

# East Montgomery Utility District Water Quality Report 2024

## Is my drinking water safe?

Yes. Our water meets all State and EPA health standards. Our water facility test on an average 50 water samples daily, including microbiological testing, to ensure that water quality remains at safe levels.

## What is the source of my water?

Your water comes from the Cumberland River south of Clarksville. Our goal is to protect our water from contaminants and we are working with the State to determine the vulnerability of contamination. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has prepared a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Report for the untreated water sources to potential contamination. To ensure safe drinking water, all public water systems treat and routinely test their water. Water sources have been rated as reasonably susceptible (high), moderately susceptible (moderate) or slightly susceptible (low) based on geologic factors and human activities in the vicinity of the water source. The Cunningham-East Montgomery Water Treatment Plant source is rated as reasonably susceptible to potential contamination.

## 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).

**For more information about your drinking water, please call us at (931-368-1921)**

**Este informe contiene información muy importante.**

**Tradúscalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.**

## How can I get involved?

Our Water Board meets on the second Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. at the East Montgomery Utility District office.

Please feel free to participate in these meetings.

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

The State and EPA require us to test and report on our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. We have always met all these requirements. This management would like you to be aware that we take great pride in our water quality and treatment facility. We adhere to all applicable rules, guidelines and current trends in the water industry.

## DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?

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 system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about their personal sanitation, food preparation, handling infants and pets, and drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Water Quality Data							
Contaminant	MCLG in CCR Units	MCL in CCR Units	Level Found in CCR Units	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical source of Contaminant
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	>1 positive sample	0	N/A	N	Daily	Naturally present in the environment
<sup>1</sup> Turbidity	n/a	TT	0.05 ntu avg.	.04 - .08 ntu	N	Daily	soil runoff
Sodium	N/A	N/A	9.93 ppm		N	8/8/2023	Erosion of natural deposits; used in water treatment
Chlorine	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	1.9 ppm avg.	.9 - 5.2 ppm	N	Daily	Water Additive used to control microbes
Copper	1.3	AL=1.3 ppm	0.0650 ppm 90th percentile	.001 - .0097 ppm	N	Jul. 2023	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
<sup>2</sup> Lead	0	AL=15 ppb	1.0 ppb 90th percentile	1.0 - 2.42 ppb	N	Jul. 2023	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
HAA's Haloacetic Acids	0	60 ppb 4 Quarter LRAA	57.6 ppb Highest LRAA	21.4 - 61.0 ppb	N	Quarterly 2023	By-product of drinking water chlorination
<sup>3</sup> TTHMs [Total trihalomethanes]	0	80 ppb 4 Quarter LRAA	72.0 ppb Highest LRAA	35.2 - 75.9 ppb	N	Quarterly 2023	By-product of drinking water chlorination
<sup>4</sup> Finished TOC	N/A	TT	1.4 ppm	1.2 - 1.69ppm	N	Monthly	Naturally present in the environment

**About the data:** Most of the data presented in this table is from testing done between January 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2023. We monitor for contaminants less than once per year, and for those contaminants the date of the last sample is shown in the table.

Abbreviations	
<b>MCL:</b> The maximum permissible level of a contaminant in water which is delivered at the free flowing outlet of the ultimate user of a public water system, except in the case of turbidity where the maximum permissible level is measured at the point of entry to the distribution system. Contaminants added to the water under circumstances controlled by the user, except those resulting from corrosion of piping and plumbing caused by water quality, are excluded from this definition.	
<b>MCLG:</b> Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water at which there is no known or expected risk of health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.	
<b>MRDL:</b> Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level - The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for the control of microbial contaminants.	
<b>MRDLG:</b> 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.	
<b>NTU:</b> Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water	
<b>AL:</b> Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.	
<b>Turbidity:</b> A physical characteristic of water making the water appear cloudy. The condition is caused by suspended matter. Turbidity does not present any risk to your health. We monitor turbidity because it is a good indicator that the filtration process is functioning properly.	
<b>LRAA:</b> Locational Running Annual Average	
<b>TT:</b> Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.	
<b>PPB:</b> parts per billion or micrograms per liter	<b>PPT:</b> parts per trillion or nanograms per liter
<b>PPM:</b> parts per million or milligrams per liter	<b>pCi/l:</b> pico Curies per liter, a measure of radioactivity

**Other Information:**

<sup>1</sup> Representative Turbidity samples of a system's filtered water must be less than or equal to 0.3 NTU in at least 95 percent of measurements taken each month. We were in compliance for the 2023 calendar year.

<sup>2</sup> During the most recent round of lead and copper testing, 0 out of 30 homes tested exceeded the action level for lead and 0 out of 30 exceeded the action level for copper.

<sup>3</sup> Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

<sup>4</sup> The Cunningham-East Montgomery Water Plant met the Treatment Technique requirements for Total Organic Carbon (TOC).