



EWG's Tap
Water Database

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UTILITY

Town of Benton Water System

LOCATION

BENTON, LOUISIANA

SERVES

8,037

SOURCE

**PURCHASED SURFACE
WATER**

DATA

2018-2023

12

Contaminants Exceed
EWG's Health
Guidelines

24 TOTAL CONTAMINANTS

EXPLORE THIS UTILITY

Overview

Contaminants

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Overview

EWG's drinking water quality report shows results of tests conducted by the water utility and provided to the Environmental Working Group by the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, as well as information from the [U.S. EPA Enforcement and Compliance History database \(ECHO\)](#). For the latest quarter assessed by the U.S. EPA (April 2024 - June 2024), tap water provided by this water

Legal does not necessarily equal safe.

- Getting a passing grade from the federal government does not mean the water meets the latest health guidelines.
- Legal limits for contaminants in tap water have not been updated in almost 20 years.

utility was in compliance with federal health-based drinking water standards.

LEARN ABOUT LEAD IN THIS UTILITY →

- The best way to ensure clean tap water is to keep pollution out of source water in the first place.

Contaminants Detected

EXCEED GUIDELINES OTHER DETECTED

Bromodichloromethane

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 9.50 ppb

No Legal Limit

158x

EWG's Health Guideline: 0.06 ppb

Bromoform

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 2.76 ppb

No Legal Limit

5.5x

EWG's Health Guideline: 0.5 ppb

Chloroform

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 6.76 ppb

No Legal Limit

Chromium (hexavalent)*

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 0.0498 ppb

No Legal Limit

17x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.4 ppb

Dibromoacetic acid

Potential Effect:



This Utility: 4.24 ppb

No Legal Limit

141x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.03 ppb

Dichloroacetic acid

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 8.39 ppb

No Legal Limit

42x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.2 ppb

Haloacetic acids (HAA9)

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 16.8 ppb

No Legal Limit

279x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.06 ppb

2.5x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.02 ppb

Dibromochloromethane

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 8.50 ppb

No Legal Limit

85x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.1 ppb

Haloacetic acids (HAA5)

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 17.6 ppb

Legal Limit: 60 ppb

176x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.1 ppb

Nitrate and nitrite

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 0.367 ppm

Legal Limit: 10 ppm

2.6x EWG's Health Guideline: 0.14 ppm

Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 27.5 ppb

Legal Limit: 80 ppb

183x

EWG's Health Guideline: 0.15 ppb

Trichloroacetic acid

Potential Effect: Cancer



This Utility: 2.37 ppb

No Legal Limit

24x

EWG's Health Guideline: 0.1 ppb

Includes chemicals detected in 2021-2023 for which annual utility averages exceeded an EWG-selected health guideline established by a federal or state public health authority.

*This water utility buys or otherwise receives some or all of its finished water from Bossier City Water System. Tap water results marked with an * are from the supplying utility.

† HAA5 is a contaminant group that includes monochloroacetic acid, dichloroacetic acid, trichloroacetic acid, monobromoacetic acid and dibromoacetic acid.

HAA9 is a contaminant group that includes the chemicals in HAA5 and bromochloroacetic acid, bromodichloroacetic acid, chlorodibromoacetic acid and tribromoacetic acid. TTHM is a contaminant group that includes bromodichloromethane, bromoform, chloroform and dibromochloromethane.

OTHER CONTAMINANTS TESTED +

Find A Filter

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Carbon Filters

FILTERS **10** CONTAMINANTS EXCEEDING GUIDELINES (+5 OTHERS)

Can reduce the levels of many common contaminants.

PROS

Lower upfront cost

Reduced maintenance

CONS

Does not remove all contaminants

Reverse Osmosis

FILTERS **12** CONTAMINANTS EXCEEDING GUIDELINES (+10 OTHERS)

Can reduce the levels of many common contaminants.

PROS

Most effective

CONS

Higher upfront cost

Requires more maintenance

Other Considerations

Ion Exchange

PROS: Softens hard water, Reduces some contaminants

CONS: Doesn't remove all contaminants

Whole-House Filters

PROS: Useful for reducing radiologicals and TCE

CONS: Expensive to install and maintain, Risk of bacterial contamination

Distillation

PROS: Removes heavy metals and harmful microbes

CONS: Does not reduce most contaminants

UNDERSTAND FILTER TECHNOLOGY →

Explore filter options for each contaminant. See which technologies are effective at reducing specific contaminants to help you make an informed decision on the best water treatment solution for your needs.

CONTAMINANTS ABOVE HEALTH GUIDELINES	ACTIVATED CARBON	REVERSE OSMOSIS	ION EXCHANGE
BROMODICHLOROMETHANE	✓	✓	✗
BROMOFORM	✓	✓	✗
CHLOROFORM	✓	✓	✗
CHROMIUM (HEXAVALENT)	✗	✓	✓
DIBROMOACETIC ACID	✓	✓	✗
DIBROMOCHLOROMETHANE	✓	✓	✗
DICHLOROACETIC ACID	✓	✓	✗
HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	✓	✓	✗
HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA9)	✓	✓	✗
NITRATE & NITRITE	✗	✓	✓
TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES (TTHMS)	✓	✓	✗
TRICHLOROACETIC ACID	✓	✓	✗
OTHER CONTAMINANTS DETECTED	ACTIVATED CARBON	REVERSE OSMOSIS	ION EXCHANGE

CONTAMINANTS ABOVE HEALTH GUIDELINES	ACTIVATED CARBON	REVERSE OSMOSIS	ION EXCHANGE
ALUMINUM	✗	✓	✗
ATRAZINE	✓	✓	✗
FLUORIDE	✗	✓	✗
LITHIUM	✗	✓	✓
MANGANESE	✗	✗	✓
MONOBROMOACETIC ACID	✓	✓	✗
MONOCHLOROACETIC ACID	✓	✓	✗
PERFLUOROBUTANOIC ACID (PFBA)	✓	✓	✗
PICLORAM	✓	✓	✗
SILVER	✗	✓	✓
STRONTIUM	✗	✓	✓
VANADIUM	✗	✗	✓