

2025 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

PWSID#:3480066 BATH MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda. (This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you, or speak to someone who understands it)

WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION:

This report shows our water quality and what it means. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Bath Borough Authority staff at 610-837-0652 or email us at bathboroughauthority@rcn.com We want you to be informed about your water supply. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are being held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. Meetings are being held at Bath Borough Authority office located at 160 Mill Street.

SOURCES OF WATER:

Bath Borough Authority draws Ground Water from three wells. The Smith Street Well and Allen Street Well sites are near the George Wolf School, Holiday Hill Well is located just outside the Borough in Upper Nazareth Township.

Some people are more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised people such as people with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, people 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/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)*.

MONITORING YOUR WATER:

We routinely monitor contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. The following tables show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2024. The state allows us to monitor some contaminants less than once a year because the concentration of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data is from prior years in accordance with the Safe Water Act.

DEFINITIONS:

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

-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.

-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 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.

-Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL) – The minimum level of drinking water disinfectant required at the entry point to the distribution system.

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

Mrem/year millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

pCi/L = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (Ug/L)

DETECTED CONTAMINANTS HEALTH EFFECTS LANGUAGE AND CORRECTIVE ACTONS:

NONE

OTHER VIOLATONS:

FAILURE TO PROPERLY COLLECT OR ANALYZE RTCR ROUTINE SAMPLES

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. 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 human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

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

To assure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and DEP prescribe regulations which limit the number of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA and DEP regulations establish limits for certain 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 some small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the 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).

Information 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. Bath Borough Authority is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and is removing lead pipes but cannot control a variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from lead in your home. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Bath Borough Authority at 610-837-0652. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

Bath Borough Authority prepared a service line inventory that includes types of materials contained in each service line in our distribution system. The inventory can be accessed online at www.goh2o.net/bba or by contacting our office at 610-837-0652.

OTHER INFORMATION:

About Nitrate: 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 for advice from your health care provider.

Water Conservation Tips

Did you know that the average U.S. household uses approximately 400 gallons of water per day or 100 gallons per person per day? Luckily, there are many low-cost and no-cost ways to conserve water. Small changes can make a big difference. Try one today and soon it will become second nature.

- Take short showers - a 5-minute shower uses 4 to 5 gallons of water compared to up to 50 gallons for a bath.
- Shut off water while brushing your teeth, washing your hair and shaving and save up to 500 gallons a month.
- Use a water-efficient showerhead. They're inexpensive, easy to install, and can save you up to 750 gallons a month.
- Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Water plants only when necessary, during cooler parts of the day to reduce evaporation.
- Fix leaky toilets and faucets. Faucet washers are inexpensive and take only a few minutes to replace. To check your toilet for a leak, place a few drops of food coloring in the tank and wait. If it seeps into the toilet bowl without flushing, you have a leak. Fixing it or replacing it with a new, more efficient model can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Teach your kids about water conservation to ensure a future generation that uses water wisely. Make it a family effort to reduce next month's water bill! Visit www.epa.gov/watersense for more information.

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Disinfectant Residuals (Entry Points)

Analyte (Unit of Measurement)	Location ID	Minimum residual required	Lowest value reported	Highest value reported	Violation Y/N	MCLG (Health Goal)	MCL (EPA's Limits)	Year Sampled	Potential Sources of Contamination
Chlorine (ppm)	102	0.40	0.76	1.24	N	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	2025	Water additive used to control microbes.
Chlorine (ppm)	103	0.40	1.03	1.41	N	"	"	"	"
Chlorine (ppm)	104	0.40	0.82	1.32	N	"	"	"	"

Disinfectant Residuals (Distribution System)

Analyte (Unit of Measurement)	Month of highest average result	Range	MCLG (Health Goal)	(EPA's Limits)	Year Sampled	Potential Sources of Contamination
Chlorine (ppm)	October	0.5-1.14	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	2024	Water additive used to control microbes.

Disinfection By-Products (Distribution System)

Contaminant (Unit of Measurement)	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range	MCLG (Health Goal)	(EPA's Limits)	Year Sampled	Potential Source of Contamination
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (ppb)	N	0.08	N/A	0	80	2025	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination.
Haloacetic acids (five) (HAA5) (ppb)	N	0.1	N/A	0	60	2025	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination.

Inorganic Contaminants (Entry Points)

Analyte (Unit of Measurement)	Location ID	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range	(Health Goal)	(EPA's Limits)	Year Sampled	Potential Sources of Contamination
Nitrate (ppm)	102	N	0.00	N/A	10	10	2025	Runoff from fertilizer use. Leaching from septic tanks or sewage. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate (ppm)	103	N	4.17	3.4-4.79	"	"	2025	"
Nitrate (ppm)	104	N	3.79	N/A	"	"	2025	"

Lead and Copper

Contaminant (Unit of Measurement)	Violation Y/N	SAMPLE RECORD	PERCENTILE-RESULT	ABOVE ACTION	ACTION LEVEL	Year Sampled	Potential Sources of Contamination
Copper (ppm)	N	10	0.1	0	1.3	2025	Erosion of natural deposits. Leaching from wood preservatives. Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead (ppb)	N	10	0.004	0	0.015	2025	Erosion of natural deposits. Corrosion of household plumbing systems.

Radiological Contaminants (Entry Points)

Contaminant (Unit of Measurement)	Location ID	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range	MCLG (Health Goal)	MCL (EPA's Limits)	Year Sampled	Potential Sources of Contamination
Gross Alpha (pCiL)	102	N	5.49	N/A	15	50	2024	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross Alpha (pCiL)	103	N	1.80	N/A	15	50	2021	"



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PUBLIC NOTICE

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
FAILURE TO MONITOR**

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Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Bath Municipal Water Works

Our water system violated one or more drinking water standards over the past year. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During November 2025 we failed to monitor for the following contaminants and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, the required sampling frequency, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which corrective action samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
coliform bacteria	3 monthly	2	November 2025	December 2025

What happened? What was done? When will it be resolved?

The Laboratory we contract with to collect our bacteria samples collected two of the three required samples. The three required samples were collected in December 2025 and in 2026. The laboratory is reviewing their procedures to assure all required samples will be collected.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For more information regarding this notice, please contact Bath Borough Authority at 610-837-0652.



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Jeffrey Davidson

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Jeffrey Davidson certified operator

As a representative of the Public Water system indicated above, I certify that public notification addressing the above violation was distributed to all customers in accordance with the delivery requirements outlined in Chapter 25 PA Code 109 Subchapter D of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP's) regulations. The following methods of distribution were used: published in CCR

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