

Consumer Confidence Report

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

WASHBURN

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Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2025

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

The source of drinking water used by WASHBURN is Ground Water

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Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Source of Drinking Water

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 from 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 runoff, 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 runoff, 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 runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

To reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested, contact Caden Blew at 309-678-3797. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

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 EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. EPA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

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/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).

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and plumbing. The drinking water supplier is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. 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 Standard Institute accredited certifier

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Source Water Information

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Report Status	Location
Well 1 (31439)	GW	A	134 N Jefferson
Well 2 (31440)	GW	A	134 N Jefferson

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City Hall or call our water operator at 815-228-9548. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/ recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>.

Source of Water: WASHBURN To determine Washburn's susceptibility to contamination, a Well Site Survey, published in 1990 by the Illinois EPA, was reviewed. Based on the information contained in this document, eight potential sources of groundwater contamination are present that could pose a hazard to groundwater pumped by the Washburn community water supply wells. These include a hardware store, a machine shop/shed, two auto bodies, a treated wood/lumber facility, a grain elevator, an abandoned or improperly plugged well, and a below ground storage. The Illinois EPA has determined that the Village of Washburn's wells #1 and #2 are susceptible to TOC, VOC, or SOC contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the well, monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system, and the available hydrogeologic data for the well.

Lead and Copper

Definitions:
 Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
 Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Copper Range: 0.00310 MG/L to 0.982 MG/L
 Lead Range: 0.000 MG/L to 0.0511 MG/L

To obtain a copy of the system's lead tap sampling data: Call 309-678-3797

CIRCLE ONE: Our Community Water Supply has developed a service line material inventory.
 To obtain a copy of the system's service line inventory: Visit Washburnil.com

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2025	1.3	1.3	0.673	0	ppm	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
Lead	2025	0	15	2.6	1	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

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.

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

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Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or 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.

na: not applicable.

micrem: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

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

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Chlorine	Halocetic Acids (HAA5)	Total Trihalomethanes (THM)	Inorganic Contaminants	Barium	Fluoride	Iron	Manganese	Sodium	Zinc	Radioactive Contaminants	Combined Radium 226/228	Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium
Collection Date	2025	2025	2025	Collection Date	10/23/2023	10/23/2023	2025	10/23/2023	10/23/2023	10/23/2023	Collection Date	07/09/2021	07/24/2024
Highest Level Detected	3	7	1	Highest Level Detected	0.21	0.562	0.3	29	44	0.0063	Highest Level Detected	1.56	1.71
Range of Levels Detected	1.5 - 3.9	7.1 - 7.1	0.704 - 0.794	Range of Levels Detected	0.21 - 0.21	0.562 - 0.562	0 - 0.34	29 - 29	44 - 44	0.0063 - 0.0063	Range of Levels Detected	1.56 - 1.56	1.71 - 1.71
MCLG	MRDLG = 4	No goal for the total	No goal for the total	MCLG	2	4	150	150	5	5	MCLG	0	0
MCL	MRDL = 4	60	90	MCL	2	4.0	1.0	150	5	5	MCL	5	15
Units	ppm	ppb	ppb	Units	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppb	ppb	ppm	Units	pci/L	pci/L
Violation	N	N	N	Violation	N	N	N	N	N	N	Violation	N	N
Likely Source of Contamination	Water additive used to control microbes.	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	Likely Source of Contamination	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USDBA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USDBA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration.	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USDBA. However, the state regulates. Naturally occurring; discharge from metal	Likely Source of Contamination	Erosion of natural deposits.	Erosion of natural deposits.

Violations Table

Consumer Confidence Rule

The Consumer Confidence Rule requires community water systems to prepare and provide to their customers annual consumer confidence reports on the quality of the water delivered by the systems.

Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
CCR ADEQUACY/AVAILABILITY/CONTENT	07/01/2024	2025	We failed to provide to you, our drinking water customers, an annual report that adequately informed you about the quality of our drinking water and the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.
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Lead and Copper Rule

The Lead and Copper Rule protects public health by minimizing lead and copper levels in drinking water, primarily by reducing water corrosivity. Lead and copper enter drinking water mainly from corrosion of lead and copper containing plumbing materials.

Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
LEAD CONSUMER NOTICE (LCN)	04/01/2025	2025	We failed to provide the results of lead tap water monitoring to the consumers at the location water was tested. These were supposed to be provided no later than 30 days after learning the results.

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Caden Blew

In 2025 we received a violation due to not having the correct range for lead and copper. We also received a violation for not providing lead consumer notices in the correct time frame for the houses that do lead and copper samples. The Washburn water department strides to give you all the information we can and will make sure this doesn't happen again in the future.

Sincerely, Washburn Water Department