

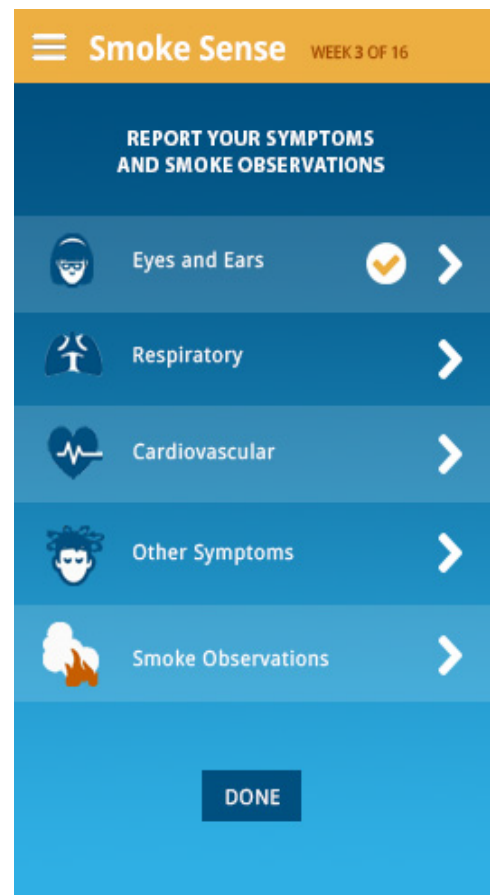
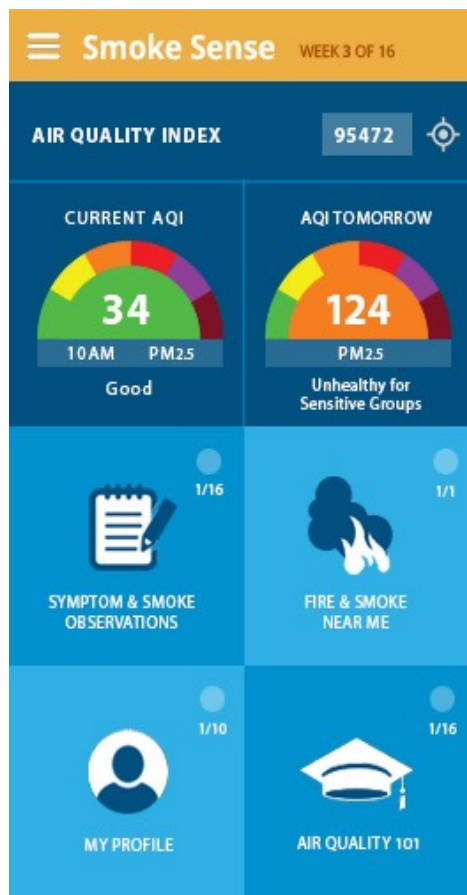
Smoke Sense a Citizen Science Study

EPA researchers have developed a citizen science investigation on the effects of wildfire smoke on our health using an android phone app. The **EPA Smoke Sense App** will help determine the extent to which exposure to wildland fire smoke affects health, activities, and then develop health risk communications strategies to protect us during smoke days.

The App requires entering some information but is anonymous; data cannot be tied back to an individual. The App will prompt you every week to enter the exposure, effects and actions taken due to smoke. You will be asked to answer a series of questions of symptoms and smoke observations for the previous week. Researchers hope to develop health risk communication methods and strategies that target the affected population.

This year's data gathering is a pilot study to perfect the App and determine if the questions are providing adequate information. Washington State was selected as an emphasis area for the pilot due to a past history of smoke impacts and a dedicated network of air quality professionals.

More information can be found at the EPA Smoke Sense webpage: <https://www.epa.gov/air-research/smoke-sense-study-citizen-science-project-using-mobile-app>



Download the App from the Google Play Store, search for EPA Smoke Sense

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