# 2022 Annual WATER QUALITY REPORT

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## What is a **Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)**

Once again, we proudly present our Annual Water Quality Report, also referred to as a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). CCRs let consumers know what contaminants, if any, were detected in their drinking water as well as related potential health effects. CCRs also include details about where your water comes from and how it is treated. Additionally, they educate customers on what it takes to deliver safe drinking water and highlight the need to protect drinking water sources.

We are committed to delivering high quality drinking water service. To that end, we remain vigilant in meeting the challenges of source water protection, water conservation, environmental compliance, sustainability and community education while continuing to serve the needs of all our water users.

This report contains important information about your drinking water. Translate it, or speak with someone who understands it at 1-800-422-2782.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien al 1-800-422-2782.

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這是關於您的水質的十分重要的資訊。如果您需要幫助翻譯此資訊 請致電 1-800-422-2782 與我們聯繫。

आपके पानी की गुणवत्ता के बारे में यह बहुत महत्वपूर्ण सूचना है। यदि इस सूचना के अनुवाद के लिए आपको सहायता की जरूरत हो, तो कृपया 1-800-422-2782 र हमें काल करें।

Это очень важная информация о качестве Вашей воды. Если Вам требуется перевод этой информации, позвоните нам по телефону 1-800-422-2782.

Ito ay isang napakahalagang impormasyon tungkol sa kalidad ng iyong tubig. Kung iyong kailangan ng tulong sa pagsalin ng impormasyon na ito, mangyaring tumawag sa amin sa 1-800-422-2782.

Đây là thông tin rất quan trọng về chất lượng nước của quý vị. Nếu quý vị cần thông dịch thông tin này, xin gọi chúng tôi theo số 1-800-422-2782.

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#### A message from Illinois American Water's President



Rebecca Losli President, Illinois American Water Dear Illinois American Water Customer,

Illinois American Water is proud of the role we play in your community and daily life. The water service we deliver is an important tool for local firefighters, manufacturers and small business owners. Safe, reliable drinking water is also a key ingredient for your morning coffee, food preparation, showers, gardens, household chores and more. This is why delivering high-quality water service to keep life flowing is our top priority.

Our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report is a testament to our continued commitment in your community. We hope our dedication to you shines through in this report detailing the source and quality of your drinking water in 2022.

QUALITY: We monitor and test your water at multiple points throughout our process of drawing it from its source, treating it to meet drinking water standards, and distributing it through our pipeline systems. In fact, we test for about 100 regulated contaminants as required by state and federal drinking water standards. We also remain committed to protecting our sources of drinking water. We utilize advanced technology and detection methods that are paving the way for source water protection across the country, and we implement green technology whenever possible to protect our precious resources.

SERVICE: Statewide, more than \$1.1 billion for critical system infrastructure improvements has been or will be invested by Illinois American Water from 2018 to 2023. These investments allowed us to improve water quality, water pressure, system security and service reliability for our customers. This includes about \$948 million in water system improvements and approximately \$204 million in wastewater system improvements. Investments include replacing, lining and installing approximately 141 miles of aging water and wastewater pipelines.

VALUE: While costs to provide water service continue to increase across the country, our team has worked hard to improve efficiencies. Illinois American Water's operating and maintenance costs per customer have remained unchanged since 2012, supporting exceptional value for such an essential service.

We are proud to be your local water service provider. We will continue to work to keep your life flowing – today, tomorrow and for future generations.

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Rebecca Losli, President, P.E. Illinois American Water

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#### ATTENTION: Landlords and Apartment Owners

Please share a copy of this notice with your tenants. It includes important information about their drinking water quality.



## Mark of **Excellence**



#### EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.

Our team monitors and tests your water at multiple points throughout our process of drawing it from its source, treating it to meet drinking water standards, and distributing it through our pipeline systems. In fact, American Water performs over one million tests annually for about 100 regulated contaminants, nationwide.

#### EXPERTISE. RECOGNIZED AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL.

American Water is an expert in water quality testing, compliance and treatment and has established industry-leading water testing facilities. Our dedicated team of scientists and researchers are committed to finding solutions for water quality challenges and implementing new technologies. American Water is recognized as an industry leader in water quality and works cooperatively with the EPA so that drinking water standards and new regulations produce benefits for customers and public water suppliers. American Water has earned awards from the EPA's Partnership for Safe Water as well as awards for superior water quality from state regulators, industry organizations, individual communities, and government and environmental agencies.

#### WATER OUALITY. DOWN TO A SCIENCE.

Our team also has access to American Water's Central Laboratory in Belleville, Illinois, which conducts sophisticated drinking water testing and analysis. American Water scientists refine testing procedures, innovate new methods, and set new standards for detecting potentially new contaminants—even before regulations are in place.

#### **MAINTAINING QUALITY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.**

Just as Illinois American Water is investing in research and testing, we also understand the importance of investing in the infrastructure that provides high-quality water service to you. Last year alone, we invested approximately \$233 million to improve our water and wastewater treatment and pipeline systems.

#### NOT JUST MEETING DRINKING WATER STANDARDS— SURPASSING THEM.

The EPA regulates about 100 potential contaminants and sets stringent standards for each one. Illinois American Water takes water quality so seriously that:

7 of our water treatment plants. including the treatment plant serving your area, have been nationally recognized with Directors Awards from the EPA's Partnership for Safe Water program for surpassing federal and state drinking water standards.



## About Your Drinking Water Supply



WHERE YOUR WATER COMES FROM

water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution

includes coagulation, sedimentation, filtration, and

water for treatment from the Mississippi River. The

agricultural, municipal, and industrial activities. Farm

regardless of variations in the source water.

disinfection.

at 618-250-8723.

surface water supplies in Illinois. Mandatory treatment

The East St Louis Water Treatment Facility draws surface

Mississippi River is subject to a variety of influences including

chemicals may be seasonally elevated in the river. Extensive

monitoring and treatment ensure high-quality water service

The Illinois EPA has completed a source water assessment

request by calling Jamie Gough, Water Quality Sr Supervisor

To view a summary version of the completed Source Water

Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at http://dataservices.epa.illinois.gov/swap/factsheet.aspx

Assessments, including Importance of Source Water;

Susceptibility to Contamination determination; and

documentation / recommendation of Source Water

for the East St. Louis system and a copy is available upon

Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community

problems, hence, the reason for mandatory treatment for all

www.epa.gov/watersense

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

that easy-to-fix water leaks account for nearly 1 trillion gallons of water wasted each year in U.S. homes? In fact, the average household leaks nearly 10,000 gallons of water per year, or the amount of water it takes to wash 300 loads of laundry.

Many common household leaks are quick to find and easy to fix. Worn toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and leaking showerheads all are easily correctable and can save on your utility bill and water in your community.

Remember to look for the WaterSense label when purchasing plumbing products. WaterSense labeled products are independently certified to use at least 20 percent less water.



#### **SPECIAL HEALTH** INFORMATION

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

## What are the **Sources of Contaminants**?

To provide tap water that is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be

obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers. lakes. streams. ponds, reservoirs, springs, aquifers and/or groundwater. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

#### Microbial such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife. **Contaminants** such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or may result from urban storm Inorganic water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or **Contaminants** farming. **Pesticides and** which may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and **Herbicides** residential uses. Organic including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial Chemical processes and petroleum production, and may also, come from gas stations, urban storm **Contaminants** water runoff, and septic systems. Radioactive which can be naturally occurring or may be the result of oil and gas production and mining **Contaminants** activities.

#### CONTAMINANTS THAT MAY BE PRESENT IN SOURCE WATER INCLUDE:



## Protecting Your Drinking Water Supply

Protecting drinking water at its source is an important part of the process to treat and deliver high quality water. It takes a community effort to protect our shared water resources. This includes utilities, businesses, residents, government agencies and organizations. Everyone who lives, works, and plays in the area has a role and stake in clean water supplies.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Quality drinking water starts upstream. Everyone can help maintain and improve drinking water supplies through the following actions:

- Properly dispose of pharmaceuticals, household chemicals, oils and paints.
   Materials can impact water ways if poured down the drain, flushed down the toilet, or dumped on the ground.
- Check for leaks from automobiles and heating fuel tanks. Clean up any spills using an absorbent material like cat litter. Sweep up the material and put it in a sealed bag. Check with the local refuse facility for proper disposal.
- Clean up after your pets and limit the use of fertilizers and pesticides.
- Take part in watershed activities.

**Report any splils, illegal dumping or suspicious activity to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency:** <u>www.epa.illinois.gov</u> or (217) 782-3397.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about your water supply and local activities, visit us online at illinoisamwater.com. If you would like to provide input on source water protection and related activities, please call 800-422-2782 and ask to be put in contact with the water quality source water protection lead.

#### WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Our priority is to provide reliable, quality drinking water service for customers. The source of supply is an important part of that mission. We work to understand and reduce potential risks to your drinking water supply.

## Here are a few of the efforts underway to protect our shared water resources:



**Community Involvement:** We have a proactive public outreach program to help spread the word and get people involved. This includes school education, contests, and other community activities.

Environmental Grant Program: Each year, we fund projects that improve water resources in our local communities. Pharmaceutical Collection: We sponsor drop box locations across the Commonwealth for residents to safely dispose of unwanted drugs for free. This helps keep pharmaceutical products from



**Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest:** Open to third, fourth, and fifth graders, the contest encourages students to use their artistic skills to express the importance of water service.

entering water supplies.

We also take a green approach to our operations. We recycle to reduce waste, use solar to generate power, partner with farmers to apply residuals and biosolids, and more.

## About Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. American Water is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours. you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.



Please note: This diagram is a generic representation. Variations may apply.

## The most common source of lead in tap water is from the customer's plumbing and their service line.

The utility-owned water mains are not made of lead; however, the water service line that carries the water from the water main in the street to your home could be. Homeowners' service lines may be made of lead, copper, galvanized steel or plastic. You can assess your service line material where it enters your home, typically in your basement, crawl space or garage, near the inlet valve.

#### MINIMIZING YOUR POTENTIAL EXPOSURE

You cannot see, smell or taste lead, and boiling water will not remove lead. Here are steps you can take to reduce your potential exposure if lead exists in your home plumbing.

#### **CHECK YOUR PLUMBING AND SERVICE LINE**

If you live in an older home, consider having a licensed plumber check your plumbing for lead. If your service line is made of lead, and you're planning to replace it, be sure to contact us at 1-800-422-2782.

- **1. Flush your taps.** The longer the water lies dormant in your home's plumbing, the more lead it might contain. If the water in your faucet has gone unused for more than six hours, flush the tap with cold water for 30 seconds to two minutes before drinking or using it to cook. To conserve water, catch the running water and use it to water your plants.
- 2. Use cold water for drinking and cooking. Hot water has the potential to contain more lead than cold water. If hot water is needed for cooking, heat cold water on the stove or in the microwave.
- 3. Routinely remove and clean all faucet aerators.
- 4. Look for the "Lead Free" label when replacing or installing plumbing fixtures.
- 5. Follow manufacturer's instructions for replacing water filters in household appliances, such as refrigerators and ice makers, as well as home water treatment units and pitchers. Look for NSF 53 certified filters.

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6. Flush after plumbing changes. Changes to your service line, meter, or interior plumbing may result in sediment, possibly containing lead, in your water supply. Remove the strainers from each faucet and run the water for 3 to 5 minutes.

## Determining Your Service Line Material

Homeowners' service lines are most commonly made of lead, copper, galvanized steel or plastic. Homes built before 1930 are more likely to have lead plumbing systems.

### There are different ways that you can determine if you have a lead service line.

- You can access your service line material where it enters your home, typically in your basement, crawl space or garage, near the inlet valve and identify the pipe material using the chart on the right.
- A licensed and insured plumber can inspect your pipes and plumbing.
- Lead test kits can be purchased at local hardware and home improvement stores. These kits are used to test paint, but can also be used to test pipe – not the water inside. Look for an EPA recognized kit. Wash your hands after inspecting plumbing and pipes.

#### **TYPES OF PIPE**

|                        | • Galvanized: A dull, silver-gray color. Use a magnet - strong magnets will typically cling to galvanized pipes.  |
|------------------------|---|
|                        | Copper: The color of a copper penny.  |
|                        | • Plastic: Usually white, rigid pipe that is jointed to water supply piping with a clamp. Note: It can be other colors, including blue and black.                     |
| Collinearea ( ) Martin | <ul> <li>Lead: A dull, silver-gray color that is easily scratched with a coin.</li> <li>Use a magnet - strong magnets will <u>not</u> cling to lead pipes.</li> </ul> |
|                        |   |

#### YOUR SERVICE LINE MATERIAL

At Illinois American Water, providing safe, reliable water service is our top priority. In January 2022, the state of Illinois enacted legislation that requires all water providers to share with customers the material of the utility-owned and customer-owned service lines that lead to their property, notify customers with service lines that are lead or galvanized steel, and replace them.

To support this initiative, Illinois American Water has created an interactive map to help our customers learn or identify their service line material and the next steps they can take to support this initiative. To access the inventory map please visit <u>https://www.amwater.com/ilaw/Water-Quality/Lead-And-Drinking-Water/</u>

Please note if your service lines contain lead, it does not mean you cannot use water as you normally do. Illinois American Water regularly tests for lead in drinking water and our water meets state and federal water quality regulations, including those set for lead. For added protection and to comply with the new legislation, we will be removing lead and lead/galvanized piping form service lines over time. For more information on lead in drinking water, please visit <u>https://www.amwater.com/ilaw/Water-Quality/Lead-And-Drinking-Water/</u>

## Important Information About **Drinking Water**

#### **IMPORTANT HEALTH INFORMATION**

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If you have any questions, please call Illinois American Water's Customer Service Center at (800) 422-2782.

#### **CRYPTOSPORIDIUM**

Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly-used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water and/or finished water. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a few weeks. However, immuno-compromised people, infants and small children, and the elderly are at greater risk of developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.



## Important Information About **Drinking Water**

#### UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING RULE (UCMR)

The EPA created the Unregulated Contaminants Monitoring Rule (UCMR) to assist them in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether new regulations are warranted. The first Unregulated Contaminants Monitoring Rule (UCMR1) testing was completed in 2003 for a list of contaminants specified by the EPA. Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. UCMR2 testing was conducted between November 2008 and August 2009, and UCMR3 assessment monitoring was conducted between January 2013 and December 2016. The fourth list of contaminants to monitor as part of the UCMR was published by the EPA in December 2016. UCMR4 testing began in 2018 and was completed in 2020. The results from the UCMR monitoring are reported directly to the EPA. The results of this monitoring are incorporated in the data tables in this report as appropriate. For more information, contact our Customer Service Center at 1-800-422-2782.

#### **PFAS Monitoring**

PFAS refers to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, a class of synthetic chemicals, manufactured for industrial applications and commercial household products such as: non-stick cookware; waterproof and stain resistant fabrics and carpets; firefighting foam and cleaning products. The properties that make these chemicals useful in so many of our every-day products also resist breaking down and therefore persist in the environment. Exposure may be from food, food packaging, consumer products, house dust, indoor and outdoor air, drinking water and at workplaces where PFAS are made or used.

The science and regulation of PFAS and other contaminants is always evolving, and Illinois American Water strives to be a leader in research and development. PFAS contamination is one of the most rapidly changing areas in the drinking water field. We have invested in our own independent research, as well as engaging with other experts in the field to understand PFAS occurrence in the environment. We are also actively assessing treatment technologies that can effectively remove PFAS from drinking water, because we believe that investment in research is critically important to addressing this issue.

IL EPA established Health Advisory Levels for several PFAS analytes. For more information about PFAS health advisories https://www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/waterquality/pfas/Pages/pfas-healthadvisory.aspx Ð

American Water has a history of leading research to understand contaminants that can make their way through the environment. Our dedicated scientists work with leaders in the water community to develop methods to detect, sample, measure and address these contaminants. Because investment in research is critical to address PFAS, American Water actively assesses treatment technologies that can effectively remove PFAS from drinking water.

> Lauren A. Weinrich, Ph.D. Principal Scientist



# Water Quality **Results**

#### WATER QUALITY STATEMENT

We are pleased to report that during calendar year 2022, the results of testing of your drinking water complied with all state and federal drinking water requirements.

For your information, we have compiled a list in the table below showing the testing of your drinking water during 2022. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentration of the contaminants does not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, are more than one year old.

## **Definition of Terms**

# These are terms that may appear in your report.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, that a water system must follow.

**Compliance Achieved:** Indicates that the levels found were all within the allowable levels as determined by the USEPA.

**Level 1 Assessment:** A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

**Level 2 Assessment:** A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

**LRAA:** Locational Running Annual Average

#### Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):

The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. See also Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL). Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**MREM/year:** Millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body).

MFL: Million fibers per liter.

**NA:** Not applicable

ND: Not detected

#### Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU):

Measurement of the clarity, or turbidity, of the water.

#### picocuries per liter (pCi/L):

Measurement of the natural rate of disintegration of radioactive contaminants in water (also beta particles). **parts per billion (ppb):** One part substance per billion parts water, or micrograms per liter.

**parts per million (ppm):** One part substance per million parts water, or milligrams per liter.

**parts per trillion (ppt):** One part substance per trillion parts water, or nanograms per liter.

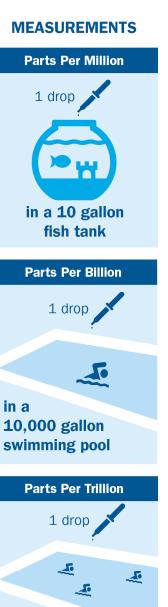
**RAA:** Running Annual Average

**Range of Detections:** The range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest, that were collected during the sample period.

**Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL):** Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

%: Percent



in 35 junior size Olympic pools

## Water Quality Results

Illinois American Water conducts extensive monitoring to determine if your water meets all water quality standards. The detections of our monitoring are reported in the following tables. While most monitoring was conducted in 2022, certain substances are monitored less than once per year because the levels do not change frequently. For help with interpreting the tables below, see previous page "Definition of Terms".

#### HOW TO READ THIS TABLE (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT)

- Starting with **Substance (with units)**, read across.
- Year Sampled is usually in 2022, but may be a prior year.
- A Yes under Compliance Achieved means the amount of the substance met government requirements.
- MCLG/MRDLG is the goal level for that substance (this may be lower than what is allowed).
- MCL/MRDL/TT/Action Level shows the highest level of substance (contaminant) allowed.
- · Highest, Lowest or Average Compliance Result represents the measured amount detected.
- Range tells the highest and lowest amounts measured.
- Typical Source tells where the substance usually originates.

Some unregulated substances are measured, but maximum contaminant levels have not been established by the government. These contaminants are shown for your information.

#### NOTE: Regulated contaminants not listed in this table were not found in the treated water supply.

|                           | LEAD AND COPPER MONITORING PROGRAM –Samples collected at customers' taps. |                        |      |                      |                             |                             |   |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|---|------------------------|------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Substance<br>(with units) | Year Sampled  | Compliance<br>Achleved | MCLG | Action Level<br>(AL) | 90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile | Homes Above<br>Action Level | Typical Source  |  |  |  |  |
| Lead (ppb)                | 2022  | Yes                    | 0    | 15                   | 1                           | 0                           | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.                                   |  |  |  |  |
| Copper (ppm)              | 2022  | Yes                    | 1.3  | 1.3                  | 0.723                       | 0                           | Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives; corrosion of household plumbing systems. |  |  |  |  |

| TOTAL COLIFORM RULE - At least 120 samples collected each month in the distribution system |   |     |   |                                    |      |                                       |  |  |  |
|--|---|-----|---|------------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Substance  | bstance Year Sampled Compliance Achieved MCLG MCL Highest Percentage Typical Source |     |   |                                    |      |                                       |  |  |  |
| Total Coliform   | 2022  | Yes | 0 | 5% of monthly samples are positive | 0.8% | Naturally present in the environment. |  |  |  |

NOTE: Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator of the general bacteriological quality of the water. We are reporting the highest percentage of positive samples.

|   | DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS - Collected in the Distribution System |                        |      |     |                              |                   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|------------------------|------|-----|------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Substance<br>(with units)                 | Year<br>Sampled  | Compliance<br>Achieved | MCLG | MCL | Highest<br>Compliance Result | Range<br>Detected | Typical Source                             |  |  |  |  |
| Haloacetic Acids<br>(HAAs) (ppb)          | 2022   | Yes                    | NA   | 60  | 23                           | 8.6 to 30.5       | By-product of drinking water disinfection. |  |  |  |  |
| Total<br>Trihalomethanes<br>(TTHMs) (ppb) | 2022   | Yes                    | NA   | 80  | 33                           | 17.5 to 32.8      | By-product of drinking water disinfection. |  |  |  |  |

NOTE: Compliance is based on the running annual average at each location. The Highest Compliance Result reflects the highest average at any location and the Range Detected reflects all samples from this year used to calculate the running annual average.

|                           | DISINFECTANTS - Collected in the Distribution System   |     |           |          |     |        |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|-----|-----------|----------|-----|--------|--|--|--|--|
| Substance<br>(with units) | Substance<br>(with units)Year<br>SampledCompliance<br>AchievedMCLGMCLGHighest Compliance<br> |     |           |          |     |        |  |  |  |  |
| Chioramines (ppm)         | 2022   | Yes | MRDLG = 4 | MRDL = 4 | 2.9 | 2 to 3 | Water additive used to control microbes. |  |  |  |

#### **Total Organic Carbon**

The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set by IEPA. TOC has no health effects but contributes to the formation of disinfection by-products. Reduction of TOC can help to minimize disinfection by-product formation.

|                           | TURBIDITY - Collected at the Treatment Plant |                                |                |                     |                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Substance<br>(with units) | Requirement                                  | Limit (Treatment<br>Technique) | Level Detected | Compliance Achieved | Likely Source of Contamination |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                           | Highest single<br>measurement                | 1 NTU                          | 0.3 NTU        | Yes                 | Soil runoff.                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity (NTU)           | Lowest monthly % meeting limit               | 0.3 NTU                        | 100%           | Yes                 | Soil runoff.                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system, water quality, and disinfectants. The treatment technique requires that at least 95% of routine samples are less than or equal to 0.3 NTU, and no sample exceeds 1 NTU. We are reporting the percentage of all readings meeting the standard of 0.3 NTU, plus the single highest reading for the year.

|  | REGULATED SUBSTANCES - Collected at the Treatment Plant |                        |      |     |                                 |                   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|------------------------|------|-----|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Substance<br>(with units)                                | Year<br>Sampled   | Compliance<br>Achieved | MCLG | MCL | Highest<br>Compilance<br>Result | Range<br>Detected | Typical Source   |  |  |  |  |
| Arsenic (ppb)  | 2022  | Yes                    | 0    | 10  | 1                               | 0 to 1            | Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.                    |  |  |  |  |
| Fluoride (ppm)   | 2022  | Yes                    | 4    | 4.0 | 0.8                             | 0.78 to 0.78      | Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. |  |  |  |  |
| Nitrate<br>measured as<br>nitrogen (ppm)                 | 2022  | Yes                    | 10   | 10  | 4                               | 1.11 to 4.18      | Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.                               |  |  |  |  |
| Combined<br>Radium<br>226/228 (pCl/L)                    | 2020  | Yes                    | 0    | 5   | 1.29                            | 1.29 to 1.29      | Erosion of natural deposits.   |  |  |  |  |
| Gross alpha<br>excluding radon<br>and uranlum<br>(pCl/L) | 2020  | Yes                    | 0    | 15  | 2.84                            | 2.84 to 2.84      | Erosion of natural deposits.   |  |  |  |  |
| Atrazine (ppb)   | 2022  | Yes                    | 3    | 3   | 0.8                             | 0 to 0.8          | Runoff from herbicide used on row crops.   |  |  |  |  |

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

While your drinking water meets EPA standards for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPAs standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible heath effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

|   | OTHER SUBSTANCES OF INTEREST - Collected at the Treatment Plant |                 |                        |      |     |                |                   |   |  |  |
|---|---|-----------------|------------------------|------|-----|----------------|-------------------|---|--|--|
|   | Substance<br>(with units)                                       | Year<br>Sampled | Compilance<br>Achieved | MCLG | MCL | Highest Result | Range<br>Detected | Comments  |  |  |
| S | odium (ppm)   | 2022            | Yes                    | NA   | NA  | 23             | 15.5 to 22.7      | Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration. |  |  |

For healthy individuals, the sodium intake from water is not important because a much greater intake of sodium takes place from salt in the diet. However, sodium levels above the recommended upper limit may be of concern to individuals on a sodium restricted diet.

#### **UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING RULE**

Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist the EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is necessary. Every five years, the EPA issues a new list of no more than 30 unregulated contaminants to be monitored.

|   | ADDITIONAL WATER QUALITY PARAMETERS OF INTEREST |      |     |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|------|-----|-----------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Parameter         Units         Year         Average Result         Range Detected         Typical Source |   |      |     |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Haloacetic Acids  | ppb   | 2019 | 18  | 9.4 to 38 | By-product of drinking water disinfection   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Haloacetic Acids - Br   | ppb   | 2019 | 2.9 | 0.9 to 12 | By-product of drinking water disinfection   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Haloacetic Acids-UCMR4  | ppb   | 2019 | 21  | 11 to 49  | By-product of drinking water disinfection   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manganese*  | ppb   | 2019 | 7.3 | 2.5 to 17 | Naturally-occurring elemental metal; largely used in aluminum alloy<br>production. Essential dietary element. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

\* Manganese has a Secondary MCL of 150 ppb.

#### **PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES**

Per- or polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs) are synthetic substances used in a variety of products, such as: stain resistant fabric, non-stick coatings, firefighting foam, paints, waxes, and cleaning products. They are also components in some industrial processes like electronics manufacturing and oil recovery. While the EPA has not developed drinking water standards for PFAS, Illinois American Water recognizes the importance of testing for these contaminants. Compounds detected are tabulated below, along with typical sources.

For more information about PFAS health advisories <u>https://www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/water-guality/pfas/Pages/pfas-healthadvisory.aspx</u>

| Parameter                               | Year<br>Sampled | Units | Health-Based<br>Guidance Level | Highest Result | Range Detected | Typical Source   |
|---|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid<br>(PFOS) | 2022            | ppt   | 14                             | 2.8            | 0 to 2.8       | Manufactured chemical(s); used in household goods for stain, grease, heat and water resistance.    |
| Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA)           | 2022            | ppt   | 2                              | 2.4            | 0 to 2.4       | Manufactured chemical(s); used in household goods for stain, grease, heat and water resistance.    |
| Perfluorohexanolc Acid (PFHxA)          | 2022            | ppt   | 560,000                        | 3.6            | 0 to 3.6       | Manufactured chemical(s); used in household goods for stain, grease,<br>heat and water resistance. |
| Perfluorobutanesulfonic Acid<br>(PFBS)  | 2022            | ppt   | 2,100                          | 4.6            | 0 to 4.6       | Manufactured chemical(s); used in household goods for stain, grease,<br>heat and water resistance. |

The health-based guidance levels are intended to be protective of all people consuming the water over a lifetime of exposure. It is important to understand that guidance levels are not regulatory limits for drinking water. Rather, the guidance levels are benchmarks against which sampling results are compared to determine if additional investigation or other response action is necessary.

#### **UNREGULATED PERFLUORINATED COMPOUNDS**



## **About Us**

**Illinois American Water**, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest investor-owned water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 1.3 million people. American Water also operates a quality control and research laboratory in Belleville. For more information, visit **illinoisamwater.com** and follow us on Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube.

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#### ILLINOIS AMERICAN WATER FACTS AT A GLANCE

- COMMUNITIES SERVED
   148 communities in
   30 counties
- **PEOPLE SERVED** Approximately 1.3 million people
- EMPLOYEES Approximately 550
- WATER TREATMENT FACILITIES Six surface water treatment plants, 34 active groundwater treatment plants, and 139 well sources (average daily delivery including surface water, groundwater and purchased water is 113 million gallons per day (MGD)
- MILES OF PIPELINE 5,858 miles of water and wastewater pipe
- STORAGE AND TRANSMISSION
   122 water storage facilities;
   254 water and wastewater pumping stations
- SOURCE OF SUPPLY 55% surface water 35% groundwater 10% purchased water
- PARTNERSHIP FOR
   SAFE WATER AWARDS
   Seven Directors Awards

## How to Contact Us

If you have any questions about this report, your drinking water, or service, please contact Illinois American Water's Customer Service Center Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 1-800-422-2782.



#### WATER INFORMATION SOURCES Illinois American Water

www.illinoisamwater.com

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention www.cdc.gov

United States Environmental Protection Agency https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water

American Water Works Association www.drinktap.org

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) www.epa.illinois.gov

Safe Drinking Water Hotline: 800-426-4791 https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/safe-drinking-waterhotline

Envirofacts Access to U.S. environmental data https://www3.epa.gov/enviro

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