

Drinking Water Supply Types

Type 1

Community Public
Water Supply

- Provides water to at least 25 residents or 15 living units year-round.
- Some examples are municipalities (cities, towns, etc.), apartments, nursing homes and manufactured housing communities.
- The water is pumped from surface water (lakes, rivers) or groundwater using water wells.

Type 2

Non-Transient
Non-Community
Public Water Supply

- Provides water to at least 25 of the same people for at least six months or more a year, but not for year-round residential living.
- Some examples are schools, daycares and office buildings that have their own water system.
- Water is typically pumped from groundwater using water wells.

Type 2

Transient
Non-Community
Public Water Supply

- Provides water to at least 25 people for at least 60 days a year, but does not serve the same 25 people for more than six months of the year.
- Some examples are hotels, restaurants, campgrounds, gas stations and churches.
- Water is typically pumped from groundwater using water wells.

Type 3

Public Water
Supply

- All other public water supplies that provide drinking water not considered a Type 1 or Type 2 are considered a Type 3.
- Some examples are small apartment complexes or condominiums, duplexes and very small businesses. Ownership of multiple Type 3 wells may change the drinking water supply type.
- Water is pumped from groundwater using water wells.

Private Residential Well

- Provides water to a single-family residential home. Water is pumped from groundwater using a water well.



Type 1
Community Public
Water Supply

Type 2
Non-Transient
Non-Community
Public Water Supply

Type 2
Transient
Non-Community
Public Water Supply

Type 3
Public Water
Supply

Private
Residential Well