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WATER WELL CONSTRUCTION STATISTICS IN MICHIGAN

Background

This data shows current statewide water well construction trends. Water well records entered into Wellogic, the state groundwater database, were used to compile the data. *Note: 2015 & 2016 data is not available yet.*

Water Well Records Submitted by Calendar Year:

2014	12537	2009	11777	2004	31274
2013	12927	2008	14726	2003	33235
2012	13140	2007	18987	2002	32980
2011	11654	2006	23254	2001	33583
2010	12149	2005	29009	2000	35985

Top 10 Michigan Counties for Water Well Construction (2014):

# Wells Drilled	County	# Wells Drilled	County
863	Oakland	360	Ottawa
660	Kent	330	Washtenaw
551	Allegan	326	Kalamazoo
470	Livingston	312	VanBuren
423	Genesee	288	Barry

Number of Registered Contractors (2015):

721	water well drilling
75	pump installation
14	dewatering
5	limited well drilling
815	TOTAL

Well Construction Statistics (2014):

Well Use	Well Type
Household = 89%	Replacement = 58%
Other uses = 11%	New = 42%

Contractor Statistics (2014):

- 401 well drillers drilled 12,537 wells
- 170 contractors drilled 10 wells or less
- 320 contractors did not drill a well
- 25% of the well drillers (185) drilled 90% of the wells
- 214 contractors submitted 74% of the well records directly into Wellogic

Abandoned Wells Plugged by Fiscal Year*

2015	5798	2011	6030	2007	8604	2003	11305
2014	5990	2010	6636	2006	9227	2002	10601
2013	6536	2009	6164	2005	9257	2001	8034
2012	6583	2008	6869	2004	9719	2000	11394

* Local health department quarterly reports were used to compile the data.

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