

Country: United States of America

Agenda Topic: Addressing Health Issues Caused by Air Pollution

Since the 1970's there has been a great improvement in achieving national air quality standards in the USA. Although even if the air pollution is not visible there still could be consequences of air pollution. New studies in science show evidence that air pollution can still cause harm to human health. These new studies showed that existing standards are still not adequate to protect the health of the public 100%.

EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) has stated that 40% of the citizens in the USA live in areas where the air pollution levels go beyond the limits set for the public health. Especially not only in the industrial areas but also in the states that experienced wildfires since also the USA has recently experienced one of the worst wildfire seasons that created a lot of smoke putting tens of millions of Americans citizens healths in risk.

USA is keeping air quality safe by enforcing laws such as CAA (Clean Air Act) which limits pollutants from vehicles, factories and similar sources that release harmful pollutants. EPA sets air quality standards while monitoring pollution levels and works with states to reduce emissions.

Credits:

<https://www.gao.gov/air-quality#:~:text=The Clean Air Act, as,harmful effects of air pollution.>