

Air Quality Index (AQI) in Selected Texas Cybercities, 1990–2005

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
	<i>Number of days with AQI values greater than 100 (ozone only)</i>															
Austin	4	3	1	2	4	10	0	0	5	8	6	0	5	3	2	1
Dallas	0	0	5	10	24	20	8	20	24	16	20	14	6	5	9	10
Fort Worth	16	20	7	9	31	28	14	14	17	19	16	17	23	22	11	22
Houston	51	36	32	27	38	65	26	46	38	50	41	26	20	30	22	28
San Antonio	4	2	0	3	3	17	2	3	6	9	0	0	17	4	4	3

Air Quality Index (AQI): To measure ozone levels, the US EPA uses an index called the Air Quality Index (AQI). The AQI is an index for reporting daily air quality that indicates how clean or polluted the air is in selected metropolitan areas in the US. The AQI is also used to make the population aware of associated health concerns. For example: in the year 2005, Austin had 1 day during which the ozone level exceeded 100; in 1995, Austin had 10 days that exceeded 100.

Austin - Austin-Round Rock MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area)

Dallas - Dallas MSA

Fort Worth - Fort Worth-Arlington MSA

Houston - Houston MSA

San Antonio - San Antonio MSA

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