## 2024 Consumer Confidence Report Data HOLMEN WATERWORKS, PWS ID: 63203063

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.

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#### **Water System Information**

If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Pete Mezera at (608) 526-6308.

#### Opportunity for input on decisions affecting your water quality

5:30 pm first Thursday of the Month Village Hall, 421 S Main St, Holmen, WI 7 pm second Thursday of the month Village Hall, 421 S Main St, Holmen, WI

#### **Health Information**

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 Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

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 systems 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 Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

#### Source(s) of Water

Source ID	Source	Depth (in feet)	Status
4	Groundwater	150	Inactive as of 04/04/24
5	Groundwater	130	Active
6	Groundwater	178	Active
7	Groundwater	175	Active
8	Groundwater		Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment please contact, Pete Mezera at (608) 526-6308.

#### **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 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 stormwater 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 stormwater runoff and residential
- 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 stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

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

#### **Definitions**

<b>Definition</b> Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HA and HAL	HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by US EPA.
НІ	HI: Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the US EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.
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 or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: 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.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: 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.
MFL	million fibers per liter
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: 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.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: 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.
mrem/year	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb	parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
PHGS	PHGS: Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
RPHGS	RPHGS: Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
SMCL	Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.
TCR	Total Coliform Rule
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

#### **Detected Contaminants**

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

#### **Disinfection Byproducts**

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	D11	60	60	28	28		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHM (ppb)	D6	80	0	2.1	2.1		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination

#### **Inorganic Contaminants**

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)		10	n/a	3	0 - 3	2/28/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM (ppm)		2	2	0.088	0.050 - 0.088	2/28/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
BERYLLIUM TOTAL (ppb)		4	4	0.29	0.00 - 0.29	10/24/2023	No	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; Discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries
FLUORIDE (ppm)		4	4	0.6	0.6 - 0.6	10/24/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
MERCURY (ppb)		2	2	0.1	0.0 - 0.1	2/28/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from refineries and factories; Runoff from landfills; Runoff from cropland
NICKEL (ppb)		100		41.1000	0.0000 - 41.1000	10/24/2023	No	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel and alloy products.
NITRATE (N03-N) (ppm)		10	10	5.63	2.00 - 5.80		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
NITRITE (N02-N) (ppm)		1	1	0.017	0.000 - 0.017	3/7/2023	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SELENIUM (ppb)		50	50	2	0 - 2	10/24/2023	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines
SODIUM (ppm)		n/a	n/a	30.90	4.15 - 30.90	10/24/2023	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	Range	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.3670	0.0000 - 0.4940	0 of 30 results were above the action level.	8/29/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	2.78	0.00 - 11.30	0 of 30 results were above the action level.	9/8/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

#### PFAS Contaminants with a Recommended Health Advisory Level

Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a large group of human-made chemicals that have been used in industry and consumer products worldwide since the 1950. The following table list PFAS contaminants which were detected in your water and that have a Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standard (RPHGS) or Health Advisory Level (HAL). There are no violations for detections of

contaminants that exceed the RPHGS or HAL. The RPHGS are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk and are based on guidance provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Note: The recommended health-based levels in the table below were in effect in 2024. These levels were revised by WDHS in 2025. They can be found here <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/water/gws.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/water/gws.htm</a>.

	Typical Source of Contaminant  Drinking water is one way that people can be exposed to PFAS. In Wisconsin, two-thirds of people use groundwater as their drinking water source. PFAS can get in groundwater from places that make or us and release from consumer products in landfills.								
Contaminant (units)	Site	RPHGS or HAL (PPT) Level Found Range Sample Date (if prior to 2024)							
PFBS (ppt)		450000	0.39	0.39					

#### **Radioactive Contaminants**

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. R & U (pCi/l)		15	0	1.3	1.1 - 1.5		No	Erosion of natural deposits
RADIUM, (226 + 228) (pCi/l)		5	0	0.4	0.4 - 0.5		No	Erosion of natural deposits
GROSS ALPHA, INCL. R & U (n/a)		n/a	n/a	1.6	1.5 - 1.6		No	Erosion of natural deposits
COMBINED URANIUM (ug/l)		30	0	0.6	0.6 - 0.7		No	Erosion of natural deposits

#### Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
DI(2-ETHYLHEXYL) ADIPATE (ppb)		400	400	0.4	0.4	5/27/2020	No	Discharge from chemical factories
DI(2-ETHYLHEXYL) PHTHALATE (ppb)		6	0	0.3	0.0 - 1.2		No	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories

#### Contaminants with a Public Health Groundwater Standard, Health Advisory Level, or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level

The following table lists contaminants which were detected in your water and that have either a Public Health Groundwater Standard (PHGS), Health Advisory Level (HAL), or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL), or both. There are no violations for detections of contaminants that exceed Health Advisory Levels, Public Health Groundwater Standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels. Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels are levels that do not present health concerns but may pose aesthetic problems such as objectionable taste, odor, or color. Public Health Groundwater Standards and Health Advisory Levels are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk.

Contaminant (units)	Site	SMCL (ppm)	PHGS or HAL (ppm)	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Typical Source of Contaminant
SULFATE (ppm)		250		21.50	12.00 - 21.50	10/24/2023	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes

#### **Volatile Organic Contaminants**

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
TETRACHLOROETHYLENE (ppb)		5	0	2.1	0.0 - 2.7		No	Leaching from PVC pipes; Discharge from factories and dry cleaners

#### **Unregulated Contaminants**

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. EPA required us to participate in this monitoring.

Within the last 12 months we conducted Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring in accordance with US EPA rules. We are required to inform you of this sampling. We are only required to include results showing detections within this report; however, if you would like a copy of all results, please contact us at (608) 526-6308.

perfluoropentanoic acid (PFPeA) 0.0033 ug/L MRL 0.0030 ug/L 10/11/2023

#### **Additional Health Information**

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than 6 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 advice from your health care provider. Females who are or may become pregnant should not consume water with nitrate concentrations that exceed 10 ppm. There is some evidence of an association between exposure to high nitrate levels in drinking water during the first weeks of pregnancy and certain birth defects. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services recommends people of all ages avoid long-term consumption of water that has nitrate level greater than 10 milligrams per liter (mg/L).

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. Holmen Waterworks is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Holmen Waterworks (Pete Mezera at (608) 526-6308). Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

#### **Additional Information on Service Line Materials**

We are required to develop an initial inventory of service lines connected to our distribution system by October 16, 2024 and to make the inventory publicly accessible. You can access the service line inventory here/by: Service Line Material Inventory information is available at Village Hall from the Director of Public Works

#### **Other Compliance**

#### **Other Drinking Water Regulations Violations**

Description of Violation	Date of Violation	Date Violation Resolved
Failed to develop and report an initial inventory for service line materials that meets federal requirements and failed to make initial lead service line inventory publicly accessible	10/17/2024	

#### **Actions Taken**

Initial inventory of service lines is ongoing.

Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems.

Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilsons Disease should consult their personal doctor.

We failed to develop an inventory that meets all federal requirements and/or to make the inventory publicly accessible. We failed to submit this initial inventory of service lines by October 16, 2024.

## DRINKING WATER PROTECTING HE SAFETY F YOUR HOME'S

and Backflow Cross-Connections From the Hazards of



## What is a Connection? Cross

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water

# BACKSIPHONAGE

which can draw water out emergency, a water mair the public water system back into your water or of a sink or bucket and This creates a siphon in municipal water system break or system repair your plumbing system loss of pressure in the during a fire fighting May occur due to a

# BACKPRESSURE

pressure supplied from the pressure greater than the public water system. This may cause contaminated source of pressure (such through an unprotected water to be pushed into May be created when a your plumbing system as a boiler) creates a cross-connection

flow backward: backsiphonage and backpressure. conditions, water can actually flow backwards; this is known as Backflow. There are two situations that can cause water to direction. However, under certain Water normally flows in one

State plumbing codes of contamination or pollution. or eliminated must be properly protected and use. Cross-Connections potable water connection installed at every point of prevention methods to be require approved backflow (potable) supply and a source

# HOW DOES

CONTAMINATION

plant. However, certain hydraulic safe as when it left the treatment When you turn on your faucet, or even the public water supply. allow hazardous substances to within your plumbing system may conditions left unprotected contaminate your own drinking water you expect the water to be as



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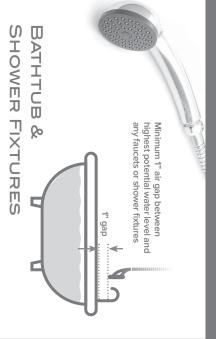
- Keep the ends of hoses clear of all possible contaminants.
- Ensure that lawn irrigation systems have proper backflow protection.
- Verify and install a simple hose bibb vacuum your home. breaker on all threaded faucets around
- Make sure water treatment devices such above any drain. gap", which is a minimum of one inch as water softeners have the proper "air

# DON'T...

- Submerge hoses in buckets pools, tubs, sinks or ponds
- prevention device without a backflow
- Connect waste pipes from water softeners or other

lis a one-inch "air gap" separation. submerged drain pipe. Always be sure there treatment systems directly to the sewer or

# AVOIDING BACKFLOW THROUGHOUT THE HOME



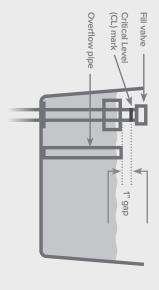
A hand-held shower fixture is compliant if:

- When shower head is hanging freely, it is at least 1" above top of the flood level rim of the bathtub
- Complies with ASSE#1014
- Has the ASME code A112.18.1 stamped on the handle

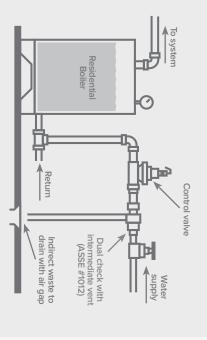
# TOILET TANKS

There are many unapproved toilet tank fill valve products sold at common retailers which do not meet the state plumbing code requirements for backflow prevention.

- Look for the ASSE #1002 Standard symbol on the device and packaging.
- Replace any unapproved devices with an ASSE #1002 approved anti-siphon fill valve device. Average cost is typically \$12 to \$22 at home improvement stores.
- Verify overflow tube is one inch below critical level (CL) marking on the fill valve.



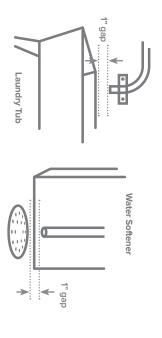
## BOILERS



Boilers with chemical additives require an ASSE #1013 – Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly

# ELSEWHERE IN THE HOME

Always maintain an air gap of at least 1 inch between the end of drain hoses and the highest potential water level.



# HOME EXTERIOR

Verify all outside faucets are protected with a hose bibb vacuum breaker of the ASSE-certified types shown below.



# DID YOU KNOW...

Your water can become contaminated if connections to your plumbing system are not properly protected! The purpose of the local Cross-Connection Control Program is to ensure that everyone in the community has safe, clean drinking water.

# PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY....

To avoid contamination, backflow preventers are required by state plumbing codes wherever there is an actual or potential hazard for a cross-connection. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) requires all public water suppliers to maintain an on-going Cross-Connection Control Program involving public education, onsite inspections, and if required corrective actions by building and home owners.

For more detailed information about cross-connection control and backflow prevention in Wisconsin, please visit www.hydrocorpinc.com/residential www.hydrocorpinc.com/wi

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#### **Holmen Water Utility News**

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Dear Village of Holmen Water User:

We are pleased to present to you the 2024 water quality report. It is our constant goal to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water and to answer any questions you have concerning your water service. We are pleased to report that our water is safe and meets federal and state requirements.

If you have any questions concerning this report or your water utility, please contact the Village Hall or attend any Public Works Committee meeting.

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