

# **State of Texas Public Drinking Water Program 2019 Annual Compliance Report**



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# Introduction

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) administers the Public Drinking Water Program in Texas under primacy authority from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Section 1414(c)(3) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires that each state that has been granted primacy prepare an annual report on violations of national primary drinking water regulations within the state, make the report readily available to the public, and submit it to the EPA. The TCEQ 2019 Annual Compliance Report fulfills this responsibility for Texas, and includes health-based, reporting, and consumer notification violations.

Each quarter, primacy States submit data to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS/FED), an automated database maintained by EPA. This report is based on data retrieved from the Texas installation of SDWIS/STATE. This report contains data from the following time periods:

1. The beginning date of a given violation compliance period on or before December 31, 2019.
2. The ending date of a given violation compliance period on or after January 1, 2019.

By using these criteria, some violations which began prior to calendar year 2019 are included in this report.

## Definitions and Terms

The following are definitions and terms used in this report.

**Public Water System** - A public water system (PWS), as defined by the State of Texas, is a system that provides water via piping or other constructed conveyances for human consumption to at least 15 service connections or serves at least 25 people for at least 60 days each year. There are three types of PWSs:

- Community PWSs such as towns or other communities where people live.
- Non-Transient Non-Community PWSs such as schools or factories where people work but do not live.
- Transient Non-Community systems -- such as rest stops, parks, and restaurants --where people frequently come and go.

For this report, the acronym PWS means systems of all types unless specified in greater detail.

**Maximum Contaminant Level** - Under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), the EPA sets national limits on contaminant levels in drinking water to ensure that the water is safe for human consumption. These limits are known as Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs).

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level** - The EPA sets national limits on residual disinfection levels in drinking water to reduce the risk of exposure to disinfectant byproducts formed when PWSs add chemical disinfection for either primary or residual treatment. These limits are known as Maximum Residual Disinfectant Levels (MRDLs).

**Treatment Techniques** - A treatment technique (TT) is an enforceable procedure or level of technological performance which PWSs must follow to ensure control of a contaminant.

**Variations and Exemptions** - A variance is the use of less costly technology and an exemption provides additional time to comply with new regulation. The State of Texas does not grant variances or exemptions.

**Monitoring** - A PWS is required to monitor and verify that the levels of contaminants present in the water do not exceed the MCL. If a PWS fails to have its water tested as required or fails to report test results correctly to the primacy agent, a monitoring/reporting violation (M/R) occurs.

**Sampling** - The TCEQ collects chemical compliance samples for PWSs using a third-party contractor. The samples collected include inorganic and organic chemicals, disinfection by-products and radionuclides. These samples are collected either at the entry point or in the distribution system. Using a third party to collect samples ensures greater quality assurance, unbiased sample results and a very high collection rate. In 2019, 99.9% of samples scheduled were collected, or the sample sites were accounted for as inactive or unavailable for sampling. The PWSs comply with the chemical compliance sampling requirement by paying the lab analysis expense.

PWSs are required to collect additional compliance samples. All public water systems are responsible for the routine collection of bacteriological samples and disinfection residual data from their distribution system. Most water systems have to perform sampling for compliance for the Lead and Copper Rule. Systems that utilize a groundwater source must monitor their raw well water when applicable. Systems that utilize surface water or ground water under the influence of surface water must monitor routinely for turbidity and are also required to perform source water monitoring for *Cryptosporidium*. Also, systems that use specific treatments (such as chlorine dioxide or ozone) in their drinking water production are required to perform specialized monitoring.

**Significant Monitoring Violations** - For this report, significant monitoring violations are defined as any significant monitoring violation that occurred during the calendar year of the report. A significant monitoring violation occurs when no health-based sample result is reported during a compliance period, or more rarely, when no sample is taken.

**Consumer Notification** - Every Community water system is required to deliver to its customers a brief annual water quality report, referred to as the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). This report shall include educational material, information on the source of the water, the levels of any detected contaminants, and compliance with drinking water regulations.

**Significant Consumer Notification Violations** - For this report, a significant public notification violation occurred if a community water system completely failed to provide its customers the required annual water quality report. This type of violation is designated as "CCR Failure to Report" in SDWIS/STATE.

**Public Notification** - Public Notification is intended to ensure that consumers will always know if there is a problem with their drinking water. These notices immediately alert consumers if there is a serious problem with their drinking water that may pose a

risk to public health. They also notify customers if their water does not meet drinking water standards, the water system fails to test its water, or if the system has been granted a variance (use of less costly technology) or an exemption (more time to comply with a new regulation).

## **Public Water Systems in Texas**

As of July 01, 2020, the State of Texas regulates 7,056 PWSs, providing drinking water to 29,096,493 customers.

Approximately 28,300,817 people receive drinking water from 4,657 Community water systems. Approximately 504,826 people receive drinking water from 887 Non-Transient Non-Community water systems. Approximately 290,850 people receive drinking water from 1,512 Transient Non-Community water systems.

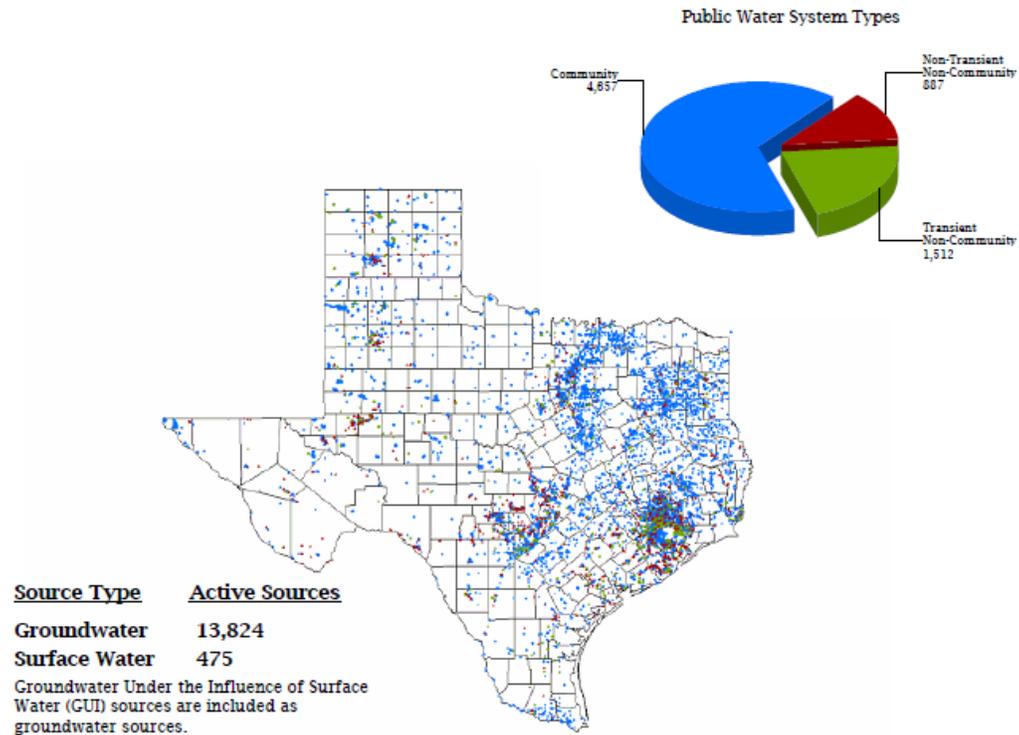
State regulations require all PWSs in Texas to disinfect their drinking water. All systems must properly disinfect water before it is distributed to any customer and must maintain acceptable disinfectant residuals within their distribution system. Systems are required to maintain a disinfectant residual concentration of at least 0.2 milligrams per liter (mg/L) of free chlorine or 0.5 mg/L of chloramine (chlorine + ammonia) in the water entering their distribution system as well as throughout the distribution system.

All PWSs that use surface water or ground water under the influence of surface water as a drinking water source, must use filtration as a treatment in their potable water production. Filtration is used along with other treatments as applicable.

## **Drinking Water Sources**

Sources for drinking water within Texas include both groundwater and surface water originating from numerous aquifers, rivers, and reservoirs throughout the state. An illustration of public drinking water sources in Texas by PWS type is shown below in Figure 1.

**Figure 1. Active Public Water System Sources by PWS Type**

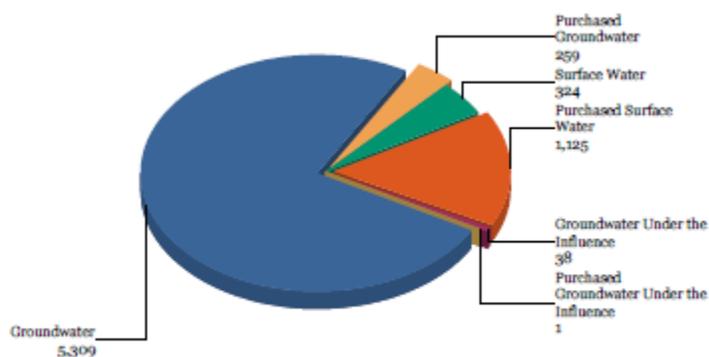


Primary source types for PWSs in Texas include the following:

- Groundwater - wells that withdraw water from aquifers
- Purchased Groundwater - water purchased from another PWS where the source is one or more wells
- Surface water - intakes that withdraw water from creeks, rivers, streams, lakes, and reservoirs
- Purchased surface water - water is purchased from another PWS where the source is one or more intakes
- Groundwater Under the Influence of Surface Water - wells that withdraw water from one or more aquifers where surface water may be present
- Purchased Groundwater Under the Influence of Surface Water - water is purchased from another PWS where the source is one or more aquifers where surface water may be present

The number of PWSs by primary source type are included in Figure 2.

**Figure 2. Number of PWS by Source Type**



## Public Water System Size

The EPA defines water system size based on the following population classifications:

- Very small systems - serve 25 to 500 people
- Small systems - serve 501 to 3,300 people
- Medium systems - serve 3,301 to 10,000 people
- Large systems - serve 10,001 to 100,000 people
- Very Large systems - serve more than 100,000 people

The population served by public water systems in Texas is shown in Table 1 below.

**Table 1. Texas Public Water System Population by EPA Classification**

Population Served	EPA Classification	Number PWS	Total Population Served
25 - 500	Very Small	4,227	674,834
501 - 3,300	Small	1,769	2,581,170
3,301 - 10,000	Medium	702	3,974,511
10,001 - 100,000	Large	317	7,998,408
Over 100,000	Very Large	41	13,867,570
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7,056</b>	<b>29,096,493</b>

## Alternative Water Sources

With Texas' population expected to reach almost 46 million by the year 2060 as well as the lasting effects of the droughts, Texans have had to plan far in advance to sustain their communities, businesses, industries, and environment. Because of these challenges, PWSs have had to begin to utilize less conventional sources of water.

**Desalination:** In the search to find an alternate water source desalination continues to gain attention as some communities seek to treat saline groundwater, or brackish water, to make it potable. Brackish water sources often need treatment to be used as drinking water, and desalination is the most typical treatment utilized by water

systems. For this reason, the agency initiated rulemaking to streamline construction approval for PWSs asking to conduct brackish-water desalination.

In July 2015, after extensive input from the regulated community and interested stakeholders, the rules for desalination using either reverse osmosis (RO) or nanofiltration (NF) membranes became effective. In the past, the use of RO membranes or other desalination techniques required either a site-specific pilot test, a pilot test at a site with similar water quality, or full-scale performance data at a site with similar water quality. The streamlined approach in the rules allow the use of desalination technologies without an exception request, which is required when approving the use of innovative and alternative treatment technologies. To further assist communities with decreased water supplies, the TCEQ offers concurrent reviews of designs and computer models.

**Reuse/reclaimed water:** As water systems search for new sources of water, some PWSs began to explore strategies not previously considered. One alternative involves not just reclaiming effluent from municipal wastewater treatment plants for non-potable uses such as irrigation and industry, but also additional treatment to remove chemical and microbiological contaminants found in effluent for potable use. The TCEQ has engineers and scientists with the expertise to guide PWSs through the process of selecting innovative treatment technologies and receiving approval for these technologies while ensuring the treated water is safe for human consumption. Texas is the first state to have Direct Potable Reuse.

## 2019 Compliance Results

Annual compliance information was determined using the State of Texas Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) State, version 3.33.

### Health-Based Standards

In 1974 Congress passed the Safe Drinking Water Act. This law requires EPA to determine the level of contaminants in drinking water at which no adverse health effects are likely to occur. These non-enforceable health goals, based solely on possible health risks and exposure over a lifetime, with an adequate margin of safety, are called maximum contaminant level goals (MCLG). Contaminants are any physical, chemical, biological or radiological substances or matter in water. EPA sets MCLGs based on the best available science to prevent potential health problems.

For most contaminants, EPA sets an enforceable regulation called a maximum contaminant level (MCL) based on the MCLG. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as possible, considering cost, benefits and the ability of PWSs to detect and remove contaminants using suitable treatment technologies. When there is no reliable method that is economically and technically feasible to measure a contaminant at particularly low concentrations, a treatment technique is set rather than an MCL. A treatment technique is an enforceable procedure or level of technological performance which PWSs must follow to ensure control of a contaminant. States may set a more stringent MCL or treatment technique level for pathogens and indicators in drinking water than EPA.

Health-based contaminants are those that may pose an acute or long-term risk to human health if they are found in drinking water. These contaminants include: fecal coliform bacteria, *E. coli*, turbidity, nitrate, nitrite, chlorine dioxide, inorganic chemicals, organic chemicals, disinfection byproducts, radionuclides and disinfectants.

Total coliforms and turbidity are indicators that inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. Pathogens include various types of bacteria, viruses, protozoan parasites and other organisms. Indicators are physical, chemical, or other parameters whose presence at a level outside of specified limits may reflect a problem in the treatment process or in the integrity of the distribution system. These pathogens can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

Nitrate and nitrite contamination can occur from several sources: the natural decay of organic materials such as leaves and crop residue, use of commercial fertilizers, contamination by human sewage and wastes from farm animals, and the nitrification of ammonia in the treatment and distribution system. Excessive levels of nitrate and nitrite in drinking water can cause serious illness and sometimes death in infants less than six months of age and may also cause adverse health effects in pregnant women through the risk of miscarriage and in people with specific metabolic diseases.

Chlorine dioxide is a chemical added to drinking water for the purposes of microbial disinfection and oxidation of dissolved organic carbon to reduce formation of disinfection byproducts. Some infants, young children and pregnant women who drink water containing chlorine dioxide in excess of the Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) could experience nervous system effects or anemia.

Inorganic contaminants can leach into drinking water after dissolving from naturally-occurring minerals in the ground or from runoff from industrial sources or landfills. Lead and copper enter drinking water primarily through plumbing materials. Exposure to lead and copper may cause health problems ranging from stomach problems to brain damage. Lead and copper levels are controlled by treatment techniques and regulated by action level.

Organic contaminants come from petroleum solvents, paint removers, degreasers, cleaning fluids, pesticides, gasoline, electrical transformers, manufacturing processes, chemical production, byproducts from disinfection, the production of plastics, agricultural runoff, improper waste disposal, and improper handling and storage techniques. These contaminants may damage organs such as the heart, liver, and kidneys, damage the central nervous and immune systems, and cause cancer.

Disinfection byproducts are organic chemicals that form as a result of adding disinfectant to water containing organic matter. Trihalomethanes, haloacetic acids, chlorite and bromate are byproducts of disinfection. These contaminants may damage organs such as the kidneys and liver, damage the cardiovascular system and central nervous system, and may cause an increased risk of cancer.

Radionuclides include radium and uranium, which occur naturally in some ground water due to geological formations, particularly in deeper aquifers. Radionuclide contaminants may cause cancer.

Disinfectants are chemicals added to drinking water during treatment to provide disinfection at the treatment plant and in the distribution system. If disinfectants are

not dosed and managed appropriately, they may cause health effects from chlorine and chloramines which can include irritating effects to the eyes and nose, stomach discomfort, and (chloramine only) anemia. Chlorine dioxide can cause nervous system effects and anemia.

To find more information regarding drinking water contaminants regulated by the EPA, and their potential health effects, go to the following website:

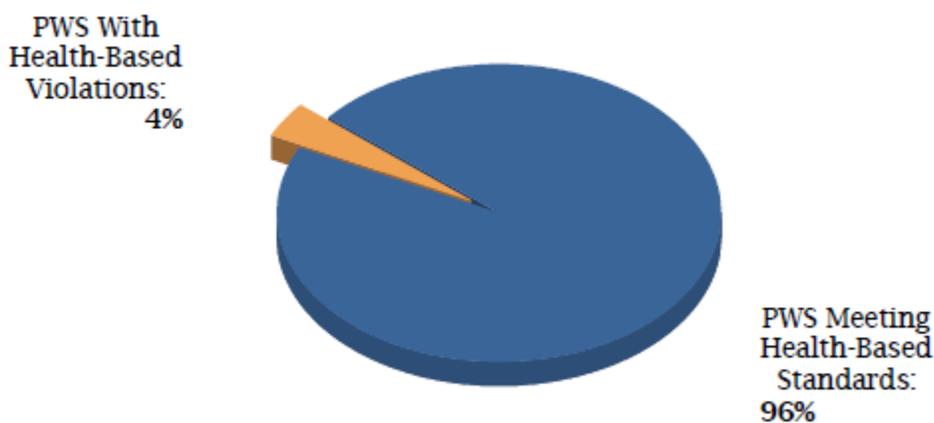
<https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/national-primary-drinking-water-regulations>

### ***Health-Based Standards Results***

For 2019, health-based standards were met by 96% of the 7,056 PWS in the State of Texas. The percentage of total population served by PWS meeting health-based standards was 98%.

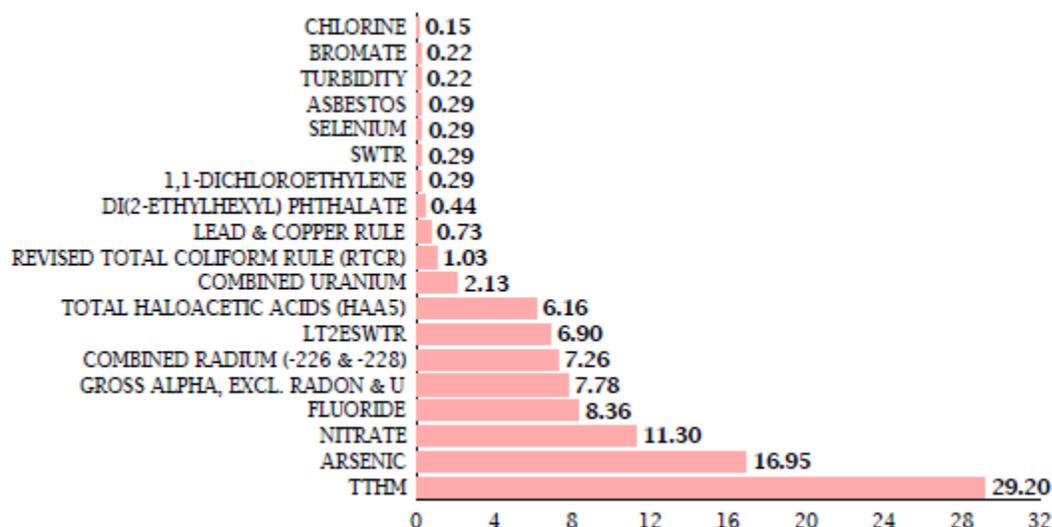
Figure 3 below shows the percentage of PWSs in compliance with health-based standards.

**Figure 3. Percent of PWS in Compliance with Health Based Standards**



Maximum Contaminant Level and Treatment Technique Rule violations, as a percentage of total health-based violations, are shown in Figure 4 below.

**Figure 4. Percent of Health-Based Standards Violations by Contaminant/Rule**



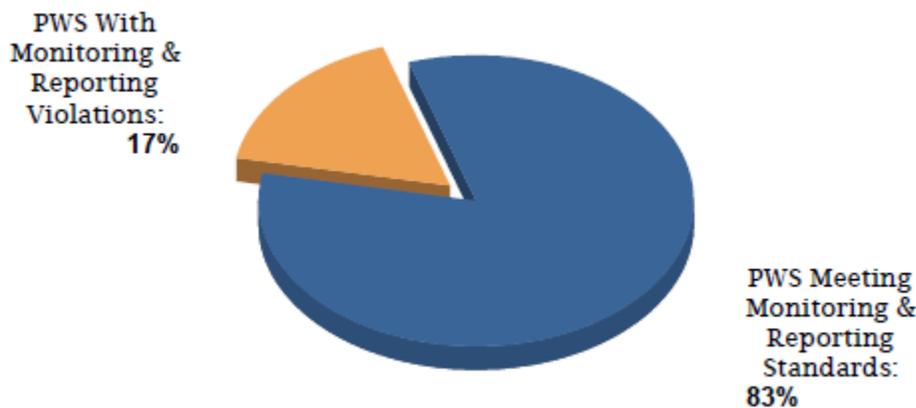
## Significant Monitoring and Reporting Regulations

Monitoring and Reporting regulations provide a mechanism to ensure that Public Water Systems (PWS) evaluate contaminants in order to meet health-based standards. When a system does not monitor for contaminants in accordance with associated compliance periods, consumers and primacy agencies do not know whether the water being served is meeting health-based standards.

For 2019, 83% of the 7,056 PWSs in Texas were in compliance with major monitoring and reporting regulations. The total population served by PWSs meeting monitoring and reporting regulations is 93%.

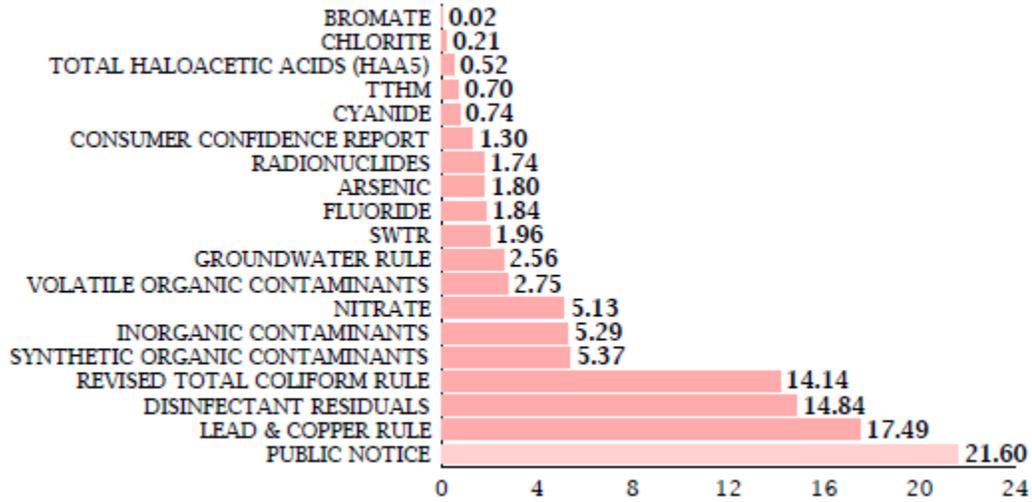
Figure 5 below shows the percent of PWSs in compliance with monitoring and reporting regulations.

**Figure 5. Percent of PWS in Compliance with Monitoring and Reporting Regulations**



Of the 17% of PWSs with monitoring and reporting violations, the percent by contaminant and rule are shown in Figure 6 below.

**Figure 6. Percent of Monitoring and Reporting Violations by Contaminant or Rule**



## Violations by Rule and Type

A summary of the number of violations by rule and type is shown below in Table 2. Violations included here are only those that did not return to compliance in 2019. See Appendix A for the total number of violations and those violations that returned to compliance.

**Table 2. PWS Violations by Rule and Type**

Rule	Violation Type	Violation Name	Violations Not RTC'd	Number of PWS in Violation
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE RULE	71	CCR REPORT	63	48
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	35	FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR HAA5	3	2
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	35	FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR TTHM	12	9
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	02	MCL, LRAA	90	42
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	27	MONITORING, (DBP) (CHL. DIOXIDE)	4	2
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	27	MONITORING, ROUTINE (DBP), MAJOR	773	410
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	11	MRDL (CHLORINE/CHLORAMINE)	2	1
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	13	MRDL, ACUTE (CHL.DIOXIDE)	1	1
GROUNDWATER RULE	34	MONITOR GWR TRIGGERED/ADDITIONAL, MAJOR	111	63
GROUNDWATER RULE	34	MONITOR GWR TRIGGERED/ADDITIONAL, MINOR	13	9
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS GROUP M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	127	72
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS INDIVIDUAL M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	463	220
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	02	MCL, AVERAGE	355	72

Rule	Violation Type	Violation Name	Violations Not RTC'd	Number of PWS in Violation
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	01	MCL, SINGLE SAMPLE	154	47
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	52	FOLLOW-UP OR ROUTINE TAP M/R (LCR)	364	287
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	51	INITIAL TAP SAMPLING (LCR)	24	24
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	56	INITIAL/FOLLOW-UP/ROUTINE SOWT M/R (LCR)	7	7
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	66	LEAD CONSUMER NOTICE (LCR)	348	287
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	57	OCCT/SOWT RECOMMENDATION/STUDY (LCR)	7	3
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	65	PUBLIC EDUCATION (LCR)	3	3
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	53	WATER QUALITY PARAMETER M/R (LCR)	336	119
PUBLIC NOTICE	75	PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	1,045	284
RADIONUCLIDES	02	MCL, AVERAGE	234	39
RADIONUCLIDES	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	88	50
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2C	CORRECTIVE/EXPEDITED ACTIONS (RTCR)	3	3
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2A	LEVEL 1 ASSESS, MULTIPLE TC POS (RTCR)	1	1
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2A	LEVEL 1 ASSESS, TC POS RT NO RPT (RTCR)	4	4
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2B	LEVEL 2 ASSESSMENT, 2ND LEVEL 1(RTCR)	3	2
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	3A	MONITORING, ROUTINE, MAJOR (RTCR)	675	208
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	3A	MONITORING, ROUTINE, MINOR (RTCR)	9	8

Rule	Violation Type	Violation Name	Violations Not RTC'd	Number of PWS in Violation
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2D	STARTUP PROCEDURES TT (RTCR)	3	3
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	41	FAILURE MAINTAIN MICROBIAL TREAT.(LT2)	72	10
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	42	FAILURE TO FILTER (SWTR)	3	2
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	CT	LOW CT GREATER THAN 4 HOURS	1	1
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	38	MONITORING, ROUTINE (IESWTR/LT1), MAJOR	86	17
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	44	MONTHLY COMB FLTR EFFLUENT (IESWTR/LT1)	2	2
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	43	SINGLE COMB FLTR EFFLUENT (IESWTR/LT1)	1	1
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC COMPOUNDS M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	356	100
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	02	MCL, AVERAGE	6	2
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	133	103
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	02	MCL, AVERAGE	4	1

**Rule Abbreviations:**

CCR - Consumer Confidence Report  
CHEM - Chemical (Inorganics and Organics)  
DBP - Disinfection By-Products  
GWR - Groundwater Rule HAA5 Haloacetic Acids  
LCR - Lead and Copper Rule  
PN - Public Notice Rule  
RAD - Radionuclides  
SWTR - Surface Water Treatment Rules  
TCR - Total Coliform Rule  
RTCR - Revised Total Coliform Rule  
TTHM - Total Trihalomethanes

# MCL/MRDL, Treatment Technique, and Monitoring/Reporting Violations

The following pages include summary tables for MCL/MRDL, Treatment Techniques, and Monitoring/Reporting. Violations included in these tables are only those that did not return to compliance in 2019.

## Synthetic Organic Compounds

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
1,2-DIBROMO-3-CHLOROPROPANE	0.0002MG/L	0	0	96	77
ETHYLENE	0.00005M	0	0	96	77
2,4,5-TP	0.05MG/L	0	0	96	78
2,4-D	0.07MG/L	0	0	96	78
DALAPON	0.2MG/L	0	0	96	78
DINOSEB	0.007MG/	0	0	96	78
PICLORAM	0.5MG/L	0	0	96	78
ALDICARB	0.003MG/	0	0	93	75
ALDICARB	0.002MG/	0	0	93	75
ALDICARB	0.004MG/	0	0	93	75
CARBOFURAN	0.04MG/L	0	0	93	75
OXAMYL	0.2MG/L	0	0	93	75
ALACHLOR	0.002MG/	0	0	71	45
ATRAZINE	0.003MG/	0	0	71	45
BENZO(A)PYRENE	0.0002MG	0	0	71	45
BHC-GAMMA	0.0002MG	0	0	71	45
CHLORDANE	0.002MG/	0	0	71	45
DI(2-ETHYLHEXYL)	0.4MG/L	0	0	71	45
DI(2-ETHYLHEXYL)	0.006MG/	6	2	71	45
ENDRIN	0.002MG/	0	0	71	45
HEPTACHLOR	0.0004MG	0	0	71	45
HEPTACHLOR	0.0002MG	0	0	71	45
HEXACHLOROBENZ	0.001MG/	0	0	71	45

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
HEXACHLOROCYCL	0.05MG/L	0	0	71	45
METHOXYCHLOR	0.04MG/L	0	0	71	45
PENTACHLOROPHE	0.001MG/	0	0	71	45
SIMAZINE	0.004MG/	0	0	71	45
TOXAPHENE	0.003MG/	0	0	71	45
<b>Subtotal</b>		6	2	356	100

### ***Volatile Organic Compounds***

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE	0.2MG/L	0	0	133	103
1,1,2-TRICHLOROETHANE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
1,1-DICHLOROETHYLENE	0.007MG/L	4	1	133	103
1,2,4-TRICHLOROBENZENE	0.07MG/L	0	0	133	103
1,2-DICHLOROETHANE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
1,2-DICHLOROPROpane	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
BENZENE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
CARBON TETRACHLORIDE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
CIS-1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE	0.07MG/L	0	0	133	103
DICHLOROMETHANE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/R eporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/R eporting PWS in Violation
ETHYLBENZENE	0.7MG/L	0	0	133	103
O-DICHLOROBENZEN	0.6MG/L	0	0	133	103
STYRENE	0.1MG/L	0	0	133	103
TETRACHLOROETHYLENE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
TOLUENE	1MG/L	0	0	133	103
TRANS-1,2-DICHLOROETHYLENE	0.1MG/L	0	0	133	103
TRICHLOROETHYLENE	0.005MG/L	0	0	133	103
VINYL CHLORIDE	0.002MG/L	0	0	133	103
XYLENES, TOTAL	10MG/L	0	0	133	103
Subtotal		4	1	133	103

### ***Inorganic Compounds -- Individual Violations***

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/R eporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/R eporting PWS in Violation
ALUMINUM	0.2MG/L	0	0	0	0
ANTIMONY, TOTAL	0.006MG/L	0	0	0	0
ARSENIC	0.01MG/L	231	57	22	7
ASBESTOS	7MFL	4	1	21	18
BARIUM	2MG/L	0	0	0	0
BERYLLIUM, TOTAL	0.004MG/L	2	1	4	1
CADMIUM	0.005MG/L	0	0	0	0
CHROMIUM	0.1MG/L	0	0	0	0
CYANIDE	0.2MG/L	0	0	36	26

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
FLUORIDE	4MG/L	114	27	27	6
MERCURY	0.002MG/L	0	0	0	0
NITRATE	10MG/L	154	47	248	199
NITRITE	1MG/L	0	0	101	87
SELENIUM	0.05MG/L	4	1	4	1
SILVER	0.1MG/L	0	0	0	0
THALLIUM, TOTAL	0.002MG/L	0	0	0	0
ZINC	5MG/L	0	0	0	0
Subtotal		509	114	463	220

### ***Inorganic Compounds -- Group Violations***

#### **Metals**

Contaminant	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS In Violation
ALUMINUM	65	58
ANTIMONY, TOTAL	65	58
ARSENIC	65	58
BARIUM	65	58
BERYLLIUM, TOTAL	65	58
CADMIUM	65	58
CHROMIUM	65	58
IRON	65	58
MANGANESE	65	58
MERCURY	65	58

Contaminant	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS In Violation
SELENIUM	65	58
SILVER	65	58
THALLIUM, TOTAL	65	58
ZINC	65	58
Subtotal	65	58

### Minerals

Contaminant	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS In Violation
CHLORIDE	62	55
FLUORIDE	62	55
SULFATE	62	55
TDS	62	55
Subtotal	62	55

### Radionuclides

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
53-IODINE-131	4 millirems per year			4	1
38-STRONTIUM-90	4 millirems per year			4	1
TRITIUM	4 millirems per year			4	1
COMBINED RADIUM (226 AND 228)	15 pCi/L	99	21	84	50

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MCL/MRDL Violations	MCL/MRDL PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. RADON & U	5 pCi/L	106	28	84	50
COMBINED URANIUM	30 ug/L	29	8	84	50
Subtotal		234	39	88	50

### Revised Total Coliform Rule

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	Treatment Techniques Violations	Treatment Techniques PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
MONITORING, ROUTINE, MAJOR (RTCR)	N/A			375	208
MONITORING, ROUTINE, MINOR (RTCR)	N/A			9	8
STARTUP PROCEDURES TT (RTCR)	N/A	3	3		
LEVEL 1 ASSESS, TC POS RT NO RPT (RTCR)	N/A	4	4		
CORRECTIVE/EXPE DITED ACTIONS (RTCR)	N/A	3	3		
LEVEL 2 ASSESSMENT, 2 <sup>ND</sup> LEVEL 1 (RTCR)	N/A	3	2		
LEVEL 1 ASSESS, MULTIPLE TC POS (RTCR)	N/A	1	1		
Subtotal		14	11	684	216

### Surface Water Treatment Rules

Contaminant	Treatment Techniques Violations	Treatment Techniques PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
LOW CT GREATER THAN 4 HOURS	1	1	0	0
MONTHLY COMB FLTR EFFLUENT (IESWTR/LT1)	2	2	0	0
FAILURE MAINTAIN MICROBIAL TREAT.(LT2)	72	10	0	0
FAILURE TO FILTER (SWTR)	3	2	0	0
MONITORING, ROUTINE (IESWTR/LT1). MAJOR	0	0	86	17
SINGLE COMB FLTR EFFLUENT (IESWTR/LT1)	1	1	0	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>17</b>

### Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products Rule (DBP1 & DBP2)

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MC Ls/MRDLs Violations	MCLs/MRDLs PWS in Violation	Treatment Techniques Violations	Treatment Techniques PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
BROMATE	0.010MG/L	0	0	0	0	1	1
CARBON, TOTAL	REMOVAL RATIO	0	0	0	0	35	8
DISINFECTANT RESIDUAL	CHLORINE (FREE) 0.2 CHLORAMINE 0.5	2	1	0	0	683	383
CHLORINE DIOXIDE	0.8MG/L	1	1	0	0	4	2

Contaminant	MCL/MRDL	MC Ls/MRDLs Violations	MCLs/M RDLs PWS in Violation	Treatment Techniques Violations	Treatment Techniques PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/ Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/ Reporting PWS in Violation
CHLORITE	1.0MG/L	0	0	0	0	10	5
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	0.060MG/L	21	9	0	0	25	19
TOTAL TRIHALOMET HANES (TTHM)	0.080MG/L	69	39	0	0	34	25
Subtotal		93	44	0	0	792	416

### Lead and Copper Rule

Contaminant	Treatment Techniques Violations	Treatment Techniques PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/R eporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/R eporting PWS in Violation
LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT (LCR)	0	0	0	0
OCCT/SOWT INSTALL DEMONSTRATION (LCR)	0	0	0	0
LEAD CONSUMER NOTICE	0	0	348	287
PUBLIC EDUCATION	3	3	0	0
WQP LEVEL NON- COMPLIANCE	0	0	0	0
FOLLOW-UP OR ROUTINE TAP (LCR)	0	0	364	287
INITIAL/FOLLOW- UP/ROUTINE	0	0	7	7
WATER QUALITY PARAMETER	0	0	336	119
OCCT/SOWT	7	3	0	0

Contaminant	Treatment Techniques Violations	Treatment Techniques PWS in Violation	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
INITIAL TAP SAMPLING (LCR)	0	0	24	24
MPL LEVEL NON-COMPLIANCE	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL	10	5	1,079	653

### **Groundwater Rule**

Violation Type	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS in Violation
MONITOR GWR TRIGGERED/ADDITIONAL MINOR	13	9
MONITOR GWR TRIGGERED/ADDITIONAL	111	63
Subtotal	124	69

### **Consumer Confidence Reports**

Rule	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS In Violation
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE RULE	63	48
Subtotal	63	48

### **Public Notification Rule**

Rule	Significant Monitoring/Reporting Violations	Significant Monitoring/Reporting PWS In Violation
PUBLIC NOTICE RULE	1,045	284
Subtotal	1,045	284

# Appendix A. Return to Compliance by Rule

Data included in Table 3 represent all violations starting prior to the end of 2019 and ending after the beginning of 2019. Violations that returned to compliance (RTC) in Table 3 are those violations starting prior to the end of 2019 and ending after the beginning of 2019 and returning to compliance in 2019.

**Table 3. Violations Returned to Compliance**

Rule	Violation Type Code	Violation Name	All Violations	Resolved Violations
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE RULE	71	CCR REPORT	473	410
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	35	FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR HAA5	5	2
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	35	FAILURE SUBMIT OEL REPORT FOR TTHM	49	37
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	02	MCL, LRAA	112	22
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	27	MONITORING, (DBP) (CHL. DIOXIDE)	6	2
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	27	MONITORING, ROUTINE (DBP), MAJOR	1,138	365
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	11	MRDL (CHLORINE/CHLORAMINE)	2	0
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	13	MRDL, ACUTE (CHL.DIOXIDE)	1	0
DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS	11	MRDL, NON-ACUTE (CHL.DIOXIDE)	1	1
GROUNDWATER RULE	48	FAILURE TO ADDRESS CONTAMINATION (GWR)	1	1
GROUNDWATER RULE	34	MONITOR GWR TRIGGERED/ADDITIONAL, MAJOR	142	31
GROUNDWATER RULE	34	MONITOR GWR TRIGGERED/ADDITIONAL, MINOR	14	1
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS GROUP M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	127	0
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS INDIVIDUAL M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	466	3

Rule	Violation Type Code	Violation Name	All Violations	Resolved Violations
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	02	MCL, AVERAGE	372	17
INORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	01	MCL, SINGLE SAMPLE	164	10
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	52	FOLLOW-UP OR ROUTINE TAP M/R (LCR)	431	67
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	51	INITIAL TAP SAMPLING (LCR)	24	0
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	56	INITIAL/FOLLOW-UP/ROUTINE SOWT M/R (LCR)	20	13
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	66	LEAD CONSUMER NOTICE (LCR)	741	393
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	57	OCCT/SOWT RECOMMENDATION/STUDY (LCR)	78	71
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	65	PUBLIC EDUCATION (LCR)	9	6
LEAD AND COPPER RULE	53	WATER QUALITY PARAMETER M/R (LCR)	357	21
PUBLIC NOTICE	75	PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	4,293	3,248
RADIONUCLIDES	02	MCL, AVERAGE	257	23
RADIONUCLIDES	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	89	1
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2C	CORRECTIVE/EXPEDITED ACTIONS (RTCR)	3	0
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2A	LEVEL 1 ASSESS, MULTIPLE TC POS (RTCR)	20	19
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2A	LEVEL 1 ASSESS, TC POS RT NO RPT (RTCR)	21	17
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2B	LEVEL 2 ASSESSMENT, 2ND LEVEL 1(RTCR)	14	11
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	1A	MCL, E. COLI, POS E COLI (RTCR)	10	10
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	3A	MONITORING, ROUTINE, MAJOR (RTCR)	1,328	653
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	3A	MONITORING, ROUTINE, MINOR (RTCR)	44	35
REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE	2D	STARTUP PROCEDURES TT (RTCR)	13	10
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	1	FAILURE MAINTAIN MICROBIAL TREAT. (LT2)	85	13

Rule	Violation Type Code	Violation Name	All Violations	Resolved Violations
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	42	FAILURE TO FILTER (SWTR)	3	0
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	CT	LOW CT GREATER THAN 4 HOURS	3	2
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	38	MONITORING, ROUTINE (IESWTR/LT1), MAJOR	133	47
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT	44	MONTHLY COMB FLTR EFFLUENT (IESWTR/LT1)	14	12
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT RULES	43	SINGLE COMB FLTR EFFLUENT (IESWTR/LT1)	11	10
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC COMPOUNDS M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	380	24
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	02	MCL, AVERAGE	6	0
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS M/R	03	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	141	8
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS MCL	02	MCL, AVERAGE	4	0

### Obtaining a Copy of the 2019 Public Drinking Water Annual Compliance Report

As required by the Safe Drinking Water Act, the State of Texas has made the 2019 *Public Drinking Water Annual Compliance Report* available to the public. Interested parties can obtain a copy of the 2019 *Annual Public Water Systems Compliance Report* for Texas by accessing the TCEQ website at <http://www.tceq.texas.gov>

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