

Bennington, Vermont

Report generated July 10, 2026 | EPA UCMR 5 testing data (2023-2025)



Population served	14,950
Water systems tested	2
Compounds detected	58
Above federal limits	0

Summary

Summary Both public water systems serving Bennington tested clean under the EPA's fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR 5), with no PFAS compounds detected above the EPA Minimum Reporting Level in either system. That result stands in notable contrast to Bennington's broader contamination history: in the mid-2010s, PFOA released by the former ChemFab fabric coating plant, later acquired by Saint-Gobain, was found to have contaminated hundreds of private drinking water wells across Bennington and North Bennington. The public water systems draw from sources outside the main contamination plume and were not significantly affected, which is why they show clean results while the surrounding community has lived with a serious PFAS problem.

Systems Included in This Report

A | BENNINGTON WATER DEPT (13,250 served)

A | NORTH BENNINGTON WATER DEPT (1,700 served)

BENNINGTON WATER DEPT

BENNINGTON, VT | PWSID: VT0005016 | Population served: 13,250
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Findings

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What This Means

No PFAS compounds were detected in this system's testing. This does not guarantee the absence of PFAS, as testing covers specific compounds at specific detection limits.

What You Can Do

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NORTH BENNINGTON WATER DEPT

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