



STATE OF THE AIR 2017

Annual Particle Pollution Trend Charts California Metropolitan Areas

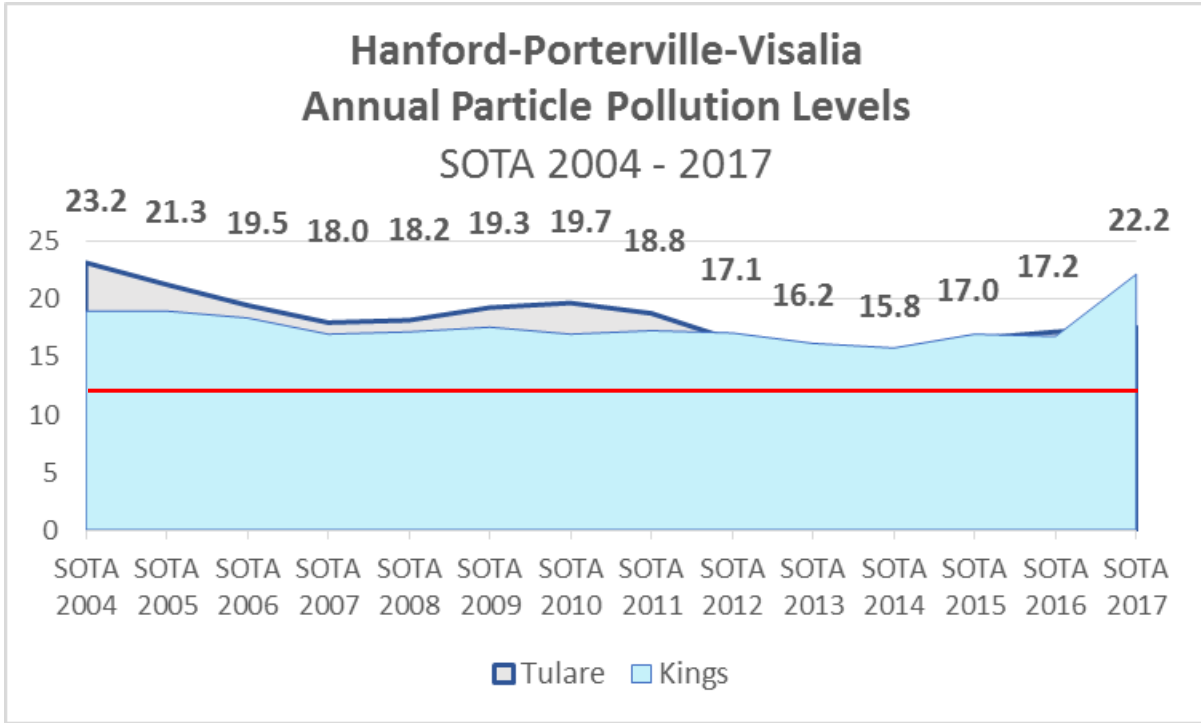
The table below lists the California cities that ranked among the most polluted in the nation by particle pollution on an annual basis in SOTA 2017 (2013-2015 air data).

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.

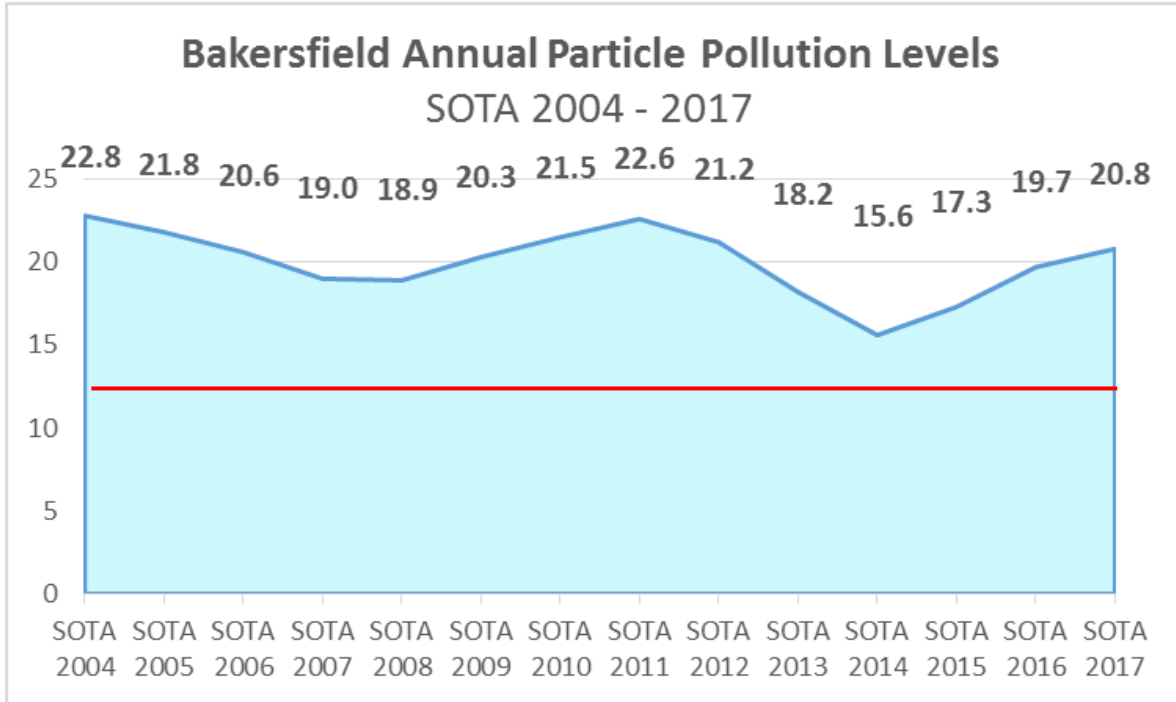
Particle levels are presented as grams per cubic meter, with levels of 12.0 grams per cubic meter or below earning a "Pass" grade in State of the Air. Particle levels of 12.1 or higher earn a "Fail" grade, as indicated by the red line in each chart.

Metropolitan Area	US Rank 2017	US Rank 2016
Visalia-Porterville-Hanford	1	3
Bakersfield	2	1
Fresno-Madera	3	2
San Jose - San Francisco - Oakland - Stockton	4	6 (tie)
Los Angeles-Long Beach	5	4
Modesto-Merced	6	6 (tie)
El Centro	7	5
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	10	-

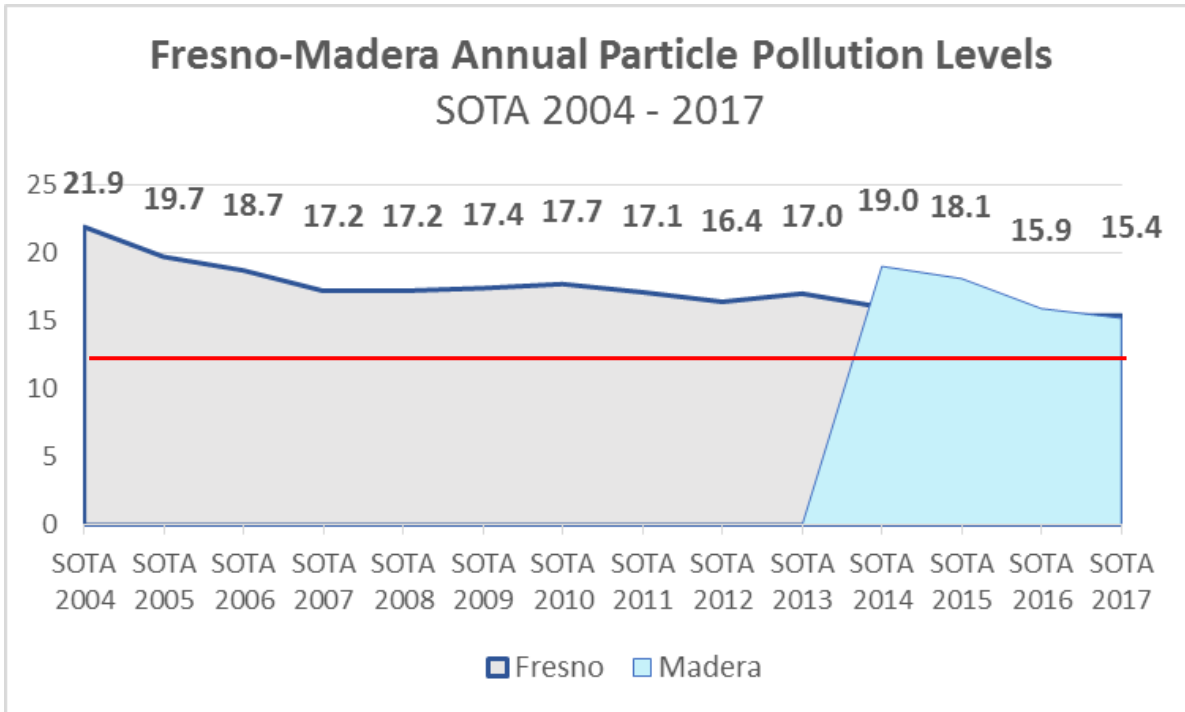
Visalia-Porterville-Hanford: #1 for Annual Particles



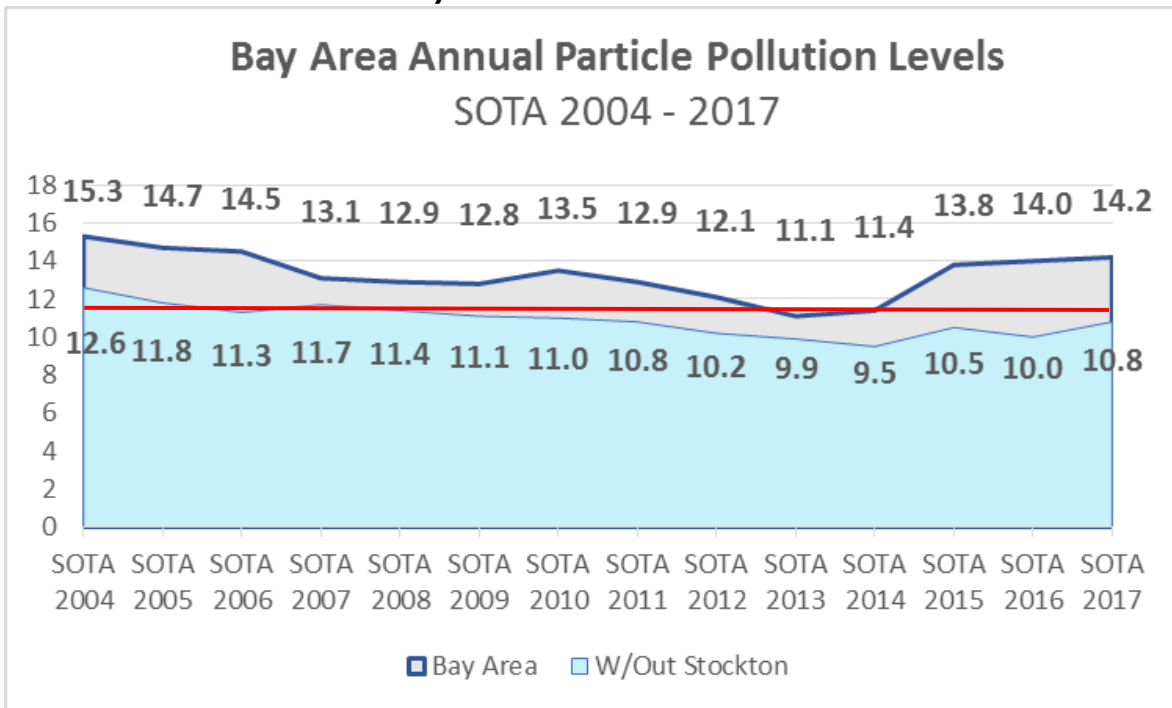
Bakersfield: #2 for Annual Particles



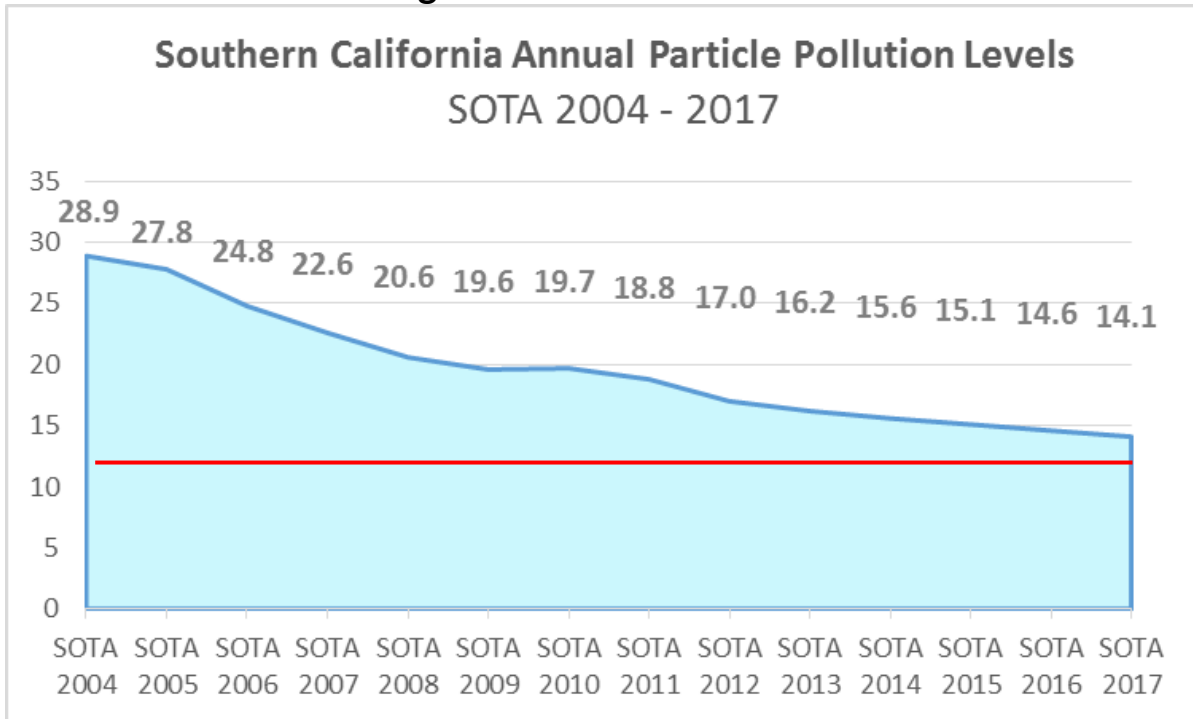
Fresno-Madera: #3 for Annual Particles



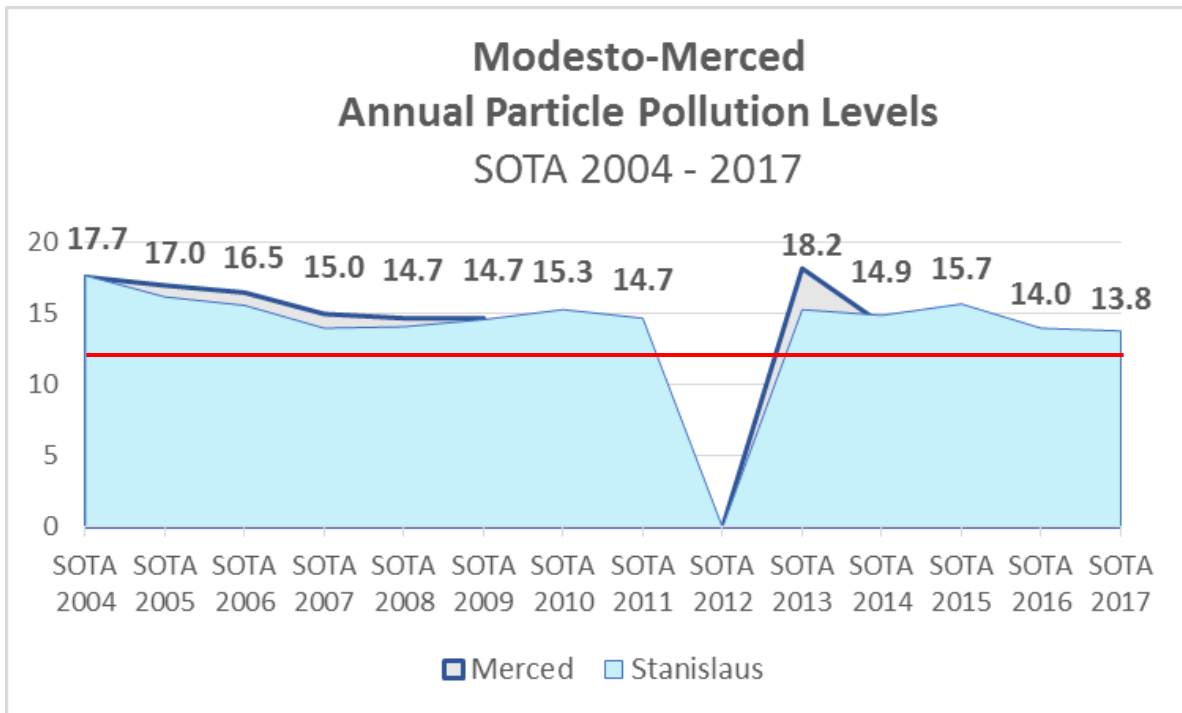
Greater Bay Area: #4 for Annual Particles



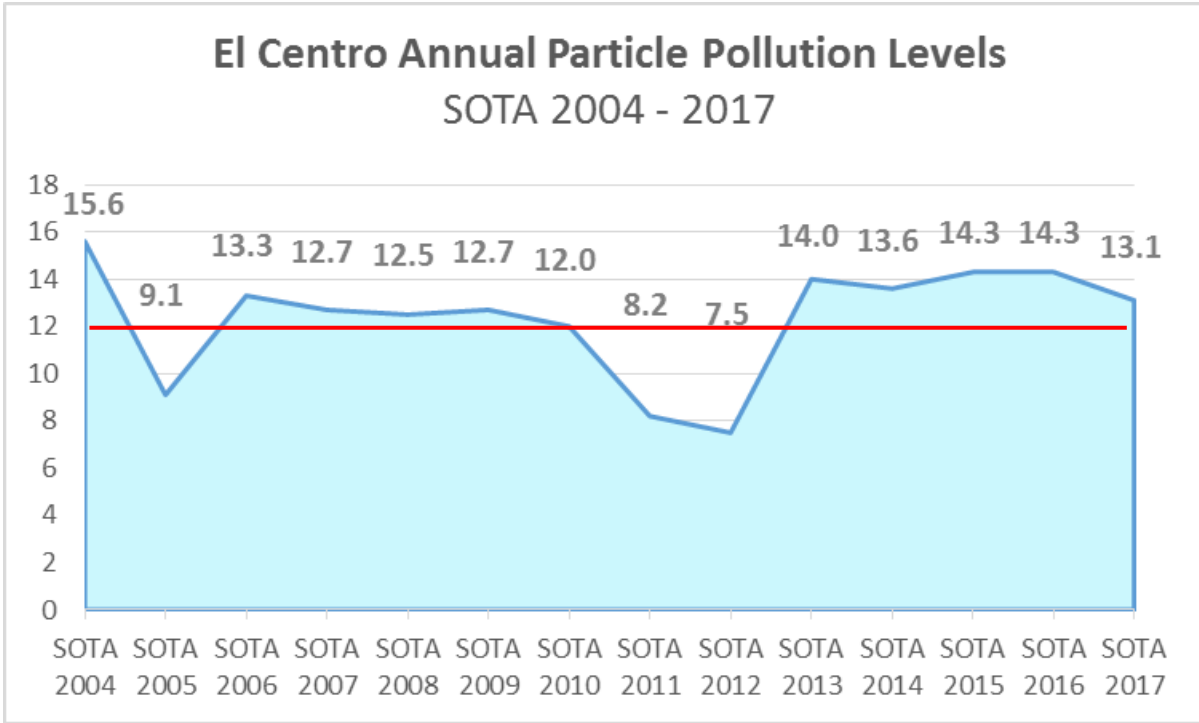
Los Angeles: #5 for Annual Particles



Modesto-Merced: #6 for Annual Particles



El Centro: #7 for Annual Particles



San Luis Obispo: #10 for Annual Particles

