

Source of Tontogany Water is the City of Bowling Green's Water



The City of Bowling Green Water Treatment Plant has prepared the following report to provide information to you, the consumer, on the quality of our drinking water. Included in this report is general health information, water quality test results, how to participate in decisions concerning your drinking water, and water system contacts. The City of Bowling Green will notify you immediately if there is any reason for concern about the water.

2023 Water Quality Report Village of Tontogany, Ohio

“We have a current, unconditional license to operate our water system”

Water Treatment



Plant

Water Treatment Plant: 419-878-6986
Village Hall: 419-823-9013
Billing Question: 419-823-9013

The source of drinking water and bottled water includes rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive materials, and can pick up substances from the presence of animals or human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

A). Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

B). 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.

C). Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.

D). Organic chemicals contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

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

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791

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. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. It's important to remember that the presence of certain contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

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Lead in Drinking Water

“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. The City of Bowling Green 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 levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested.

Although there is no detectable lead in our drinking water as it leaves the treatment plant, by the time it reaches your tap, lead levels may increase as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. Additional information is available from the **Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791 or at <http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/dwbasics.aspx>**

Water Treatment Improvements

Two significant improvements have recently been completed at the Bowling Green Water Treatment Plant. A second raw water intake and pumping station allows the City to be more selective in the quality of water it pumps from the river into the reservoir through increased pumping capacity.

A new 3 MGD Microfiltration/Low Pressure Reverse Osmosis system removes over 85% of the total organic carbon present in the water. This total organic carbon reduction will reduce the THM and HAA concentrations in the finished water to meet the Stage 2 Disinfectant and Disinfection By-Products Rule

<p>The following table shows the results of our water-quality analysis. Every regulated contaminant that we detected in the water, even in the most minute traces, is listed here. The table contains the name of each substance, the highest level allowed by regulation (MCL), the ideal goals for public health (MCLG), the amount detected, the usual source of such contaminants, and a key to the units of measurement. This table does not show the numerous other contaminants we tested for, and did not detect in our water.</p>								Definitions
<h2 style="text-align: center;">2023 Water Quality Data</h2>								<p>Action Level - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.</p>
Contaminant (Units)	Violation Y/N	Sample Year	MCL	Detected Level	Range of Detections	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination	
Microbiological Contaminants								
Turbidity (NTU)	No	2023	TT = 0.3	0.14	.02 - 0.14	NA	Soil Runoff	<p>IDSE - Initial Distribution System Evaluation is a one-time study conducted by water systems to identify distribution system locations with greater concentrations of trihalomethanes (THM's) and haloacetic acids (HAA's).</p>
Turbidity (% samples meeting standards)	No	2023	TT	100%	100%	NA		
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	No	2023	TT	2.9	2.5-3.5	NA	Naturally Present in the Environment	
Inorganic Contaminants								
Barium (ppm)	No	2023	2	0.011	NA	2	Discharges from metal refineries & of drilling wastes; Erosion of natural deposits	<p>Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a con-taminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.</p>
Copper (ppm)*	No	2023	AL = 1.3	0.018	NA	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems	
Fluoride (ppm)	No	2023	4	1.02	0.91-1.15	4	Water additive which promotes stong teeth; Ero-sion of Natural Deposits	
Lead** (ppb)	No	2023	AL = 15	<4	NA	0	**No lead site out of 10 sites sampled were above the AL of 15ppb with the concentration of 83 ppb.	
Nitrate (ppm) as Nitrogen	No	2023	10	4.8	0.4-4.8	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; sewage; erosion of nat-ural deposits	<p>Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.</p>
Volatile Organic Contaminants								
Total Trihalomethanes TTHM(ppb)*	No	2023	80	43.5	20.5– 56.4	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination	<p>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfect-ants to control microbial contaminants.</p>
Bromodichlor-methane (ppb)	No	2023	NR	17.9	7.7-17.9	0	EPA regulations require us to monitor for these contaminants while EPA considers setting a limit on them.	
Bromoform (ppb)	No	2023	NR	6.5	ND-6.5	0		
Chloroform (ppb)	No	2023	NR	23.8	11.3-23.8	0		
Dibromochloro-methane (ppb)	No	2023	NR	17.5	4.5-17.5	0		
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)*	No	2023	60	15.9	9.1- 17.0	NA	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Dichloroacetic Acid (ppm)	No	2023	NR	9.6	4.7 - 9.6	NA		<p>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The level of drinking water disinfect-ant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the ben-efits of the use of disinfect-ants to control micro-bial contaminants.</p>
Trichloroacetic Acid (ppm)	No	2023	NR	4.9	ND - 4.9	NA		
Dibromoacetic Acid (ppm)	No	2023	NR	6.2	1.6 - 6.2	NA		
Residual Disinfectants								
Total Chlorine (ppm)	No	2023	MRDL	1.3	1.1 - 1.50	MRDLG 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes	
								<p>NTU - A unit of measure to determine the con-centration of particles in the water that affect clarity.</p>
								<p>Parts per Million (ppm) - Units of measure for concentration of contaminant. A part per million corresponds to one second in approximately 115 days.</p>
								<p>Parts per Billion (ppb) - Units of measure for concentration of contaminant. A part per billion corresponds to one second in approximately 31.7 years</p>
UCMR Contaminants - Distribution System >								
<p>> Unregulated contaminants monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants.</p> <p>Data presented in this table is from the most recent monitoring done in compliance with regulations.</p>								<p>Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR) - An EPA program to collect data for contaminants that do not have health based standards set under the safe drinking water act.</p>
Key to Table				* Village of Tontogany Test				
<p>AL = Action Level MCL = Maximum Contaminant Level MCLG = Maximum Contaminant Level Goal MRDL = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level MRDLG = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal < = A symbol that means less than</p>				<p>ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter TT = Treatment Technique NTU = Nephelometric Turbidity Units NR = Not regulated NA = Not available</p>				<p>"<" Symbol - A symbol which means less than. A result of <5 means that the lowest level that could be detected was 5 and that the contam-inant in that sample was not detected.</p>
<p>Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water and is an indication of the effectiveness of our filtration system. The turbidity limit set by the EPA is 0.3 NTU in 95% of the daily samples and shall not exceed 1 NTU at any time. As reported above, Bowling Green's highest recorded turbidity result for 2023 was 0.14 and 100% of our samples met the turbidity limits.</p>								
<p>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, per-sons 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. At risk individuals 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 microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.</p>								
<p>Some people who drink water containing Trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.</p>								
<p>Bowling Green's drinking water contains small amounts of naturally-occurring minerals such as calcium and magnesium. Fluoride is added to protect teeth as required by law.</p>								
<p>The value reported in the table under "Detected Level" for Total Organic Carbon (TOC) is the lowest ratio between percentage of TOC actually removed to the percentage of TOC required to be removed. A value of greater than one indicates that the water system is in compliance with TOC removal requirements. A value of less than one indicates a violation of TOC removal requirements.</p>								
<p>The Village of Tontogany encourages public interest and participation in our community's decisions affecting drinking water. Village council meets on the first and third Mon-day of the month regularly at 7:00 p.m. Meeting are held at the Village Hall 18545 Main St. . The public is welcome to attend these meetings to ask questions or express concerns as a lobby visitation if desired. Bowling Green's drinking water contains small amounts of naturally-occurring minerals such as calcium and magnesium. Fluoride is added to pro-tect teeth as required by law.</p>								