

# ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

## 2017 (Consumer Confidence Report)



### BLUE SPRINGS PWS

Public Water System ID  
Number: MO1010080

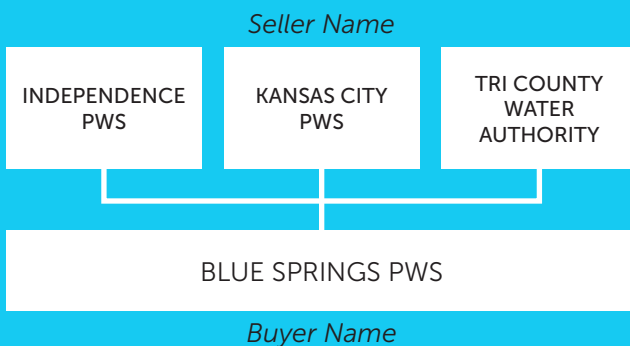
This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made to provide safe drinking water.

Atencion!  
Este informe contiene información muy importante. Tradúscalo o pregúntele a alguien que lo entienda bien.

*[Translated: This report contains very important information. Translate or ask someone who understands this very well.]*

#### Our water comes from the following source(s):

Our drinking water is supplied from another water system through a Consecutive Connection (CC). To find out more about our drinking water sources and additional chemical sampling results, please contact our office at the number provided below.



You can view the seller's Water Quality Reports at the links below:

**Kansas City Water Department**  
[www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/mo1010415.pdf](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/mo1010415.pdf)

**Independence, Missouri**  
[www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/mo1010399.pdf](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/mo1010399.pdf)

**Tri-County Water Authority**  
[www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/mo1071079.pdf](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/mo1071079.pdf)

#### How might I become actively involved?

If you would like to observe the decision-making process that affect drinking water quality or if you have any further questions about your drinking water report, please call us at 816-228-0195 to inquire about scheduled meetings or contact persons.



#### Do I need to take any special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised 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).





### **Source Water Assessment**

The Department of Natural Resources conducted a source water assessment to determine the susceptibility of our water source to potential contaminants. This process involved the establishment of source water area delineations for each well or surface water intake and then a contaminant inventory was performed within those delineated areas to assess potential threats to each source. Assessment maps and summary information sheets are available on the internet at <http://drinkingwater.missouri.edu/swip/swipmaps/pwssid.htm>. To access the maps for your water system you will need the State-assigned identification code, which is printed at the top of this report. The Source Water Inventory Project maps and information sheets provide a foundation upon which a more comprehensive source water protection plan can be developed.

### **Why are there contaminants in my water?**

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).



### **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 stormwater 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 stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

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

**E.** 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, the Department of Natural Resources prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Department of Health regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

### **Is our water system meeting other rules that govern our operations?**

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources regulates our water system and requires us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. Our system has been assigned the identification number MO1010080 for the purposes of tracking our test results. Last year, we tested for a variety of contaminants. The detectable results of these tests are on the following pages of this report. Any violations of state requirements or standards will be further explained later in this report.

## CONTAMINANTS REPORT

BLUE SPRINGS PWS will provide a printed hard copy of the CCR upon request. To request a copy of this report to be mailed, please call us at 816-228-0195. The CCR can also be found on the internet at [www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO1010080.pdf](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO1010080.pdf).

The state has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Records with a sample year more than one year old are still considered representative. No data older than 5 years need be included. If more than one sample is collected during the monitoring period, the Range of Sampled Results will show the lowest and highest tested results. The Highest Test Result, Highest LRAA, or Highest Value must be below the maximum contaminant level (MCL) or the contaminant has exceeded the level of health based standards and a violation is issued to the water system.

## REGULATED CONTAMINANTS

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Test Result	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low – high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
CHROMIUM	2013-10-22	2.62	0.8 - 2.62	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills

Disinfection Byproducts	Sample Point	Monitoring Period	Highest LRAA	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low – high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
(HAA5)	DBPDUAL-01	2017	16	16.4 - 16.4	ppb	60	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
(HAA5)	DBPDUAL-02	2017	12	12.4 - 12.4	ppb	60	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	DBPDUAL-01	2017	9	9.44 - 9.44	ppb	80	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	DBPDUAL-02	2017	7	7.27 - 7.27	ppb	80	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

Lead and Copper	Date	90th Percentile: 90% of your water utility levels were less than	Range of Sampled Results (low – high)	Unit	AL	Sites Over AL	Typical Source
COPPER	2013 - 2015	0.0235	0.00104 - 0.0518	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
LEAD	2013 - 2015	1.83	1.31 - 4.9	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Microbiological	Result	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
COLIFORM (TCR)	In the month of October, 3.03% of samples returned as positive	TT	N/A	Naturally present in the environment

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR)	Collection Date of HV	Highest Value (HV)	Range of Sampled Result(s)	Unit
CHLORATE	2013-07-16	510	0 - 510	UG/L
CHROMIUM, HEX	2013-01-28	4	0.74 - 4	UG/L
MOLYBDENUM, TOTAL	2013-10-22	3.86	2.28 - 3.86	UG/L
STRONTIUM	2013-10-22	241	141 - 241	UG/L
VANADIUM, TOTAL	2013-04-11	2.21	1.04 - 2.21	UG/L

## VIOLATIONS AND HEALTH EFFECTS INFORMATION

During the 2017 calendar year, we had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Compliance Period	Analyte	Type
No Violations Occurred in the Calendar Year of 2017		

### Special Lead and Copper Notice:

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. BLUE SPRINGS PWS 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 in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or at <http://water.epa.gov/drink/info/lead/index.cfm>.

You can also find sample results for all contaminants from both past and present compliance monitoring online at the Missouri DNR Drinking Water Watch website <http://dnr.mo.gov/DWW/indexSearchDNR.jsp>. To find Lead and Copper results for your system, type your water system name in the box titled Water System Name and select Find Water Systems at the bottom of the page. The new screen will show you the water system name and number, select and click the Water System Number. At the top of the next page, under the Help column find, Other Chemical Results by Analyte, select and click on it. Scroll down alphabetically to Lead and click the blue Analyte Code (1030). The Lead and Copper locations will be displayed under the heading Sample Comments. Scroll to find your location and click on the Sample No. for the results. If your house was selected by the water system and you assisted in taking a Lead and Copper sample from your home but cannot find your location in the list, please contact BLUE SPRINGS PWS for your results.

### TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

**Population:** 52530. This is the equivalent residential population served including non-bill paying customers.

**MCLG:** Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or 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.

**MCL:** Maximum Contaminant Level, or 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.

**SMCL:** Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level, or the secondary standards that are non-enforceable guidelines for contaminants and may cause cosmetic effects (such as skin or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor or color) in drinking water. EPA recommends these standards but does not require water systems to comply

**AL:** Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

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

**90th percentile:** For lead and Copper testing. 10% of test results are above this level and 90% are below this level.

**Range of Results:** Shows the lowest and highest levels found during a testing period, if only one sample was taken, then this number equals the Highest Test Result or Highest Value.

**RAA:** Running Annual Average, or the average of sample analytical results for samples taken during the previous four calendar quarters.

**LRAA:** Locational Running Annual Average, or the locational average of sample analytical results for samples taken during the previous four calendar quarters.

**TTHM:** Total Trihalomethanes (chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane, and bromoform) as a group.

**HAA5:** Haloacetic Acids (mono-, di- and tri-chloroacetic acid, and mono- and dibromoacetic acid) as a group.

**ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter.

**ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter.

**n/a:** not applicable.

**NTU:** Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water.

**nd:** not detectable at testing limits.

## RESELLER CONTAMINANTS

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Water System	Highest Sample Result	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low – high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
ARSENIC	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	1.13	1.13	ppb	10	0	Erosion of natural deposits
ATRAZINE	2017-05-21	KANSAS CITY PWS	1.59	0 - 1.59	ppb	3	3	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
BARIUM	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	0.0391	0.0391	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM	2017-06-01	KANSAS CITY PWS	5	4 - 5	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills
CYANIDE	2017-10-07	KANSAS CITY PWS	30	0 - 30	ppb	200	200	Discharge from steel/metal factories; Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories
FLUORIDE	2017-12-20	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.98	0.344 - 0.98	ppm	4	4	Natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth
LASSO	2017-06-21	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.93	0 - 0.93	ppb	2	0	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
NITRATE-NITRITE	2017-06-01	KANSAS CITY PWS	5.54	0.106 - 5.54	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SELENIUM	2017-03-31	KANSAS CITY PWS	2.85	1.03 - 2.85	ppb	50	50	Erosion of natural deposits

Disinfection Byproducts	Monitoring Period	Water System	Highest LRAA	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low – high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
(HAA5)	2017	KANSAS CITY PWS	24	11.9 - 35.1	ppb	60	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	2017	KANSAS CITY PWS	12	4.7 - 13.6	ppb	80	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	2017	INDEPENDENCE PWS	3	2.71 - 3.28	ppb	80	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	2017	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	3	3.43	ppb	80	0	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

## RESELLER VIOLATIONS AND HEALTH EFFECTS INFORMATION

During the 2017 calendar year, the water system(s) that we purchase water from had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Water System	Type	Category	Analyte	Compliance Period
No Violations Occurred in the Calendar Year of 2017				

## OPTIONAL MONITORING (NOT REQUIRED BY EPA)

Optional Contaminants: Monitoring is not required for optional contaminants.

Secondary Contaminants	Collection Date	Your Water System Highest Sampled Result	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low - high)	Unit	SMCL
CHLORATE	2013-07-16	510	0 - 510	UG/L	
CHROMIUM, HEX	2013-01-28	4	0.74 - 4	UG/L	
MOLYBDENUM, TOTAL	2013-10-22	3.86	2.28 - 3.86	UG/L	
STRONTIUM	2013-10-22	241	141 - 241	UG/L	
VANADIUM, TOTAL	2013-04-11	2.21	1.04 - 2.21	UG/L	

Reseller Secondary Contaminants	Collection Date	Water System Name	Highest Sampled Result	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low - high)	Unit	SMCL
ALKALINITY, CaCO3 STABILITY	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	76.5	76.5	MG/L	
ALKALINITY, TOTAL	2017-11-26	KANSAS CITY PWS	250	17 - 250	MG/L	
BORON, TOTAL	2017-04-30	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.053	0.041 - 0.053	MG/L	
BROMIDE	2017-06-14	KANSAS CITY PWS	1.09	0 - 1.09	MG/L	0.05
CALCIUM	2017-06-30	KANSAS CITY PWS	43.3	33.2 - 43.3	MG/L	
CHLORIDE	2017-01-22	KANSAS CITY PWS	48.5	12.1 - 48.5	MG/L	250
CHROMIUM, HEX	2013-11-06	KANSAS CITY PWS	2.7	2.2 - 2.7	UG/L	
COLOR	2017-07-05	KANSAS CITY PWS	10	1 - 10	ADMI U	15
HARDNESS, CARBONATE	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	107	107	MG/L	
IRON	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	0.00998	0.00998	MG/L	0.3
MAGNESIUM	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	15.8	15.8	MG/L	
MANGANESE	2017-05-15	TRI COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY	0.00411	0.00411	MG/L	0.05
METOLACHLOR	2017-05-21	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.67	0 - 0.67	ppb	
MOLYBDENUM, TOTAL	2017-06-30	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.003	0.003	MG/L	
ODOR	2017-07-25	KANSAS CITY PWS	6	1 - 6	TON	3
PH	2017-06-08	KANSAS CITY PWS	10.4	6.34 - 10.4	SU	8.5
PHENOLS	2017-11-04	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.066	0 - 0.066	MG/L	
POTASSIUM	2017-02-28	KANSAS CITY PWS	7.18	5.77 - 7.18	MG/L	
SILICA	2017-02-28	KANSAS CITY PWS	4.79	3.12 - 4.79	MG/L	
SODIUM	2017-01-31	KANSAS CITY PWS	61.4	46.1 - 61.4	MG/L	
STRONTIUM	2017-06-30	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.234	0.195 - 0.234	MG/L	
SULFATE	2017-07-01	KANSAS CITY PWS	232	92.2 - 232	MG/L	250
TDS	2017-05-31	KANSAS CITY PWS	590	38 - 590	MG/L	500
TESTOSTERONE	2013-08-21	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.0014	0 - 0.0014	UG/L	
TOTAL CHLORINE	2017-01-15	KANSAS CITY PWS	2.71	0.2 - 2.71	MG/L	
VANADIUM, TOTAL	2017-06-01	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.002	0 - 0.002	MG/L	
ZINC	2017-04-30	KANSAS CITY PWS	0.005	0.003 - 0.005	MG/L	5

Secondary standards are non-enforceable guidelines for contaminants that may cause cosmetic effects (such as skin or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor or color) in drinking water. EPA recommends these standards but does not require water systems to comply.