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Chart: Lead test results for Boston schools since 2010



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Lead levels found in Boston schools since 2010

Fifteen school buildings citywide were tested between 2010 and 2015. The following chart shows those test results. Two fixtures at each school are required to be tested. The US Environmental Protection Agency recommends corrective action be taken if tests measure at 20 parts per billion or higher. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's threshold is stricter at 15 ppb. Experts, however, say no amount of lead exposure is safe. (Note: For values of 0.05 ppb, lead levels may be even lower, but lesser amounts were not measured by testing.)

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School	Sample source	Result (ppb)	Date sampled	
Chittick Elementary	Fountain	115	9/22/11	
Early Childhood Center	Faucet	53.4	9/18/12	
Chittick Elementary	Faucet	46.1	9/22/11	
Haley School	Faucet	27.1	9/2/15	
Lee Academy Pilot	Faucet	22.8	10/1/13	
Early Childhood Center	Fountain	12.5	9/18/12	
Lee Academy Pilot	Fountain	11	10/1/13	
Kenny School	Faucet	8.99	9/3/15	
Joyce Kilmer School	Kitchen	8.62	10/1/10	
Kenny School	Fountain	8.49	9/3/15	
Farragut School	Kitchen	7.74	4/8/10	
Murphy	Faucet	7.56	9/29/11	
Rafael Hernandez School	Fountain	5.27	10/1/13	
Lila Frederick	Kitchen	4.2	3/31/11	
Lyndon	Kitchen	4.13	10/1/10	
Ellis School	Faucet	3.56	9/19/12	
Rafael Hernandez School	Faucet	3.22	10/1/13	
Ellis School	Fountain	2.98	9/19/12	
Donald Mckay	Fountain	2.86	3/31/11	
FDR School	Faucet	1.89	4/8/10	

Lyndon	Fountain	1.73	10/1/10
Haley School	Fountain	1.47	9/2/15
FDR School	Fountain	1.44	4/8/10
Dante Alighieri	Faucet	1.29	9/15/14
Josiah Quincy	Fountain	1.21	9/15/14
Donald Mckay	Kitchen	1.19	3/31/11
Murphy	Fountain	0.929	9/29/11

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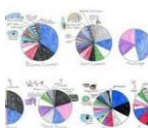
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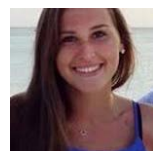
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