



Smoke Outlook

NE Oregon Multiple Fires

8/01 - 8/02

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Special Statement

An Air Quality Alert has been issued by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality for Harney, Malheur, and Grant counties through Friday morning. An Excessive Heat Warning has been issued for much of the region through Saturday evening.

Fire

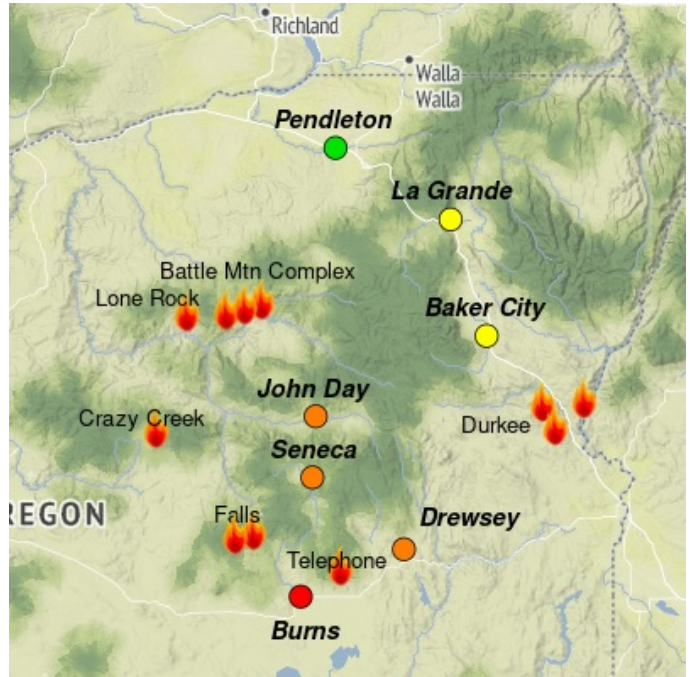
There are multiple fires affecting the forecast area. For more information on these incidents, please visit [Inciweb](#).

Smoke

Smoke is continuing to build across eastern Oregon due to increasing fire activity and light winds that will be slow to clear smoke. Again today, the poorest air quality today will occur in communities closest to the fires and in valley locations where smoke will pool overnight. The city of Burns will experience smoke in the UNHEALTHY range today, although there will be a period of improved air quality in the afternoon. Seneca, John Day, and Drewsey will also see smoke increasing from previous days with UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS conditions. Air quality is expected to worsen again tomorrow as smoke production continues and light winds are insufficient to clean out the smoke.

Additional Smoke Outlooks

Smoke Outlooks for adjacent areas are posted on the [Fire and Smoke Map](#).



Daily AQI Forecast* for Thursday

Station	Yesterday			Wed 7/31	Comment for Today -- Thu, Aug 01	Forecast*	
	hourly					Thu 8/01	Fri 8/02
Pendleton	6a	noon	6p		GOOD air quality is expected.		
Burns					UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS conditions are expected for today		
Drewsey	No hourly data				UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS conditions are expected today		
Seneca	No hourly data				UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS conditions are expected today as smoke increases.		
John Day					Smoke builds across the region leading to UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS levels.		
Baker City					Hazy skies and MODERATE conditions expected again today.		
La Grande					Smoke levels will be increasing. MODERATE levels are expected.		

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Air Quality Index (AQI)	Actions to Protect Yourself
Good	None
Moderate	Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion.
USG	People within Sensitive Groups* should reduce prolonged or heavy outdoor exertion.
Unhealthy	People within Sensitive Groups* should avoid all physical outdoor activity.
Very Unhealthy	Everyone should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion.
Hazardous	Everyone should avoid any outdoor activity.

*Disclaimer: This forecast is based on fine particulates only; ozone is not included. Forecasts may be wrong; use at own risk. Use caution as conditions can change quickly. See your health professional as needed. Smoke sensitive groups should take appropriate precautions.

Additional Links

[Oregon Health Authority- Wildfires & Smoke --](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforwildfire.aspx)
<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforwildfire.aspx>

[Oregon Department of Environmental Quality- Air Quality --](https://www.oregon.gov/deq/aa/pages/aaqi.aspx)
<https://www.oregon.gov/deq/aa/pages/aaqi.aspx>

[Oregon Health Authority - Preventing Heat-related Illnesses --](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforextremeheat.aspx?utm_source=OHA&utm_medium=egov_redirect&utm_campaign=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oregon.gov%2Fheat)
https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preparedness/prepare/pages/prepareforextremeheat.aspx?utm_source=OHA&utm_medium=egov_redirect&utm_campaign=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oregon.gov%2Fheat



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NE Oregon Updates -- <https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook/d57c84ef>

*Smoke and Health Info -- www.airnow.gov/air-quality-and-health