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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: Not all 2020 data is available.

Water Well Records Submitted by Calendar Year:

2019	13335	2015	13345	2011	11657	2007	18988	2003	33235
2018	14167	2014	12632	2010	12146	2006	23265	2002	32980
2017	13766	2013	12944	2009	11774	2005	29108	2001	33583
2016	14041	2012	13159	2008	14724	2004	31274	2000	35985

Top 10 Michigan Counties for Water Well Construction (2019):

# Wells Drilled	County	# Wells Drilled	County
726	Oakland	368	Ottawa
640	Kent	312	Washtenaw
519	Livingston	304	Berrien
513	Genesee	292	Montcalm
499	Allegan	290	Van Buren

Well Construction Statistics (2019):

Well Use	Well Type	Average Well Depth
Household 91% vs 9% Other	Replacement 52% vs 48% New	114 Feet

Number of Registered Contractors (2020):

647	water well drilling
66	pump installation
12	dewatering
3	limited well drilling
728	TOTAL

Abandoned Wells Plugged by Fiscal Year*

2019	5970	2015	5798	2011	6030	2007	8604	2003	11305
2018	6021	2014	5990	2010	6636	2006	9227	2002	10601
2017	5939	2013	6536	2009	6164	2005	9257	2001	8034
2016	6239	2012	6583	2008	6869	2004	9719	2000	11394

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

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