Aerosol Data (APD)

The ancillary data product, Aerosol Product Data (APD), is input to the CERES Regrid Meteorological, Ozone, and Aerosol Data Subsystem. The APD is the source of backup climatological total column aerosol optical depth data, and is made up of one data file for each month. The first record of each file is based on global three-hourly data provided by Dr. Rachel Pinker that are monthly averaged over two years. These averages are on a 2.5° equal-area grid.

The second record of each file is based on monthly data provided by Dr. Larry Stowe that are also averaged over two years. These averages are on a 1.0° equal-angle grid for the area between 70S and 70N. The Regrid Meteorological, Ozone, and Aerosol Data Subsystem interpolates these data horizontally to conform with the MOA horizontal grid, and then stores the value from one source on the MOA product.

Level: 3   **Portion of Globe Covered**
Type: Ancillary   **File:** Global
Frequency: Monthly   **Record:** One region

Time Interval Covered   **Portion of Atmosphere Covered**
    File: Monthly   **File:** Total column
    Record: Monthly

Table 1.   APD File Sizes

Source	Size (Monthly)
University of Maryland, College Park (Dept. of Meteorology) (Pinker) and NOAA/NESDIS (Stowe)	406 KB

APD Revision Record

The product Revision Record contains information pertaining to approved section changes. The table lists the date the Software Configuration Change Request (SCCR) was approved, the Release and Version Number, the SCCR number, a short description of the revision, and the revised sections. The authors are listed on the document cover.

APD Revision Record

SCCR Approval Date	Release/ Version Number	SCCR Number	Description of Revision	Section(s) Affected
N/A	R3V1	N/A	• Updated format to comply with standards.	All
			• The EOSDIS Product Code line was removed from the document. (6/17/2008)	Sec. 4.6
			• Section numbering was changed due to insertion of the VIIRS DPC. (9/17/2008)	All
			• The ASDC footer was added to the bottom of the document. (06/07/2013)	All
			• Eliminated section numbers from the Data Products Catalog. Specifically, in this document, section number 4.6 was removed. (12/18/2013)	All