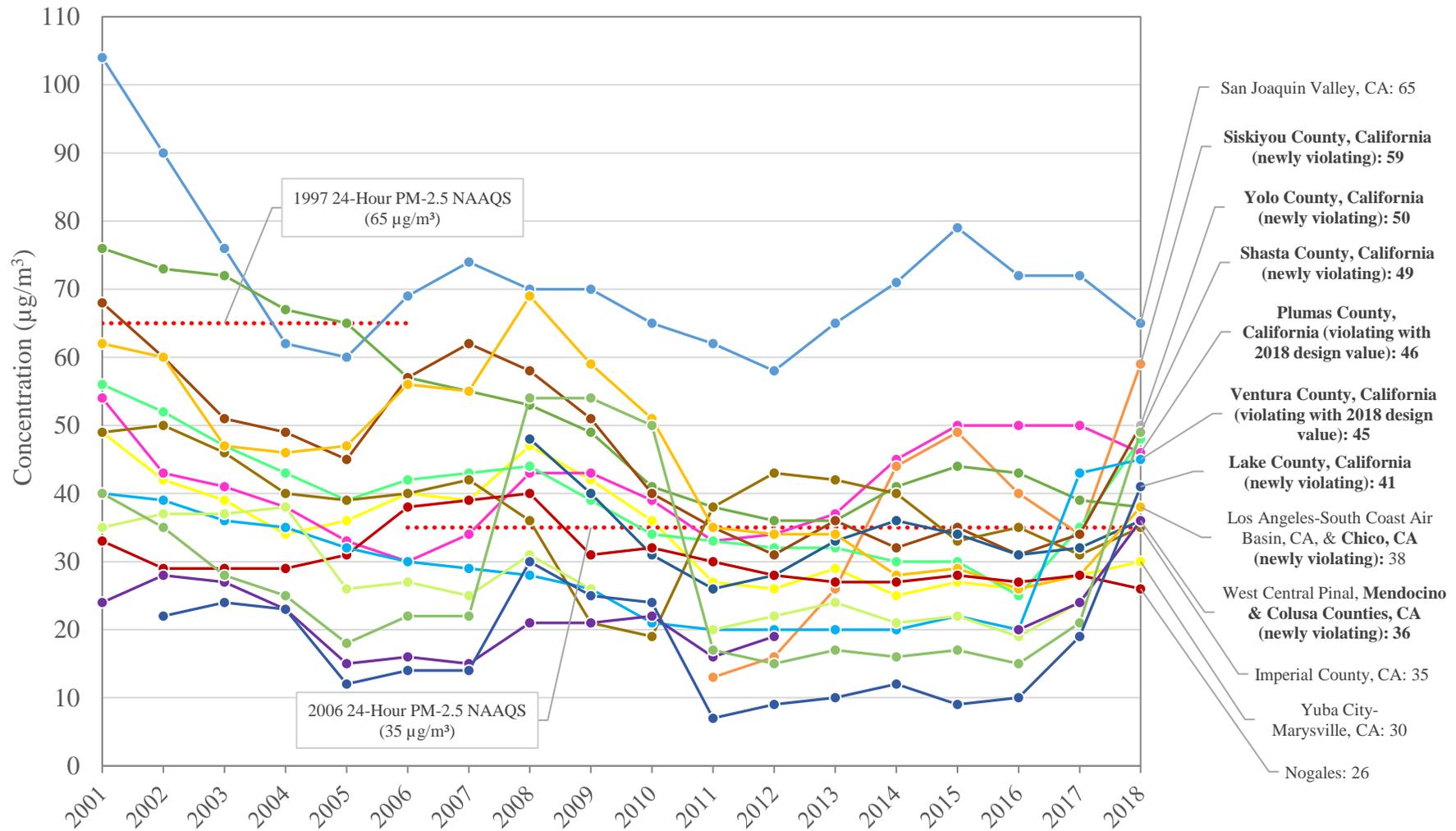


# US EPA REGION 9 AIR QUALITY TRENDS, 2001-2018

## 24-HOUR FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) DESIGN VALUES IN DESIGNATED AND OTHER VIOLATING AREAS



Source: US EPA's Air Quality Systems (AQS) database (July 18, 2019).

The 2006 national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) for 24-hour fine particulate matter (24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub>) is 35 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³). The design value for 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> is the three-year average of third-highest daily values. X-axis values represent the last year of a monitoring site's three year time period. All incomplete/invalid 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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