Well water in Jennings County, Indiana

Test for Iron & Manganese

Risk Unknown Too few health tests to rate. Based on a USGS estimate. Confidence: Low. Top concerns: Iron, Manganese.

What tests found

SUBSTANCE	TESTED	OVER THE LIMIT	RISK
Everyday water problems			
Iron	5 well sites	60%	**Very common**
Manganese	5 well sites	60%	**Very common**
Sulfate	5 well sites	20%	**Common**

Low risk here: Arsenic, Nitrate, Fluoride, Nitrite.

Rarely over the taste level here: Sodium, Chloride.

Tested in too few wells to rate: Lead, pH, Mercury. The county page has every result.

What this means

Iron: Iron leaves orange or brown stains on sinks, toilets and laundry, can make water taste metallic, and can clog pipes and fixtures. It is not a health risk. A water softener handles small amounts; an iron filter handles more.

Manganese: Manganese leaves black or brown stains and can make water taste bitter or metallic. At high levels it can also affect health, especially for babies, so use other water for baby formula if your well is high. An oxidizing filter or a water softener can remove it.

What to test for

Make sure the test covers iron and manganese. Test for bacteria and nitrate every year.

Only a test can tell you what is in your own well. A well next door can be different.

Where to get a test

Certified labs near Jennings County:

- Environmental Laboratories, Inc. - Madison, Madison · 812-273-6699 · about 20 miles
- Element Laboratories -Columbus, Columbus · 812-375-0531 · about 26 miles

Local help

Jennings County Health Department · 812-352-3024

in.gov/localhealth/jenningscounty

Indiana has no statewide rule for testing private wells, even when a home is sold. The state health department recommends testing at least once a year.

Every result, your town or ZIP code, and all our sources:
yourwaterreport.com/states/in/jennings-county/

Got your test results? Make a free treatment plan: **yourwaterreport.com/test-results**

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