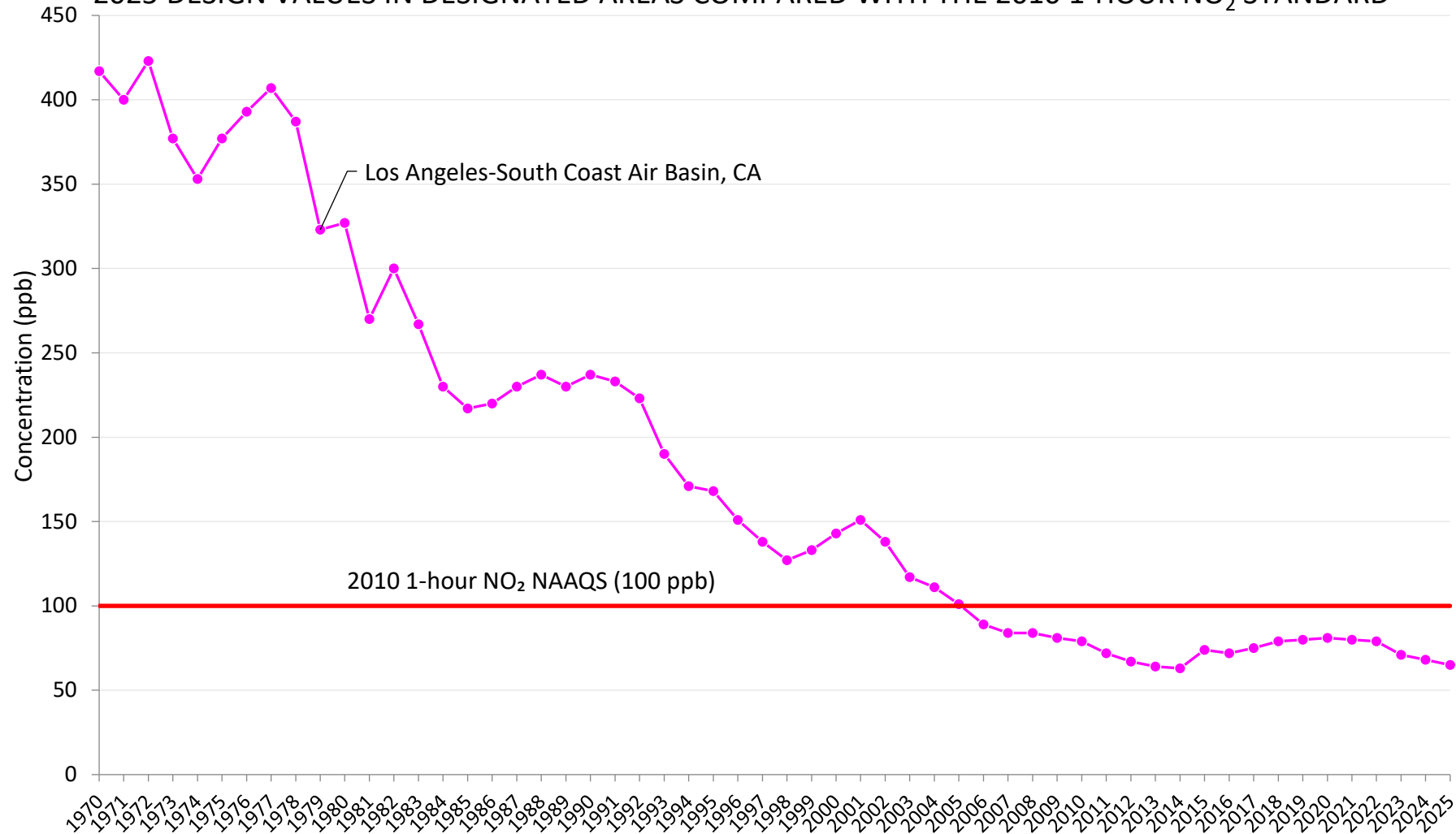


US EPA REGION 9 AIR QUALITY TRENDS, 1970-2025

2025 DESIGN VALUES IN DESIGNATED AREAS COMPARED WITH THE 2010 1-HOUR NO₂ STANDARD



*As designated under the 1971 NO₂ primary national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS).

Source: US EPA's Office of State Air Partnerships (OSAP), and the Air Quality System (AQS) database (June 12, 2026).

The 2010 primary NAAQS for 1-hour NO₂ is 100 parts per billion (ppb). The hourly primary standard NO₂ design value for a site is the valid 98th percentile of the daily maximum 1-hour concentration values at a monitoring site, averaged over a consecutive 3-year period. X-axis labels represent the most recent year of a 3-year period. All incomplete data and exceptional event data (e.g., high winds and wildfires) that EPA has concurred on have been excluded from design value calculations.

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