

Manganese Distribution in New Mexico Private Wells

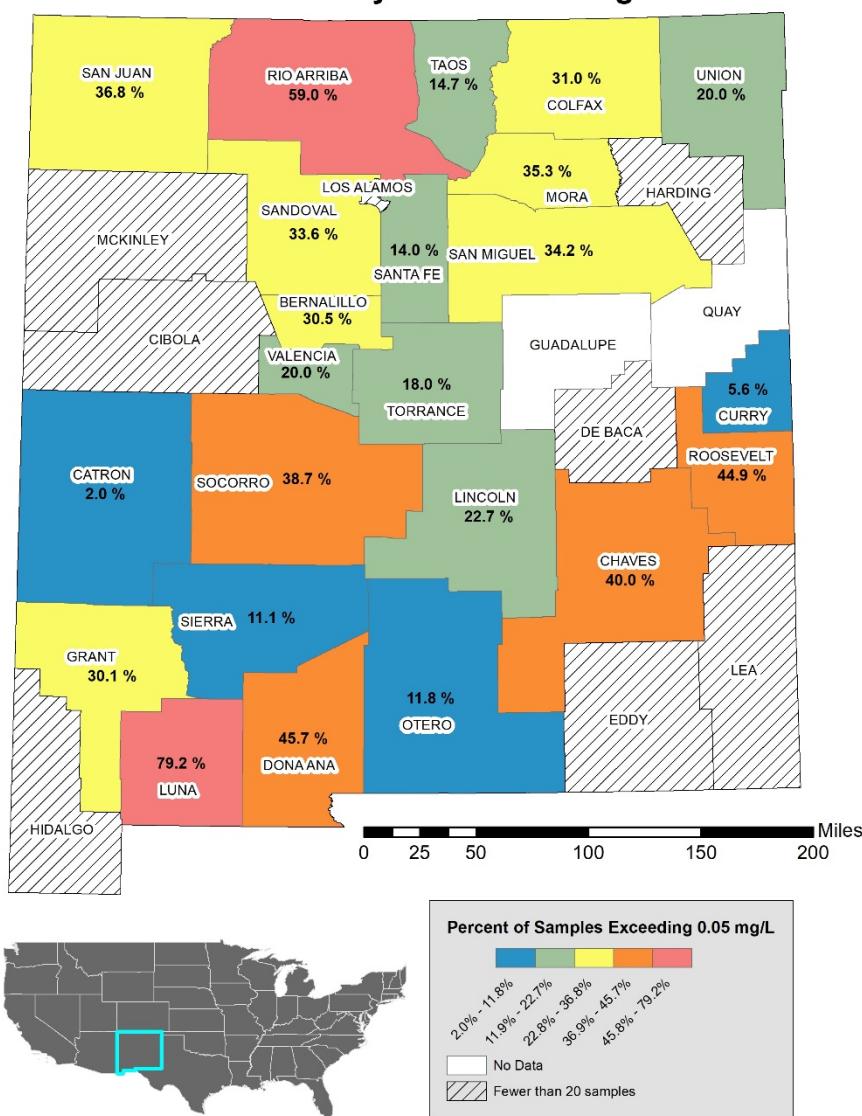
Wells Sampled January 1964 - April 2018

Manganese levels in water samples from private wells vary between New Mexico counties and even within the same county. The groundwater system in New Mexico is very complex. This complexity can lead to manganese concentration variability even amongst neighboring wells. **Therefore, to know the manganese concentration in your water from your own well, you need to test.** The secondary safe drinking water concentration for manganese, related to aesthetics (color and taste), is 0.05 milligrams per liter (mg/L). Some of the water samples from wells in all counties appear to exceed this Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Safe Drinking Water secondary standard.

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Percentage of Samples Exceeding the
EPA Secondary MCL of 0.05 mg/L



Data Sources: NMED Water Fairs, NMBGMR, USEPA, USGS NWIS, NMDOH biomonitoring, Bernalillo County, Santa Fe County

New Mexico Private Wells Inventory

Manganese Test Results Summary January 1964 - April 2018

County	Number of tests	% Tests above secondary MCL (0.05 mg/L)	Concentration of Manganese in Milligrams per Liter (mg/L)					
			Mean	Standard Deviation	Max	95th Percentile	Median	5th Percentile
Bernalillo	285	30.5	0.17	0.78	8.94	0.60	0.010	0.001
Catron	50	2.0	0.01	0.01	0.07	0.03	0.003	0.001
Chaves	90	40.0	0.10	0.19	1.50	0.38	0.041	0.005
Cibola	11	45.5	1.60	2.71	8.83	8.83	0.026	0.001
Colfax	29	31.0	1.66	5.94	23.70	22.50	0.023	0.001
Curry	54	5.6	0.01	0.02	0.08	0.06	0.013	0.001
De Baca	1	100.0	0.09	-	0.09	0.09	0.093	0.0930
Doña Ana	116	45.7	4.28	31.91	310.00	1.39	0.034	0.001
Eddy	6	16.7	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.08	0.030	0.013
Grant	113	30.1	1.08	5.92	50.27	2.20	0.022	0.001
Guadalupe	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Harding	4	50.0	0.15	0.23	0.48	0.48	0.052	0.001
Hidalgo	9	0.0	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.05	0.010	0.0010
Lea	5	100.0	63.84	69.69	140.00	140.00	20.900	9.160
Lincoln	22	22.7	0.09	0.23	1.10	0.29	0.025	0.013
Los Alamos	5	40.0	0.11	0.22	0.51	0.51	0.007	0.001
Luna	24	79.2	16.39	66.22	325.56	28.32	0.322	0.005
McKinley	2	50.0	0.08	0.08	0.13	0.13	0.075	0.020
Mora	34	35.3	0.28	0.58	2.27	1.88	0.020	0.001
Otero	169	11.8	0.02	0.07	0.51	0.07	0.009	0.001
Quay	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rio Arriba	134	59.0	11.20	98.40	1130.00	5.92	0.071	0.001
Roosevelt	49	44.9	0.04	0.04	0.18	0.11	0.043	0.001
San Juan	951	36.8	4.76	53.89	823.56	2.30	0.021	0.001
San Miguel	38	34.2	0.40	1.40	6.49	5.90	0.008	0.001
Sandoval	518	33.6	1.70	15.56	238.00	1.50	0.014	0.001
Santa Fe	1446	14.0	2.28	30.97	650.00	0.52	0.001	0.0001
Sierra	45	11.1	0.02	0.09	0.48	0.10	0.003	0.001
Socorro	253	38.7	0.28	0.61	4.80	1.50	0.025	0.001
Taos	389	14.7	0.09	0.59	8.31	0.38	0.003	0.001
Torrance	50	18.0	0.02	0.03	0.10	0.09	0.021	0.001
Union	30	20.0	0.03	0.06	0.26	0.20	0.005	0.001
Valencia	35	20.0	0.10	0.28	1.20	1.00	0.006	0.001

- Indicates insufficient data to calculate statistics; N/A indicates Not Applicable; *Minimum detected value calculated as half the detection limit (DL) for concentrations less than DL; DL varies