

Saharan Dust Air Quality Bulletin

Antigua and Barbuda Meteorological Services

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Air Quality Index Based on Particulate Matters 2.5 (PM2.5) and 10 (PM10) Concentration

Air quality category: Moderate

Location: Antigua and Barbuda

Timing: Until Sunday

Synopsis: The air quality has dropped to moderate levels, as a result of an increase in particulate matters 2.5 and 10, associated with a surge in Saharan Dust, streaming across the area. The threat of health problems, for mainly unusually sensitive people, such as asthmatics, has been elevated.

Air quality index: 50 to 80

Alert Level: II

Sensitive groups: People with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly and children are the groups most at risk.

Health implications: Air quality is acceptable; however, for some pollutants there may be a moderate health concern for a very small number of people who are unusually sensitive to air pollution.

Caution: Active children and adults, and people with respiratory disease, such as asthma, should limit prolonged outdoor exertion.

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