

According to reports, the air quality index of basic industry department of New South Wales, Australia, showed that the visibility of Sydney City reached "dangerous" level at 10:00 on the 12th, PM2.5 index of most areas was "bad", and southwest and Illawarra areas were "very bad".

Helen, a forecaster at the Australian Bureau of elephants (BOM), said that the inversion layer arrived recently trapped the smoke, the warmer air prevented the spread of smoke, and the south wind continued to blow the smoke, together with the thick clouds, which made Sydney's smoke worse. She said that the smoke will last, but the change of wind direction will reduce the smoke, so the situation will not worsen in the next few days.

Local health authorities suggest that people with heart or respiratory diseases should avoid outdoor sports when the PM2.5 index is "bad"; in "very bad" situations, people should reduce violent or sustained outdoor sports.