Air North Texas Coalition Thursday, May 15, 2025 1:30 – 3:00 pm

<u>Agenda</u>

1.	Introdu	ctions		Kimberlin To, NCTCOG
2.	Overvi	rerview		
	a.	March 20	Meeting	Kimberlin To
3.	Discus	sion		
	a.	Air Quality	Update	Daniela Tower, NCTCOG
	b.	Engine Off	North Texas: Working Together for Cleaner Air	Trey Pope, NCTCOG
	C.	Administra	tive Announcements/Reminders	Kimberlin To
		i.	Clean Air Action Day – June 6	
		ii.	Outreach Items	
		iii.	Clean Air Corner	
	d.	Website Q	uantification/Social Media Report	Leslie Maldonado, NCTCOG
4.	Other/	ther/Member UpdatesKimberlin Te		
5.	Additio	nal Items		Kimberlin To
	a.	Thursday, Conference	<mark>ing Information:</mark> July 17 e Call: 903-508-4574 e ID: 508 448 661#	

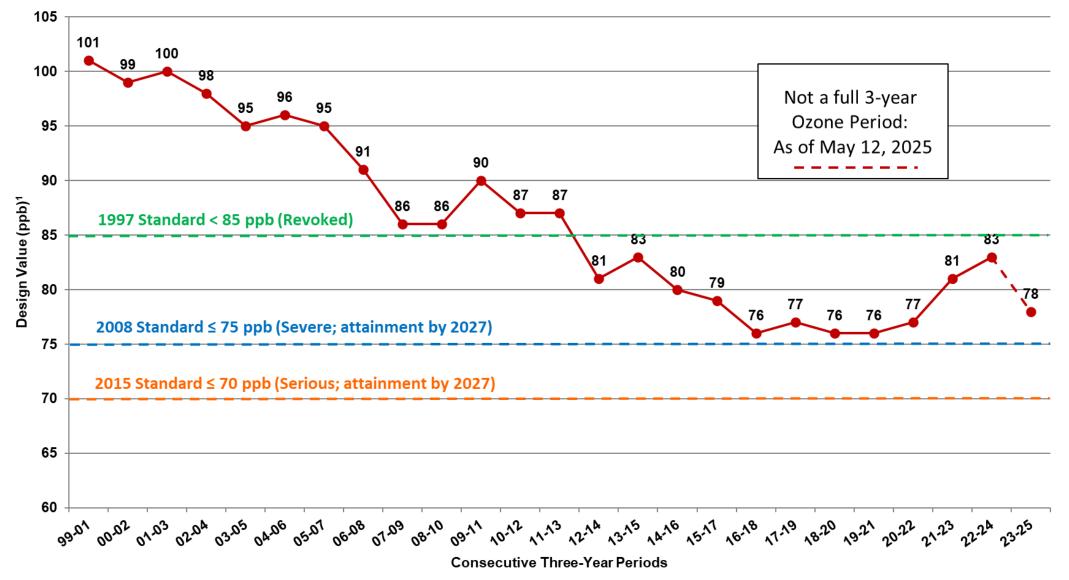




NCTCOG PRESENTATION Air Quality Status Report

Daniela Tower | Air North Texas Coalition | 5.15.2025

8-hour Ozone NAAQS Historical Trends

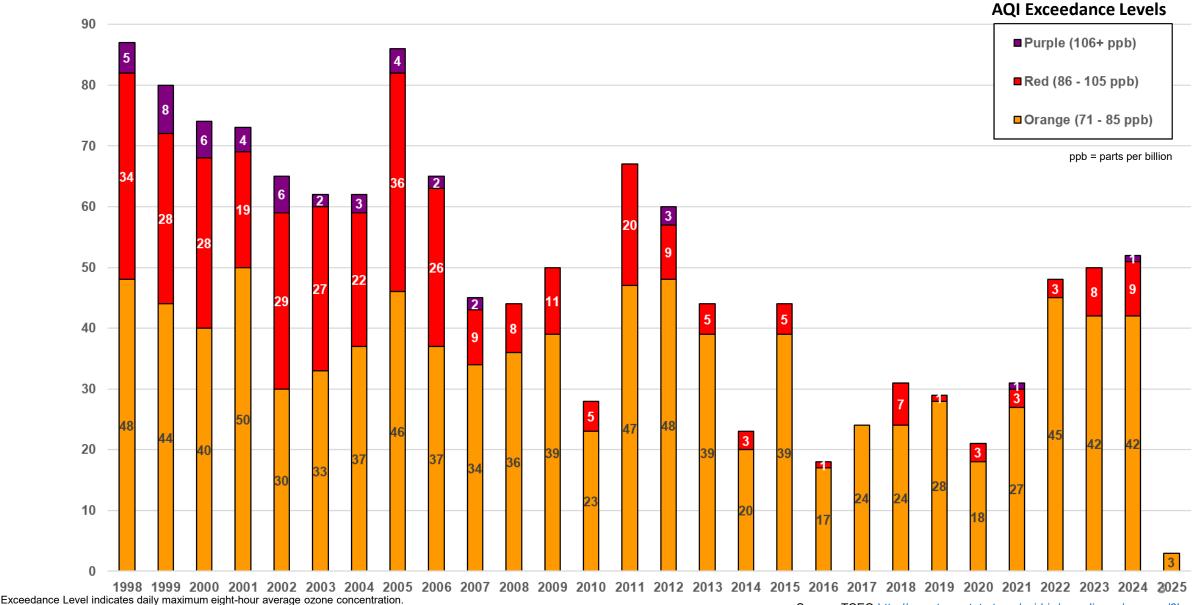


¹Attainment Goal - According to the US EPA National Ambient Air Quality Standards, attainment is reached when, at each monitor, the *Design Value* (three-year average of the annual fourth-highest daily maximum eight-hour average ozone concentration) is equal to or less than 70 parts per billion (ppb).



8-hour Ozone NAAQS Historical Trends

Based on ≤70 ppb – Ozone Season 2025, as of May 12

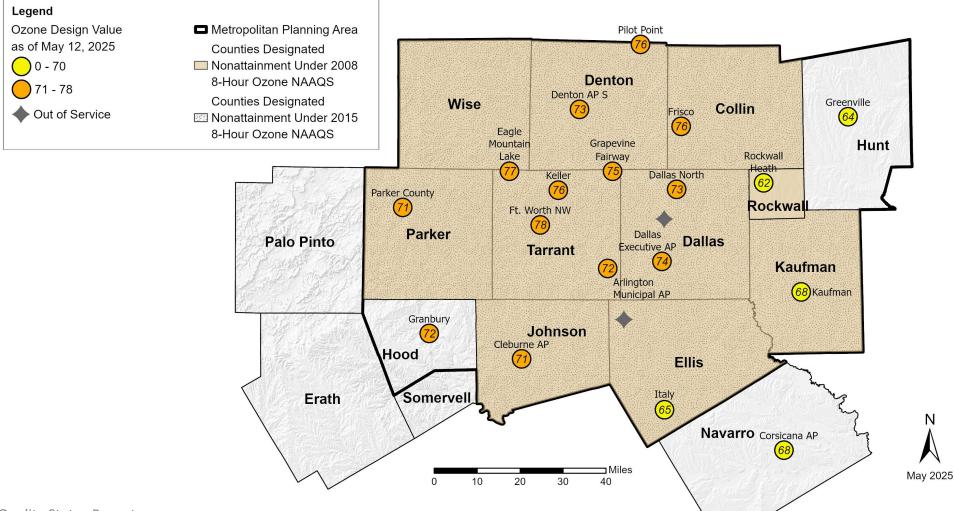


Exceedance Levels are based on Air Quality Index (AQI) thresholds established by the EPA for the for the revised ozone standard of 70 ppb.

Source: TCEQ http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/cgi-bin/compliance/monops/8hr_monthly.pl

Regular Ozone Monitoring Network – Current Design Values

As of May 12, 2025



Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard

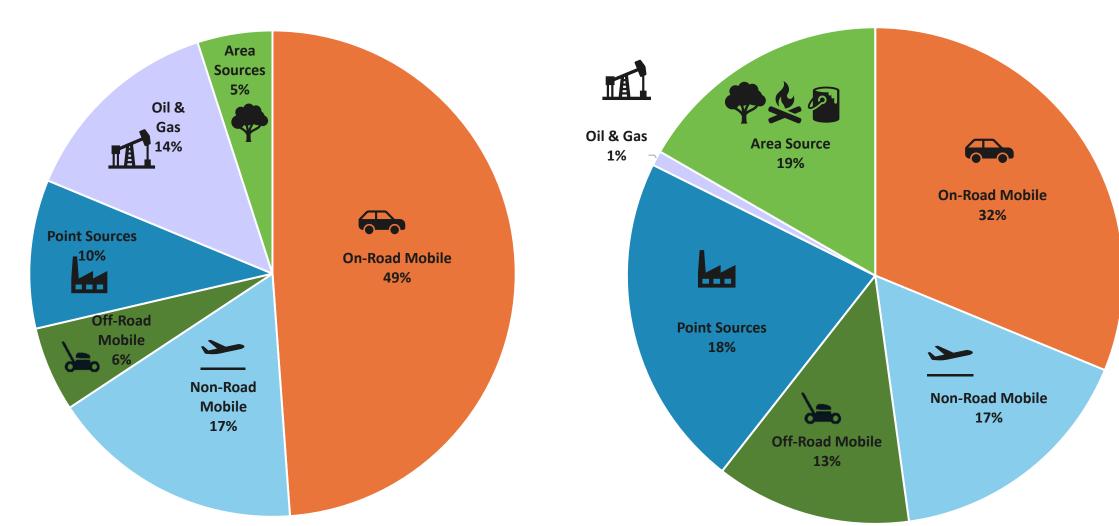
Monitor Values to Reach Attainment as of May 12, 2025

Five Highest Menitors	4 th Highest 8h-Average for the Season			Current 2025 Ozone
Five Highest Monitors	2023	2024	2025	Season Design Value
Fort Worth Northwest	84	85	65	78
Eagle Mountain Lake	81	89	63	77
Pilot Point	81	83	66	76
Frisco	82	84	62	76
Keller	80	88	61	76

Based on 2023 – 2025 Ozone Monitor Data



Ground-Level Ozone: Precursor NO_x



2006 Inventory of Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) – 581.9 t/d

2026 Inventory of Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) – 187.5 t/d

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NCTCOG PRESENTATION

Engine Off North Texas: Working Together for Cleaner Air

Air North Texas Coalition

May 15, 2025

Trey Pope, Air Quality Planner

Engine Off North Texas

Goal

Reducing unnecessary engine idling in the 10-county ozone nonattainment region with the focus on heavy-duty diesel vehicles (HDVs)

Why Heavy-Duty?

HDVs contribute approximately 67% of NOx emissions from on-road sources—about 35% of total regional NOx emissions

www.engineoffnorthtexas.org

Education

Provide local government guide, brochures, posters, and dedicated webpage

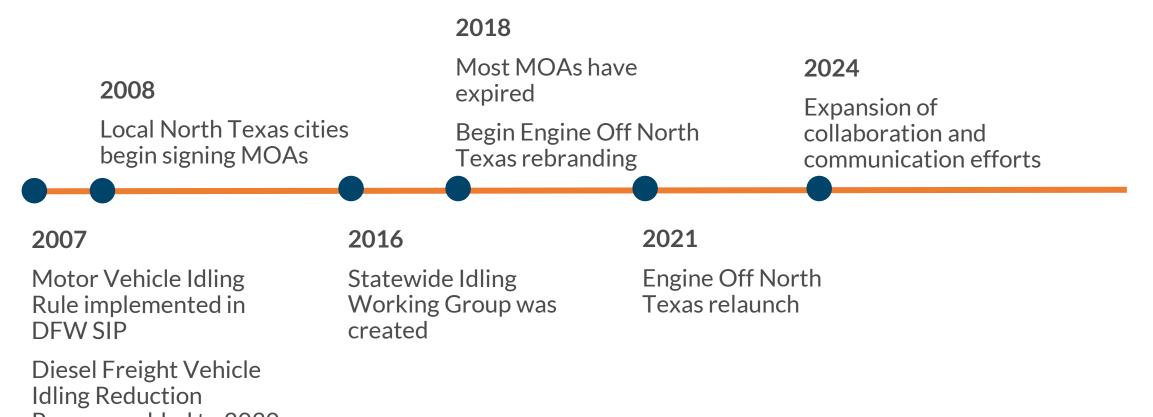
Support

Offering tools and resources to help facilitate idle reduction





History



Program added to 2030 Mobility Plan



North Texas Idling Restrictions

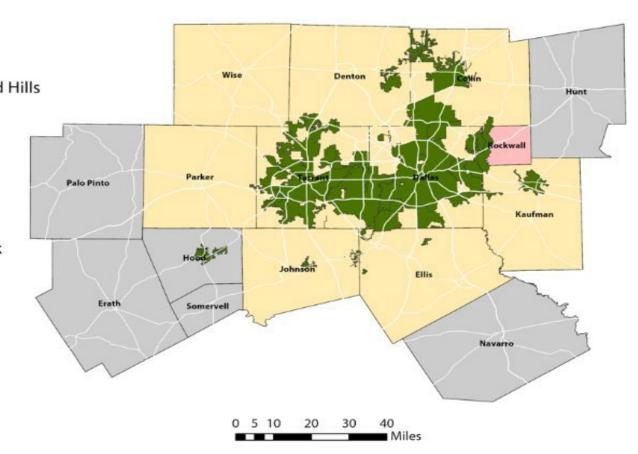
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Cities With Idling Restrictions

Arlington Little Elm Benbrook McKinney Cedar Hill Mesquite Celina North Richland Hills Dallas Pecan Hill Duncanville Plano Euless Richardson Fort Worth Rowlett Granbury Sunnyvale Grand Prairie Terrell Hurst **Trophy Club** Keene University Park Lake Worth Venus Lancaster Westlake

Counties Designated Nonattainment Under 8-Hour NAAQS

2008 Only 2008 and 2015







October 2024

Health Impacts of Idling

- Diesel exhaust contains more than 40 toxic air contaminants, including carcinogens (EPA)
- Exposure causes coughing, throat irritation, and worsens asthma and bronchitis (EPA)
- Long-term exposure linked to lung cancer and cardiovascular disease (CARB)
- Diesel pollution causes thousands of premature deaths annually in the US (American Lung Association)



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Economic Impacts of Idling

- 1,800 hours of long-haul truck idling per year costs approximately \$6,000 per truck when diesel is \$4 per gallon (Motive)
- One hour of daily idling (estimated 140 days/year) equals the same wear and tear as driving 64,000 miles per year (Omnitracs)
- 100 trucks in a fleet idling two hours daily can waste up to \$165,000 in fuel in a year



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Empowering Local Governments

- ✓ Signing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with TCEQ
 - Enforces state idling limitations (5 consecutive minutes)
 - General Law cities/counties can only enforce this rule by signing an MOA
- ✓ Adopting a Vehicle Idling Restriction Ordinance without MOA
 - Home Rule cities/counties can develop their own ordinances, referencing TCEQ or creating their own
 - NCTCOG can provide sample ordinance language
- ✓ Benefits for Local Governments
 - Contributing to SIP weight of evidence
 - Potentially earn Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) through the Policy Bundle process



Supporting Local Enforcement Efforts

- Local governments are responsible for determining enforcement personnel and procedures
- NCTCOG Resources
 - Idling complaint hotline (1-877-NTX-IDLE) and webform
 - Potential enforcement procedures
 - Identifying vehicles > 14,000 lbs. GVWR
 - Timing idling
 - Exemption checklist
 - Warning/citation violators
 - Documentation
- Enforcement Target Locations
 - Truck stops, loading docks, warehouses, construction sites, etc.
- Key Enforcement Considerations
 - ° Citation details, fines, who is cited (driver, owner, etc.), prosecution



Tool Kit

- Resources are available by request free of charge from NCTCOG
- Request regulatory signs, brochures, and posters by completing and submitting <u>Microsoft Forms Document</u>
- NCTCOG staff will coordinate with contact person to pick up/deliver items that cannot be mailed



Engine Off North Texas Tool Kit

Once an idling ordinance is adopted, the next step is to promote awareness of local idling restrictions and provide information to truck drivers on available technologies and funding opportunities to help reduce excessive idling. Local governments can install signs in areas traditionally known for excessive idling and promote awareness of restrictions throughout the jurisdiction. Information on each of these education materials is provided below.

Educational materials provided by NCTCOG linked below.

Request Engine Off North Texas Materials



REPORT AN IDLING VEHICLE

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LOCAL GOVER

Visit Engine Off North Texas.

Visit <u>www.engIneoffnorthtexas.org</u> or call toll free **1-877-NTX-IDLE (1-877-689-4353)** to report an idling vehicle in the North Central Texas nonattainment area*. When making a report, please provide the following information within 30 days of observing an idling

Date observed

Time of Day

Brochure

Information on idling restriction ordinances, negative side effects of idling, and idle reduction strategies

Poster

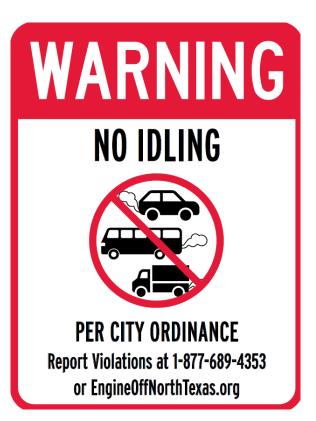
Information on how to submit an idling complaint

Local Government Guide

Updated information

Offers multiple options for implementing an idle restriction policy and enforcement strategies





Regulatory Sign

Focused on deterring drivers from idling in restricted areas

For cities with an adopted idling restriction ordinance





Website

Updated content User-friendly layout

Technology: Reducing Idling without Sacrificing Comfort

On-Board Options

- Automatic Shutdown Devices
- Auxiliary Power Units (APUs)
- Battery-Powered or Alternative-Power Devices
- Fuel-Operated Heaters (Bunk Heaters)
- Thermal Storage Systems (Evaporative Coolers)

For more information, please visit the <u>EPA's website</u>.



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Funding for Diesel Replacements

Funding Source: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program

Call for Projects	North Texas Diesel Emissions Reduction Project 2024 – Round 2 Deadline June 13, 2025
Project Types	Replace On-Road and Non-Road Diesel Engines/Vehicles/Equipment; Install Locomotive Shore Power and Other Idle Reduction Technologies
Available Funding	\$1,275,932
Applicants	Private Fleets and Companies; Public Entities such as Municipalities and Airports
Geographic Area	10-County Nonattainment Area*, Area of Air Toxics Concern**
Clean Fleet Policy	Must Adopt RTC Clean Fleet Policy or Similar
Website	www.nctcog.org/NTDERCFP

* This includes Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, and Wise counties. ** This includes Dallas, Denton, and Tarrant counties. Source: <u>2022-2023 DERA Priority County List</u>



Partnering for Clean Air: Get Involved

For Local Governments

- Consider adopting a local idling ordinance
- Utilize free resources in the EONT Toolkit
- Explore enforcement strategies and resources
- Consider funding opportunities for idle reduction infrastructure and technologies

For Business and Fleet Operators

- Implement fleet idling reduction policies
- Educate drivers about idling impacts and best practices
- Consider investing in idle reduction technologies





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ACTION DAY JUNE 6, 2025 The First Friday in June











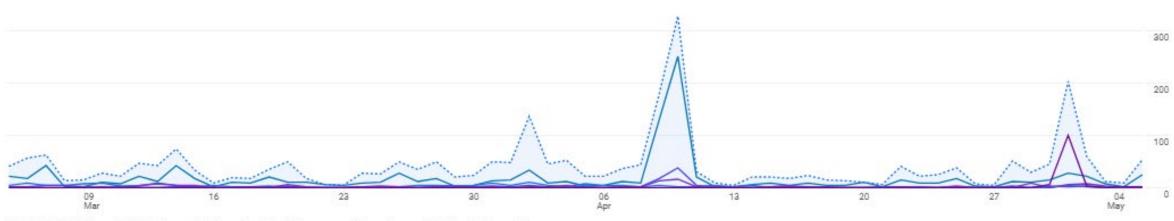
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Campaign Bi-monthly Quantification & Social Media Report

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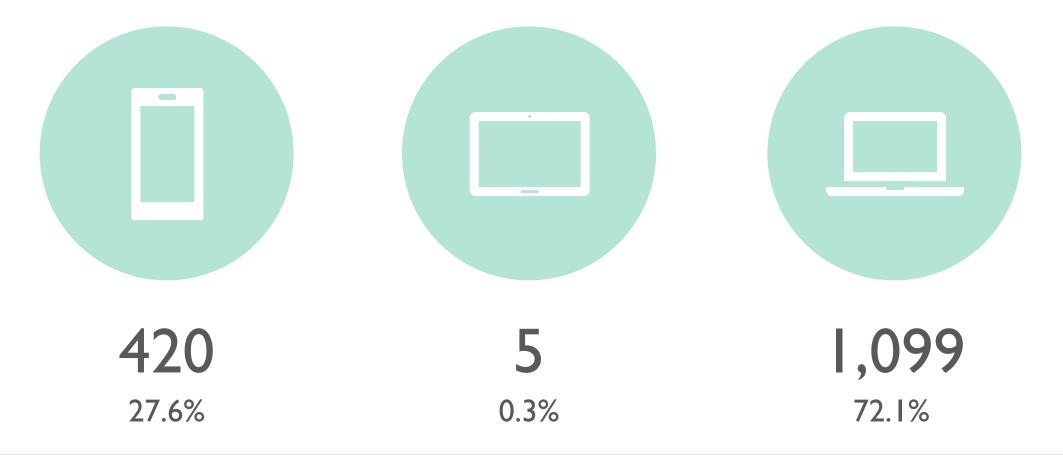




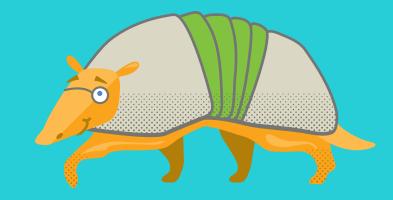
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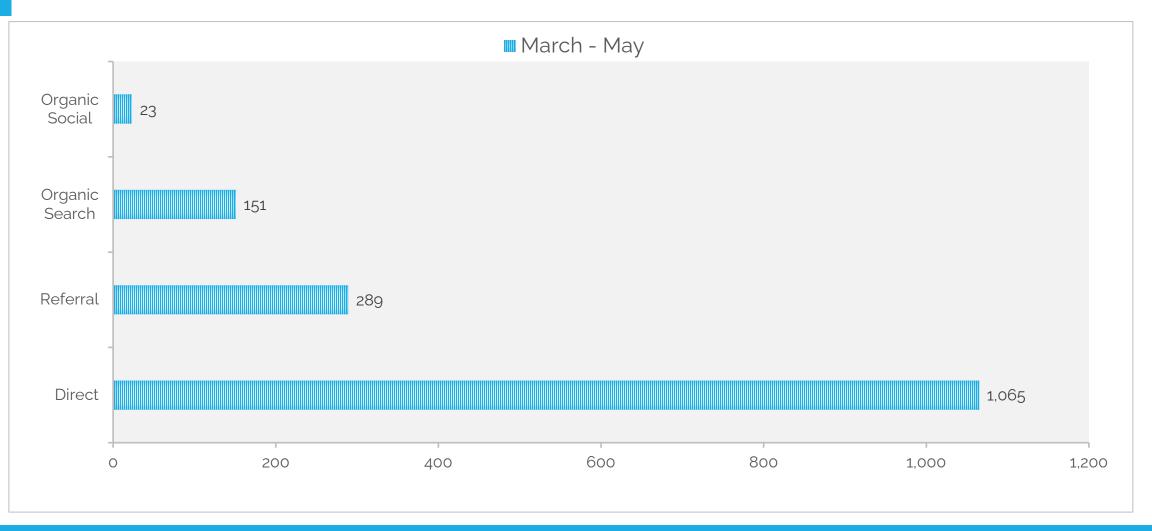






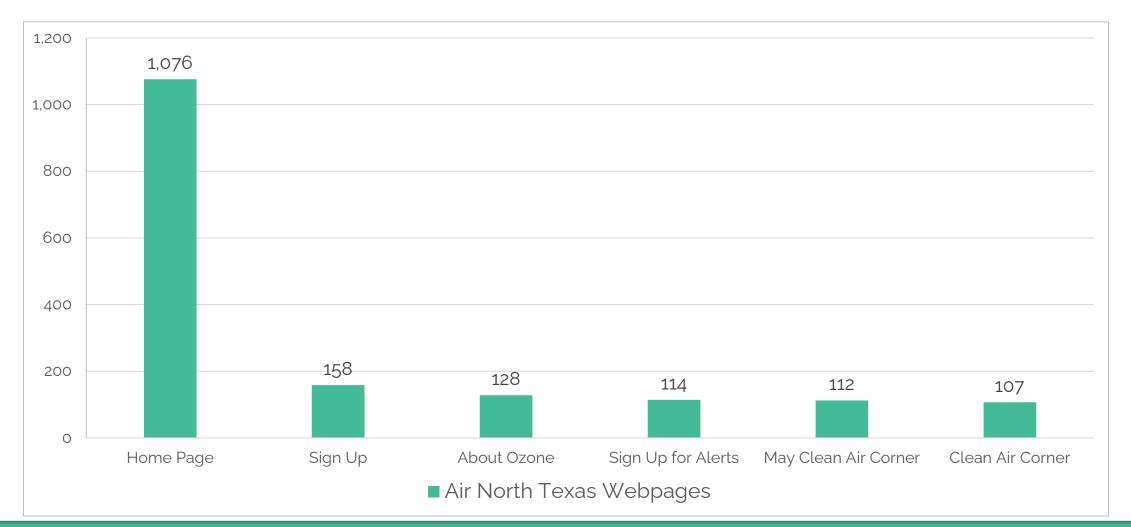
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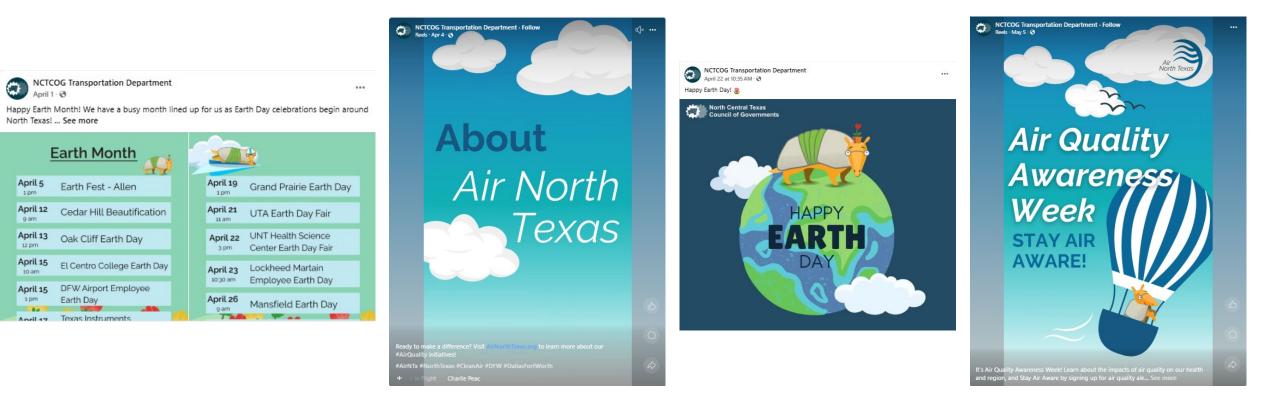


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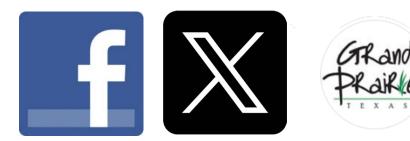
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Ø ... Make clean air a priority to protect your health and that of your loved ones. Opt for sustainable choices and monitor air quality for better health! #AirNTX



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FX When the ozone reaches level Orange or higher, those with respiratory conditions like asthma, emphysema, or chronic bronchitis, along with children and older adults, should reduce outdoor exposure.

For more information, visit ow.ly/EvIW50VmLhW





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