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Potomac River Raw Water Supply

	Miscellaneous Physical Parameters										Inorganic Ions								Microorganisms					
	pH	ALKALINITY	ANIONIC SURFACTANTS	CONDUCTIVITY	DISSOLVED SOLIDS	SUSPENDED SOLIDS	TEMPERATURE	TOTAL HARDNESS	TOTAL ORG. CARBON	TURBIDITY	TOTAL AMMONIA	BROMIDE	CHLORIDE	FLUORIDE	NITRATE	NITRITE	PHOSPHATE	SULFATE	ALGAE COUNT	TOTAL COLIFORM	E. COLI	GIARDIA	CRYPTOSPORIDIUM	VIRUS
	ppm	ppm	uS/cm	ppm	ppm	F	ppm	ppm	NTU	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	Org/ml	MPN/100ml	MPN/100ml	cysts/10L	oocysts/10L	MPN/100L	
Jan	8.0	125	ND	456	297	8	45	181	3.0	3.0	ND	ND	29	0.21	1.70	ND	ND	53	104	158	18	ND	ND	178.0
Feb	7.8	106	ND	413	257	3	45	161	3.0	7.0	ND	ND	39	0.16	1.70	0.10	ND	55	304	98	15	ND	ND	----
Mar	7.4	95	ND	348	139	4	53	153	4.0	11.0	ND	ND	36	0.21	0.74	ND	ND	43	421	2876	270	ND	ND	----
Apr	7.4	62	ND	273	212	4	65	118	4.0	11.0	ND	ND	17	0.16	0.98	0.02	ND	32	469	2831	378	1.7	ND	----
May	6.9	52	ND	221	143	4	68	98	5.1	14.0	ND	ND	12	0.11	0.96	ND	ND	29	464	6498	559	ND	ND	3.6
Jun	7.5	78	ND	304	207	6	82	122	3.5	5.0	ND	ND	14	0.09	1.08	ND	ND	31	486	6593	54	ND	ND	----
Jul	8.0	89	ND	351	219	9	85	132	3.9	3.0	ND	ND	21	0.14	0.34	ND	ND	35	496	8987	38	ND	ND	----
Aug	8.4	79	ND	347	179	4	86	130	4.1	4.0	ND	ND	20	0.16	0.45	ND	ND	64	384	4690	36	ND	ND	----
Sep	8.8	79	ND	392	249	1	77	130	3.8	2.0	ND	ND	30	0.22	0.39	ND	ND	63	308	2539	70	ND	ND	18.8
Oct	8.0	90	ND	393	215	6	66	140	4.2	4.0	ND	ND	28	0.15	2.60	ND	ND	64	128	3316	275	ND	ND	----
Nov	7.7	65	ND	290	175	9	53	106	4.8	10.0	ND	ND	19	0.11	2.26	ND	ND	33	107	5861	545	0.6	ND	----
Dec	7.4	66	ND	314	178	7	43	111	3.3	11.0	ND	ND	27	0.12	2.70	ND	ND	37	120	9174	367	ND	ND	> 45.5
Avg	7.8	82	ND	342	206	5	64	132	3.9	7.1	ND	ND	24	0.15	1.33	ND	ND	45	316	4468	219	ND	ND	61.5
Max	8.8	125	ND	456	297	9	86	181	5.1	14.0	ND	ND	39	0.22	2.70	0.10	ND	64	496	9174	559	1.7	ND	178.0
Min	6.9	52	ND	221	139	1	43	98	3.0	2.0	ND	ND	12	0.09	0.34	ND	ND	29	104	98	15	ND	ND	3.6

	Metals																									
	ALUMINUM	ANTIMONY	ARSENIC	BARIUM	BERYLLIUM	CADMIUM	CALCIUM	CHROMIUM	COBALT	COPPER	IRON	LEAD	LITHIUM	MAGNESIUM	MANGANESE	MERCURY	MOLYBDENUM	NICKEL	SELENIUM	SILVER	STRONTIUM	THALLIUM	THORIUM	URANIUM	VANADIUM	ZINC
	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppm	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppm	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb
Jan	354	ND	1.0	38	ND	ND	51	ND	ND	4.0	88	ND	4.0	13	15	ND	2.0	1.0	1.0	ND	297	ND	ND	ND	1.6	2.0
Feb	258	ND	0.8	43	ND	ND	46	ND	ND	5.0	109	0.5	3.0	11	32	ND	2.0	1.0	1.0	ND	278	ND	ND	ND	1.0	4.0
Mar	354	ND	1.0	38	ND	ND	42	ND	ND	4.0	87	ND	5.0	12	16	ND	1.5	1.0	1.5	ND	297	ND	ND	ND	0.8	2.0
Apr	293	ND	0.6	42	ND	ND	35	ND	ND	3.0	239	ND	3.0	7	50	ND	1.2	1.0	ND	ND	165	ND	ND	ND	1.1	ND
May	492	ND	0.7	39	ND	ND	29	0.5	0.5	3.0	547	1.0	3.0	6	39	ND	ND	2.0	ND	ND	113	ND	ND	ND	1.2	9.0
Jun	362	ND	0.7	44	ND	ND	69	ND	ND	2.0	133	ND	2.0	8	35	ND	ND	1.0	ND	ND	159	ND	ND	ND	1.2	ND
Jul	422	ND	1.0	45	ND	ND	36	ND	ND	4.0	90	1.0	3.0	10	154	ND	ND	2.0	ND	ND	211	ND	ND	ND	2.1	4.0
Aug	317	ND	1.0	53	ND	ND	36	ND	ND	3.0	82	ND	5.0	9	45	ND	2.6	1.0	0.6	ND	251	ND	ND	ND	1.9	1.0
Sep	268	ND	1.0	46	ND	ND	36	ND	ND	4.0	74	ND	4.0	10	41	ND	3.1	1.0	5.0	ND	234	ND	ND	ND	2.2	2.0
Oct	262	ND	1.0	54	ND	ND	44	ND	ND	6.0	99	ND	6.0	8	40	ND	3.1	2.0	0.7	ND	249	ND	ND	ND	1.9	4.0
Nov	296	1.0	ND	36	ND	ND	32	0.5	ND	2.0	197	ND	2.0	7	28	ND	1.0	1.0	ND	ND	155	ND	ND	ND	0.9	1.0
Dec	326	1.0	ND	37	ND	ND	32	ND	ND	3.0	136	0.6	2.0	8	34	ND	ND	1.0	ND	ND	155	ND	ND	ND	0.5	3.0
Avg	334	ND	0.8	43	ND	ND	41	ND	ND	3.6	157	0.8	3.5	9	44	ND	1.4	1.3	0.9	ND	214	ND	ND	ND	1.4	2.7
Max	492	1.0	1.0	54	ND	ND	69	0.5	0.5	6.0	547	1.0	6.0	13	154	ND	3.1	2.0	5.0	ND	297	ND	ND	ND	2.2	9.0
Min	258	ND	ND	36	ND	ND	29	ND	ND	2.0	74	0.5	2.0	6	15	ND	ND	1.0	0.6	ND	113	ND	ND	ND	0.5	ND

"--" = No Analysis required

Testing and Treatment

When you are responsible for the water that more than one million people drink, including your own families and neighbors, only the best will do. That is why we are committed to ensuring that every gallon of water produced by the Washington Aqueduct can be used with complete confidence. That is also why we are pleased to report that water provided by the Washington Aqueduct during 2002 was as good or better than federal standards for drinking water.

Our highly trained and dedicated staff of water quality professionals works everyday to ensure that the quality of your water is unsurpassed. In fact, we monitor our water more extensively than regulations require. During 2002, we analyzed over 32,000 samples for more than 125 different parameters. In addition to completing the proficiency requirements mandated by the U.S. EPA, the laboratory conducts an internal quality control program. The result is analytical data in which you can have the highest degree of confidence.

We are proud to be a member of the Partnership for Safe Water that was developed jointly by the U.S. EPA, the American Water Works Association, the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators and other water industry organizations. The water companies in the Partnership agree to increase the effectiveness of their treatment facilities beyond what regulations require.

Some Definitions

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of contaminant that is allowed in drinking water

N/A (Not Analyzed): The parameter was not analyzed

ND (Not Detected): The parameter was not detected in the water.

pCi/L (Picocuries per liter): A measure of radioactivity.

ppm (Part per million): Equivalent to one penny in \$10,000.00

ppb (Part per billion): Equivalent to one penny in \$10,000,000.00.

How can I get my water tested?

A list of EPA certified labs is maintained at :
<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/faq/sco.html>

You may also contact your state certification officer for a list of commercial labs near you. There are no commercial labs within Washington, D.C.

Maryland: (410) 537-3729

Virginia: (804) 786-7905

Who can I call for more information?

If you have questions relating to water treatment or the source water, please call Washington Aqueduct at (202) 764-2753. You may also check the Washington Aqueduct website:
<http://washingтонаqueduct.nab.usace.army.mil>

If you have a question relating to your retail service provider, please call:

District of Columbia
DC Water and Sewer Authority
Department of Water Services
(202) 612-3434

Arlington County
Department of Public Works
Water, Sewer and Streets
(703) 228-6578

Falls Church
Department of Environmental Services
(703) 248-5070