

New Report Reveals the Nation's Most Common Allergens

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Marketers of Honeywell® air purifiers report the top 10 environmental allergens found indoors and outdoors across the U.S.

MARLBOROUGH, Mass., May 23, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- While springtime may be synonymous with the long-awaited return of outdoor activities, for the 50 million Americans that suffer from nasal allergies, spring means runny noses, watery eyes, and other irritating symptoms caused by indoor and outdoor allergens.

The marketers of Honeywell air purifiers have partnered with Dr. Ted Myatt, ScD, a microbiologist and air quality expert, to help Americans recognize the allergens that are most prominent across the country. Launching today, the Environmental Allergen Report lists the top 10 indoor and outdoor allergens present in the United States, identifies geographic locations where allergens are most prevalent, and classifies the peak seasons for each allergen.

Based on the report, below are the 10 most common environmental allergens in the U.S.:

- Grass Allergens
- Dust Mite Allergens
- Weed Pollens
- Tree Pollens
- Cat Allergens
- Dog Allergens
- Indoor Mold Species
- Cockroach Allergens
- Rodent Waste Allergens
- Outdoor Mold Species

"Reducing exposure to common allergens like grass and pollen is key for Americans concerned about allergy season, and what most don't realize is that outdoor allergens are often brought indoors through our clothes, shoes and even our pets," says Dr. Myatt. "The Environmental Allergen Report identifies allergens across the country at their source so we can be better prepared. Inside the home, preparedness should include running an air purifier with HEPA filtration to help remove microscopic particles from the air that passes through the filters, such as airborne grass, tree and other pollens, dust, smoke, pet dander, and mold spores."

This allergy season, homeowners can receive real-time updates on common allergen levels in their zip code with the **Honeywell Bluetooth® Smart Air Purifier with HEPA filtration**, which uses local AccuWeather data and a mobile app for Apple® iOS and Android™ devices that can automatically adjust the air purifier's run setting when local allergens are at their worst.

Based on a recent study, 9 out of 10 allergists who recommend a brand of portable air purifiers to their patients recommend the Honeywell brand. Honeywell air purifiers with True HEPA-filtration effectively capture up to 99.97% of microscopic airborne particles (0.3 microns and larger) from the air that passes through the filters, including grass, tree and other pollens, dust, smoke, pet dander, mold spores, and bacteria. These products help clean and circulate the air in a room up to five times an hour and do not release ozone back into the air from the filtration process, making them a good option for patients with breathing disorders.

To find more information on Honeywell air purifiers and tips on allergen removal and improved indoor air quality, visit: **www.HoneywellPluggedIn.com** or **Facebook.com/HoneywellPluggedIn**.

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