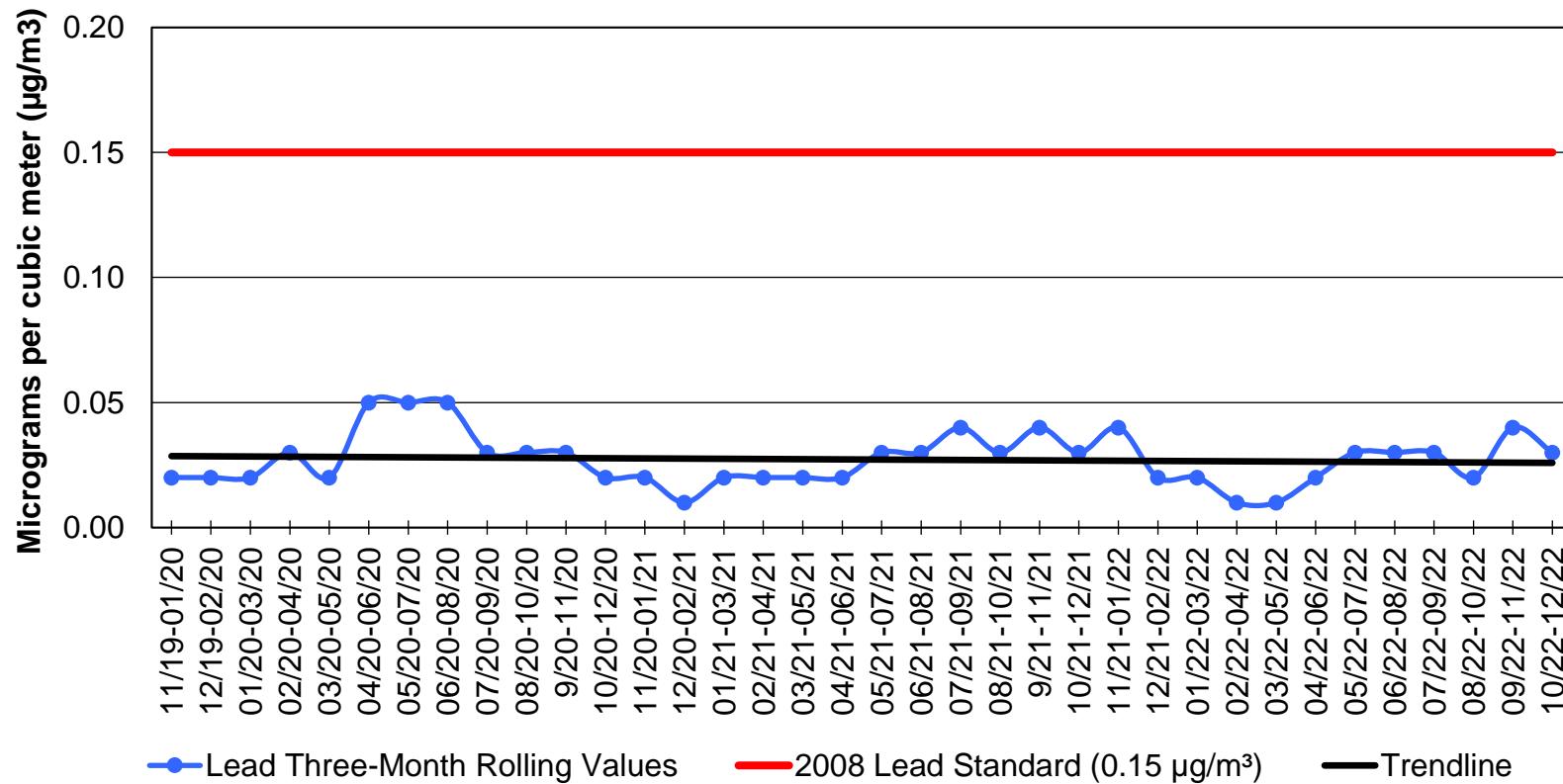


East Central Region Monitors Operating In 2022



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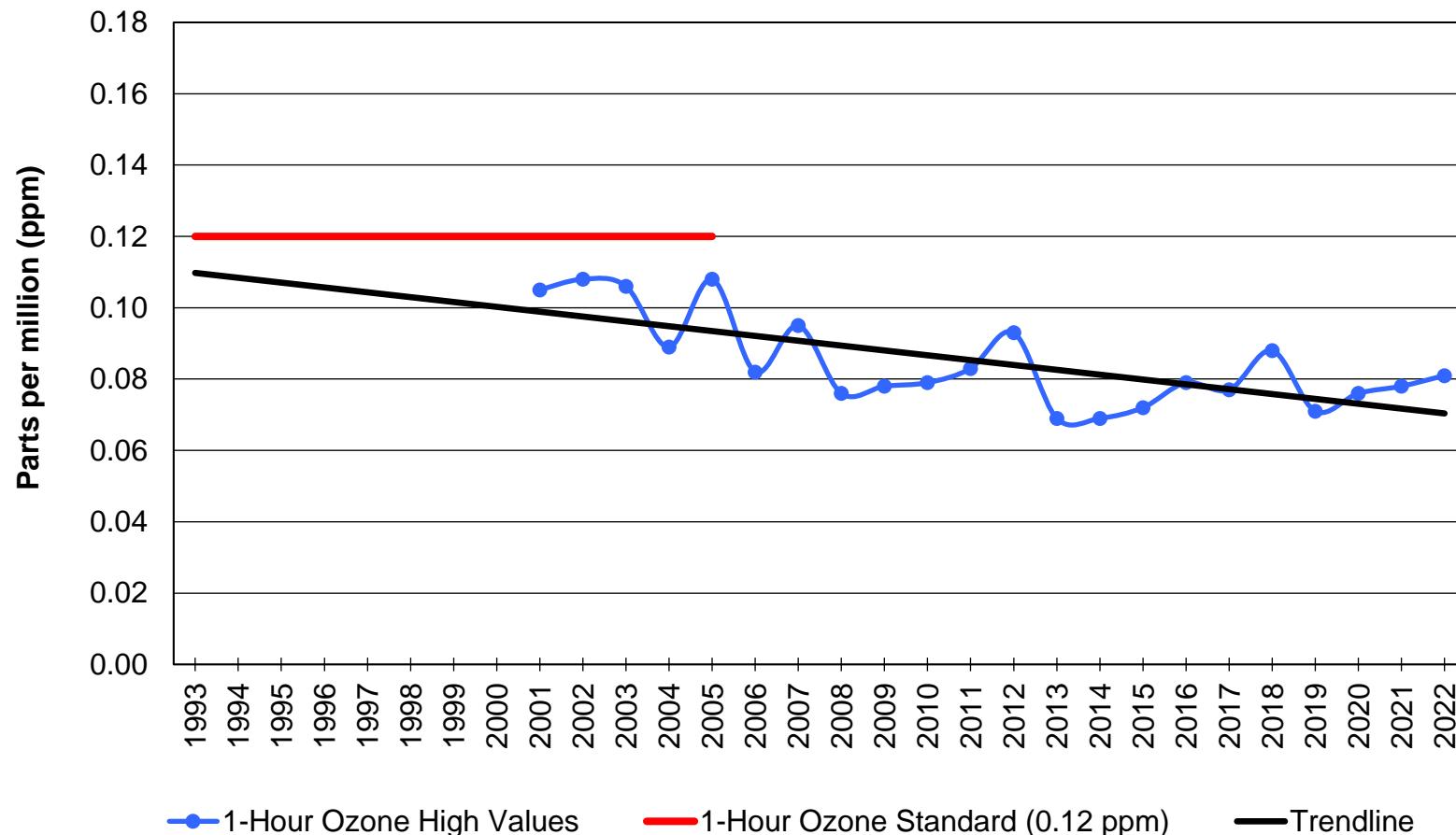
Highest Lead Three-Month Rolling Average Value East Central Indiana



In 2008, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) lowered the annual lead standard to 0.15 micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) ([73 FR 66964](#)). The standard must not be exceeded based on a 3-month rolling average (Jan.-Mar., Feb.-Apr., Mar.- May, etc.) over a 38-month period consisting of the most recent 3-year calendar period plus two previous months.

Ozone

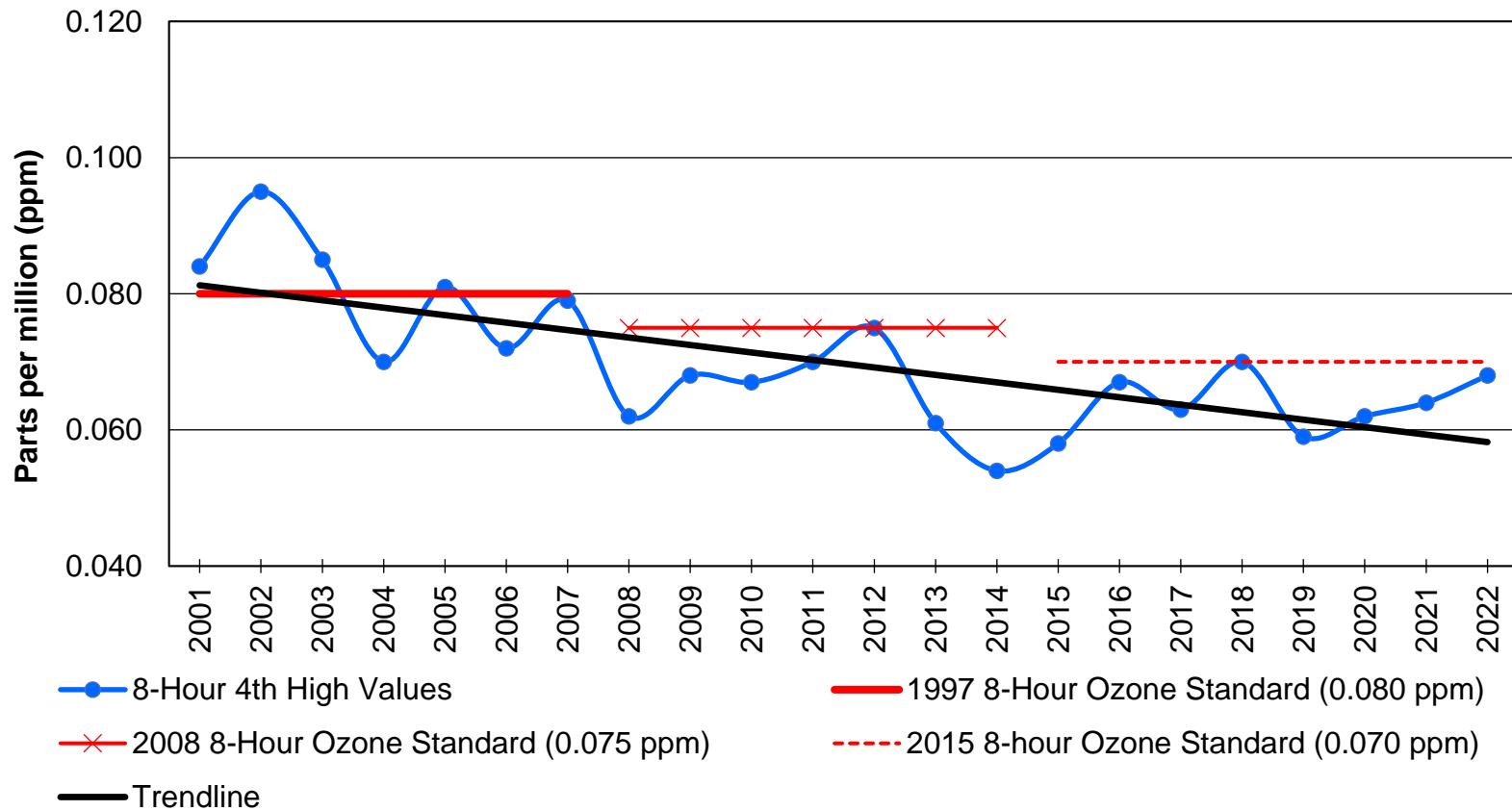
1-Hour Ozone High Values East Central Indiana



In 1979, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established a 1-hour ozone standard ([44 FR 8202](#)). The standard was set at 0.12 parts per million (ppm) not to be exceeded more than once per year on average over three years. In 2005, U.S. EPA revoked the 1-hour standard, however IDEM continues to monitor for the standard.

Ozone

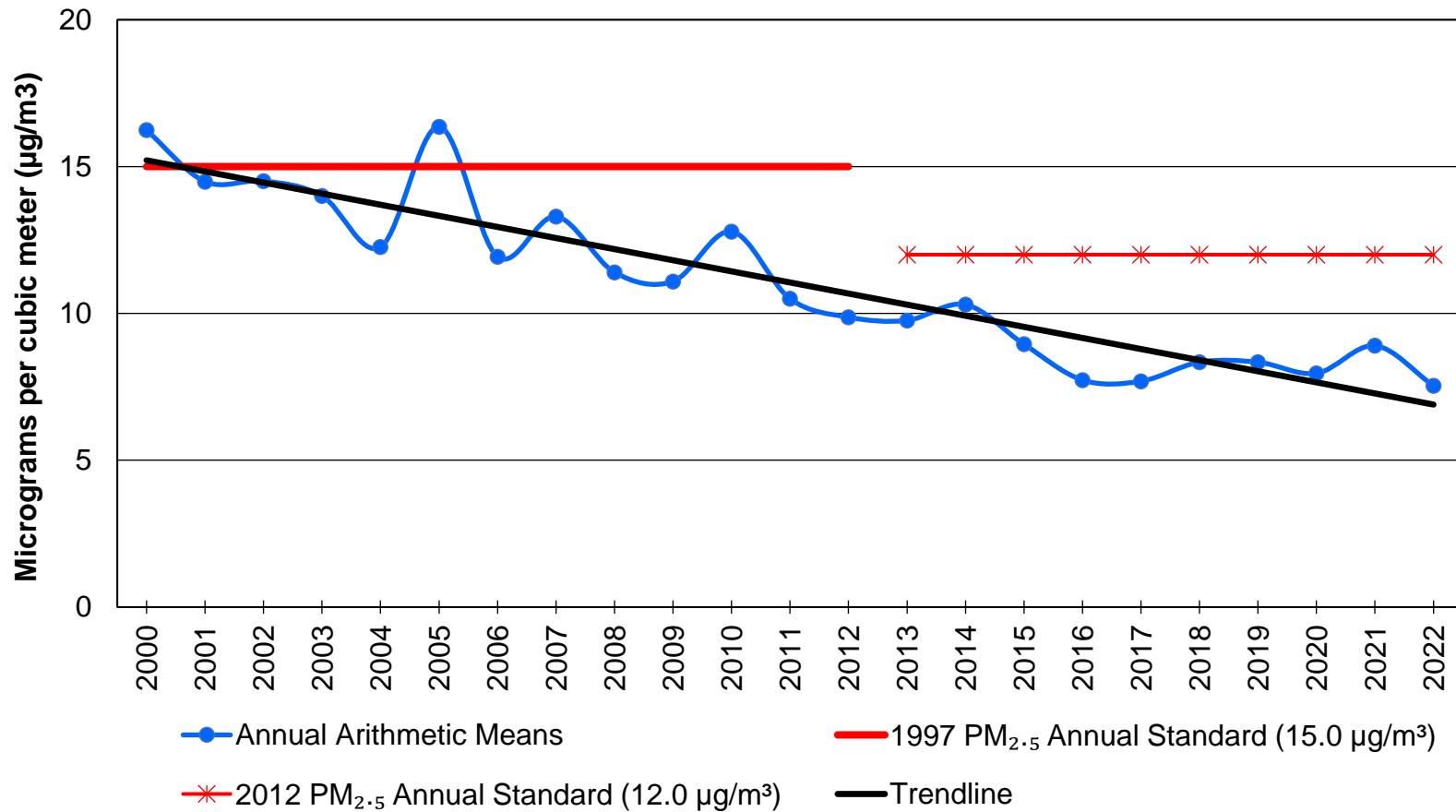
8-Hour Ozone 4th High Values East Central Indiana



In 1997, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established an 8-hour ozone standard ([62 FR 38856](#)). The standard was set at 0.080 parts per million (ppm) not to be exceeded. In 2007, U.S. EPA lowered the 8-hour standard to 0.075 ppm not to be exceeded ([73 FR 16436](#)) and in 2015 further strengthened the standard to 0.070 ppm ([80 FR 65292](#)). Compliance is determined by evaluating the fourth highest daily maximum concentration averaged over a 3-year period.

Particulate Matter

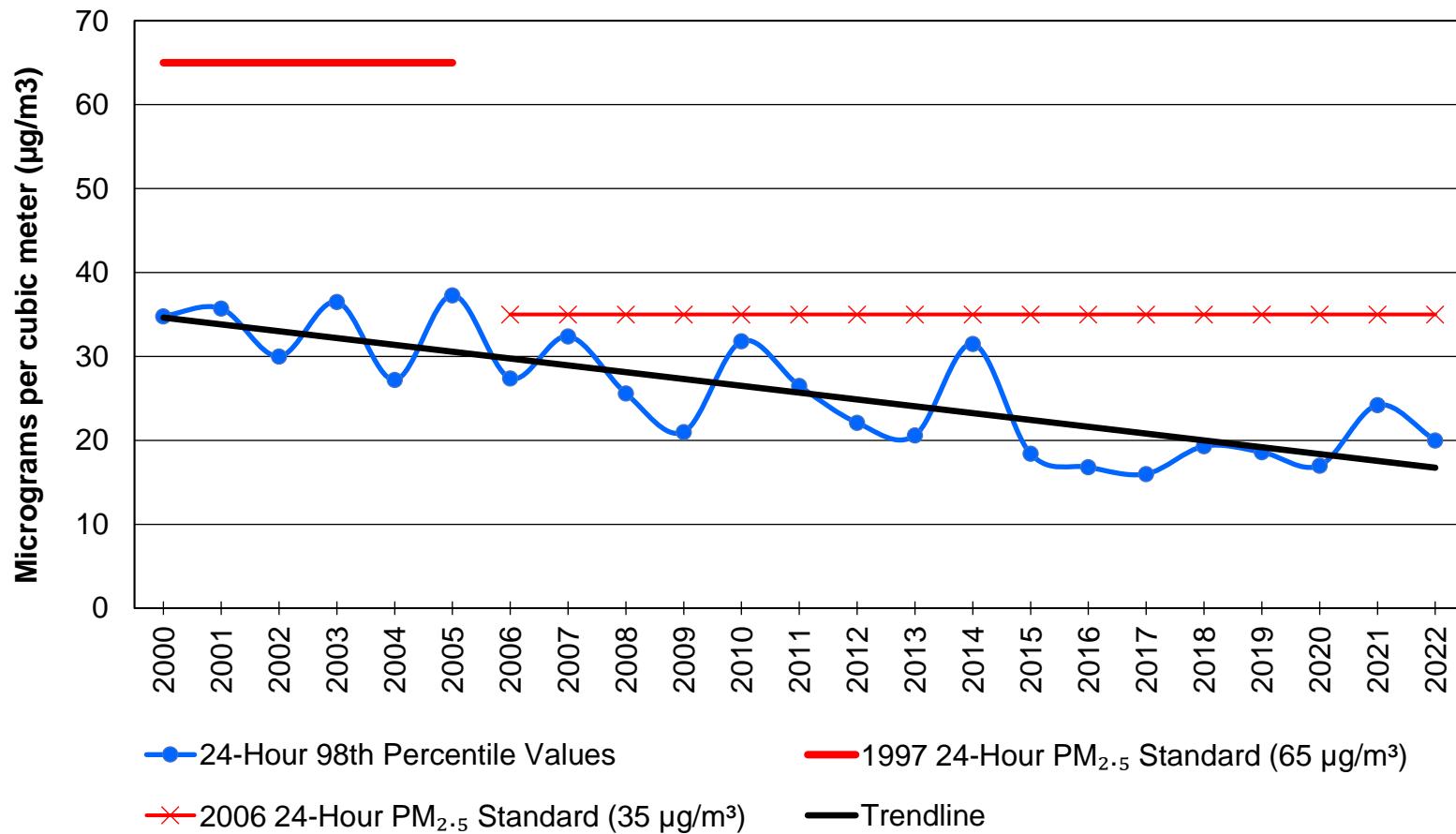
Annual Arithmetic Mean PM_{2.5} Values East Central Indiana



In 1997, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established an annual fine particles (PM_{2.5}) standard at 15 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³) ([62 FR 38652](#)). In 2013, U.S. EPA lowered the standard to 12 µg/m³ ([78 FR 3085](#)). Compliance is determined by evaluating the annual arithmetic mean averaged over a 3-year period not to be exceeded.

Particulate Matter

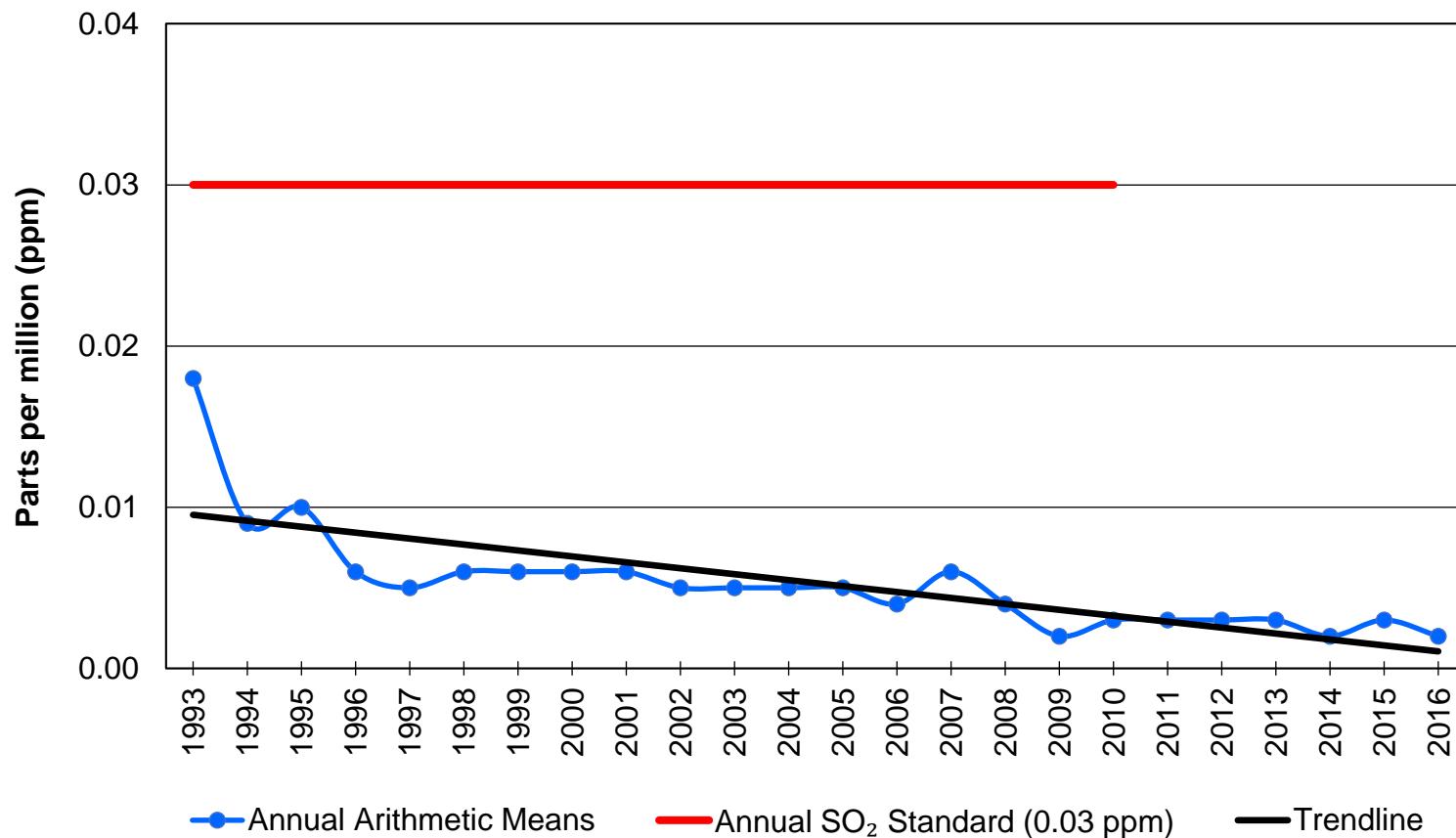
24-Hour PM_{2.5} 98th Percentile Values East Central Indiana



In 1997, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established a 24-hour fine particles (PM_{2.5}) standard of 65 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³) ([62 FR 38652](#)). In 2006, U.S. EPA lowered the standard to 35 µg/m³ ([71 FR 61144](#)). Compliance is determined by evaluating the 98th percentile averaged over a 3-year period not to be exceeded.

Sulfur Dioxide

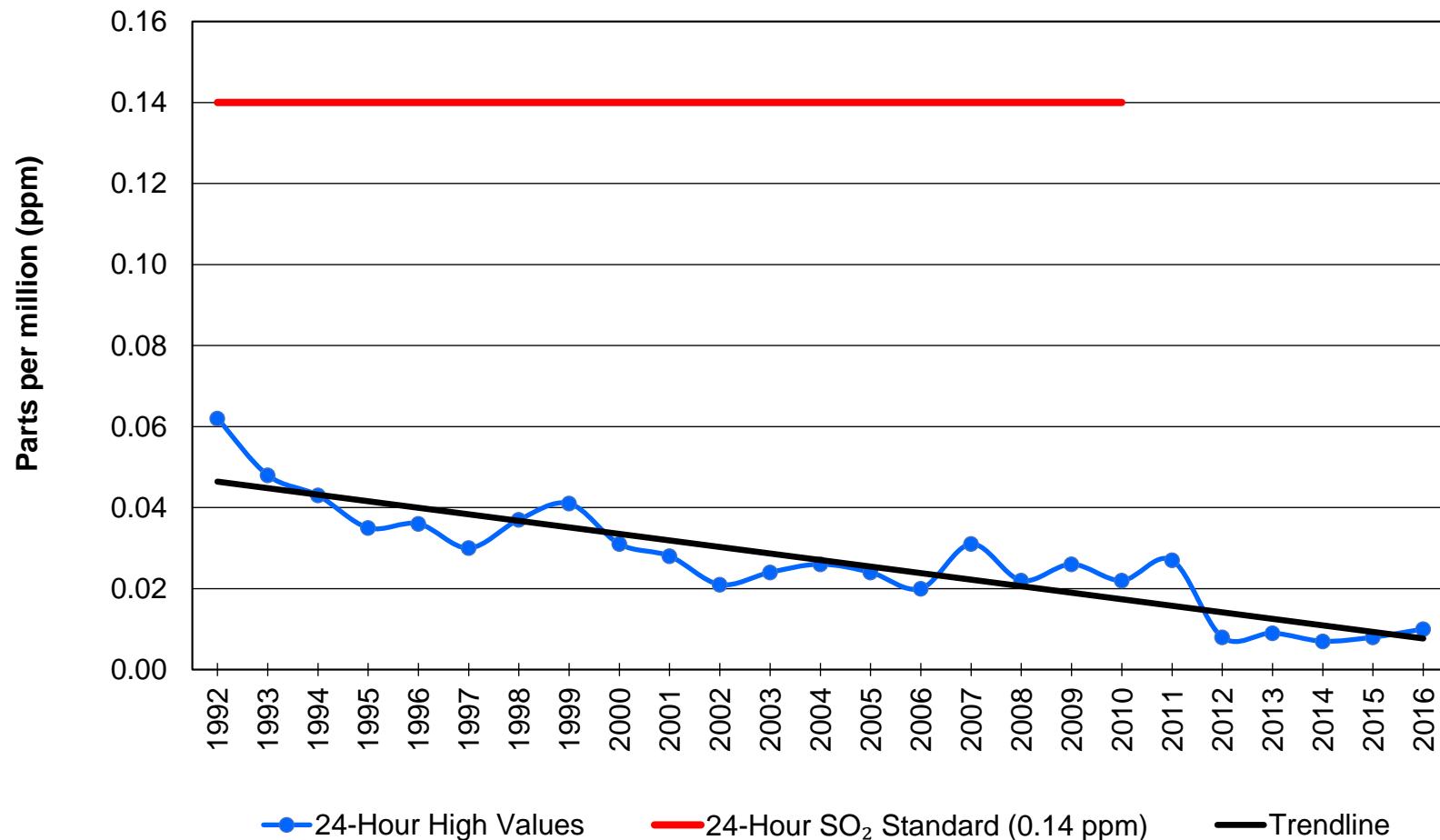
Annual Arithmetic Mean SO₂ Values East Central Indiana



In 1971, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established an annual sulfur dioxide (SO₂) standard ([36 FR 8186](#)). The standard was set at 0.03 parts per million (ppm) and was not to be exceeded. In 2010, U.S. EPA revoked the standard, however IDEM continues to monitor for the annual standard in certain regions.

Sulfur Dioxide

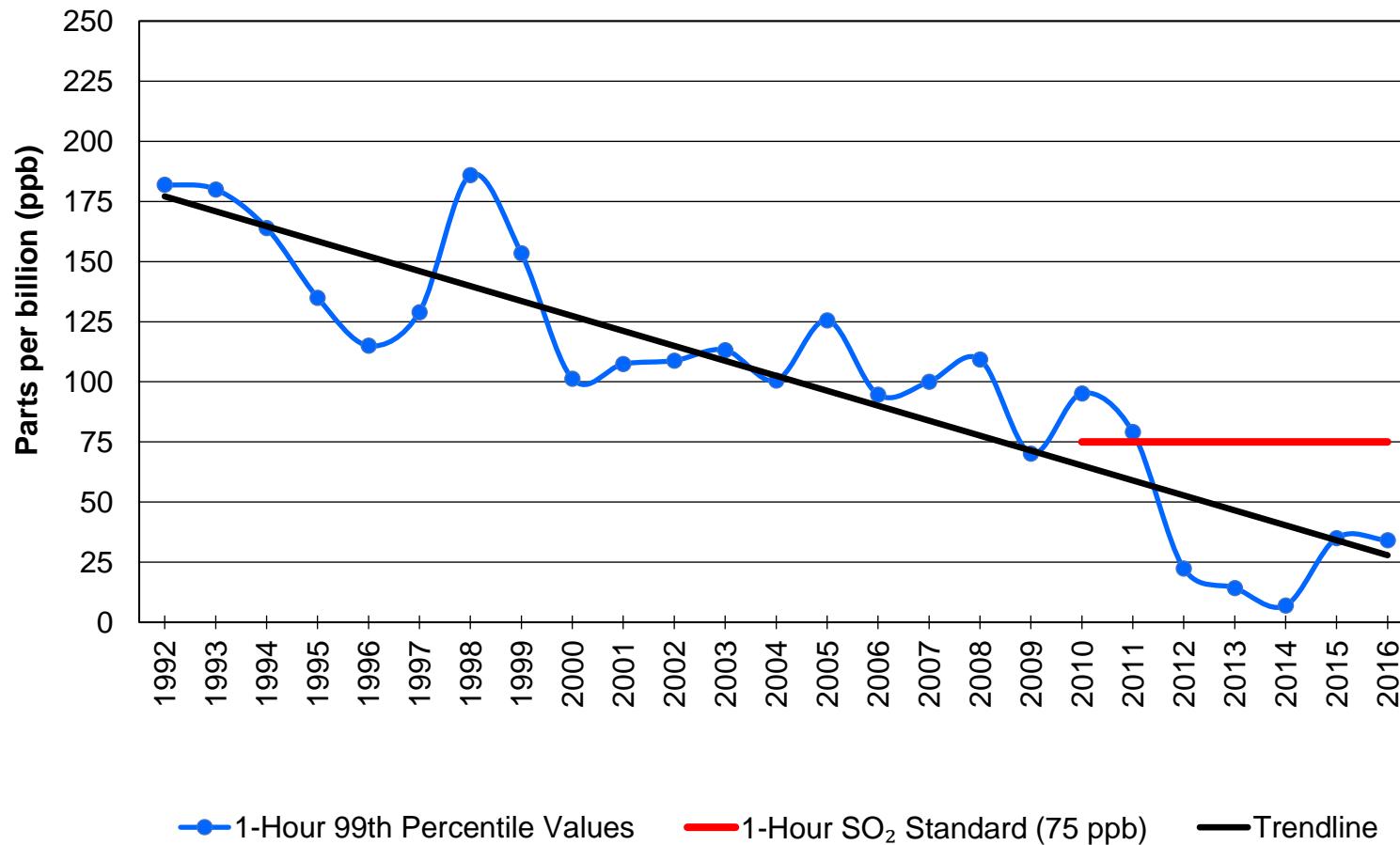
24-Hour SO₂ 2nd High Values East Central Indiana



In 1971, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established a 24-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) standard ([36 FR 8186](#)). The standard was set at 0.14 parts per million (ppm) and was not to be exceeded more than once per year, therefore 2nd-high values are compared to the standard. In 2010, U.S. EPA revoked the standard, however IDEM continues to monitor for the 24-hour standard in certain regions.

Sulfur Dioxide

Highest 1-Hour SO₂ 99th Percentile Values East Central Indiana



In 2010, United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established a 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) standard ([75 FR 35520](#)). The standard was set at 75 parts per billion (ppb) with the 99th percentile of 1-hour daily maximum concentrations averaged over a 3-year period not to be exceeded.

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