



REGION 4 OZONE MONITORING SEASON  
EVALUATION & PROPOSED REVISIONS



EPA AIR MONITORING MEETING  
September 9-11, 2003



## EPA GUIDANCE CRITERIA

- Consider all SLAMS/NAMS data for the most recent 6 years (1996-2001)
- Include months with at least 1 ‘hit’ (daily maximum 8-hour average  $\geq 80$  ppb)
- Include adjacent months if hits occur at the ‘ends’ of months bounding the ozone season
- Lengthen other State ozone seasons as needed to ensure consistency in areas of transport or within Regions

## REGION 4 PROPOSED CRITERIA

- In evaluating Ozone Monitoring Season length:
  - Include months with numerous hits
  - Exclude months with no hits
  - Further evaluate months with few hits & exceedences
- Determine the impact of boundary month exceedences on:
  - Regulatory Decision Making
  - AQI Reporting
- Include months needed to accomplish these monitoring objectives, with a margin of safety

# RESULTS OF OZONE SEASON EVALUATION PER REGION 4 PROPOSED CRITERIA

STATE	CURRENT SEASON		REVISED PER GUIDANCE		REVISED PER R4 CRITERIA	
	BEGIN	END	BEGIN	END	BEGIN	END
Alabama	March	October	March	November	May	September
Florida	March	October	February	November	March	October
Georgia	March	October	March	November	May	September
Kentucky	March	October	March	November	May	September
Mississippi	March	October	March	November	May	September
North Carolina	April	October	March	November	May	September
South Carolina	April	October	March	November	May	September
Tennessee	March	October	March	November	May	September
Additional Monitoring Requirements:	(None)		(None)		Year-Round Operation of a small subset of O <sub>3</sub> monitors (approx. 10% of the network or 2 per State)	

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# TOTAL DAILY MAXIMUM 8-HOUR AVERAGE OZONE CONCENTRATIONS $\geq$ 80 ppb (1996-2001)

MONTH	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<u>STATE</u>												
AL	-	-	1	8	67	66	128	247	104	3	-	-
FL	0	4	24	111	315	102	103	150	90	45	7	0
GA	-	-	1	4	94	112	217	288	126	2	-	-
KY	-	-	0	3	127	207	217	271	176	6	-	-
MS	-	-	3	16	79	28	57	167	59	16	-	-
NC	-	-	-	14	302	521	526	566	215	28	-	-
SC	0	0	1	12	175	184	187	285	101	10	0	0
TN	-	-	1	10	181	294	285	400	253	15	-	-
TOTAL		4	31	178	1340	1514	1720	2374	1124	125	7	
	= Current Ozone Monitoring Season											

TOTAL DAILY MAXIMUM 8-HOUR AVERAGE  
 OZONE CONCENTRATIONS  $\geq$  85 ppb  
 (1996 - 2001)

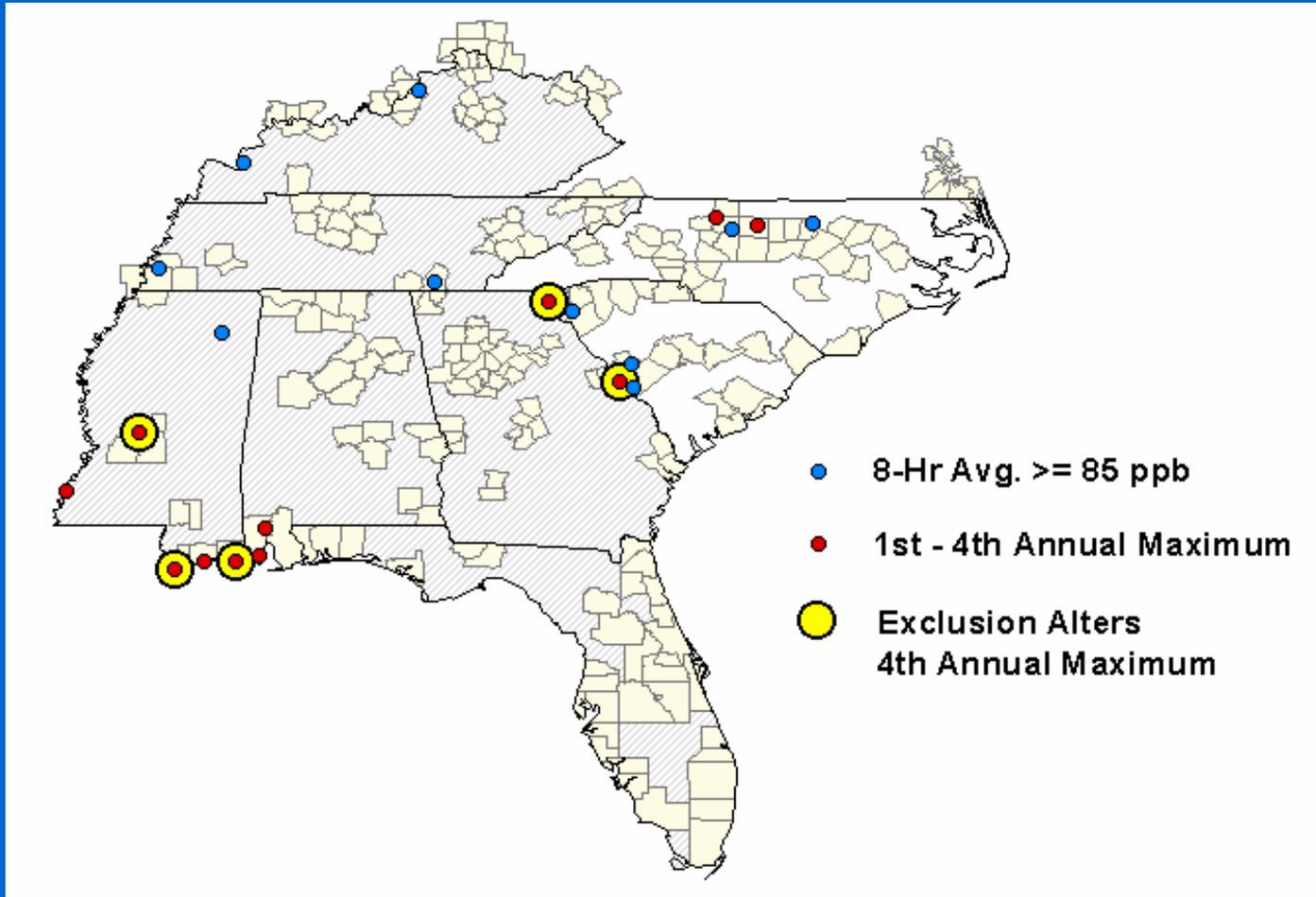
REGION 4 STATES EXCEPT FLORIDA

STATE*	MARCH	APRIL		OCTOBER	
		Apr 1-14	Apr 15-30	Oct 1-14	Oct 15-31
Alabama	0	0	3	0	0
Georgia	0	0	1	0	1
Kentucky	0	0	1	0	1
Mississippi	1	0	3	1	2
North Carolina	--	1	2	1	1
South Carolina	1	0	2	0	1
Tennessee	0	0	1	2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>

FLORIDA

FEBRUARY	MARCH	OCTOBER		NOVEMBER
		Oct 1-14	Oct 15-31	
0	7	2	16	1

DAILY PEAK 8-HR OZONE CONCENTRATIONS  $\geq 85$  ppb  
MARCH - APRIL - OCTOBER  
IMPACTS ON 4th ANNUAL MAX. CONCENTRATION



# IMPACT OF BOUNDARY MONTH EXCEEDENCE ON 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MAX CONC. & DESIGN VALUE

## EXAMPLE : 13-245-0091 (Augusta, GA)

EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency		Air Quality Subsystem MAXIMUM VALUES REPORT				
Ozone (44201)						
State: GEORGIA					Primary: .085	
Duration: 8-HR RUN AVG BEGIN HOUR					Secondary: .085	
Year: 1999					Unit: PPM	
Site ID	POC	County Name City Name	Methods	Maximum Values		
13-245-0091	1	RICHMOND AUGUSTA	1 1 08/13:10	2 .092 08/05:10	3 .091 07/30:10	4 .09 07/31:11
			6 .088 07/23:10	7 .086 05/21:10	8 .086 07/27:10	9 .086 08/12:10
						10 .085 09/08:10
Ozone (44201)						
State: GEORGIA					Primary: .085	
Duration: 8-HR RUN AVG BEGIN HOUR					Secondary: .085	
Year: 2000					Unit: PPM	
Site ID	POC	County Name City Name	Methods	Maximum Values		
13-245-0091	1	RICHMOND AUGUSTA	1 .111 08/17:11	2 .107 07/18:11	3 .093 05/11:09	4 .09 06/01:11
						5 .09 07/19:11
Ozone (44201)						
State: GEORGIA					Primary: .085	
Duration: 8-HR RUN AVG BEGIN HOUR					Secondary: .085	
Year: 2001					Unit: PPM	
Site ID	POC	County Name City Name	Methods	Maximum Values		
13-245-0091	1	RICHMOND AUGUSTA	1 .102 05/31:11	2 .086 04/28:11	3 .085 07/19:11	4 .082 07/17:10
			6 .08 07/12:10	7 .079 06/20:11	8 .079 08/23:10	9 .078 07/15:09
						10 .078 07/16:10
Ozone (44201)						

### 1999 - 2001 DESIGN VALUE

2001 2<sup>nd</sup> MAX VALUE INCLUDED:

1999	4 <sup>th</sup> MAX:	90 ppb
2000	4 <sup>th</sup> MAX:	90 ppb
2001	4 <sup>th</sup> MAX:	<u>82 ppb</u>

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$$/ 3 = 87.33 \rightarrow 87$$

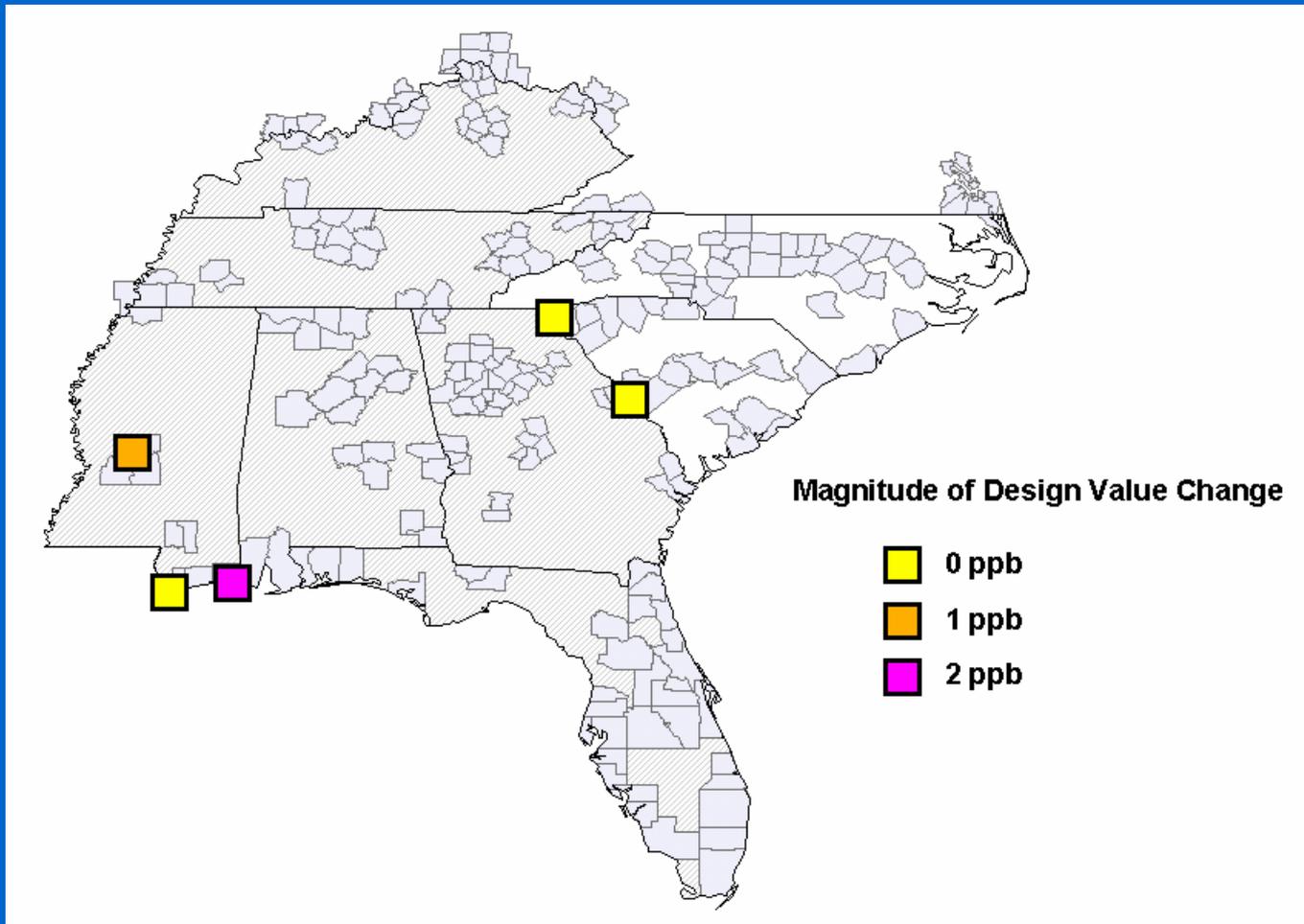
2001 2<sup>nd</sup> MAX VALUE EXCLUDED:

1999	4 <sup>th</sup> MAX:	90 ppb
2000	4 <sup>th</sup> MAX:	90 ppb
2001	4 <sup>th</sup> MAX:	<u>81 ppb</u>

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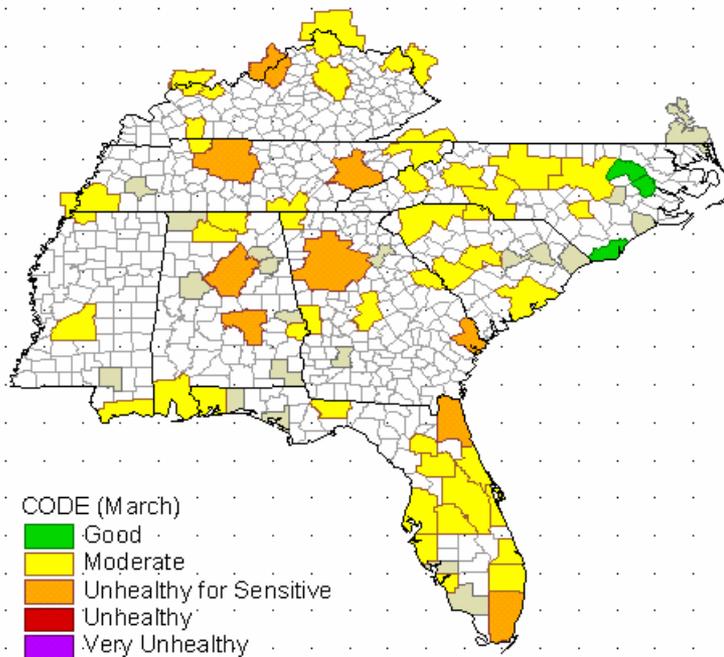
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MARCH - APRIL - OCTOBER  
IMPACTS ON DESIGN VALUE

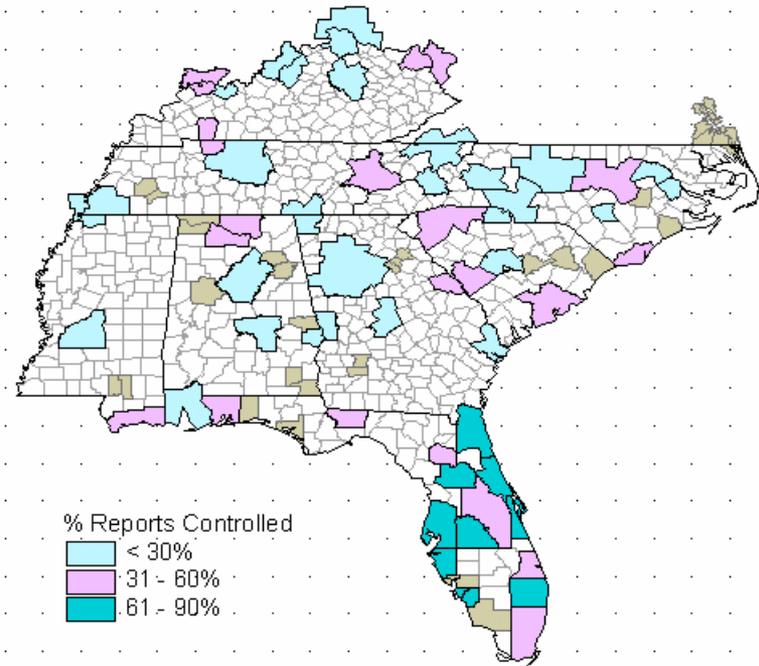


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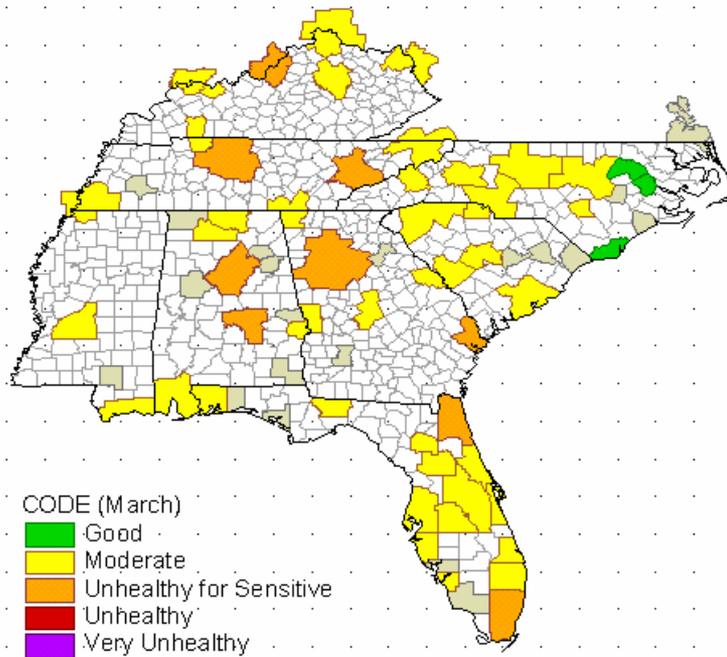


Frequency with which  
Ozone Controlled the AQI

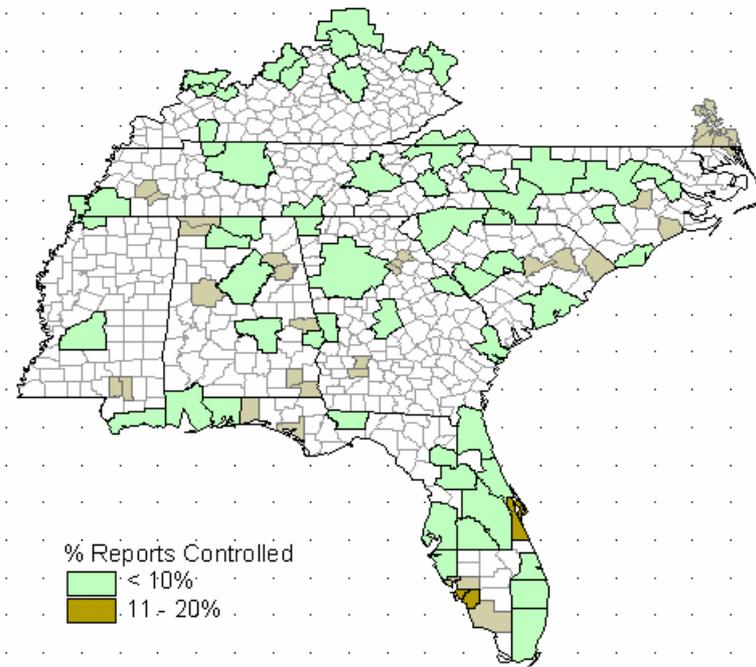


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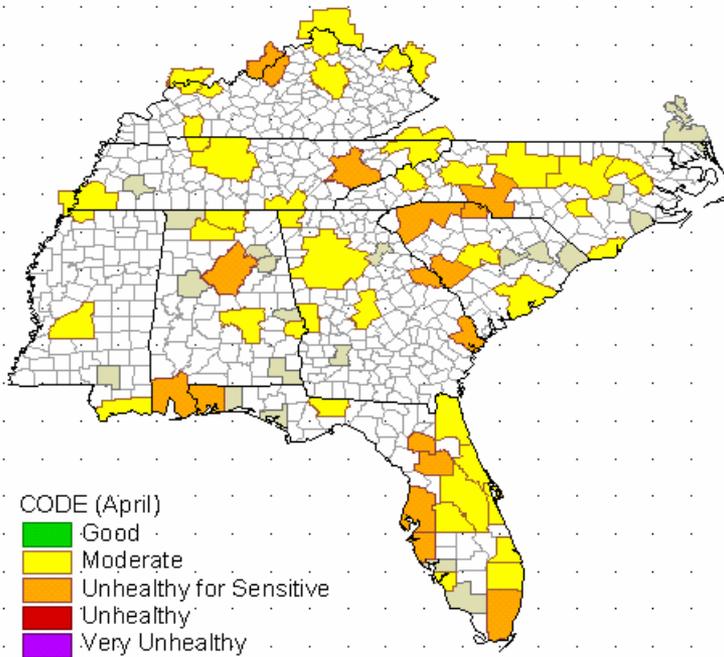


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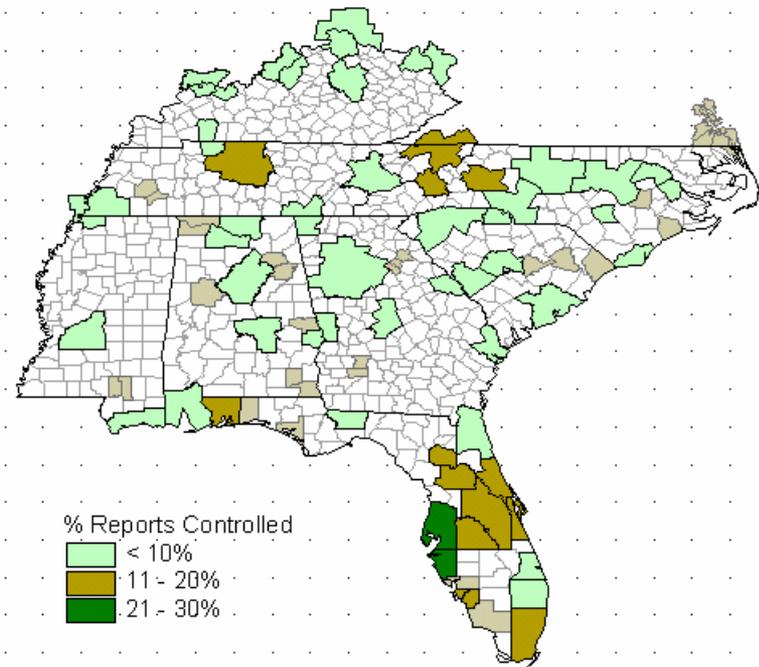


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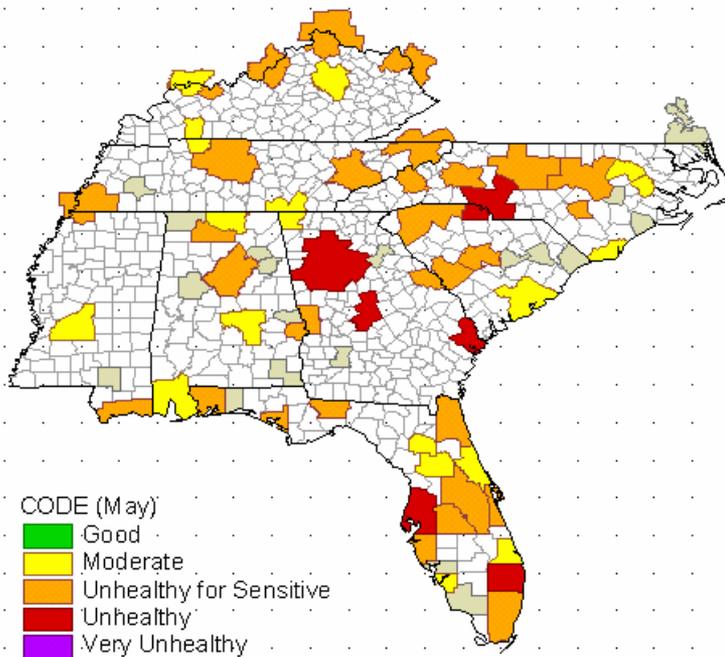


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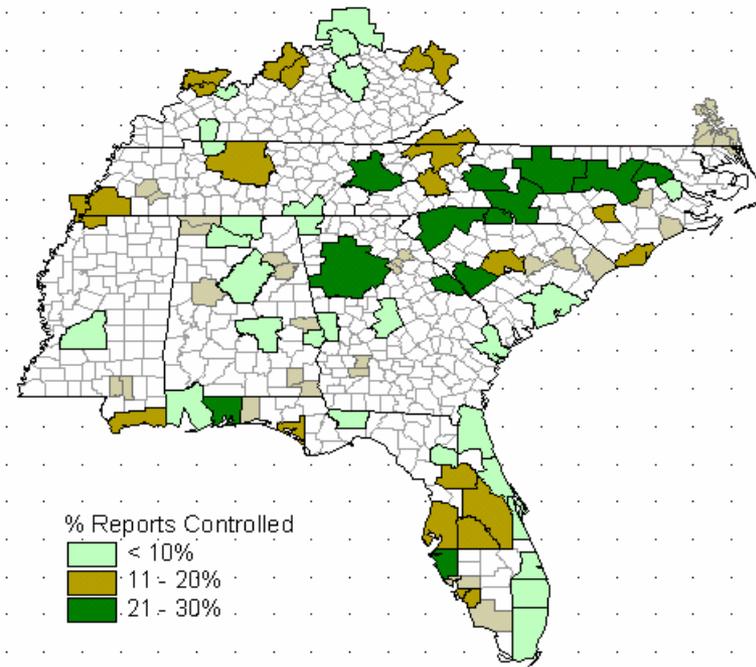


# MSA OZONE MONITORS IMPACT ON AQI CODE MAY (1996 - 2001)

Maximum Reported AQI Code



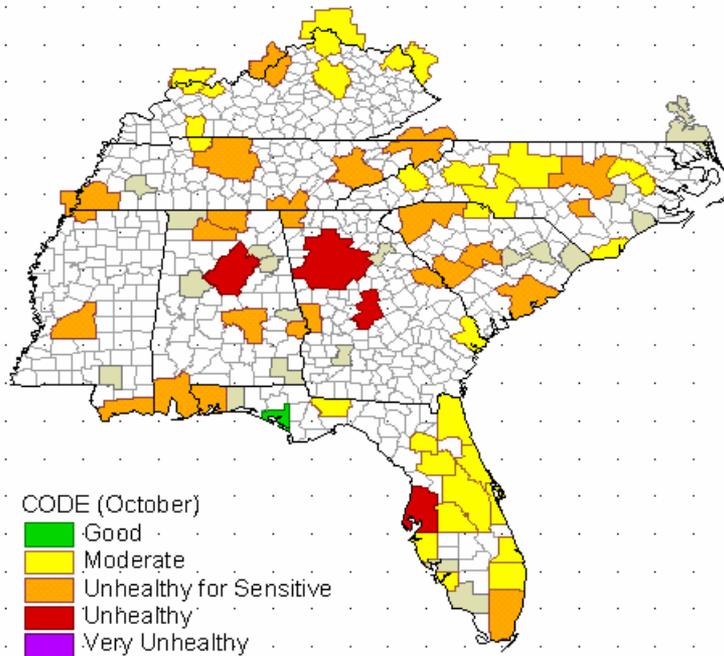
Frequency with which  
Ozone Controlled the AQI Code



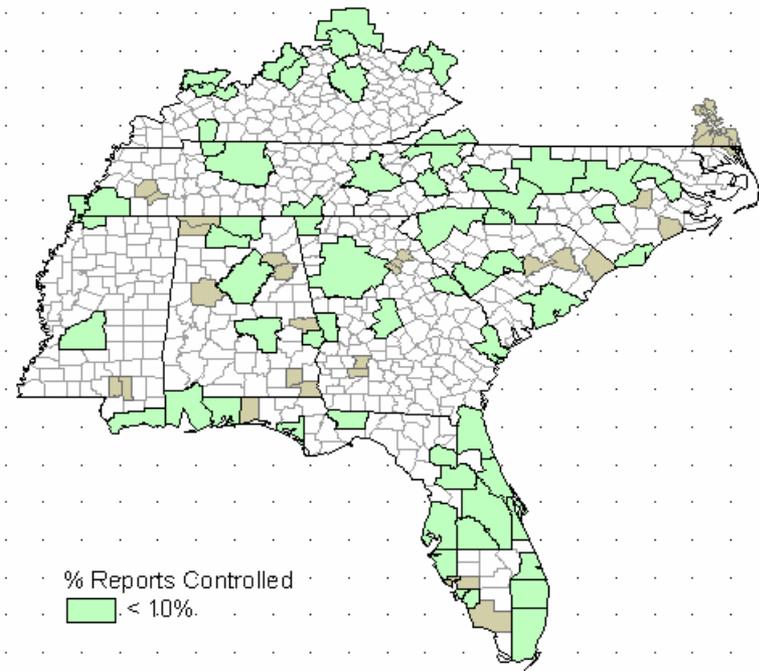
# MSA OZONE MONITORS IMPACT ON AQI CODE OCTOBER

(1996 - 2001)

Maximum Reported AQI Code



Frequency with which  
Ozone Controlled the AQI Code



ORANGE/RED/PURPLE AQI CODES CONTROLLED BY OZONE  
 MARCH – APRIL – MAY – SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER  
 1996 - 2001

MONTH	# RECORDS	# CODE			# O <sub>3</sub> -controlled INDEX (R4)			# O <sub>3</sub> -controlled INDEX (R4 outside FL)			# O <sub>3</sub> -controlled CODE (R4)			# O <sub>3</sub> -controlled CODE (R4 outside FL)		
		Orange	Red	Purple	Orange	Red	Purple	Orange	Red	Purple	Orange	Red	Purple	Orange	Red	Purple
March	2174	17	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
April	2597	24	-	-	17	-	-	3	-	-	17	-	-	3	-	-
May	2722	144	7	-	115	2	-	100	1	-	113	2	-	98	1	-
September	2700	105	15	1	92	11	-	80	11	-	85	11	-	73	11	-
October	2835	85	5	-	14	-	-	10	-	-	11	-	-	9	-	-

# MSAs WHERE OZONE CONTROLLED AQI and/or AQI CODE

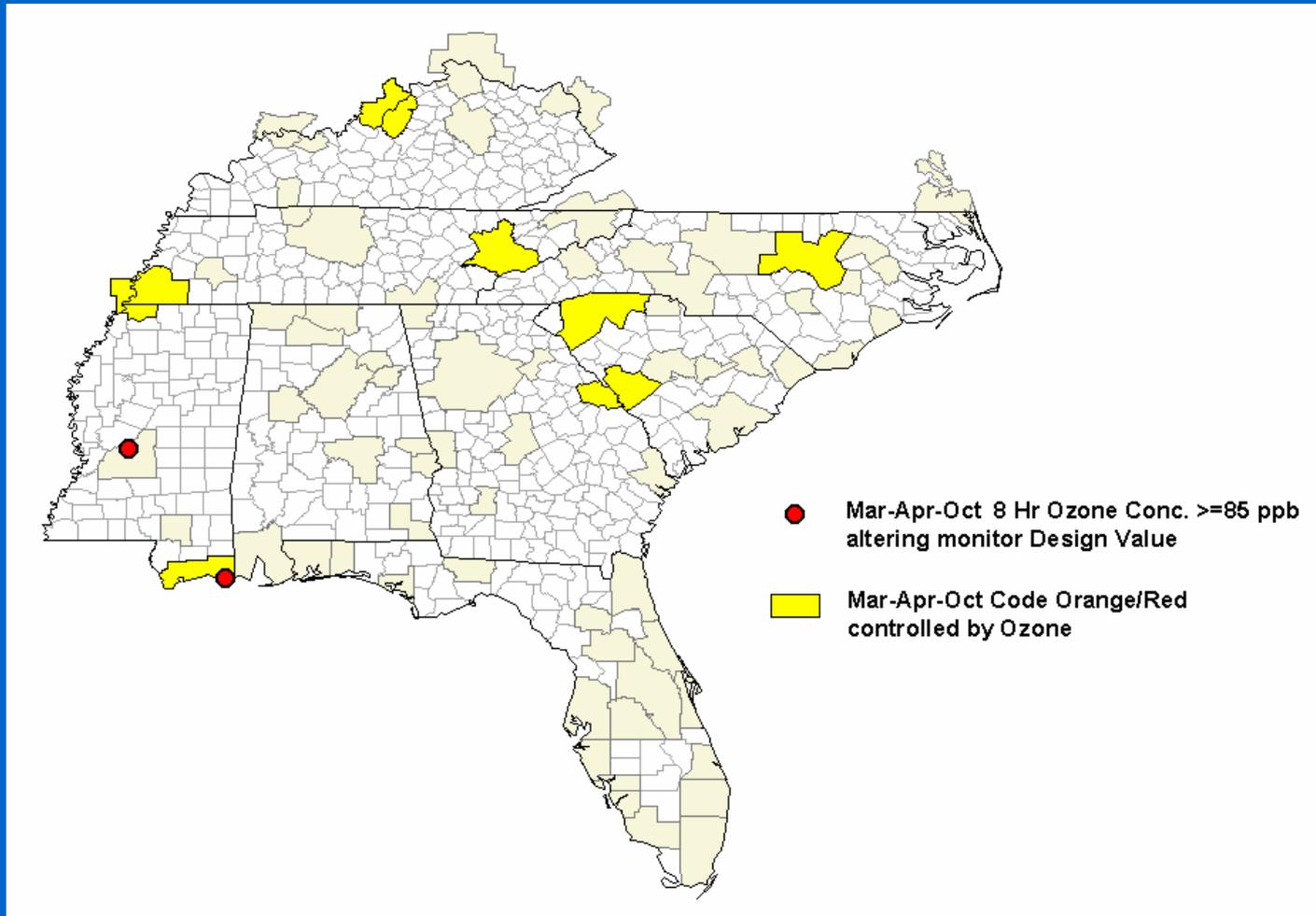
## MARCH – APRIL – OCTOBER

### 1996 - 2001

MSA	DATE	O <sub>3</sub> AQI	PM <sub>2.5</sub> AQI	O <sub>3</sub> -Controlled CODE
<b>MARCH</b>				
Knoxville, TN	March 8, 2000	129	109	No
<b>APRIL</b>				
Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC	April 28, 2001	104	71	Yes
Greenville-Spartanburg, SC	April 26, 1998	114	67	Yes
Louisville, KY	April 30, 2000	101	66	Yes
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
Augusta-Aiken, SC	October 17, 2000	101	63	Yes
Biloxi-Gulfport, MS	October 29, 2000	104	96	Yes
Greenville-Spartanburg, SC	October 5, 2000	111	104	No
Knoxville, TN	October 4, 2000	111	88	Yes
Knoxville, TN	October 15, 2000	109	81	Yes
Knoxville, TN	October 16, 2000	106	77	Yes
Knoxville, TN	October 4, 2001	106	87	Yes
Memphis, TN	October 2, 1999	106	63	Yes
Memphis, TN	October 27, 1999	114	94	Yes
Raleigh-Durham, NC	October 16, 2000	106	90	Yes

# POTENTIALLY CRITICAL OZONE MONITORING LOCATIONS

## MARCH - APRIL - OCTOBER



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## **BENEFITS OF YEAR-ROUND OZONE MONITORING AT A SUBSET OF REGION 4 MONITORS**

- Monitor potentially critical areas during March - April - October
- Supplement NCORE Level 2 Site Data
- Contribute to research and modeling needs
- Improve the quality of future ozone season evaluations