



Annual Particle Pollution Trend Charts California Metropolitan Areas

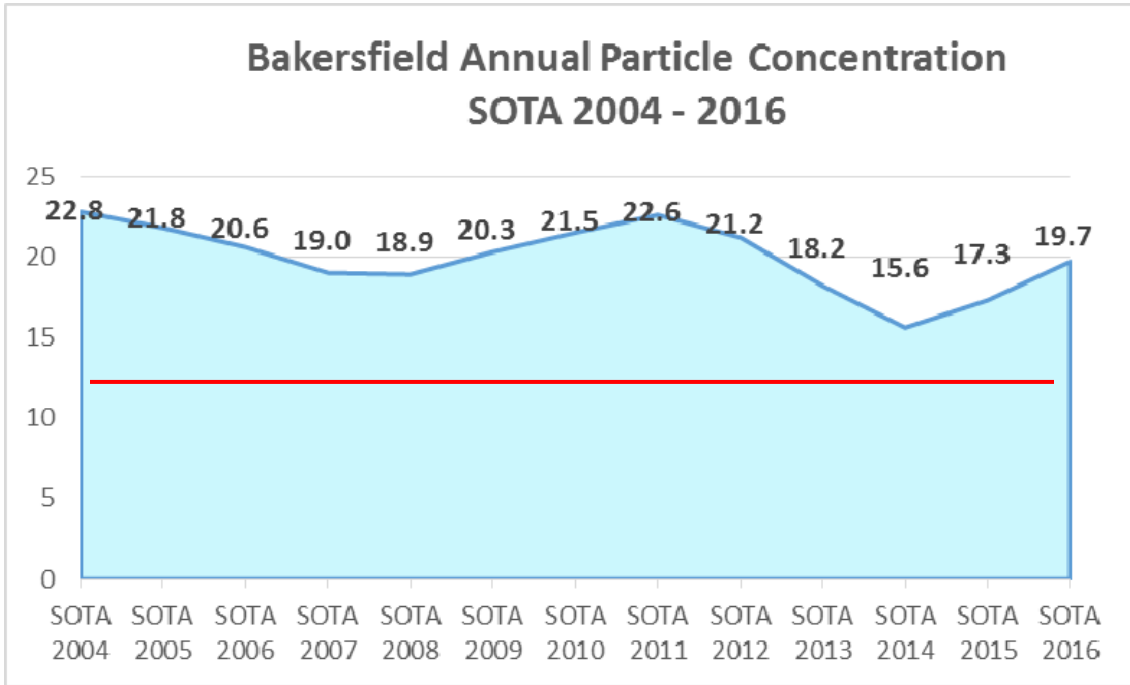
The table below lists the California cities that ranked among the most polluted in the nation by particle pollution on an annual basis in SOTA 2016 (2012-2014 air data).

The charts on the following pages provide a view of the long-term trends in pollution in the California cities ranked among the nation's most polluted by unhealthy particle levels on an annual basis. Particle levels are presented on a grams per cubic meter, with levels of 12.0 grams per cubic meter or below earning a "Pass" grade in State of the Air. Particle levels of 12.1 or higher earn a "Fail" grade (indicated by a red line).

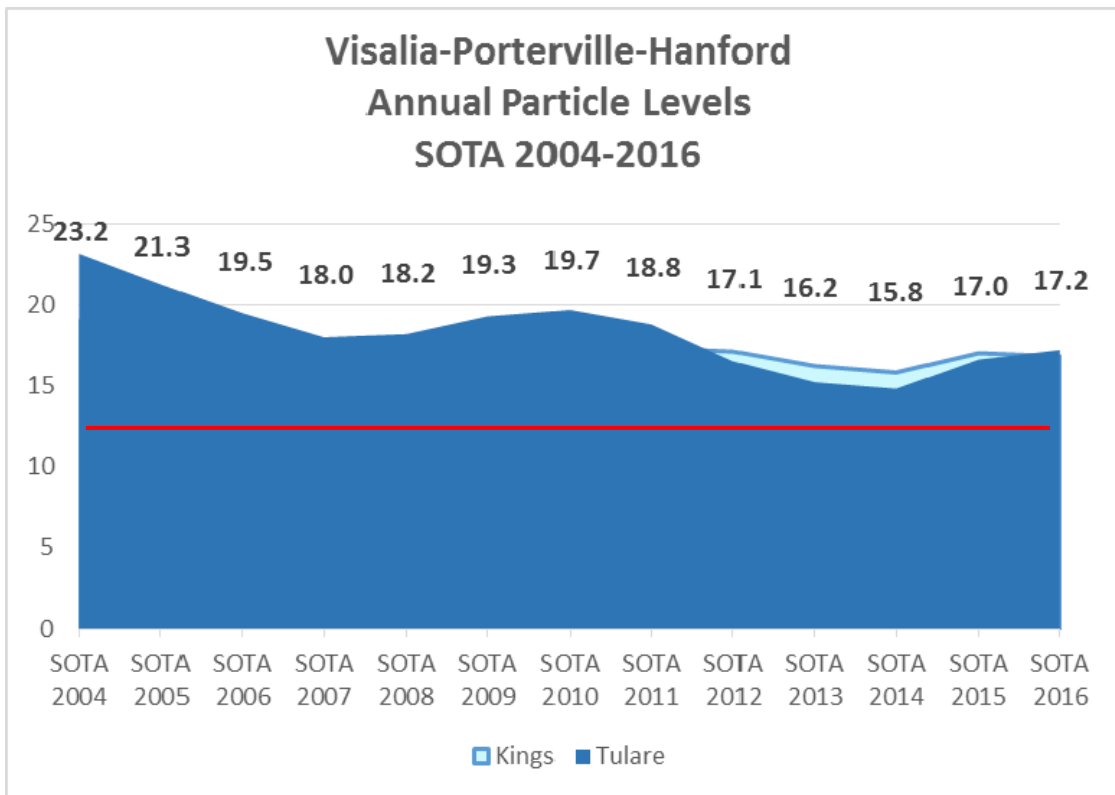
Metropolitan Area	US Rank 2016	US Rank 2015
Bakersfield	1	2
Visalia-Porterville-Hanford	2	3
Fresno-Madera	3	1
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4	5
El Centro	5	6
Modesto-Merced	6 (tie)	4
San Jose – San Francisco – Oakland – Stockton*	6 (tie)	7

**As of 2013, Stockton is considered a part of San Jose-San Francisco-Oakland Combined Statistical Area.*

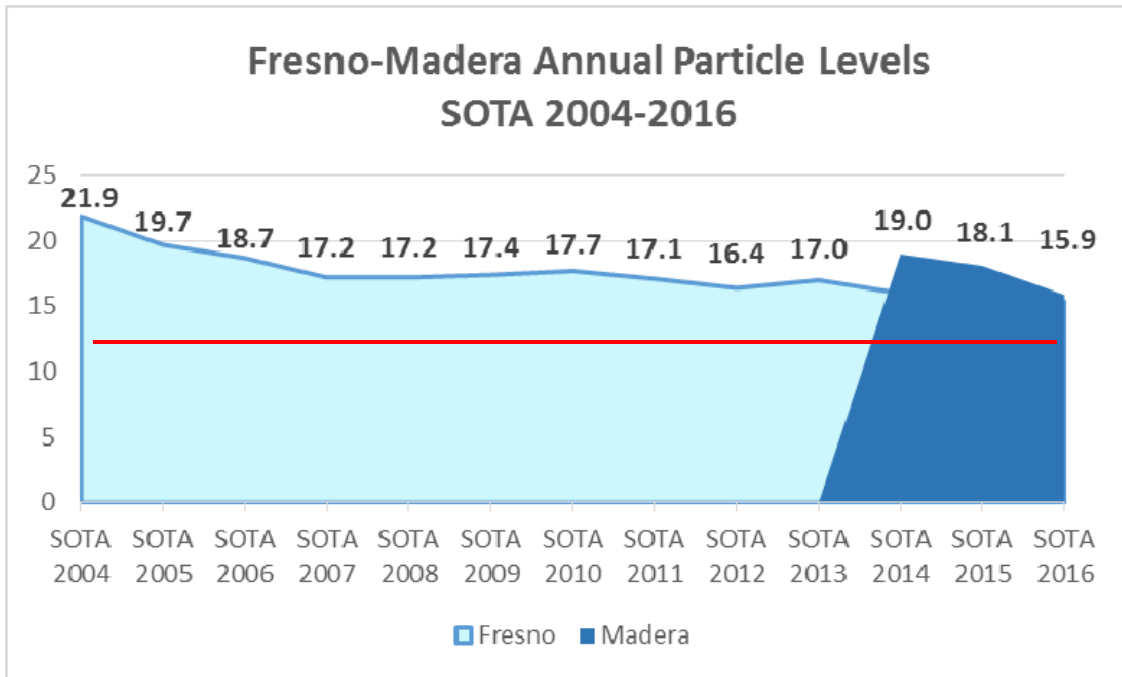
Bakersfield: #1 for Annual Particles



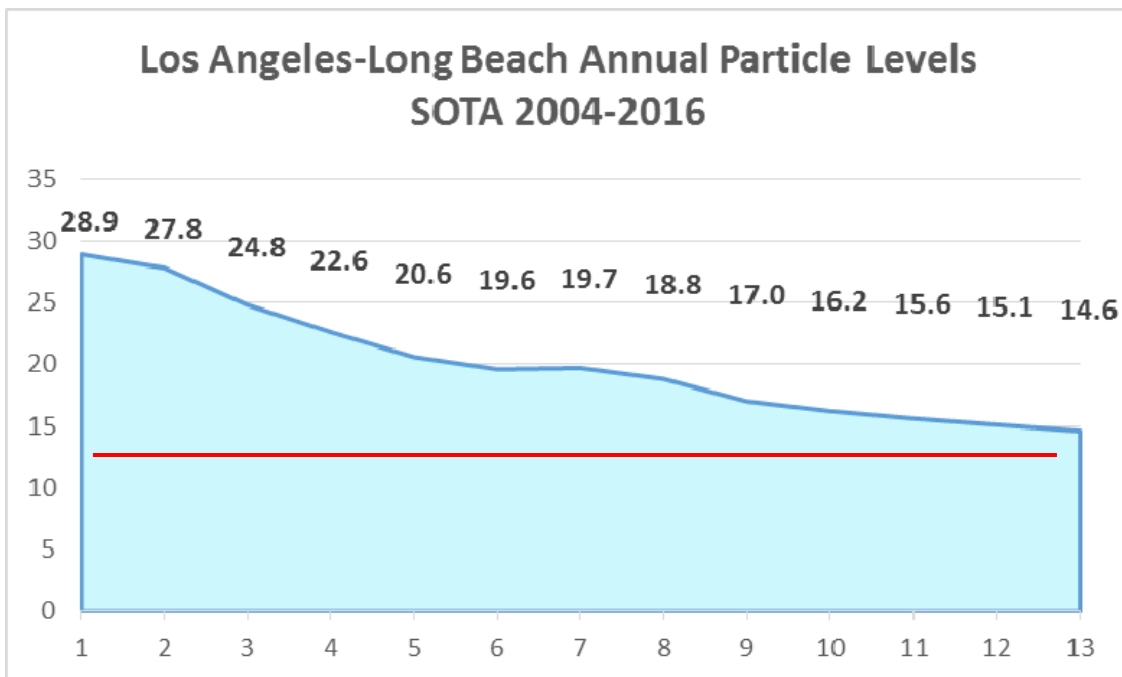
Visalia-Porterville-Hanford: #2 for Annual Particles



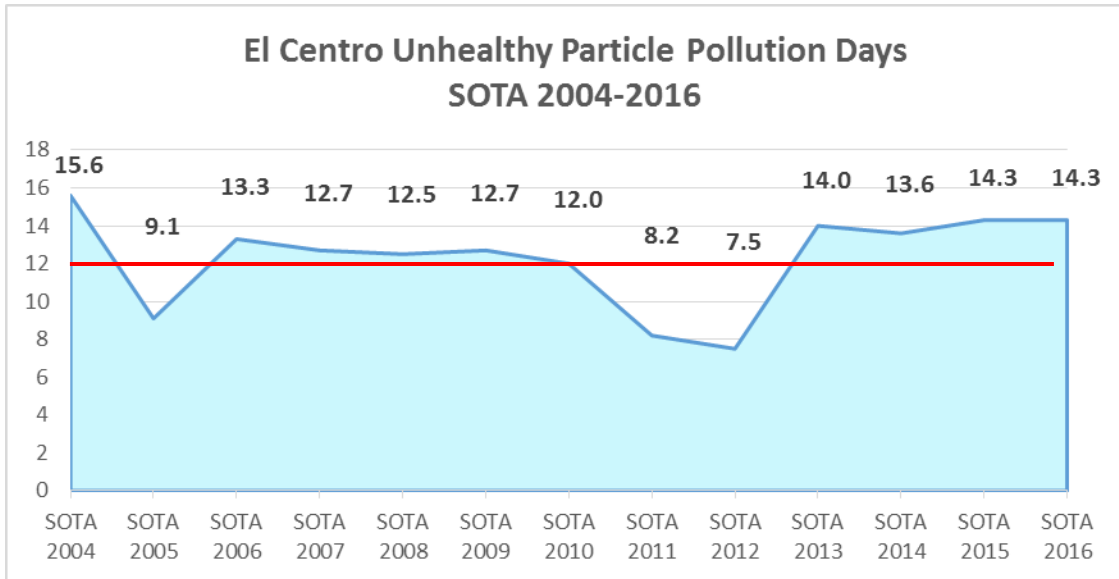
Fresno-Madera: #3 for Annual Particles



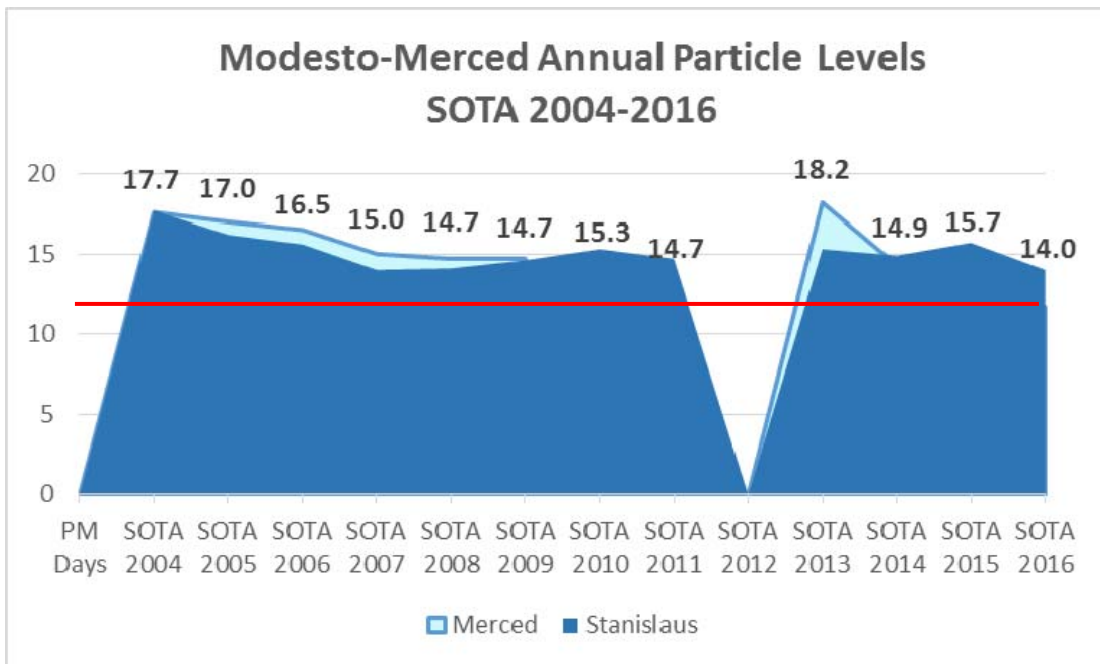
Los Angeles: #4 for Annual Particles



El Centro: #5 for Annual Particles



Modesto-Merced: #6-Tie for Annual Particles



Greater Bay Area: #6-Tie for Annual Particles

