



# **Water Quality Summary**

**Pueblo's Treated Water**

# **2021**

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Parameter	Units	Primary Standard	Secondary Standard	MCL	MCLG	Range of Detection in Pueblo Water	Pueblo Treated Water Average Level	Number of Samples Analyzed
<b>Clarity</b>								
Turbidity	NTU	◆		1.0	1.0	0.04 - 0.22	0.08	250
<b>Microbiological</b>								
Total Coliform Bacteria**	P/A	◆		less than 5% per month positive	0	P - A ***	A	2251
E. coli Bacteria**	P/A	◆		0	0	A	A	2251
<b>Radiologicals<sup>o</sup></b>								
Gross Alpha	pCi/L	·		N/A	N/A	2.7 - 4.4	3.4	2
Gross Alpha Excluding Uranium	pCi/L	◆		15	0	3.2	3.2	1
Radium-226	pCi/L	◆		5	0	<0.2 - 0.82	0.41	2
Radium-228	pCi/L	◆		5	0	0.38 - 1.7	1.1	2
Combined Uranium	ug/L	·		30	0	1.7 - 1.8	1.8	2
Combined Radium	pCi/L	◆		5	0	<0.51 - 2.52	1.51	2
<b>Inorganic Chemicals</b>								
<b>Trace Metals</b>								
Aluminum	µg/L	·	◆	50 - 200	N/A	26.7 - 73.5	51.3	9
Antimony	µg/L	◆		6	6	<1.00	<1.00	9
Arsenic	µg/L	◆		10	0	<1.00	<1.00	9
Barium	µg/L	◆		2000	2000	42.9 - 51.2	47.8	9
Beryllium	µg/L	◆		4	4	<1.00	<1.00	9
Cadmium	µg/L	◆		5	5	<1.00	<1.00	9
Calcium	mg/L	·		N/A	N/A	43.7 - 53.2	47.0	9
Chromium	µg/L	◆		100	100	<1.00 - 1.16	1.02	9
Cobalt	µg/L	·		N/A	N/A	<1.00	<1.00	9
Copper	µg/L	·	◆	1000	N/A	<1.00 - 1.28	1.09	9
Iron	mg/L	·	◆	300	N/A	<0.50	<0.50	9
Lead	µg/L	·	·	N/A	N/A	<1.00	<1.00	9
Magnesium	mg/L	·	·	N/A	N/A	9.72 - 14.5	11.6	9
Manganese	µg/L	·	◆	50	N/A	<1.00 - 1.99	1.29	9
Mercury	µg/L	◆		2	2	<0.50	<0.50	9
Molybdenum	µg/L	·		N/A	N/A	4.02 - 4.64	4.3	9
Nickel	µg/L	·	·	N/A	N/A	2.03 - 2.60	2.29	9
Potassium	mg/L	·	·	N/A	N/A	2.09 - 2.76	2.32	11
Selenium	µg/L	◆		50	50	3.81 - 6.15	4.81	9
Silver	µg/L	·	◆	100	N/A	<1.00	<1.00	9
Sodium	mg/L	·	·	N/A	N/A	13.1 - 19.4	15.8	10
Thallium	µg/L	◆		2	0.0005	<1.00	<1.00	9
Vanadium	µg/L	·		N/A	N/A	<1.00 - 1.29	1.07	9
Zinc	µg/L	·	◆	5000	N/A	<1.00-1.40	1.04	9

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<b>Organic Chemicals</b>								
<b>Trihalomethanes</b>								
☐ (Disinfection Byproduct)								
Bromodichloromethane	µg/L	♦	♦		0	1.50 - 2.50	1.96	16
Bromoform	µg/L	♦	♦		0	<0.5	<0.5	16
Chloroform	µg/L	♦	♦		N/A	3.10 - 8.70	5.78	16
Dibromochloromethane	µg/L	♦	♦		6	<0.50 - 0.50	<0.5	16
Total Trihalomethanes	µg/L	♦	♦	80	N/A	4.70 - 11.0	7.76	16
<b>Haloacetic Acids</b>								
☐ (Disinfection Byproduct)								
Bromoacetic acid	µg/L	♦	♦		N/A	<1.00	<1.00	16
Dibromoacetic acid	µg/L	♦	♦		N/A	<1.00	<1.00	16
Dichloroacetic acid	µg/L	♦	♦		0	5.10 - 14.0	8.53	16
Monochloroacetic acid	µg/L	♦	♦		N/A	<2.00 - 4.20	2.19	16
Trichloroacetic acid	µg/L	♦	♦		300	1.10 - 2.70	1.85	16
Total Haloacetic Acid	µg/L	♦	♦	60	N/A	6.90 - 19.2	10.82	16
<b>Total Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's)</b>								
Benzene	µg/L	♦	♦	5	0	<0.50	<0.50	1
Carbon tetrachloride	µg/L	♦	♦	5	0	<0.50	<0.50	1
Chlorobenzene	µg/L	♦	♦	100	100	<0.50	<0.50	1
o- Dichlorobenzene	µg/L	♦	♦	600	600	<0.50	<0.50	1
p- Dichlorobenzene	µg/L	♦	♦	75	75	<0.50	<0.50	1
1,2- Dichloroethane	µg/L	♦	♦	5	0	<0.50	<0.50	1
1,1- Dichloroethylene	µg/L	♦	♦	7	7	<0.50	<0.50	1
cis-1,2- Dichloroethylene	µg/L	♦	♦	70	70	<0.50	<0.50	1
trans-1,2- Dichloroethylene	µg/L	♦	♦	100	100	<0.50	<0.50	1
1,2- Dichloropropane	µg/L	♦	♦	5	5	<0.50	<0.50	1
Ethylbenzene	µg/L	♦	♦	700	700	<0.50	<0.50	1
Methylene chloride	µg/L	♦	♦	5	0	<0.50	<0.50	1
Styrene	µg/L	♦	♦	100	100	<0.50	<0.50	1
Tetrachloroethylene	µg/L	♦	♦	5	5	<0.50	<0.50	1
1,1,1- Trichloroethane	µg/L	♦	♦	200	200	<0.50	<0.50	1
Toluene	µg/L	♦	♦	1000	1000	<0.50	<0.50	1
1,2,4- Trichlorobenzene	µg/L	♦	♦	70	70	<0.50	<0.50	1
1,1,2- Trichloroethane	µg/L	♦	♦	5	3	<0.50	<0.50	1
Trichloroethylene	µg/L	♦	♦	5	0	<0.50	<0.50	1
Vinyl chloride	µg/L	♦	♦	2	0	<0.50	<0.50	1
m,p- Xylene	µg/L	♦	♦	N/A	N/A	<0.50	<0.50	1
o-Xylene	µg/L	♦	♦	N/A	N/A	<0.50	<0.50	1
Xylenes, Total	µg/L	♦	♦	10000	10000	<0.50	<0.50	1

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<b>Pesticides ****</b>		◆						
Aldrin	µg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
alpha-Chlordane	µg/L			2	2	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
gamma-Chlordane	µg/L			2	0	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Chlordane	µg/L			2	2	<0.19	<0.19	2
Dieldrin	µg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Endrin	µg/L	•		2	2	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	µg/L	•		50	50	<0.095	<0.095	2
Heptachlor	µg/L	•		0.4	0.4	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Heptachlor epoxide	µg/L	•		0.2	0.2	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Hexachlorobenzene	µg/L	•		1	0	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Methoxychlor	µg/L	•		40	40	<0.047	<0.047	2
Toxaphene	µg/L	•		3	0	<0.71	<0.71	2
gamma-BHC	µg/L	•		0.2	0.2	<0.0095	<0.0095	2
Aroclor 1016	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.076	<0.076	2
Aroclor 1221	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.24	<0.24	2
Aroclor 1232	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.095	<0.095	2
Aroclor 1242	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.095	<0.095	2
Aroclor 1248	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.095	<0.095	2
Aroclor 1254	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.095	<0.095	2
Aroclor 1260	µg/L	•		0.5	0	<0.095	<0.095	2
PCB-Total	µg/L			0.5	0	<0.24	<0.24	2
1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane	µg/L	•		0.2	0.2	<0.0097	<0.0097	2
1,2-Dibromoethane	µg/L	•		0.05	0.05	<0.0097	<0.0097	2
Alachlor	µg/L			2	0	<0.1	<0.1	2
Atrazine	µg/L			3	3	<0.1	<0.1	2
Simazine	µg/L			4	4	<0.07	<0.07	2

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<b>Organic Chemicals (cont.)</b>								
<b>Herbicides</b>		◆						
2,4,-D	µg/L	•		70	70	<0.10	<0.10	2
2,4,5-TP	µg/L	•		50	50	<0.20	<0.20	2
Dicamba	µg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.30	<0.30	2
Dalapon	µg/L			200	200	<1.0	<1.0	2
Dinoseb	µg/L			7	7	<0.20	<0.20	2
Pentachlorophenol	µg/L			1	0	<0.040	<0.040	2
Picloram	µg/L			500	500	<0.10	<0.10	2
Butachlor	µg/L	•		N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1	2
Metolachlor	µg/L	•		N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1	2
Metribuzin	µg/L	•		N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1	2
Propachlor	µg/L	•		N/A	N/A	<0.1	<0.1	2
Diquat	µg/L			20	20	<0.40	<0.40	2
Endothall	µg/L			100	100	<9.0	<9.0	2
<b>Carbamate Pesticides</b>		◆						
3-Hydroxycarbofuran	µg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.5	<0.5	2
Aldicarb	µg/L	•		3	1	<0.5	<0.5	2
Aldicarb sulfone	µg/L	•		2	1	<0.5	<0.5	2
Aldicarb sulfoxide	µg/L	•		4	1	<0.5	<0.5	2
Carbaryl	µg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.5	<0.5	2
Methiocarb	µg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.5	<0.5	2
Methomyl	µg/L	•		N/A	N/A	<0.5	<0.5	2
Oxamyl (Vydate)	µg/L	•		200	200	<0.5	<0.5	2
Propoxur	µg/L	•		N/A	N/A	<0.5	<0.5	2
<b>Other Organic Chemicals</b>		◆						
Benzo(a)pyrene	µg/L	•		0.2	0	<0.02	<0.02	2
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	µg/L	•		400	0	<0.57	<0.57	2
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	µg/L			6	0	<0.57	<0.57	2

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<b>Additional Parameters</b>								
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L			N/A	N/A	83.6 - 110	96.9	52
Ammonia (as Nitrogen)	mg/L			N/A	N/A	0.02 - 0.24	0.14	150
Bromide	mg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.10	<0.10	43
Calcium Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L			N/A	N/A	110 - 141	125	52
Chlorine (Total Chloramine)	mg/L	◆		4	4	3.01 - 4.26	3.55	250
Chloride	mg/L		◆	250	N/A	10.7 - 13.3	11.8	43
Conductivity	µmho/cm		◆	N/A	N/A	365 - 471	413	250
Fluoride	mg/L	◆	·	4, 2*	4	0.40 - 0.79	0.70	365
Total Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L			N/A	N/A	146 - 193	171	52
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	mg/L	◆		10	10	<0.10 - 0.24	0.14	43
Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	mg/L	◆		1	1	<0.10	<0.10	43
Total Nitrate and Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	mg/L	◆		10	10	<0.10 - 0.24	0.14	43
Ortho-Phosphate (as Phosphorous)	mg/L			N/A	N/A	<0.10	<0.10	43
pH	units		◆	6.5-8.5	N/A	7.01 - 7.79	7.49	250
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L		◆	500	N/A	256 - 329	288	52
Sulfate	mg/L		◆	250	N/A	79.1 - 109	91	43
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	◆		25% Remov-	N/A	1.3 - 2.1	1.7	52

Listed above are regulated and unregulated contaminants detected in Pueblo's drinking water in 2021.

**All are below regulated levels.**

**Drinking water produced by the Whitlock Treatment Facility meets all Health and Safety Standards  
as mandated by the Safe Drinking Water Act and the State of Colorado.**

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## Terms and Definitions Used in the Above Data Table

**P/A** - Presence/Absence - The determination of whether or not there is coliform bacteria present in a water sample.

**Primary Standards** - Mandatory Health Related Standards

**Secondary Standards** - Aesthetic Standards

**MCL** - Maximum Contaminant Level - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's 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.

**MRDL** - Maximum Residual Disinfection Level - The maximum level of disinfectant residual allowed in a distribution system. Total chlorine (chloramine) in the table was measured at the Treatment Plant. Distribution chlorine levels are lower.

**Turbidity** - Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our plant's filtration system.

**NTU** - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit - A unit of measurement of turbidity in water.

**Oocysts** - A life cycle stage of a parasitic organism.

**µg/L** - microgram per liter or one part per billion

**mg/L** - milligram per liter or one part per million

**AL** - Action Level - Results over the action level require changes in water treatment technique.

**µmho/cm** - a unit of measurement of the conductivity of the water

**<** - Less Than

**☐** - THM and HAA values are an average of all DBP collection points in the distribution system.

\* Public notification is required if fluoride concentration exceeds 2.0 mg/L.

\*\* Total coliform and E. coli bacteriological samples are collected at designated locations throughout the distribution system each month.

\*\*\* There were 3 positive Total Coliform samples in 2021.

\*\*\*\* SOCs analyzed in 2020

Please contact the Board of Water Works Water Quality Laboratory for any information regarding water quality at (719) 584-0266. Hours are 7:00 am - 3:30 pm Monday through Friday.

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