

Air Quality Dashboard | September | 2021

AIR QUALITY MONITORING IN TOWNSVILLE

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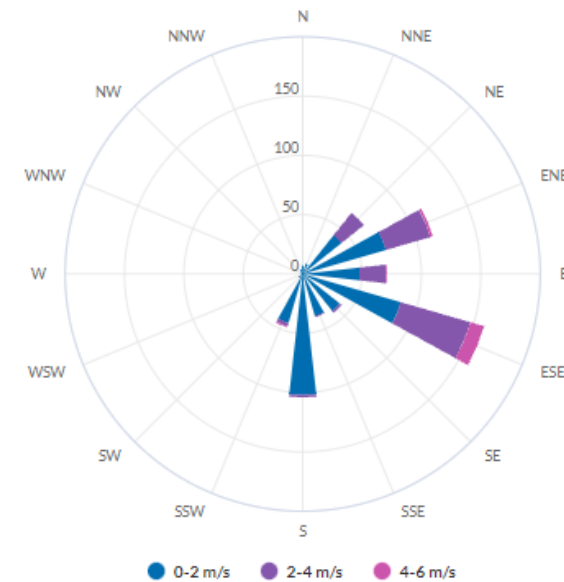
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Wind speed ranges correlating to wind direction



Shipping Movements in September 2021

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Date In/Out	Vessel Name	Cargo	Berth
01 Sep 2021 - 04 Sep 2021	BETTY	Scrap (EXPORT)	4
02 Sep 2021 - 03 Sep 2021	AFRICAN ROOK	TBA	8
02 Sep 2021 - 03 Sep 2021	PALANCA MIAMI	Bitumen (IMPORT)	1
03 Sep 2021 - 04 Sep 2021	NAVE ATRIA	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
03 Sep 2021 - 05 Sep 2021	CHAMPION CONCEPT	Molasses (EXPORT)	9
04 Sep 2021 - 04 Sep 2021	BELKNIGHT	Zinc Concentrates,Lead Ingots (EXPORT)	8
04 Sep 2021 - 06 Sep 2021	BELKNIGHT	TBA	3 STH
05 Sep 2021 - 06 Sep 2021	ORIENT GLORY	TBA	9
05 Sep 2021 - 08 Sep 2021	CHAMPION CONCEPT	TBA	4
05 Sep 2021 - 08 Sep 2021	DISCOVERY	Fertilizer (EXPORT)	8
07 Sep 2021 - 07 Sep 2021	SOFRANA TOURVILLE	NIL	3 STH
09 Sep 2021 - 09 Sep 2021	DAEDALUS LEADER	Motor Vehicles (IMPORT)	10
09 Sep 2021 - 09 Sep 2021	IGUAZU HIGHWAY	Motor Vehicles (IMPORT)	4
10 Sep 2021 - 11 Sep 2021	FEDERAL INNOKO	Zinc Concentrates (EXPORT)	3 NTH
11 Sep 2021 - 12 Sep 2021	THERESA ORION	Molasses (EXPORT)	9
11 Sep 2021 - 13 Sep 2021	KONDILI	Cement (IMPORT)	4
11 Sep 2021 - 14 Sep 2021	PACIFIC CONDOR	NIL	3 NTH
13 Sep 2021 - 15 Sep 2021	REIWA BREEZE	Concentrates (EXPORT)	8
14 Sep 2021 - 17 Sep 2021	KOURION	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
15 Sep 2021 - 25 Sep 2021	FEDERAL INNOKO	Concentrates (EXPORT)	10
17 Sep 2021 - 17 Sep 2021	MORNING SPARROW	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
17 Sep 2021 - 19 Sep 2021	THERESA MICRONESIA	Molasses (EXPORT)	9
19 Sep 2021 - 22 Sep 2021	HARRISBURG	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
20 Sep 2021 - 20 Sep 2021	REIWA BREEZE	TBA	3 STH
20 Sep 2021 - 21 Sep 2021	NADI CHIEF	NIL	4
21 Sep 2021 - 22 Sep 2021	GENIUS HIGHWAY	Motor Vehicles (IMPORT)	3 NTH
21 Sep 2021 - 22 Sep 2021	NADI CHIEF	TBA	4
21 Sep 2021 - 24 Sep 2021	ANSAC COLUMBIA	Urea (IMPORT)	8

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22 Sep 2021 - 23 Sep 2021	LIAN LE HU	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
22 Sep 2021 - 23 Sep 2021	SLOMAN DISCOVERER	General Cargo (IMPORT)	3 NTH
22 Sep 2021 - 25 Sep 2021	PROMISE 2	Urea (IMPORT)	4
23 Aug 2021 - 05 Sep 2021	FEDERAL ILLINOIS	Zinc Concentrates (IMPORT)	10
23 Sep 2021 - 24 Sep 2021	ELANDRA PINE	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
23 Sep 2021 - 25 Sep 2021	HANSA REGENSBURG	NIL	3 STH
24 Sep 2021 - 24 Sep 2021	GRAND VICTORY	Motor Vehicles (IMPORT)	3 NTH
25 Sep 2021 - 25 Sep 2021	GOLDEN CREATION	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
25 Sep 2021 - 26 Sep 2021	FEDERAL INNOKO	TBA	3 NTH
26 Sep 2021 - 27 Sep 2021	LAUTOKA CHIEF	NIL	4
26 Sep 2021 - 28 Sep 2021	POAVOSA WISDOM III	Sugar (EXPORT)	9
26 Sep 2021 - 29 Sep 2021	AMIS WISDOM III	Fertilizer (EXPORT)	8
28 Sep 2021 - 29 Sep 2021	GOLDEN DAISY	Sugar (EXPORT)	9
28 Sep 2021 - 29 Sep 2021	OCEAN SWAGMAN	Fodder (EXPORT)	4
28 Sep 2021 - 29 Sep 2021	SAKURA VOYAGER	Fuels (IMPORT)	1
30 Aug 2021 - 01 Sep 2021	HANSA FREYBURG	NIL	3 STH
30 Aug 2021 - 02 Sep 2021	SHANGHAI SPIRIT	Concentrates (EXPORT)	11
31 Aug 2021 - 02 Sep 2021	AFRICAN ROOK	TBA	9
31 Aug 2021 - 02 Sep 2021	LA PARTENAIS	Zinc Concentrates (EXPORT)	8
31 Aug 2021 - 02 Sep 2021	LIAN HUAN HU	Fuels (IMPORT)	1



First established in 1864, the Port of Townsville operates eight berths handles around \$8 billion in trade; servicing more than 136 ports around the globe.

In 2019-20, the Port of Townsville delivered strong financial results and continued to roll-out major infrastructure investments despite the impacts of the global pandemic, COVID-19. In a year where supply chains across the world have been tested, a total of 8.2 million tonnes of freight passed over our wharves, which was a 6.5 per cent increase on last year. With a focus on cost management, the Port also reported a \$13.87 million net profit for 2019/20, see the Annual Report.

The role of mining, resources and agricultural industries have never been more significant with our growth primarily driven by exports of mineral concentrates (up 17%), fertiliser (up 25%) and livestock (up 32%), making it Australia's largest live cattle export port. Townsville is the number one port in Australia for copper, zinc, lead and sugar exports and services 70% of the Northern Australia population. More than 20 shipping lines operate out of the Townsville Port offering more than 40 different services. Townsville is also a strategic Navy port and facilitates cruise ship visits.

Commodities/cargo that passes over the Townsville Port's berths include:

Imports

Containers and general cargo, motor vehicles, tyres, bulk products - cement, sulphuric acid, fertiliser, sulphur, zinc concentrate and petroleum (fuel) products.

Exports

General cargo, containers, timber, cattle, tallow, refined metal products, bulk products - sugar, molasses, fertiliser and mineral concentrates (zinc, copper, lead).

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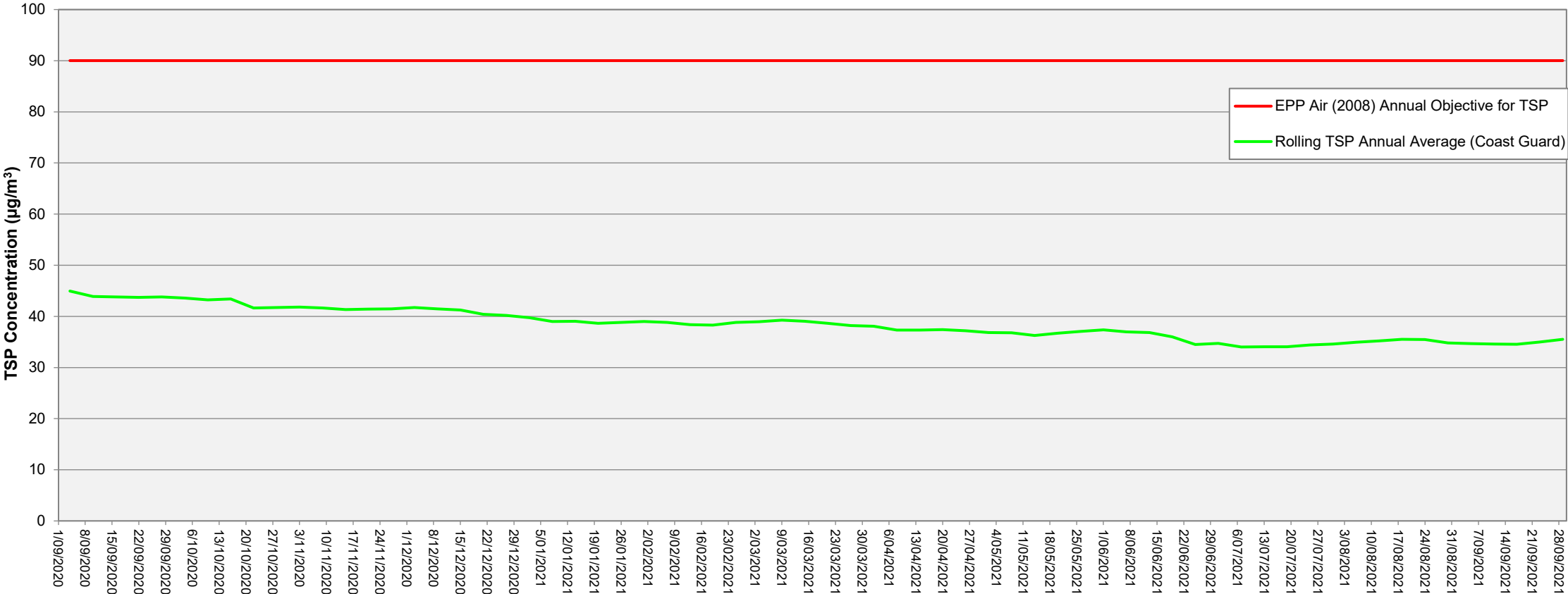
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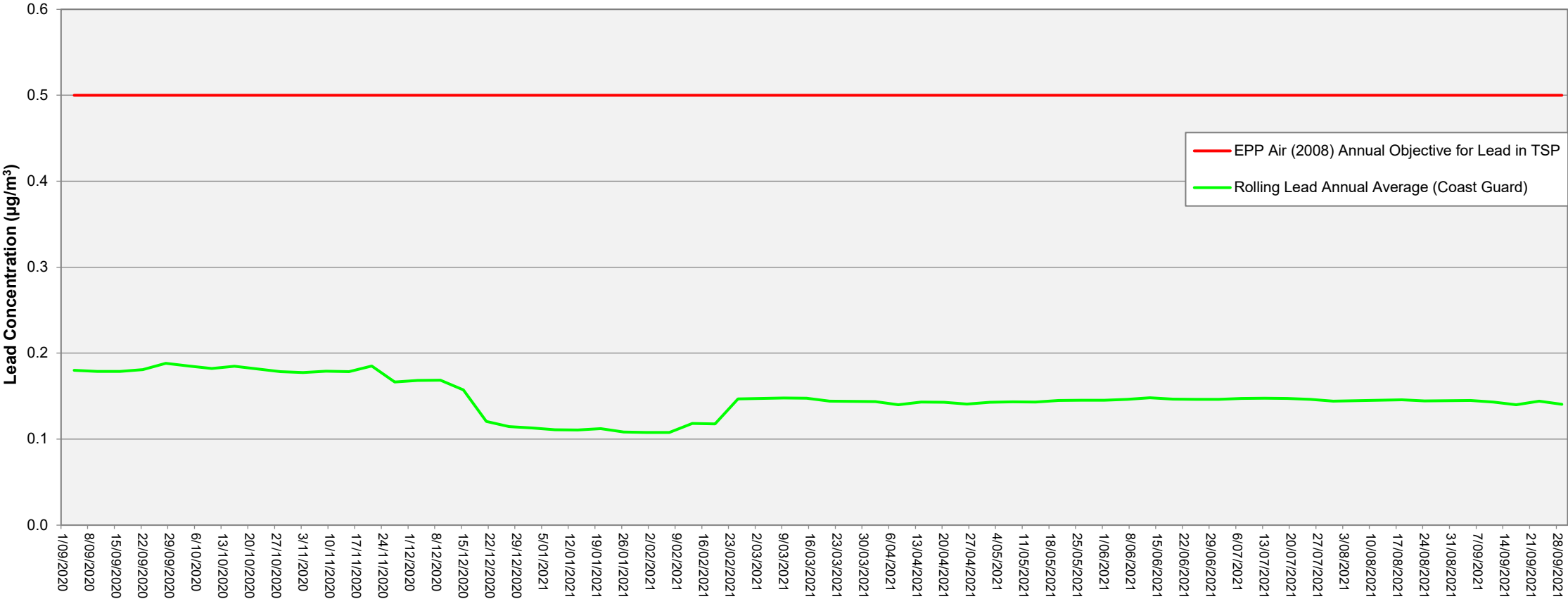
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Hi-Volume Sampler – General total dust levels (one in six days) at Coast Guard Site
SEPTEMBER 2020 – SEPTEMBER 2021



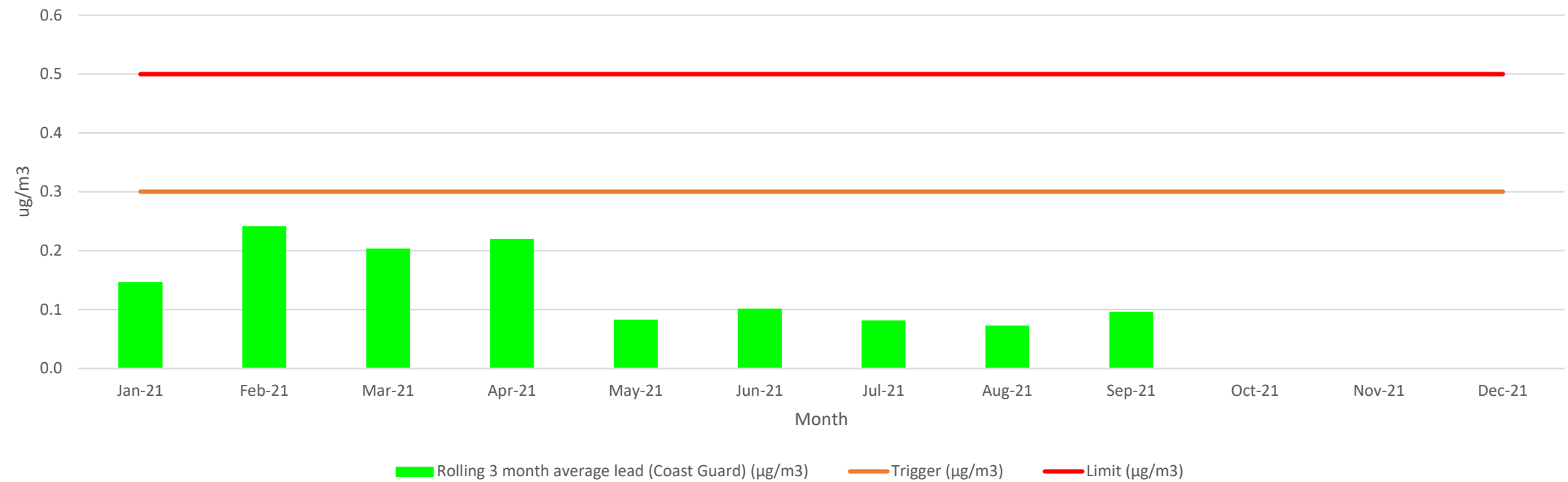
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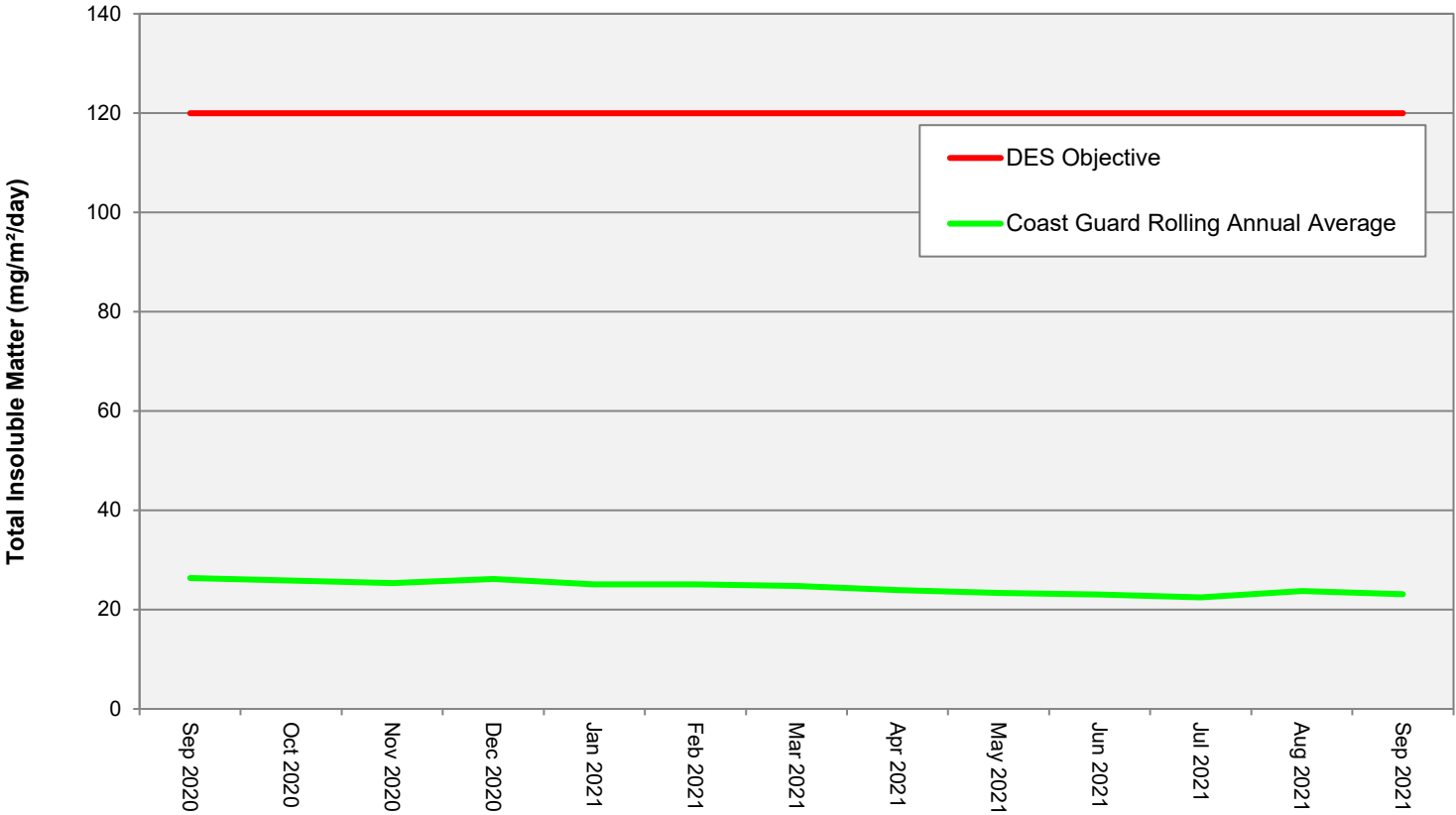
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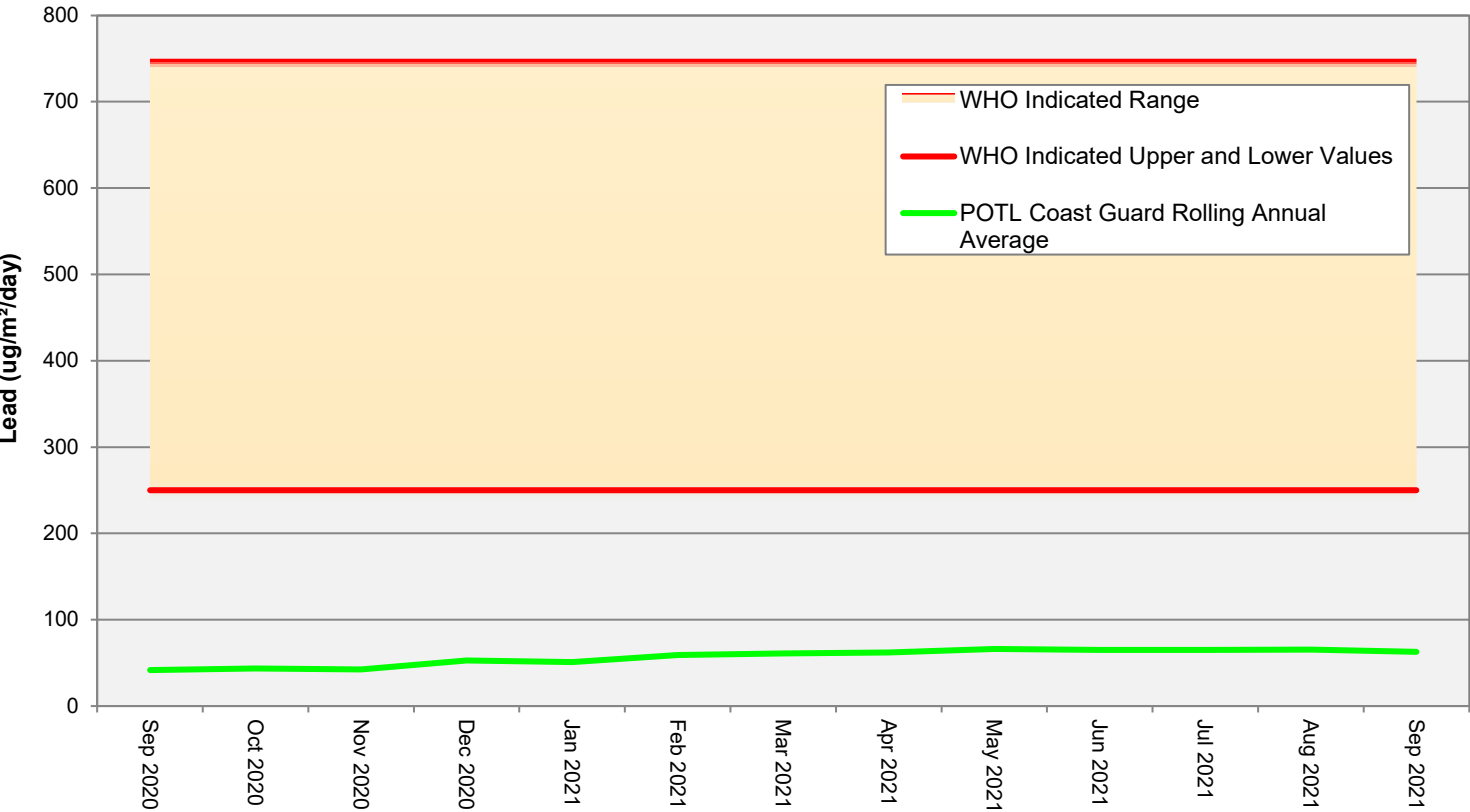
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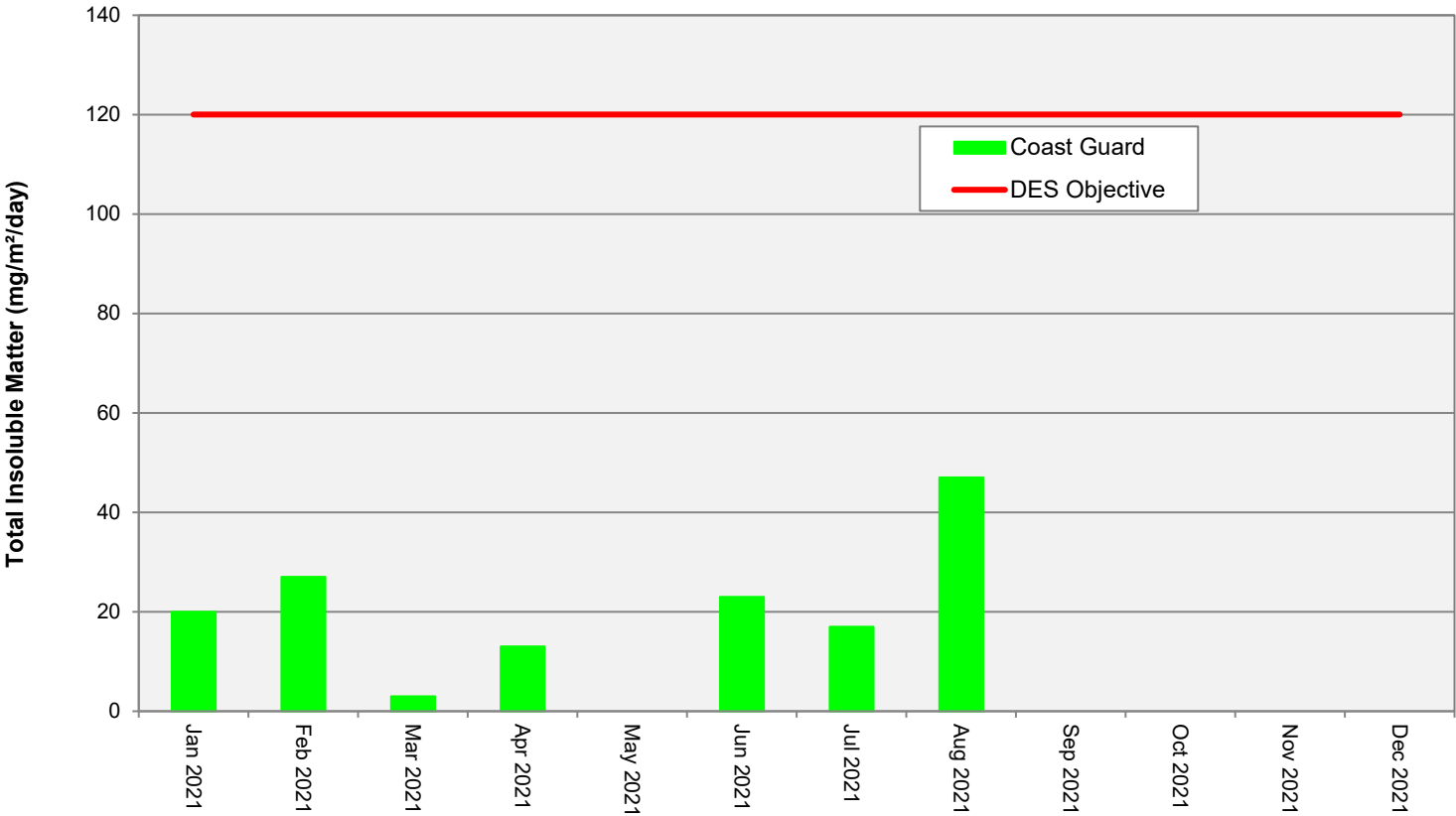
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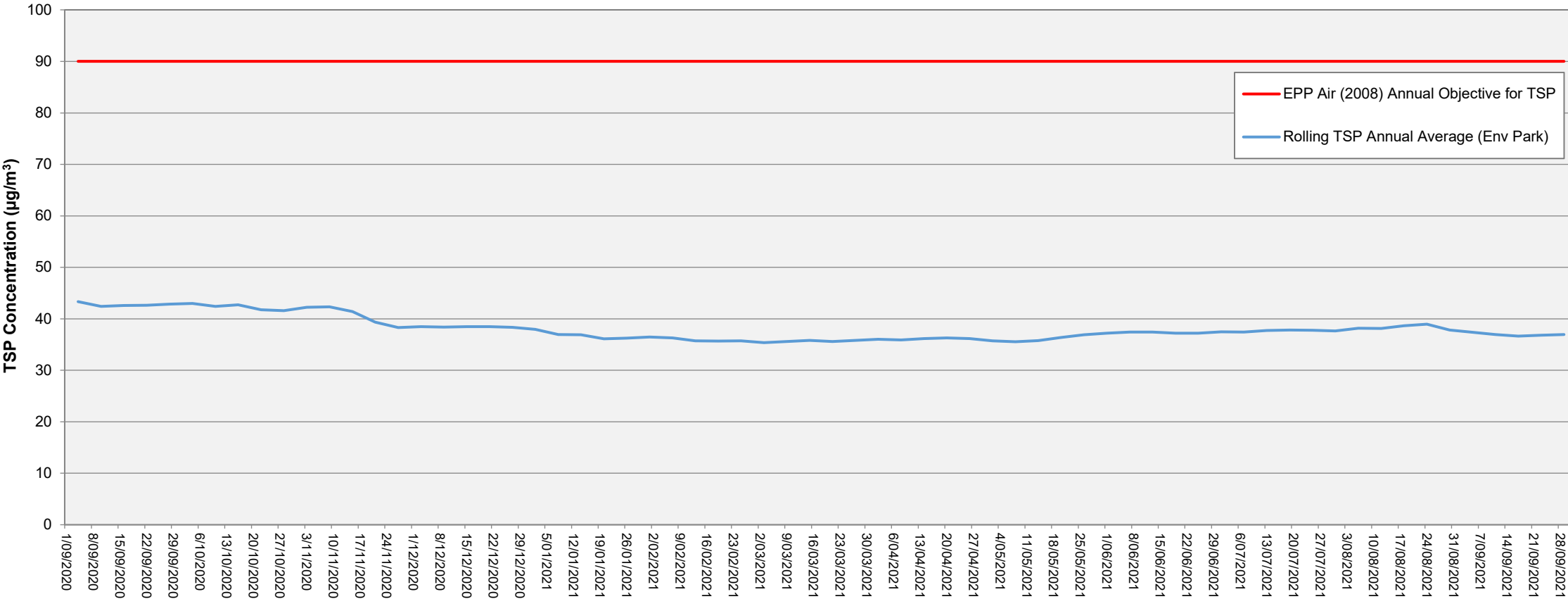
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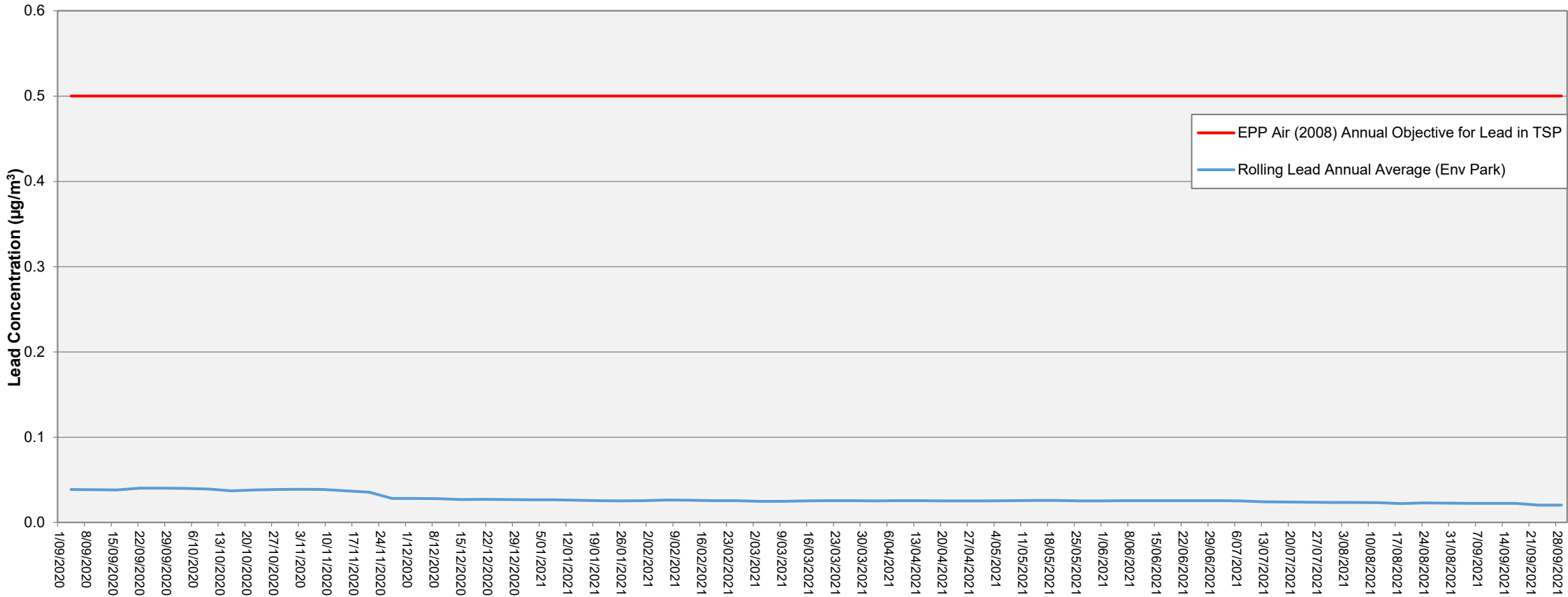
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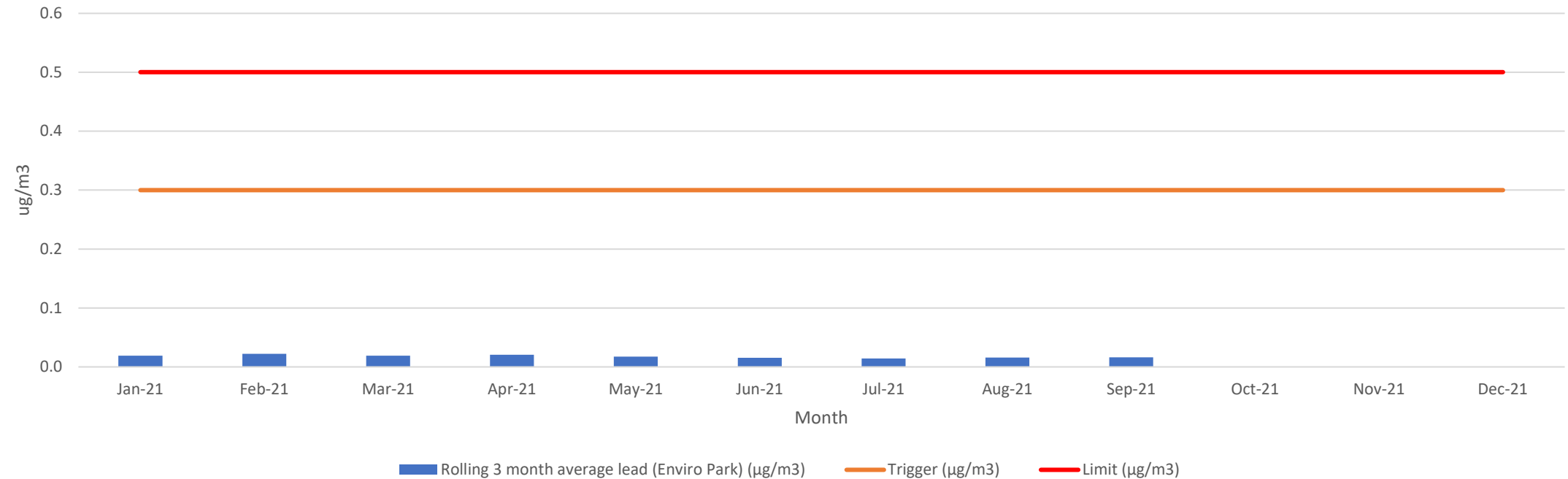
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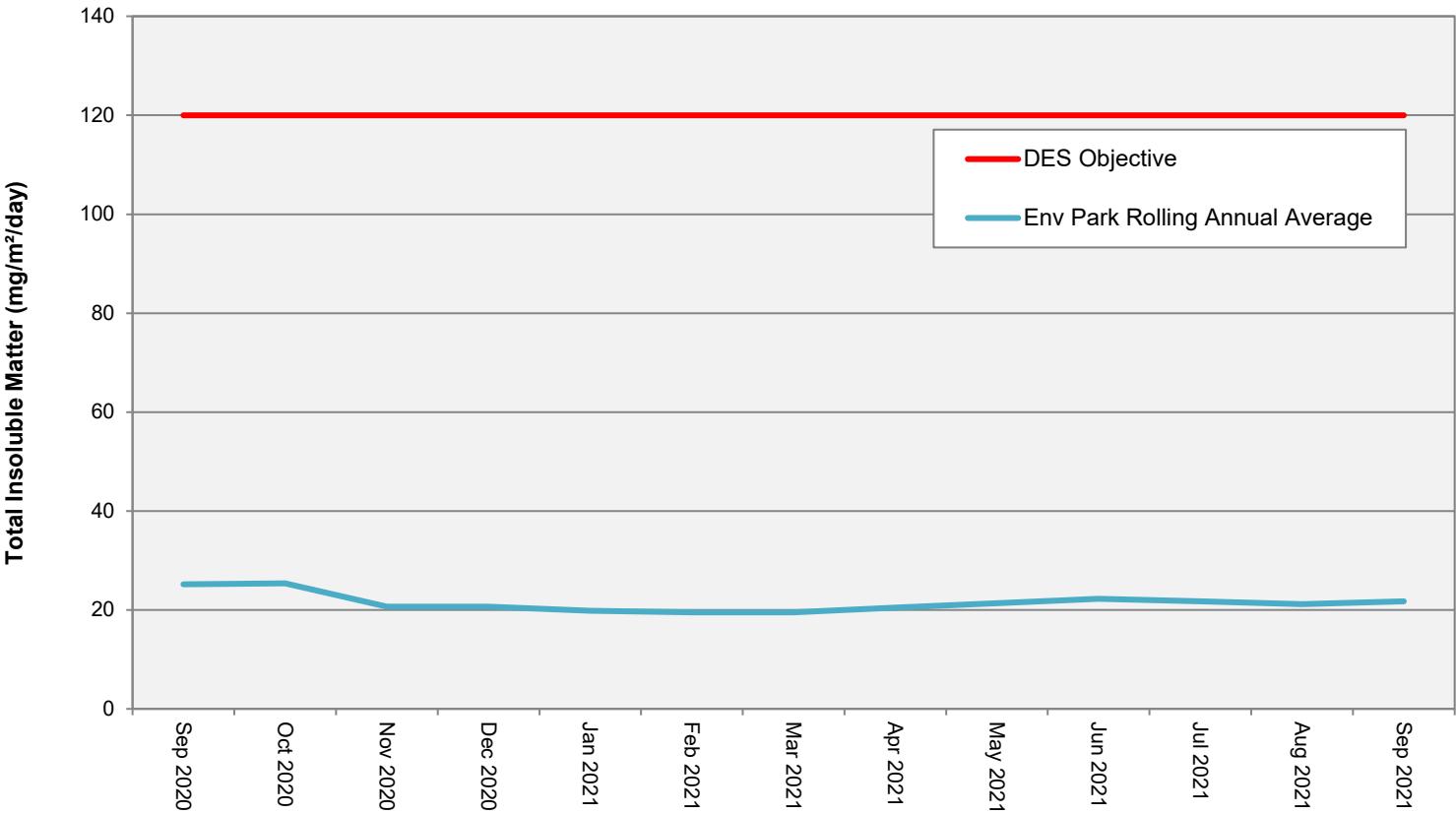
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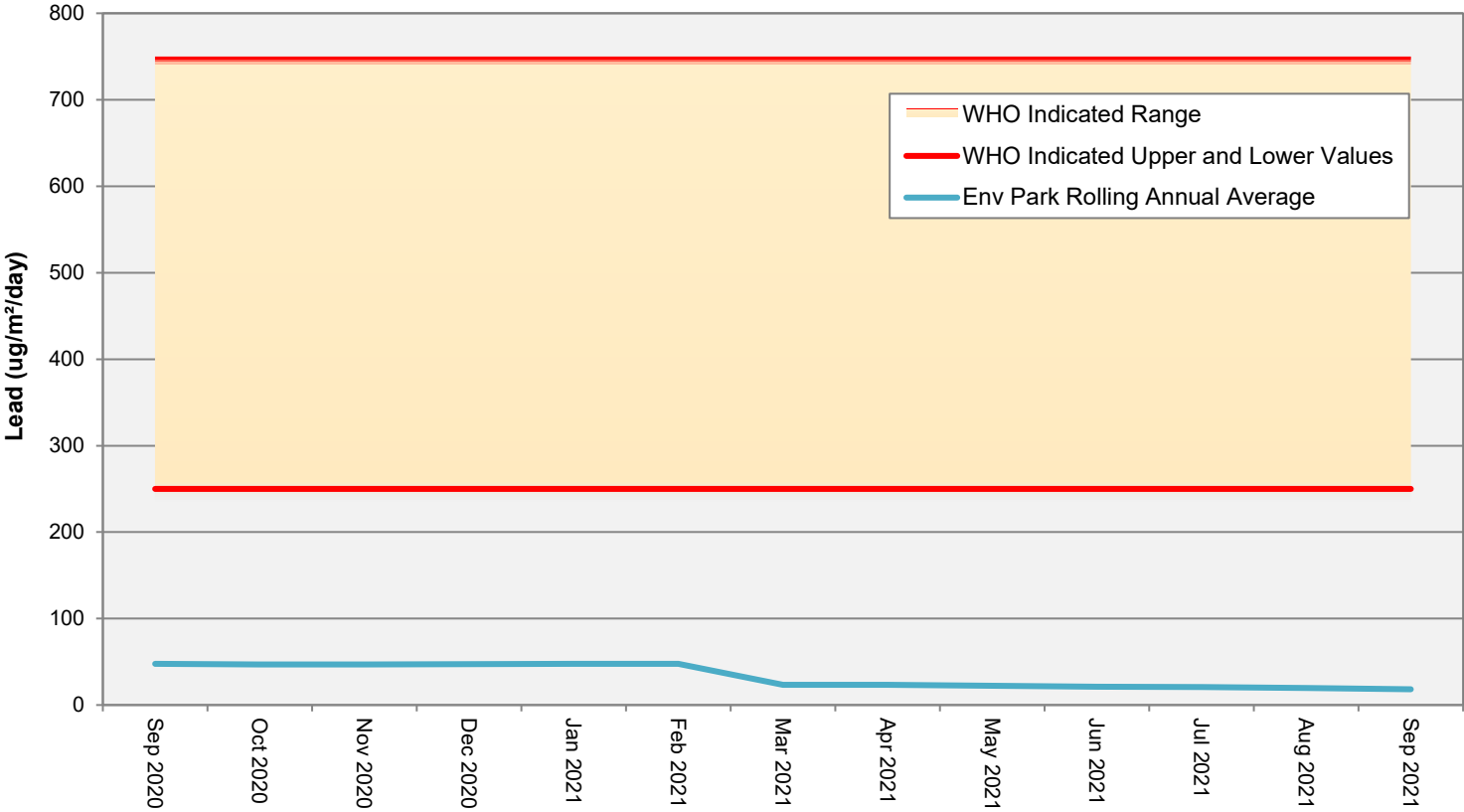
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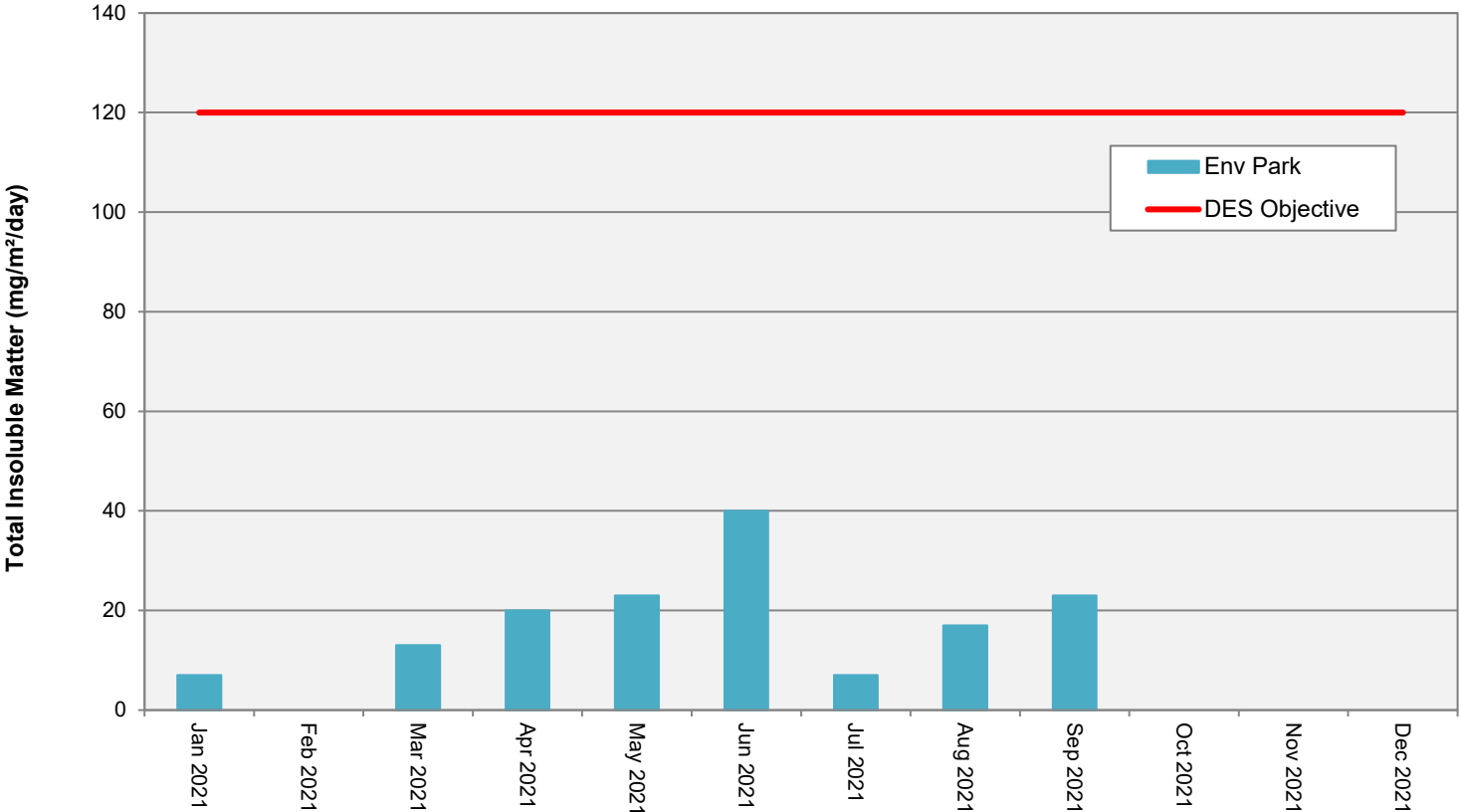
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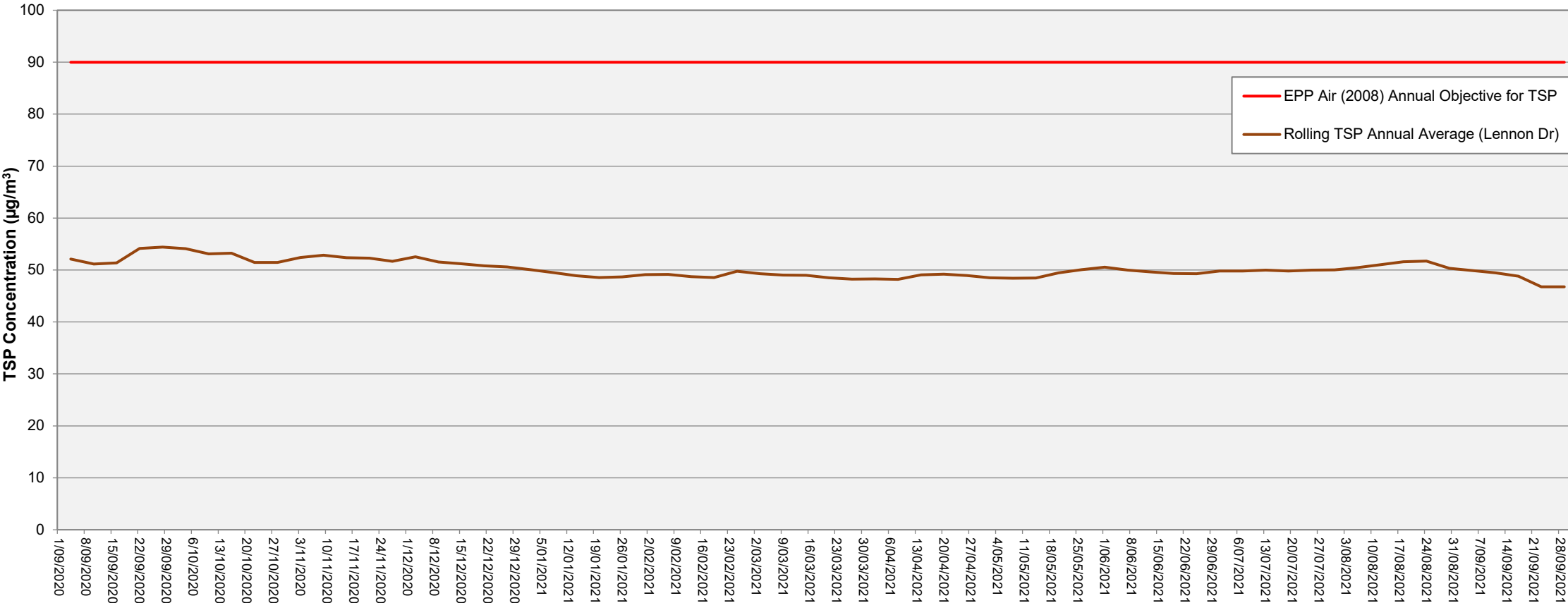
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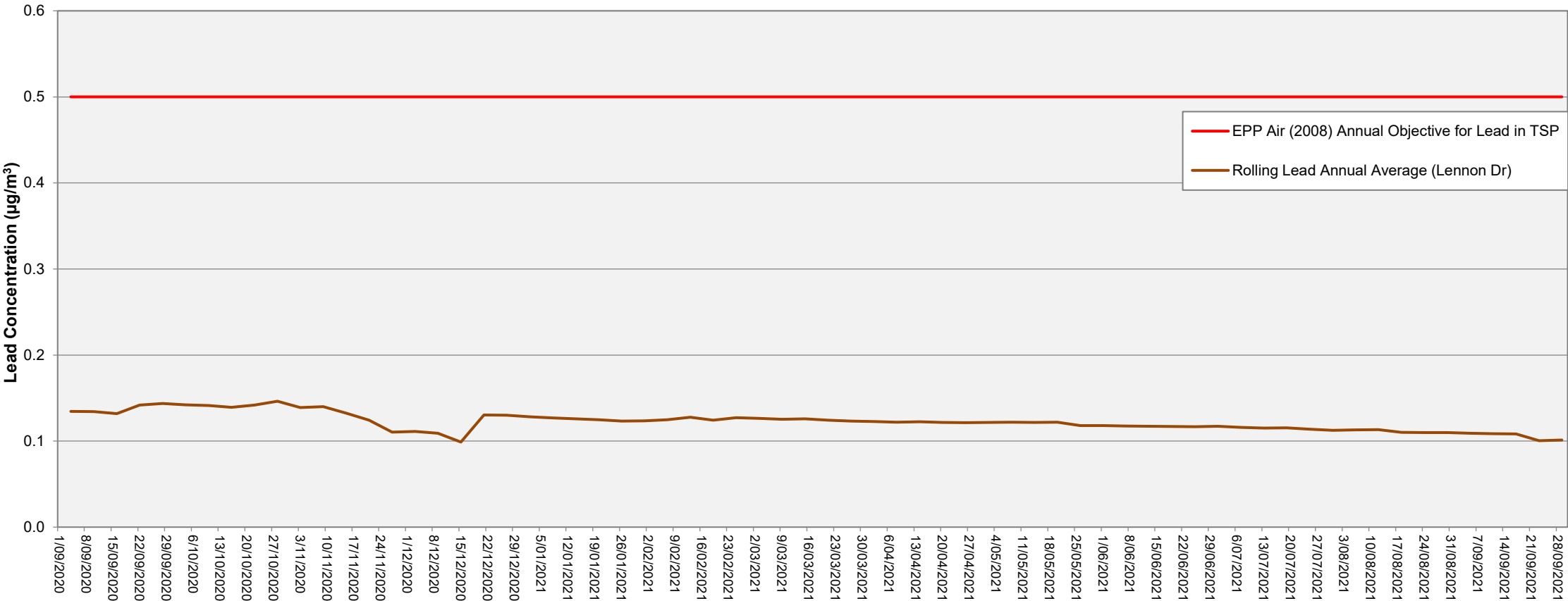
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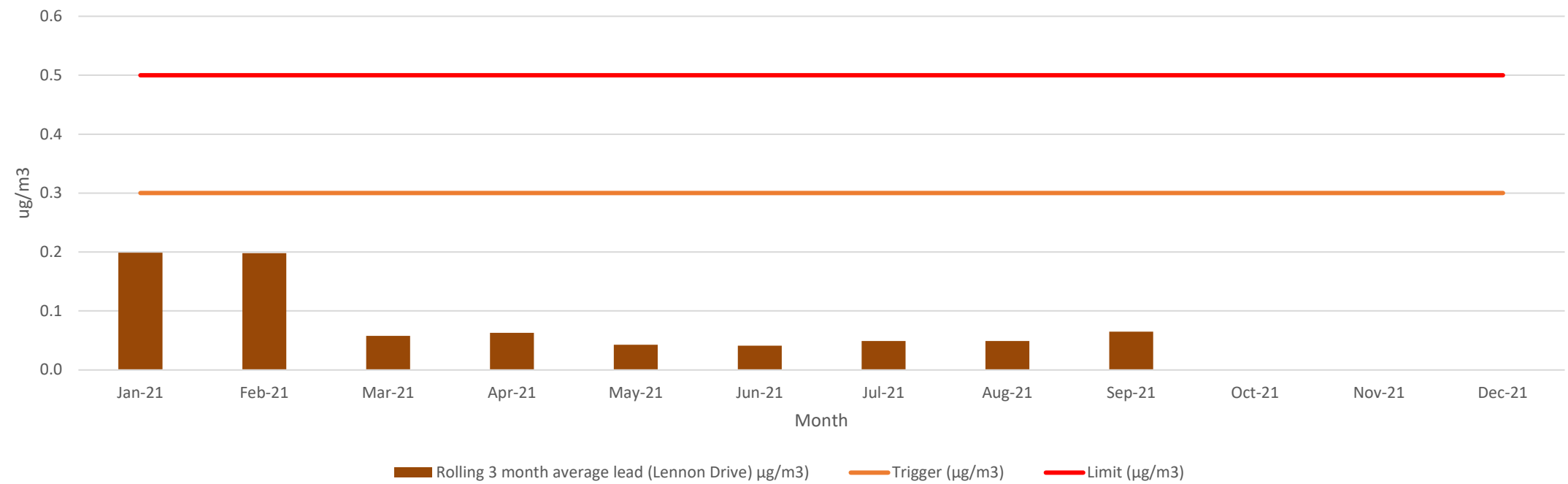
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Hi-Volume Sampler - Lead in dust levels (one in six days) at Lennon Drive Site
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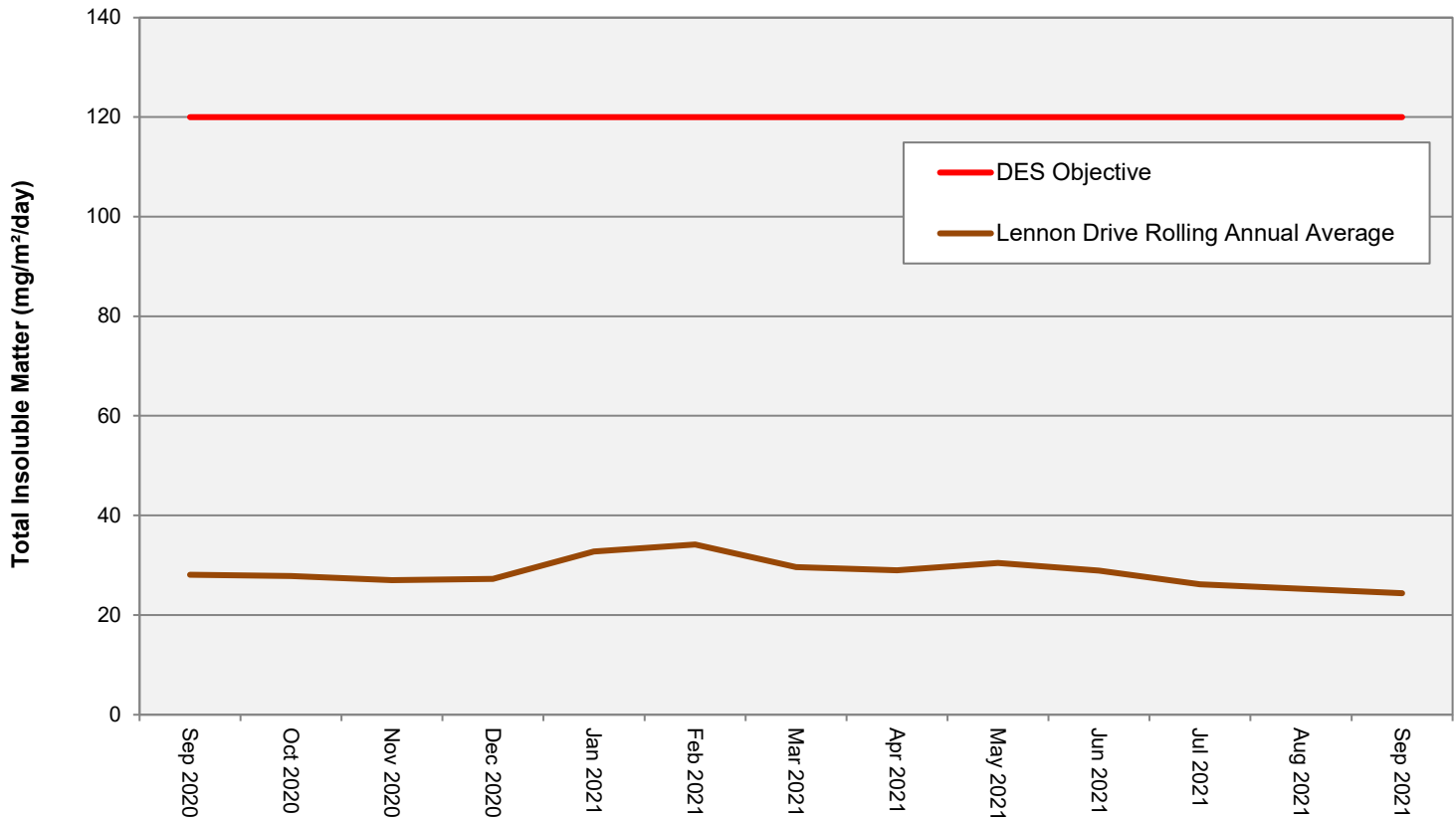
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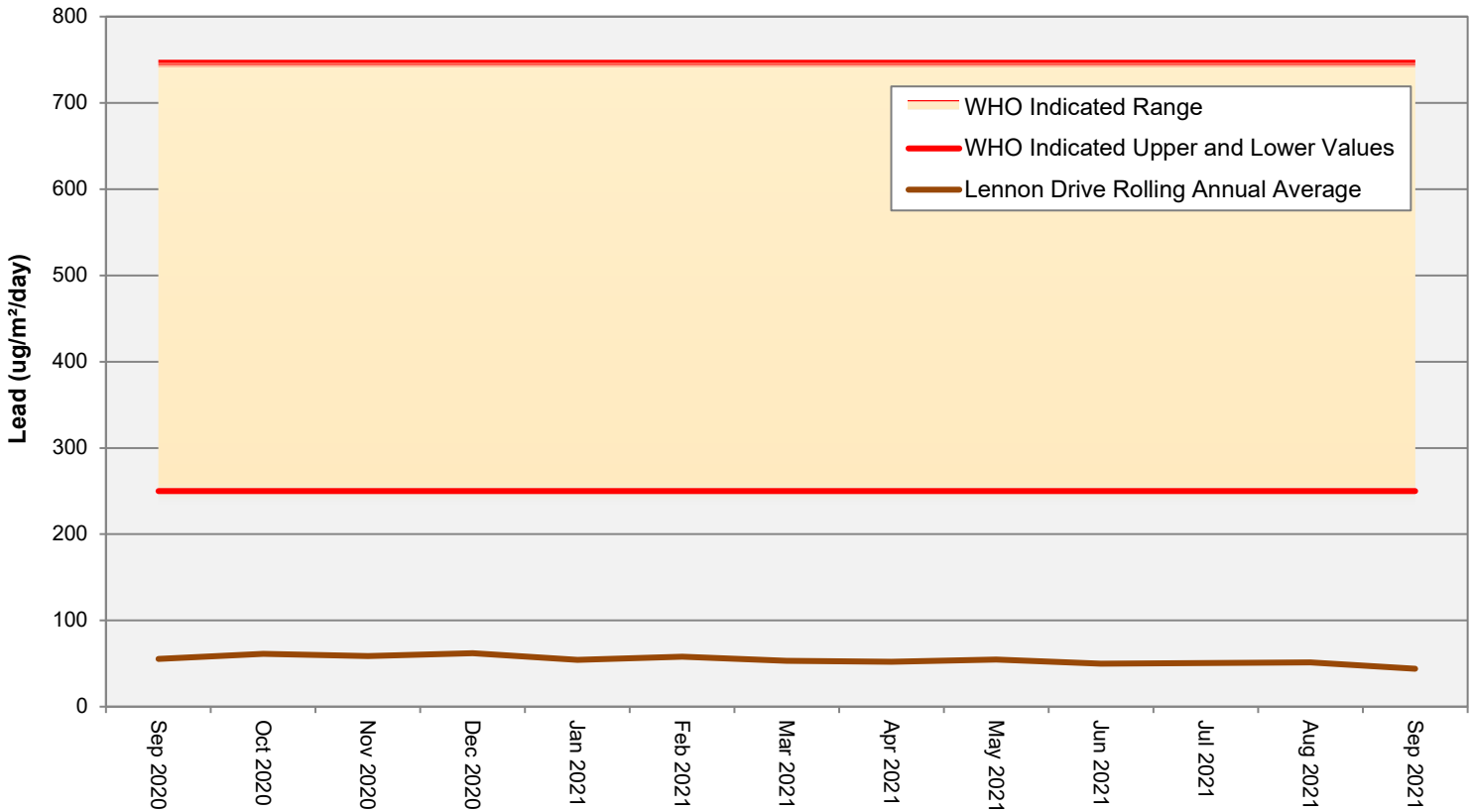
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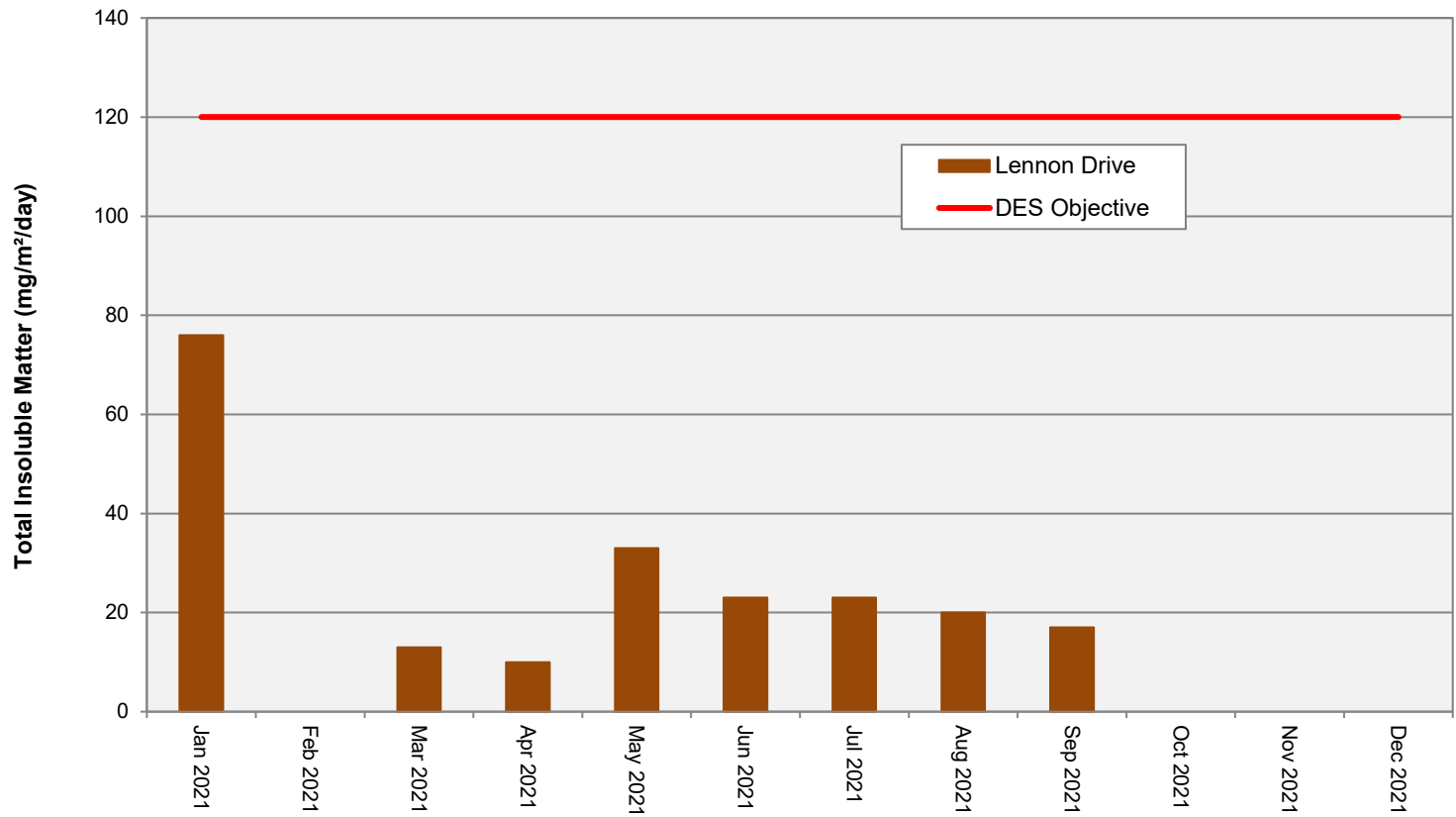
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This statement/advice was provided by Queensland Health in relation to blood lead levels in Townsville in April 2016

Environmental limits for lead are set using a number of possible criteria including potential health effects.

Blood lead level within the Australian population have been decreasing over time as the use of lead – particularly in petrol and paint - has been phased put. The most recent NHMRC guidance document suggests that a blood lead level of less than 5 µg/dL is what should be expected in the general population.

Elevated blood lead levels are notified to Queensland Health for investigation. Previously this level was 10 µg/dL but since the beginning of 2016 has been reduced to 5 µg/dL. This is not an indication of a safe blood level, but is a trigger level that requires investigation into what in the individual's environment is contributing to the level.

Based on studies recognised by the World Health Organisation into the relationship between lengthy exposure to ambient air lead levels and increases in blood lead levels, the current 12 month rolling average for measurements (as at March 2016) at the Townsville Coast Guard Site could be expected to add between 0.36 µg/dL and 0.6 µg/dL to a person's total blood lead level. This increment is only about 10% of the level that would require further investigation. Along with other normal exposure, this would not be expected to exceed that level, is well within the expected community range, and below the level that would trigger further investigation.

The highest rolling annual average in recent years (recorded in May 2014 at the Townsville Coast Guard Site) yields a predicted result of between 1.14 µg/dL and 1.9 µg/dL, still well under the level which should trigger concern.