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STATE OF THE AIR – 2007

Released this summer, The *American Lung Association State of the Air: 2007* ranks cities and counties most polluted by ozone, 24-hour particle pollution, and annual particle pollution, and reports county-by-county populations at risk from unhealthy levels of the most dangerous forms of air pollution. Particle pollution is reported for both short-term (24-hour) periods and annual averages.

Ozone (smog) levels improved across the U.S., but an ominous trend in the East reflects climbing levels of particle pollution (soot), the deadliest pollutant. In the West, however, stricter local and state control efforts are resulting in less soot.

Air Pollution & the General Population

Here are the facts about the growing number of Americans who are breathing unhealthy levels of ozone and particle pollution:

- Nearly half (46%) of the U.S. population lives in counties that have unhealthy levels of either ozone or particle pollution.
- One-third (33.4%) of the U.S. population lives in areas with unhealthy levels of ozone, a significant reduction since the last report, when nearly half did.

- Roughly one in three people (93.7 million) in the U.S. live in an area with unhealthy short-term levels of particle pollution, a significant increase since the last report.

- Nearly one in five people in the United States live in areas with unhealthy year-round levels of particle pollution, which is nearly constant with the last report.

- About 38.3 million Americans, or nearly one in 8 people, live in 32 counties with unhealthy levels of all three types of air pollutants: ozone, and short-term and year-round particle pollution.

Air Pollution & High-Risk Groups

Many groups of people are at increased risk when exposed to air pollution because of their age or because they suffer from chronic lung or cardiovascular disease. Recent research has added people with diabetes to the high-risk category because exposure to particle pollution can affect their cardiovascular systems. High-risk groups include:

- Adults age 65 and older
- Children under age 18
- Adults and children with asthma
- People with chronic bronchitis or emphysema (also known as Chronic Obstructive

Pulmonary Disease, or COPD)

- People with cardiovascular disease
- People with diabetes

According to the American Lung Association over 136 million people live in areas of the United States where dirty air is a danger to public health. At risk are our children, our parents, our families, our neighbors and our friends.

Visit: <http://lungaction.org/reports/stateoftheair2007.html> to find out current information about our State of the Air in Tennessee. To find out more information about air pollution, lung health and local air quality, contact 1-800-LUNG-USA (1-800-586-4872) or visit: www.lungusa.org

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Eco-Friendly Packaging

Whether at the office or at home, it is more important than ever to recycle materials. There are a number of symbols that appear on packaging products. Some of these indicate whether the item is recyclable, while others show the recycled material content.

If you see this logo, it means that this item can be placed in a compost pile. This is a new symbol found on biocompostable plastic packaging.



This symbol is called the Mobius loop and is commonly found on cardboard packaging and denotes that the item is recyclable. If the center of the loop contains a number, this means that the item is made from a certain percentage of recycled materials.

While most glass containers are recyclable, this symbol reminds consumers to recycle glass jars and bottles either at recycle centers or, where available, through curbside collection services.



There are a wide range of plastics used in packaging. To make recycling easier the American Society of Plastics Industry developed a standard marking code to help identify the types of plastic. These types and the most common uses are shown below:

Codes	Material	Packaging Applications	Recycled Products
	PET	Polyethylene terephthalate - Soda Bottles, Water Bottles, and oven-ready meal trays.	Fiber, tote bags, clothing, film and sheet, food and beverage containers, carpet, strapping, fleece wear, luggage and bottles.
	HDPE	High-density polyethylene - Bottles for milk and cleaning fluids.	Liquid laundry detergent, shampoo, conditioner and motor oil bottles; pipe, buckets, crates, flower pots, garden edging, film and sheet, recycling bins, benches, dog houses, plastic lumber, floor tiles, picnic tables, fencing.
	PVC	Polyvinyl chloride - Food trays, cling film, bottles for shampoo.	Packaging, loose-leaf binders, decking, paneling, gutters, mud flaps, film and sheet, floor tiles and mats, resilient flooring, cassette trays, electrical boxes, cables, traffic cones, garden hose, mobile home skirting.
	LDPE	Low density polyethylene - Shopping bags and Garbage Bag liners.	Automobile battery cases, signal lights, battery cables, brooms, brushes, ice scrapers, oil funnels, bicycle racks, rakes, bins, pallets, sheeting, trays.
	PP	Polypropylene - Margarine tubs, microwaveable meal trays.	Automobile battery cases, signal lights, battery cables, brooms, brushes, ice scrapers, oil funnels, bicycle racks, rakes, bins, pallets, sheeting, trays.
	PS	Polystyrene - Yoghurt cups, foam meat, poultry or fish trays, egg cartons, vending cups, plastic cutlery, protective packaging for electronic goods and toys.	Thermometers, light switch plates, thermal insulation, egg cartons, vents, desk trays, rulers, license plate frames, foam packing, foam plates, cups, utensils
	OTHER	Any other plastics that do not fall into any of the above categories. - An example is melamine, which is often used in plastic plates and cups.	Bottles, plastic lumber applications

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