

CITY OF CANTON ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

January 1 to December 31, 2025

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and to protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. I am pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets state and federal requirements.



Importance of Source Water...

Drinking water for the City of Canton, Illinois (Facility No. 0570250) is supplied and delivered by the City of Canton, via a municipally owned and operated Water Treatment Plant and distribution system. Source water options include, Lake Canton, and its two surface water intakes (IEPA #58089 & #01374), and the radial collector well located at 19847 N. Banner Dike Rd. (IEPA #01853) During 2025, the radial collector well provided 100 % of Cantons raw water. On average for 2025, 1.66 million gallons per day were

pumped, providing water to approximately 5,888 service connections and an estimated population of 20,000 people in Canton and the surrounding area. Facilities that purchase water from Canton include Dunfermline - St. David Water Commission (0575150), Fairview (0570450), Norris (0570750), and Cuba (0570300) with Cuba having an extension of service to Wee-Ma-Tuk and Fiatt.

Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater 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 pickup substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

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 EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

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 storm water 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 storm water runoff, and residential uses.

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 storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

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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 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

Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution problems; hence, the reason for mandatory treatment for all surface water supplies in Illinois. Mandatory treatment includes coagulation, sedimentation, filtration, and disinfection.

In a national effort to ensure adequate protection against groundwater contamination from the herbicide Atrazine, USEPA made significant changes to the Atrazine use label in 1990. It is a violation of law to apply, mix, or load Atrazine within 50 feet of any well, including water wells, irrigation wells, livestock water wells, abandoned wells or sinkholes. In 1992, the Atrazine label was further amended to protect surface waters by requiring a 200-foot application setback for lakes and reservoirs. In addition, there is a 66-foot setback from any point where field surface water runoff enters a stream or river. A concerted effort to incorporate best management practices for Atrazine applications is on-going; an atrazine BMP document is available from Novartis Corp Protection, or by contacting the Illinois Fertilizer & Chemical Association at (800) 892-7122.

In an effort to minimize the impact of livestock facilities on water resources on a statewide basis, livestock facilities are now regulated under the Livestock Management Facilities Act. This legislation is designed to keep Illinois' livestock industry productive and environmentally responsible by establishing requirements for design, construction, operation and management of livestock facilities and waste-handling structures. Detailed information on the Livestock Management Facilities Act may be found at the website <http://www.agr.state.il.us>. In addition,

further watershed protection efforts and priorities of the Illinois EPA, Illinois Department of Agriculture, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Nature Conservancy are described and illustrated at the web site: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/unified-watershed-assessment/index.html>.

The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation /recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl> or by calling the Groundwater Section of the Illinois EPA at 217-785-4787.

Questions...

If you have any questions about this report or your water utility, please contact Caleb Hale, Superintendent of the Water Treatment Plant, at (309) 647-0060, or Joseph R. Carruthers, Utility Manager City of Canton, (309) 647-5022. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The Water and Sewer Committee, and the Lake, Buildings and Grounds Committee meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30pm in the Historic Depot at 50 N. 4th Ave. Canton, IL.

The Canton Water Plant routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following tables show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2025 some constituents may not have been tested for in 2024 so previous testing data was used. If test results are from an earlier year the test date is listed on the Water Quality Data Table. Also, in the tables you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with, to help you better understand these terms we've provided their definitions.

2024 Water Quality Data

-Definition of Terms-

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): 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.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): 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.

Level Found: This column represents an average of sample result data collected during the CCR calendar year. In some cases, it may represent a single sample if only one sample was collected.

Range of Detections: This column represents a range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest that were collected during the CCR calendar year.

Date of Sample: If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once per year because the concentrations do not frequently change. If no date appears in the column, monitoring for this contaminant was conducted during the Consumer Confidence Report calendar year.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALG's allow for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

nd: Not detectable at testing limits.

n/a: Not applicable

Note: The state requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Therefore, some of this data may be more than one year old.

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water, ug/l: micrograms per litre or ppb: parts per billion or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

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pCi/l: picoCuries per liter (measurement of radioactivity)

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Oocysts: A thick-walled structure in which sporozoan zygotes develop.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level MRDLG): 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.

There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.

Manganese is not currently regulated by USEPA. However, the state has set an MCL for this contaminant for supplies serving a population of 1000 or more.

*MCL Statement: The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for TTHM and HAA5 is 80 ug/L and 60 ug/L respectively and is currently only applicable to surface water supplies that serve 10,000 or more people. These MCLs will become effective 01/01/2004 for all groundwater supplies and surface supplies serving less than 10,000 people. People who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years' experience problems with their - livers, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have increased risk of getting cancer.

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2025

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

The source of drinking water used by

CANTON is Ground Water Under Direct Influence of Surface Water

For more information regarding this report contact:

Name Caleb Hale Phone 309-647-5022

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

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

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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. The drinking water supplier is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and for removing lead pipes, but cannot control the velocity of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting your family and your plumbing from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk.

several minutes by running your tap, taking a s
doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can al
a filter certified by an American National St
Institute accredited certifier to reduce leac
drinking water. If you are concerned about le
your water, you may wish to have your water t
contact Caleb Hale at 309-647-5022.
Information on lead in drinking water, testin
methods, and steps you can take to minimize ex
is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater>

Source Water Information

Source Water Name

RADIAL COLLECTOR WELL 1 (01853)

Type of Water

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Report Status

Active_

Location

19847 N Banner Dyke Rd.

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City or call our water operator at 309-647-0060. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>.

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Coliform Bacteria

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	Highest No. of Positive Coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Fecal Coliform or E. Coli or Fecal Coliform Samples	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
0	1 positive monthly sample.	2	0	N	Naturally present in the environment.

Lead and Copper

Definitions:
 Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
 Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.
 Copper Range: <3.0 to 170
 Lead Range: 0 to 30
 To obtain a copy of the system's lead tap sampling data: Caleb Hale 309-647-5022
 CIRCLE ONE: Our Community Water Supply has not developed a service line material inventory.
 To obtain a copy of the system's service line inventory: Caleb Hale 309-647-5022

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2025	1.3	1.3	0.046	0	ppm	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems Erosion of natural deposits.
Lead	2025	0	15	2.6	1	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems Erosion of natural deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

water quality test results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

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 and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: 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.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: 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.

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: 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.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: 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.

na: not applicable.

mrem: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

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

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chloramines	2025	3.6	1.5 - 4	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	N		Water additive used to control microbes.

Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2025	18	3.79 - 13.1	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N		By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2025	29	2.12 - 6.36	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N		By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
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Barium	2025	0.059	0.059 - 0.059	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge of metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
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Fluoride	2025	0.5	0.523 - 0.523	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
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Manganese	2025	23	23 - 23	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by USEPA. However, the state regulates it as a natural deposit.
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Sodium	2025	55	55 - 55			ppb	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits, in water softener regeneration.
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Volatile Organic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
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Toluene	2025	0.004	0 - 0.0036	1	1	ppm	N	Discharge from petroleum factories.
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Turbidity

Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
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Highest single measurement	1 NTU	N	Soil runoff.
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Lowest monthly % meeting limit	0.3 NTU	N	Soil runoff.
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Information Statement: Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

Total Organic Carbon

The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set, unless a TOC violation is noted in the violations section.

Availability of Monitoring Data for Unregulated Contaminants for the City of Canton

Our water system has sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that don't yet have a drinking water standard set by the EPA. The purpose of monitoring these contaminants is to help EPA decide whether the contaminants should have a standard. As our customers, you have the right to know that this data is available.

If you are interested in examining the results, please contact Caleb Hale at 309-647-5022.

This notice is being sent to you by the City of Canton Illinois, 61520, State water system ID#IL0570250.
Date distributed:4-14-26

Special Notice for Availability of Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Data

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

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Date distributed: 4-14-26 A maximum contaminant level (MCL) for these contaminants has not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language been set. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

See the table below for sample results from the 2025 quarterly UCMR5 sampling events:

PFAS Analyte	Units	Average Level Detected 4 sample events	Range of Levels Detected
PFBA	ppb	0.0088	0.0083 – 0.0094
PFHxA	ppb	0.0033	0.0031 – 0.0035
PFPeA	ppb	0.0032	0.0030 – 0.0033

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