

Air Quality Summary – March 2026

The highest daily Air Quality Index (AQI) value for the month was 65 (MODERATE), which was based on a 24-hour average PM_{2.5} mass concentration of 16.7 µg/m³ recorded on the 1st at the Colbert – E Greenbluff Rd air monitoring station (**Figure 1** and **Table 1**). The highest daily AQI value for PM₁₀ was 30 (GOOD, 24-hour mass concentration = 33 µg/m³), which was recorded on the 2nd at Spokane – Augusta & Fiske). So far this calendar year, the highest daily AQI values for PM10 and PM2.5 are 39 (GOOD) and 80 (MODERATE), respectively (**Table 2**). The AQI was in the GOOD category on 27 days and MODERATE on 4 days in March (**Table 3**).

Figure 1: Daily Air Quality Index (AQI) values for March 2026. The data represent the maximum AQI values for PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} across the air monitoring network in Spokane County (excludes SensWA low-cost sensor data).

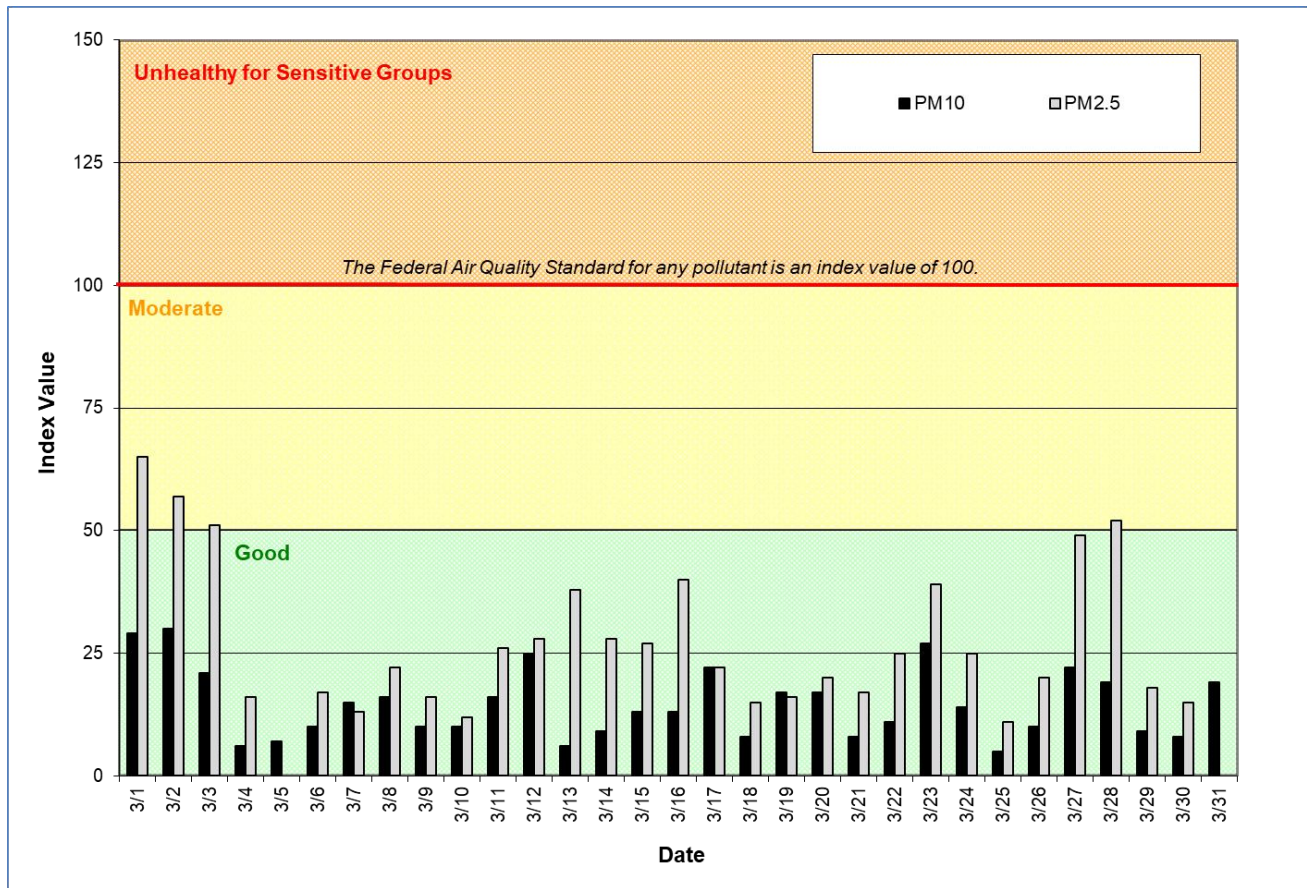


Table 1: Maximum AQI values and pollutant concentrations for this reporting period.

Pollutant	AQI	Location	Date
Ozone	Ozone is monitored each year between May 1 and September 30.		
PM ₁₀	30 (concentration = 33 µg/m ³)	Spokane – Augusta & Fiske	3/2
PM _{2.5}	65 (concentration = 16.7 µg/m ³)	Colbert – E Greenbluff Rd	3/1

Table 2: Maximum AQI values and pollutant concentrations for this year.

Pollutant	AQI		Location	Date
Ozone	Ozone is monitored each year between May 1 and September 30.			
PM ₁₀	39 (concentration = 42 µg/m ³)	Good	Spokane – Augusta & Fiske	1/27
PM _{2.5}	80 (concentration = 24.8 µg/m ³)	Moderate	Colbert – E Greenbluff Rd	1/1

Table 3: Air Quality Index (AQI) summary, March 2026.

Category	Number of days in March	Number of days this year
Good (0-50)	27	65
Moderate (51-100)	4	25
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups, USG (101-150)	0	0
Unhealthy (151-200)	0	0
Very Unhealthy (201-300)	0	0
Hazardous (>300)	0	0