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Billions of people breathe unhealthy air: WHO

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Almost the entire global population (99%) breathes air that exceeds World Health Organization's (WHO) air quality limits. A record number of over 6,000 cities in 117 countries are now monitoring air quality, but the people living in them are still breathing unhealthy levels of fine particulate matter and nitrogen dioxide. A number of governments are taking steps to improve air quality, but WHO is calling for a rapid intensification of actions to adopt or revise and implement national air quality standards according to the latest WHO Air Quality Guidelines, identify sources of air pollution, support the transition to exclusive use of clean household energy, etc.

