



# Resource Information

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## Office of Transportation and Air Quality on the World Wide Web

<http://www.epa.gov/otaq>

*The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) maintains a site on the Internet's World Wide Web to provide up-to-date information on the Federal Government's efforts to meet the mobile source provisions of the Clean Air Act.*

### What does OTAQ do?

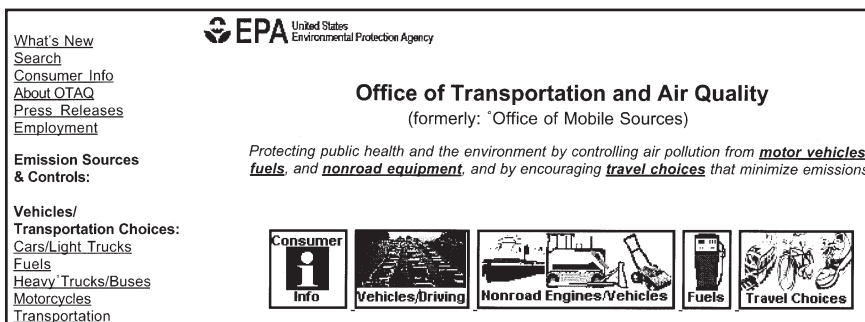
OTAQ is responsible for controlling emissions from motor vehicles, farm and construction equipment, marine engines, aircraft, locomotives, and other mobile sources of air pollution. OTAQ also conducts research on the effects of different fuels on pollution from these engines.

### How can I access the OTAQ Web site?

You can access the OTAQ home page directly by typing the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) <http://www.epa.gov/otaq>. You can also access it from the EPA's Internet home page at <http://www.epa.gov> by selecting "Offices, Labs and Regions," then selecting "Air and Radiation," and then selecting the "Automobiles" graphic.

## What kind of information is available at the OTAQ Web site?

The OTAQ Web Site contains a wide variety of information:



The screenshot shows the EPA logo at the top left, followed by the text "United States Environmental Protection Agency". To the right is the "Office of Transportation and Air Quality" logo, with the note "(formerly: 'Office of Mobile Sources)". Below this is the mission statement: "Protecting public health and the environment by controlling air pollution from motor vehicles, fuels, and nonroad equipment, and by encouraging travel choices that minimize emissions." At the bottom of the screenshot are five icons: "Consumer Info" (a person with an 'i'), "Vehicles/Driving" (a car on a road), "Nonroad Engines/Vehicles" (a tractor), "Fuels" (a gas pump), and "Travel Choices" (a bicycle).

- Consumer and educational documents such as fact sheets, presentations, and an environmental quiz on air pollution from transportation sources.
- Information about emissions from cars and light trucks including regulations, certification, fuel economy, and inspection/maintenance.
- Heavy-duty highway engines (trucks and buses) information including regulations, bus retrofit/rebuild, certification, and test procedures.
- Information on nonroad engines and vehicles like lawn mowers, boats, tractors, aircraft, etc. that covers regulations, modeling, consumer information and certification.
- A Green Vehicle Guide to help consumers make more environmentally-informed choices when purchasing a vehicle. Consumers can select a vehicle model, determine how clean it is relative to other vehicles, comparison shop for similar vehicles, and choose the cleanest vehicle that meets their needs.
- Transportation control measures, market incentive-based programs, and voluntary measures.
- Gasoline, diesel, fuel additives, alternative fuels, and other fuel issues.
- Air toxic emissions.
- Motor vehicle and nonroad emission modeling software and databases.
- Test Procedures and Laboratory Methods (fuel analysis, emission testing, equipment calibration, maintenance, etc.).

## Who would be interested in the OTAQ Web site?

The information contained on the OTAQ Web site would be of interest to the general public, environmental groups and public interest organizations, business and industry, and federal, state and local government officials. As well as technical documents, there are non-technical documents written for the average consumer.

## How is the Web site organized?

From the OTAQ home page, you have two choices for finding information. You can choose a specific emission source (e.g., fuels or vehicles), or you can choose a topic from a set of questions (e.g., what is EPA doing to control the pollution?).

The emission sources are divided into:

### **Vehicles/ Driving**

The highway vehicles page ([www.epa.gov/otaq/hwy.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/hwy.htm)) links to the following pages:

- automobiles and light trucks ([www.epa.gov/otaq/ld-hwy.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/ld-hwy.htm))
- motorcycles ([www.epa.gov/otaq/roadbike.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/roadbike.htm))
- heavy-duty highway engines ([www.epa.gov/otaq/hd-hwy.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/hd-hwy.htm))
- transportation planning ([www.epa.gov/otaq/traq](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/traq))
- fuels ([www.epa.gov/otaq/fuels.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/fuels.htm))

### **Nonroad Engines/ Vehicles**

The nonroad engines page ([www.epa.gov/otaq/nonroad.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/nonroad.htm)) links to the following pages:

- compression-ignition (diesel) engines ([www.epa.gov/otaq/equip-hd.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/equip-hd.htm))
- small spark-ignition (gasoline) engines ([www.epa.gov/otaq/equip-ld.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/equip-ld.htm))
- large spark-ignition (gasoline) engines ([www.epa.gov/otaq/largesi.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/largesi.htm))
- marine compression-ignition (diesel) engines ([www.epa.gov/otaq/marine.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/marine.htm))
- marine spark-ignition (gasoline) engines ([www.epa.gov/otaq/marinesi.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/marinesi.htm))
- recreational vehicles ([www.epa.gov/otaq/recveh.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/recveh.htm))
- locomotives ([www.epa.gov/otaq/locomotv.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/locomotv.htm))
- aviation ([www.epa.gov/otaq/aviation.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/aviation.htm))

## Fuels

The fuels page ([www.epa.gov/otaq/fuels.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/fuels.htm)) links to the following pages:


- reformulated gasoline ([www.epa.gov/otaq/rfg.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/rfg.htm))
- MTBE ([www.epa.gov/otaq/consumer/fuels/mtbe/mtbe.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/consumer/fuels/mtbe/mtbe.htm))
- Tier 2/gasoline sulfur ([www.epa.gov/otaq/tr2home.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/tr2home.htm))
- alternative fuels ([www.epa.gov/otaq/consumer/fuels/altfuels/altfuels.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/consumer/fuels/altfuels/altfuels.htm))

## Travel Choices

The Transportation and Air Quality Center home page ([www.epa.gov/otaq/traq](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/traq)).

The OTAQ home page also links to a consumer page ([www.epa.gov/otaq/consumer.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/consumer.htm)) for concerned citizens and a page describing the office ([www.epa.gov/otaq/oms-def.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/oms-def.htm)): its organization, contacts, etc.

Another feature of the OTAQ Web site is the “What’s New” page ([www.epa.gov/otaq/whatsnew.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/whatsnew.htm)) which contains links and descriptions of documents added to the web site during the last three months.

 **EPA** United States Environmental Protection Agency Office of Transportation and Air Quality

**What's New from OTAQ**

Last Updated: February 5, 2001

**What Was New from OTAQ:** [\[2000\]](#) [\[1999\]](#) [\[1998\]](#) [\[1997\]](#) [\[1996\]](#) [\[1995\]](#)

To receive periodic email updates of additions to this OTAQ What's New listing, send email to: [listserv@unixmail.rtpnc.epa.gov](mailto:listserv@unixmail.rtpnc.epa.gov) and in the body of the message put just: subscribe otaq-announce YourName (use your own name in place of "YourName")

## How can I get more information?

E-Mail:

OTAQ Web Manager: [otaqpublicweb@epa.gov](mailto:otaqpublicweb@epa.gov)

Listserv:

The OTAQ listserv is an automated mechanism for receiving announcements on new documents, regulations, etc. that have been posted on the OTAQ Web site. To subscribe, send a message to: [listserv@unixmail.rtpnc.epa.gov](mailto:listserv@unixmail.rtpnc.epa.gov).

In the body of the message, type “subscribe otaq-announce yourfirstname yourlastname)”