

# PFAS in our Water: Information for Sherborn Residents

PFAS (Per- and polyfluroalkyl Substances) are a large group of manufactured chemicals that have been used widely in industrial and consumer products since the 1940's.

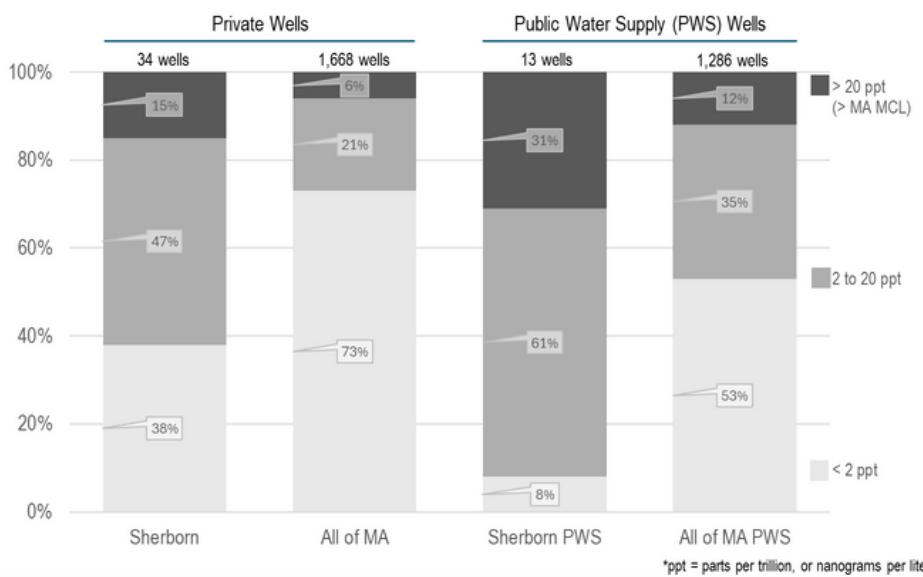
PFAS are considered “forever chemicals” because they persist indefinitely in the environment.



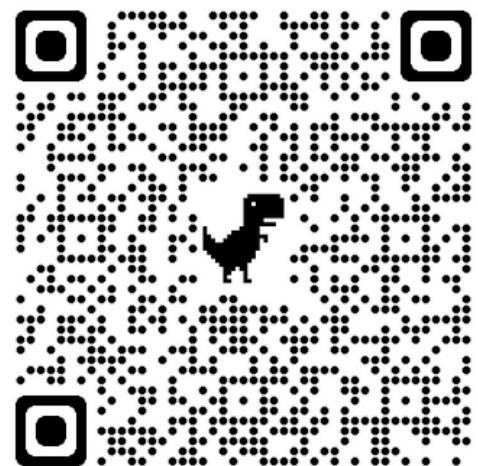
Adverse health impacts may result from exposures to these chemicals in drinking water, even at extremely low levels.

## Massachusetts PFAS6 Levels in Sherborn vs Statewide

**State Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): 20 ppt**



More PFAS resources are available on line from the Sherborn's Groundwater Protection Committee



Sherborn residents are encouraged to have their private well water tested for common contaminants, including PFAS, now and on a regular basis in the future.

The Town of Sherborn is now investigating PFAS treatment upgrades for several of the town's public wells. For private homes, PFAS treatment can be applied at one of two locations:

- 1) Point of Use (POU): a device to treat the water at a single fixture, usually the kitchen sink faucet; or**
- 2) Point of Entry (POE): a system that treats all water entering the house through a connection at the main line from the well.**