



OKLAHOMA DRINKING WATER

# LEAD TESTING

IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS & CHILD CARE FACILITIES

PROGRAM REPORT AS OF 9/30/2025

DEQ's Lead Testing in Schools and Child Care Facilities Drinking Water (LWSC) Program is a voluntary program aimed at reducing lead exposure from drinking water within schools and childcare facilities in Oklahoma. This report is updated quarterly with new program totals.



**270** Total  
Participants



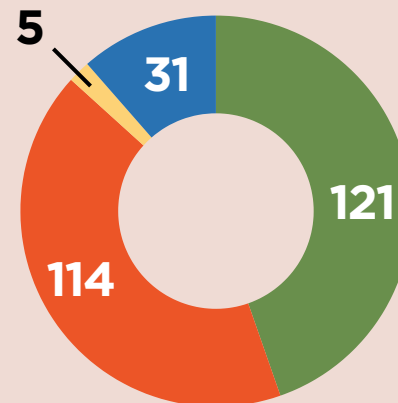
**90** Public  
Schools



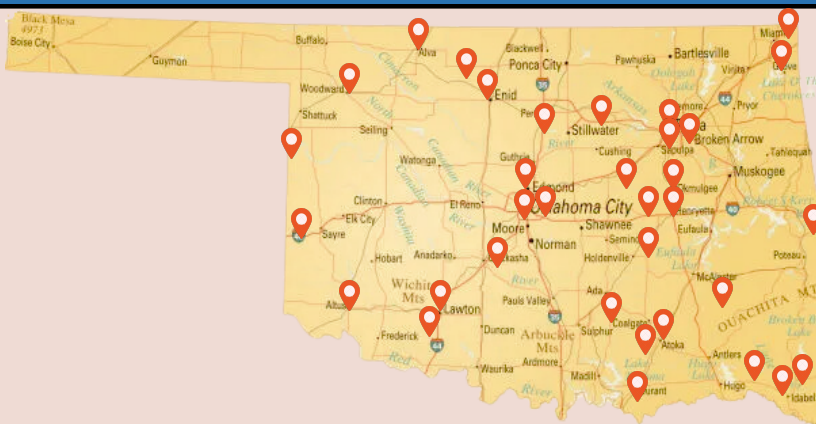
**180** Daycares/  
Head Starts

## Participant Summary

(by number of facilities)



- Program Completed: **121**
- Remediation Phase: **114**
- Inventory Completed: **5**
- Applications Approved: **31**



## Where Do We Test?

DEQ will partner with any public school and public or private childcare facility throughout the state that requests free lead testing assistance.

## News/ Overview

DEQ's collaboration with a third-party contractor has led to a remarkable doubling in the number of participants over the past year. Thanks to enhanced outreach efforts, participation from daycares and Head Start programs has skyrocketed by 143%.



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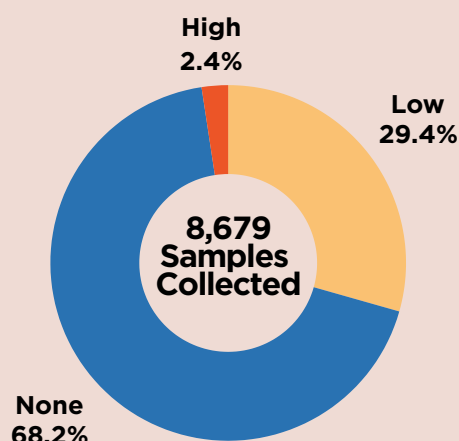
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### DEQ Web

Visit our website for all detailed results by facility and more program information



### Results to Date



Results are organized into three categories:

- **None <1 ppb** = no significant lead level found, no recommended action.
- **Low 1-15 ppb** = Lead was detected, recommend remediation and/or removal.
- **High <15 ppb** = high levels of lead, immediate actions taken, followed by remediation and/or removal.

### Facility Remediation Efforts



148 **Faucets/Fixtures Replaced**



112 **Outlets Included in Flushing Protocols**



57 **Outlets Removed from service/Restricted Access**



26 **Water Coolers Replaced**



8 **Filters Installed at Faucets**



3 **Location Conducted Plumbing Repairs**

### Funding Assistance

**10** Schools have requested and received remediation funding to address lead detections.



**\$59,849**

Has been awarded to schools for the purpose of reducing lead exposure



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