How are air pollutants made?

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What are air pollutants?

Air pollutants are particles in the air that have a negative effect of humans and the ecosystem. Air pollutants can be solid particles, liquid droplets or gasses. They can be natural origin or man made. Air pollutants are either primary or secondary, primary pollutants are usually made from a process like a motor vehicle or a volcano eruption. Secondary pollutants are not emitted directly, they create in the air when primary pollutants react or have an effect on each other. Some air pollutants are both primary and secondary they are emitted directly.

Air Pollutants





Different types of air pollutants

There are 6 different types of air pollutants; ground level ozone, lead nitrogen dioxide, particulate matter, sulfer dioxide and carbon monoxide



How can you help?

- Drive less
- Make sure you turn off all electricity like lights and computers
- Recycle everything you can
- Pick up after your pets
- Use compost bins and worm farms