

2025 Annual Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report

Rome Water System

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The Rome Water System is pleased to present you our 2025 Consumer Confidence Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our goal is not only to provide our citizens with safe drinking water, but to also inform you of sampling results, progress, as well as violations of our water system. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31, 2025.

Water System Information

A source water assessment has been completed for the water supply to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water to identify potential sources of contamination. Our water supply received a lower susceptibility ranking to contamination. Our water source consists of 1 well that draws from the Meridian Upper Wilcox Aquifer.

We are dedicated to providing quality drinking water to our customers at the lowest possible cost. We are currently in the process of rehabilitating our wellsite. A New treatment building, along with a new pressure tank and equipment are being installed.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact DeWayne Griffin at 662-588-4662. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Rome Baptist Church at 6:00p.m.

Definitions

In the table below you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we have provided the following definitions:
Action Level – the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Treatment Technique (TT) – A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
Maximum Contaminant Level – The “Maximum Allowed” (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal – The “Goal” (MCGL) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
ppb – parts per billion = micrograms per liter (=1 drop in 1 billion gallons)
ppm – parts per million = milligrams per liter (=1 drop in 1 million gallons)

Contaminant Table

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	MCLG	MCL	Major Source in Drinking Water
Inorganic Contaminants							
13.Barium	N	2025	.0198 ppm	No Range	2 ppm	2 ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
20.Chromium	N	2022*	0.6 ppb	No Range	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
21.Copper	N	2021/23*	.3 ppm	None	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
23.Fluoride	N	2025	0.141 ppm	No Range	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
24.Lead	N	2021/23*	1 ppb	None	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfectants & Disinfectant By-Products							
83.Chlorine	N	2025	0 ppm	0.0 to 2.0	4	4	Water additive used to control microbes
84.Haloacetic Acids (HAA)	N	2025	7.37 ppb	No Range	n/a	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
85.TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2025	14.9 ppb	No Range	n/a	100/80	By-product of drinking water disinfection

* Most recent sample results available

Health Effects

Sodium. EPA recommends that drinking water sodium not exceed 20 milligrams per liter. Excess sodium from salt in the diet increases the risk of high blood pressure and cardiovascular disease.

Violations

Our system received a CCR Report violation for not submitting this report in 2025 by the July 1st deadline. The report has been completed and submitted.

Our system received a record keeping violation for not submitting the Annual Report by the January 1st deadline. The report has been completed and submitted.

Our system received monitoring violations for failure to sample for disinfection byproducts for the 2025 monitoring period and for failure to sample for e.Coli for the months of June and July.

Enforcement Action This public water system was required by the MS State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Water Supply to participate in a compliance meeting or administrative hearing in July of 2025 due to the condition of our storage tank. Since this event, the Rome Water System has acquired funding and is in the process of installing a new storage tank; as well as new treatment equipment and facilities.

Significant Deficiencies During a sanitary survey conducted on 8/21/2024, the Mississippi State Department of Health cited the following significant deficiency(s): CG4001 Condition of Storage Tanks. The system is scheduled to complete corrective actions by 7/22/2025 using a compliance plan or is within the initial 120 days minimum. Our system has failed to meet the compliance deadline and enforcement action is pending.

Significant Deficiencies During a sanitary survey conducted on 6/20/2022, the Mississippi State Department of Health cited the following significant deficiency(s): Inadequate internal cleaning /maintenance of storage tanks. The system is scheduled to complete corrective actions by using a compliance plan or is within the initial 120 days minimum.

Lead Educational Statement

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Rome Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact DeWayne Griffin, Rome Water System. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. The MS Public Health Laboratory (MPHL) can provide information on lead and copper testing and/or other laboratories certified to analyze lead and copper in drinking water. MPHL can be reached at 601-576-7582 (Jackson, MS).

Additional Information

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man-made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

EPA is reviewing the drinking water standard for arsenic because of special concerns that it may not be stringent enough. Arsenic is a naturally occurring mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations.

This report is available online at www.mdmww.com/rome2025ccr paper and will not be mailed. Please call our office if you need a copy or have any questions.