



Digging Deep – Searching Decades of National Records to Find Lead Service Lines and Goosenecks

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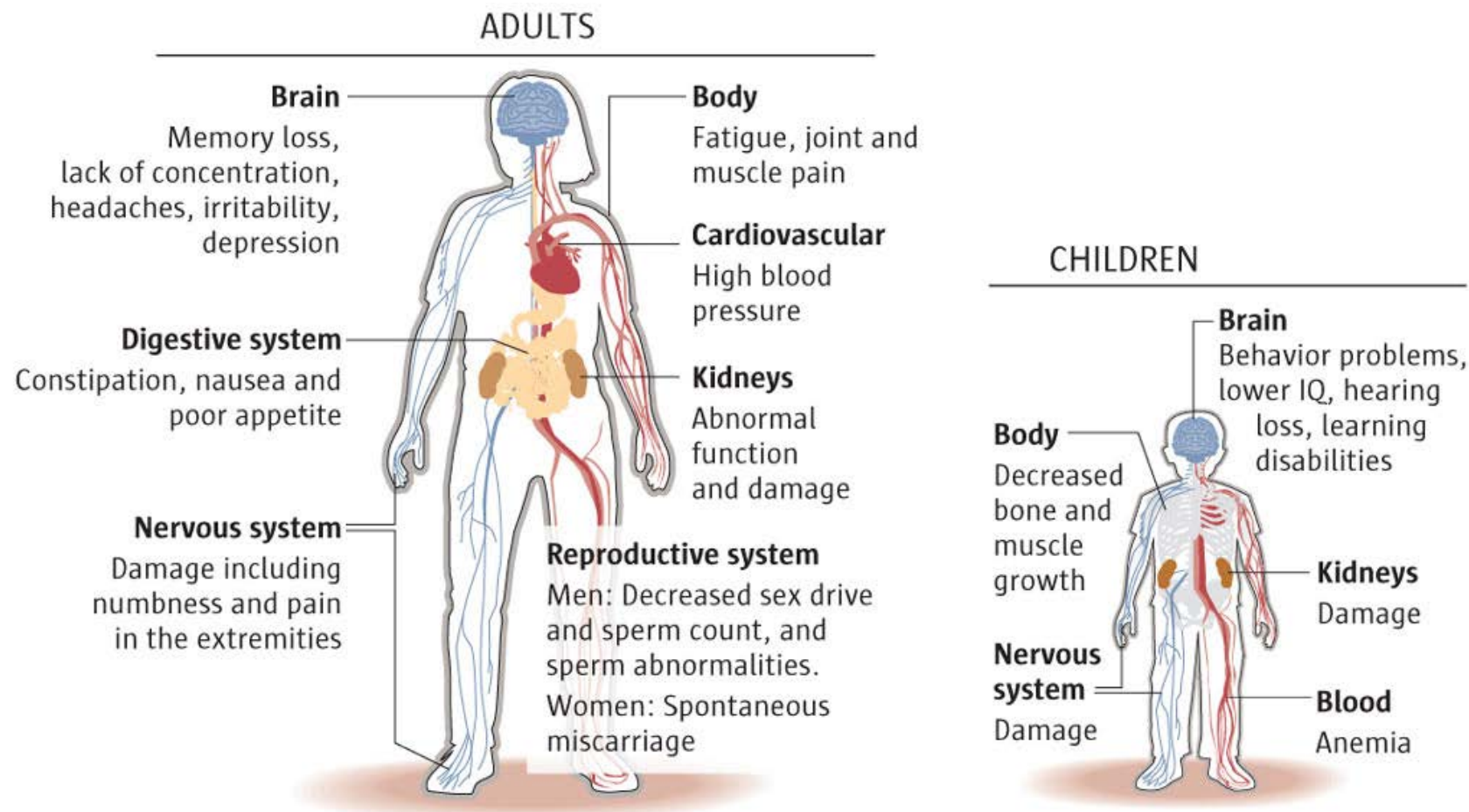
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Agenda

- Why are we talking about lead service lines (LSLs)?
 - Brief health background
 - Washington Governor's Directive 16-06
 - LSL Inventory Requirements from other states
- How to develop LSL Inventory?
 - Historic survey data
- LSL occurrence estimates
 - 2011 and 2013 AWWA Surveys
 - Recent state surveys

Health Effects of Lead



Lead Exposures and Pathways

HOME

Paint
Lead pipes
Lead solder
Consumer products
Hobbies
Imported cosmetics
Traditional remedies

OUTDOOR

Soil
Job take-home
Leaded gas
residue
Industrial
emissions
Ammunitions
Aircraft

AIR

DUST

SOIL

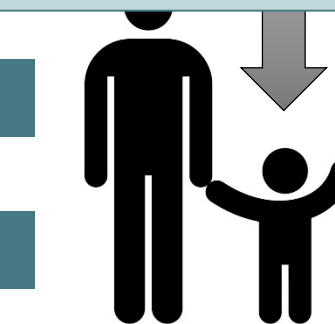
WATER

FOOD

Ingestion

Inhalation

40-70% absorption*

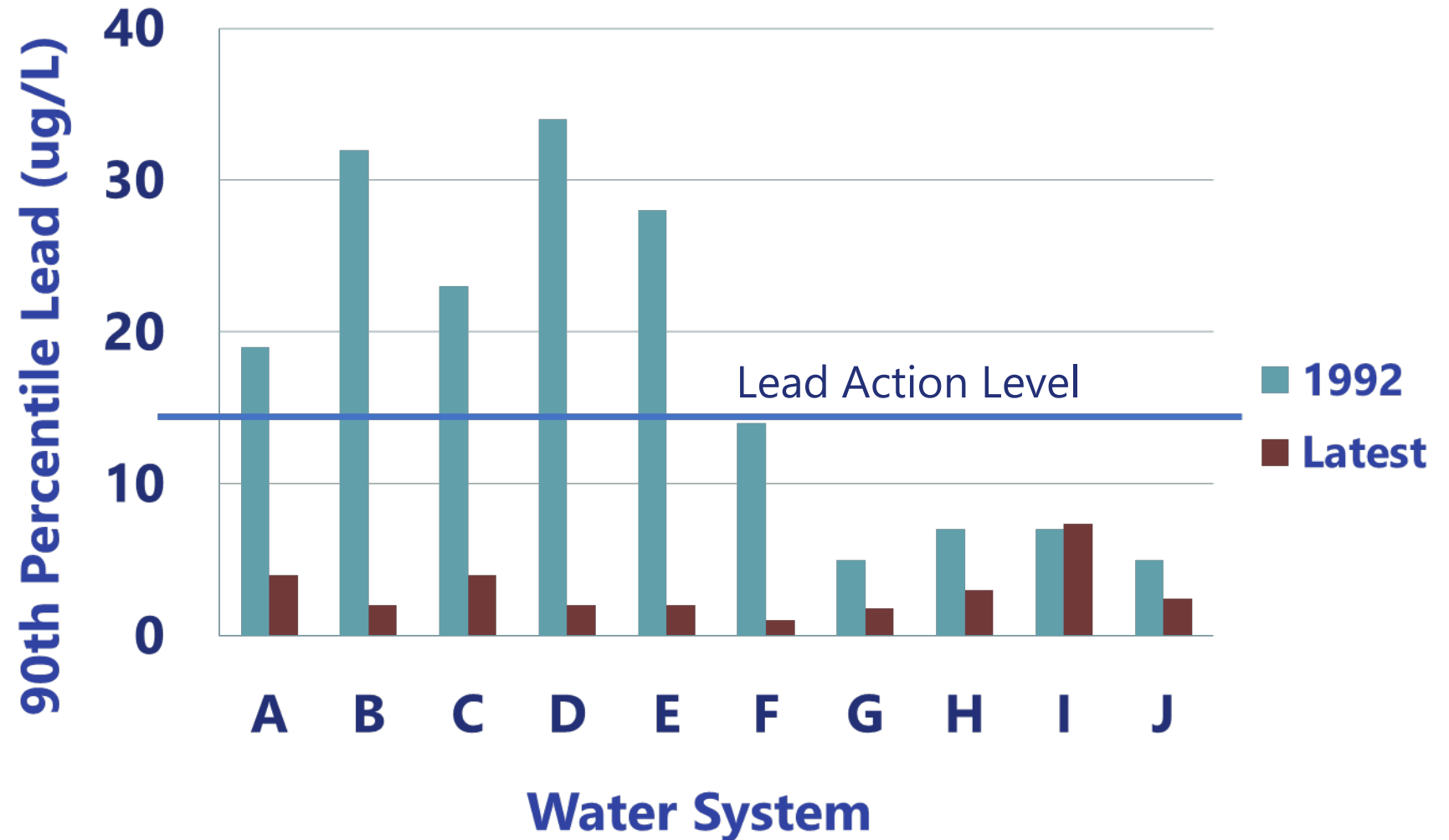


5-20% absorption

*Rates for ingested lead only, ATSDR.



Lead in Water—
LCR has lowered
exposure





Lead Service Lines – A Persistent Risk

- Even with corrosion control treatment, there is a risk any time that lead-bearing materials contact drinking water
- NDWAC recommendations to USEPA include proactive lead service line (LSL) replacement programs
 - LSLs are not the only lead-bearing plumbing materials, but do comprise the largest source of lead by mass in contact with drinking water

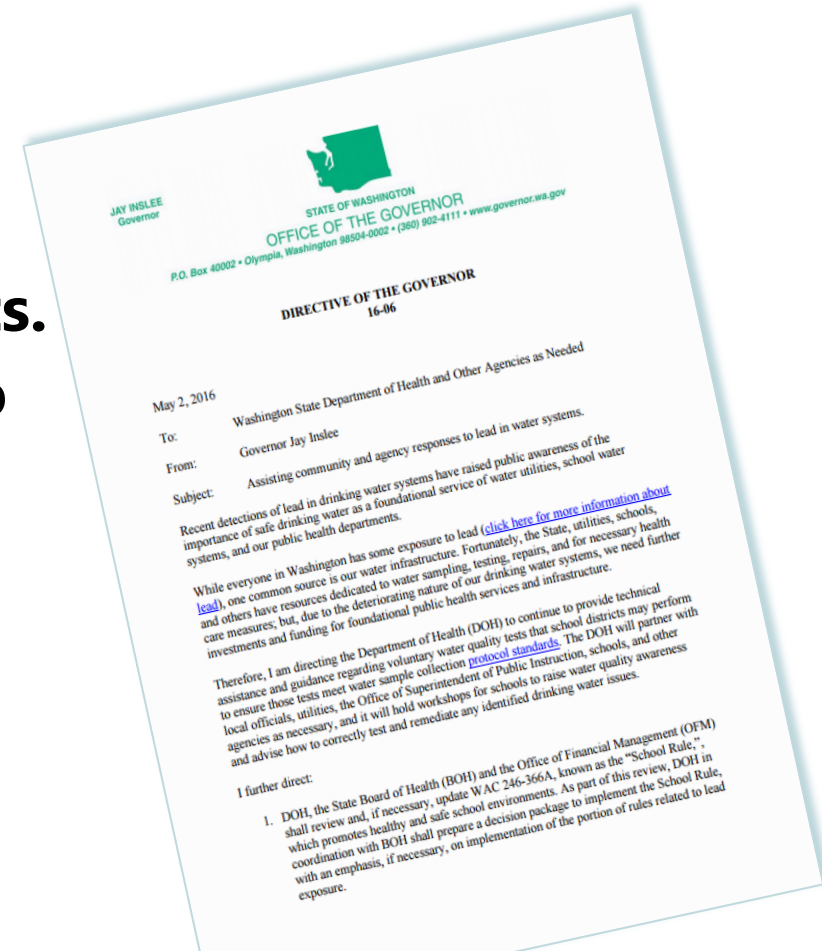


Washington – Governor’s Directive 16-06

- Signed May 2, 2016.
- Comprehensive approach to lead exposure directed at **state agencies** to work on:
 1. School Rule—review potential revisions; focus on lead exposure.
 2. Lead Rental Inspection and Registry Program
 3. Child care providers in pre-1978 buildings to evaluate lead exposure.
 4. Blood lead monitoring program—system improvements.

Washington – Governor's Directive 16-06 (continued)

5. Blood lead monitoring—screening rates.
- 6. Lead service lines and other lead components.**
7. Work with federal partners to support efforts to reduce lead exposure.





Governor's Directive 16-06: Item 6

Requires DOH to:

- Work with each water system to identify all lead service lines and lead components within two years.
- Work with stakeholders to develop policy and budgetary proposals with a goal of removing all lead service lines and lead service components in water systems within 15 years.



LSL Inventory Requirements

- Michigan (R 325.11604(c))
 - Preliminary distribution system materials inventory (including service lines) required by January 1, 2020
 - Verified distribution system materials inventory (including service lines) required by January 1, 2025
- Ohio (3745-81-86.9)
 - Community water systems shall identify and map areas of the system that are known or likely to contain lead service lines ...



LSL Inventory Requirements (*continued*)

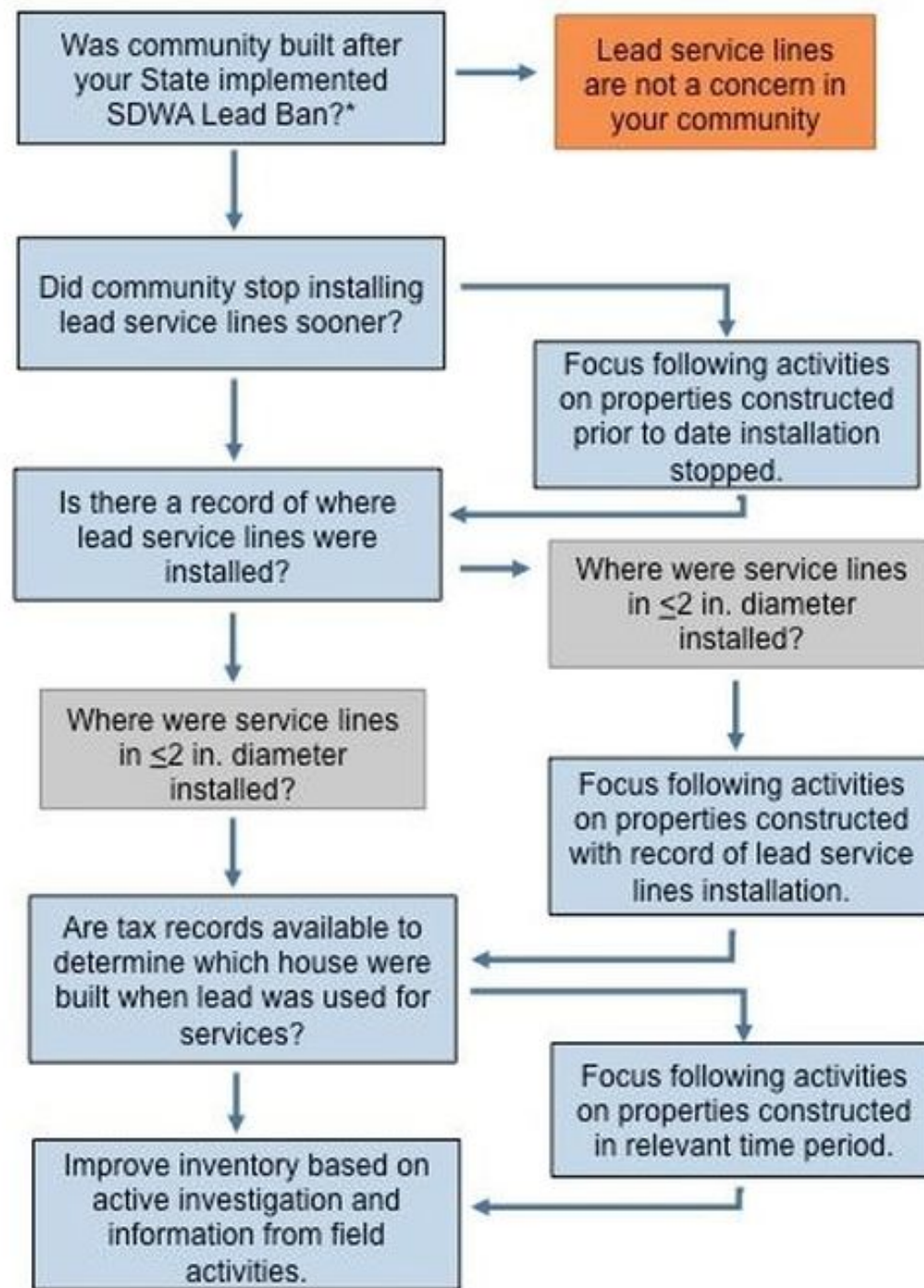
- California (SB-1398)
 - By July 1, 2018 a public water system shall compile an inventory of known lead user service lines in its distribution system and identify areas that may have lead user service lines ...
 - By July 1, 2020 a public water system with areas that may have lead user service lines in use in its distribution system shall
 - Determine the existence or absence of lead user service lines
 - Provide a timeline to the board for replacement of user service lines whose content cannot be determined



LSL Inventory Data Sources

How to Start with LSL Inventory

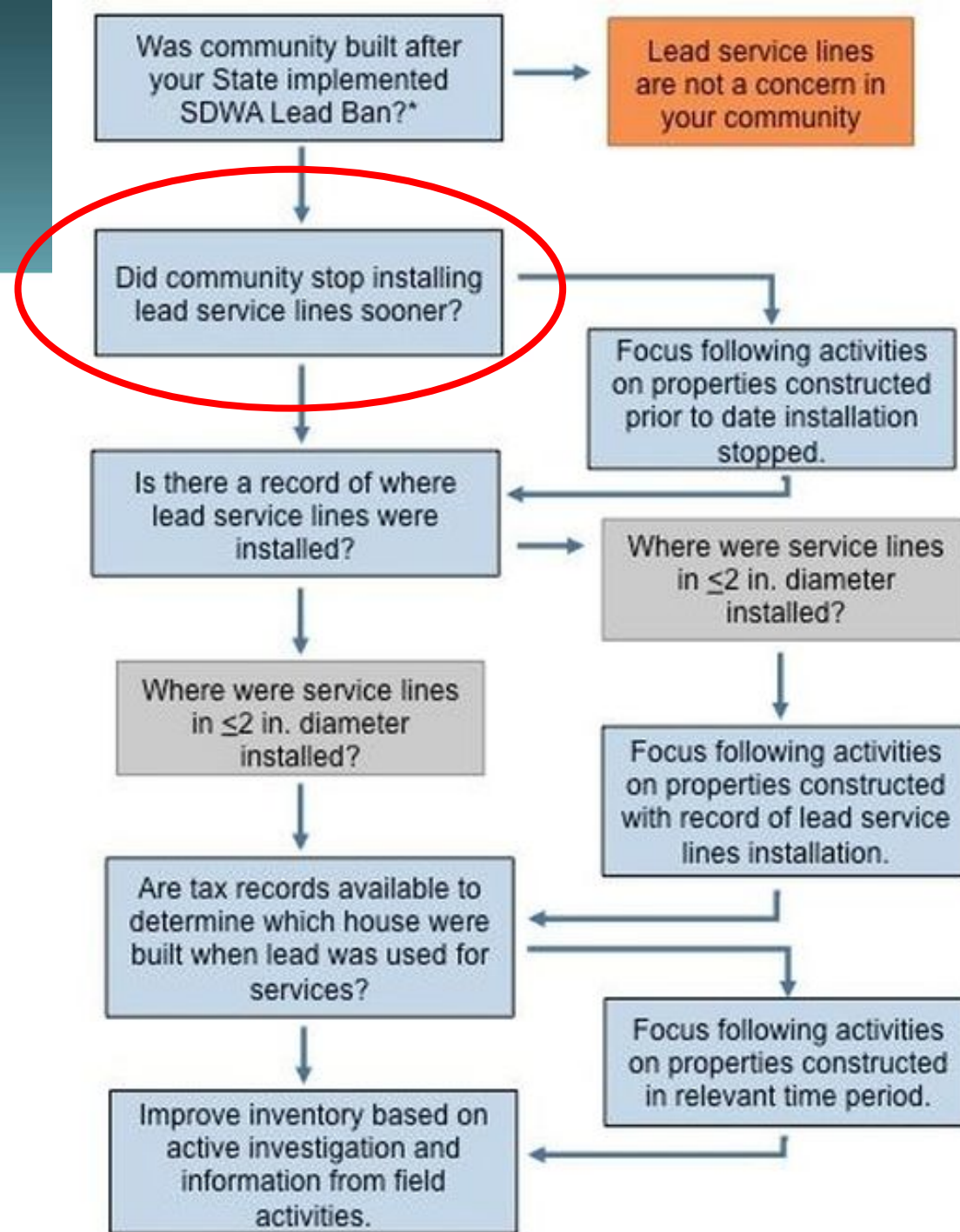
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Sources of Data to Assess If/When LSLs Were Installed

1897 – The Manual of American Water-Works

1922 – Municipal Journal & Public Works

1924 – Donaldson. 1924. “The Action of Water on Service Pipes”.
Journal AWWA 11(3): 649-662

1985 – USEPA Plumbing Materials and Drinking Water Quality
Seminar

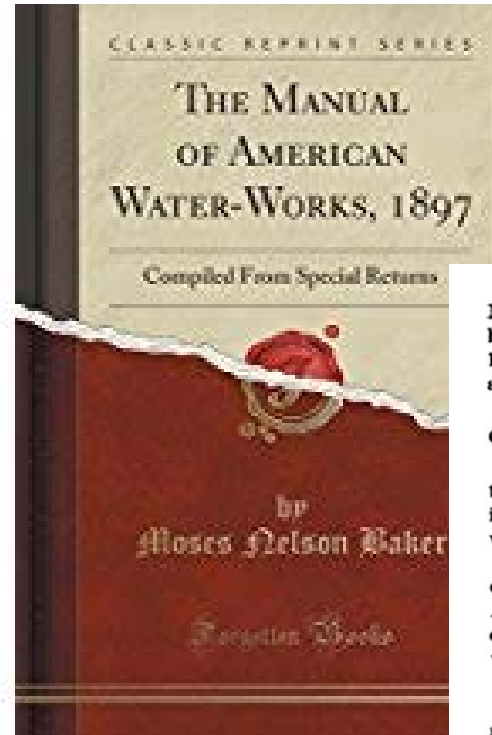
1988 – AwwaRF Questionnaire in Economics of Corrosion Control
(EES 1990)



The Manual of American Water-Works

Intended to be a complete collection of
water-works information.

Contains information regarding service
line materials approved/used by many
utilities



McKEESPORT, Allegheny Co. (Pop., 8,212; est., 22,000.) At junction of Monongahela and Youghiogheny rivers, 752 ft. above sea, on hilly ground rising to height of 300 ft. above rivers. Manufactures steel, w. i. pipe, sheet-iron. Settled in 1795; incorp. borough in '42; and its limits were extended '47 and '73. Has sewers and electric lights.

History.—Built in '81-2 by borough. Engrs., Hatch & Taylor, McKeesport. Contrs., R. D. Wood & Co., Philadelphia.

Water Supply.—Youghiogheny river, pumping to reservoir. Well was dug on the bank of river, 28 ft. in diam., 32 ft. deep, in bottom of which 36 perforated 4-in. c. i. pipes are driven 10 ft. into saturated gravel. A 20-in. c. i. pipe connected well with engine-house.

Pumping Machinery.—Dy. cap., 8,000,000 galls.; two 1,500,000-gall. Worthington dup., high-pressure, and 5,000,000 pump erected in '88. Natural gas is used for fuel. A 1-in. pipe leads from the surface of the reservoir to the engine-house. When reservoir is full water flows through pipe, and by automatic arrangement blows steam whistle as signal to stop pumps.

Force Main.—To reservoir, 1,547 ft. of 16-in. pipe, rising 310 ft. from river.

Reservoir.—Cap., about 6,000,000 galls.; in excavation and embankment, 210 ft. sq. x 20 ft. deep to water line. Bottom covered with 6 ins. of concrete on 12 ins. of puddle, and slopes with 10 ins. of stone blocks in cement on 8 ins. of broken stone; the latter being on 12 ins. of puddle.

Distribution.—(Feb. 28, '89.) *Mains*, c. i., 18¼ miles. *Services*, lead. *Taps*, 1,735. *Meters*, 198. *Hydrants*, Mathews, 130.

Consumption, 1,600,000 galls. *Pressure*, 115 lbs.

Financial.—(Feb. 28, '89.) Cost, \$200,059. Bonded debt, \$125,809; \$23,809 at 6; \$102,000 at 5%. Sinking fund, \$15,000. Ann. op. exp., \$6,500. Ann. rev.; consumers, \$19,089; city, none.

1922 – contains tables of information collected from superintendents in nearly 800 cities, including typical service line material used.

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VOLUME LIII
JULY TO DECEMBER
1922

NORTH CAROLINA			
Concord	M.	yes	no spec.
Elizabeth City	P.	optional	" ¹ / ₂ l.
		with co.	
Henderson	P.	yes	" ¹ / ₂ g.
Kinston	M.	yes	g.
Washington	...	yes	" ¹ / ₂ g.
NORTH DAKOTA			
Bismarck	P.	no	l.
Mandan	M.	yes	l.
Minot	M.	yes	" ¹ / ₂ , 1" l.
OHIO			
Belleue	M.	no	...
Bowling Green	P.	yes	l.
Celina	M.	yes	l.
Conneaut	P.	yes	g.
Delaware	P.	yes	no spec.
Dennison	P.	yes	" ¹ / ₂ l.
Greenville	M.	yes	l.
Leotonia	M.	yes	l. at main zwl. to curi
Loran	M.	yes	" ¹ / ₂ -1
Marietta	M.	yes	g. or l.
Middleport	P.	no	...
Oberlin	M.	yes	...
Wrentham	M.	yes	" ¹ / ₂ g.

issue, of tables prepared from data furnished by superintendents of nearly eight hundred cities.

Services laid preparatory to paving, before needed for use.		Private (P.) or municipal (M.)		Services laid preparatory to paving, before needed for use.	
Depth specified.	Trouble experienced with them after laying.	Municipality.	Are they required by city?	Kind of pipe specified.	Trouble experienced with them after laying.
2 ft.	none	South Carolina:			
3 ft.	none	Chester	M.	g. l. connections	none
no spec.	occasionally freeze	Sumter	M.	g. pipe, l. to main	very little
		South Dakota:			
5 ft.	none	Rapid City	M.	l.	none
6 ft.	none	Watertown	M.	l.	none
4 & 6"	none	Yankton	M.	l.	none
5 ft.		Tennessee:			
		Clarksville	M.	yes	2½ ft.
		Covington	yes	l.	none
		Dyersburg	yes	l.	none
		Fayetteville	M.	g. l. goose-necks	small leaks in goose-neck
4 ft.	none	Jackson	M.	no	very little
		Johnson City	M.	yes	18 in. or 2 ft.
2 ft.	none	Texas:			
		Bryan	M.	usually	12-18 in.
5 ft.	none	Childress	M.	yes	none
3½ ft.	none	Clarksville	M.	yes	none
5 ft.	none	Corpus Christi	yes	l.	Iron rust out in 15-20 years
4½-5 ft.	goose-neck burst	Del Rio	M.	no	none
4 ft.	careless plumbing, supporting & shallow laying	Eastland	M.	yes	giving out—old
4 ft.*		Galveston	M.	no	
		Georgetown	M.	yes	2 ft.
2 ft.	none	Gonzales	P.	no	no spec.
18 in.		Gorman	M.	no	30 in.
24 in.	clogging if unused	Greenville	M.	yes	l.
24 in.	goose-neck breaks sometimes near corp.	Longview	M.	yes	30 in.
18 in.	cock	McKinney	M.	yes	18 in.
	none	Navasota	P.	no	scale over ¼" services not in use
7" 6"	none	Orange	P.	yes	18 in.
7 ft.	none	Weatherford	P.	no	18 in.
8 ft.	none	Utah:			
3-4 ft.	sometimes freezing	Brigham	M.	yes	4 ft.
4 ft.	none	Vermont:			
3½ ft.	none	Bennington	M.	yes	5 ft.
3½ ft.	none	Brattleboro	P.	no	5 ft.
3½ ft.	none	Washington:			
4 ft.	none	Abedeen	M.	no	settlement of pavt. breaking services
4 ft.	electrolysis only	Anacortes	M.	yes	20 in.
4 ft.	none	Auburn	M.	no	none
4 ft.	none	Bellingham	M.	no	24-42 in.
3 ft.	practically none	Cle Elum	M.	no pavt.	none
3 ft.		Dayton	M.	yes	2 ft.
3 ft.		Ellensburg	M.	no	24 in.
5 ft.		Hicquim	P.	yes	24 in.
5 ft.		Port Angeles	M.	lay to curb	none
4 ft.	service to curb have given considerable trouble, average life 8 yrs.	Snohomish	M.	no	24 in.
		Tacoma	M.	no	24 in.
		Walla Walla	M.	no	2 ft.

The Action of Water on Service Pipes

1924 – contains tabulation of various service pipe materials for 539 cities of the United States

TABLE 1
Relative use of various service pipe materials for 539 cities of United States

STATE OR PROVINCE	NUMBER OF CITIES LISTED	NUMBER CITIES HAVING SERVICE PIPE OF					
		Galvanized wrought iron or steel	Lead	Cast iron	Lead lined	Cement lined	Wrought iron or steel*
Alabama.....	8	7	1	1		1	
Arizona.....	7	5	3				3
Arkansas.....	9	6	1	1			1
California.....	29	10	2	2			20
Colorado.....	11	2	6				5
Connecticut.....	10	5	4		1		5
Florida.....	9	2	5	1			4
Georgia.....	15	5	3		1	1	10
Idaho.....	9	8	1				
Illinois.....	37	8	30	3			14
Indiana.....	44	11	25	2	1		13
Iowa.....	29	5	25	2	1		13
Kansas.....	26	8	16	3			18
Kentucky.....	13	7	7				3
Louisiana.....	4	1	1				2
Maine.....	9	4			2	1	6
Maryland.....	2	1			2		1
Massachusetts.....	50	12	10	5	8	24	22
Michigan.....	37	10	16	2			14
Minnesota.....	27	7	16	2			9
Mississippi.....	12	3	8			1	9
Missouri.....	12	2	9	1			7
Montana.....	9	6	8	1			1
New Hampshire.....	1					1	
New Jersey.....	1	1	1				1
New Mexico.....	2	2					
New York.....	7	1	4				4
North Carolina.....	5	2					4
North Dakota.....	3		3	1			
Ohio.....	22	6	14				8
Oklahoma.....	14	3	10	1			6
Oregon.....	7	5					1
Pennsylvania.....	14	3	7				10
Rhode Island.....	3	1	2				
South Carolina.....	2	2					
South Dakota.....	3		3				
Tennessee.....	6	2	5				2
Texas.....	16	2	10	3			9
Utah.....	1	1					
Vermont.....	2		1				1
Washington.....	12	9	2				3
Total.....	539	175	259	31	16	29	229
Per cent of total.....		32	48	5.7	3	5.4	42

* Coating not stated.

USEPA Plumbing Materials and Drinking Water Quality Seminar

1984 – contains tabulated information on
service line material and number of
services/goosenecks for 153 cities



United States
Environmental Protection
Agency

Water Engineering Research
Laboratory
Cincinnati OH 45208

EPA/600/9-85/007
February 1985

Research and Development

Plumbing Materials and Drinking Water Quality: Proceedings of a Seminar

Cincinnati, Ohio
May 16-17, 1984

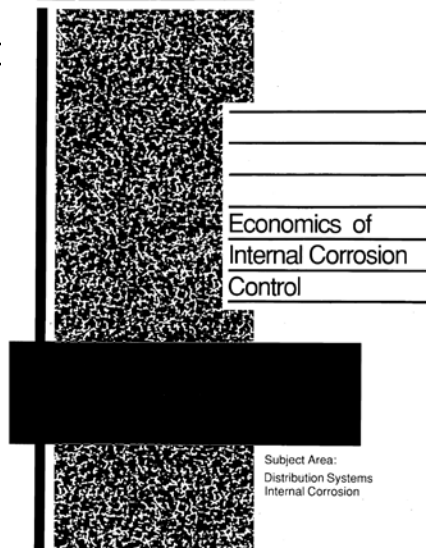


Name of Utility or Public Water Supply	Estimated # of people served	Total # of services	Service line material used for old installations	Service line material used for new installations	Use of lead services % or # still left	Use of lead goosenecks % or # still left	Use of lead sweatjoints % or # still left	pH in the distribution system and if adjusted
Portland, Oregon	650,000	120,000	galvanized	copper is used up to the meter	Yes, # unknown	Yes, 10,000	Yes 20,000	6.8 No adjustment
Salem, Oregon	120,000	45,000	code accepted	code accepted	unknown	none found	some, # un- known, still in use	low 6's No adjustment
Erie, Pennsylvania Bureau of Water	205,000	52,000	copper, galvanized iron	Type k copper	none known	2% remain from 1920's service area	used until early 1960's	7.3 - 7.6
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Water Department	1,685,000	522,000	copper, galvanized & black iron	copper	Yes, # unknown	Yes, # unknown	leadite joints used; most replaced	7.0 - 8.5
Philadelphia, PA Suburban Water Company	902,000	287,000	N/A	copper	<200	none known	N/A	7.0 - 7.6
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Water Department	424,000	89,000	copper	copper	30%	none known	Yes, 5% remain	7.6 - 7.8
Western Pennsylvania Water Company of Pittsburgh, PA	500,000	126,512	galvanized, cast and wrought iron	copper and ductile iron	Yes 5,318	Yes, # unknown	Yes, # unknown	7.1
Metropolitano A San Juan, Puerto Rico	711,999	178,000	N/A	copper, PVC, ductile iron	none known	none known	N/A	7.4 - 8.2
Enrique Ortega La Plata, Puerto Rico	363,936	90,984	N/A	copper, PVC, ductile iron	none known	none known	N/A	7.4 - 8.0
Ponce Urbano, Puerto Rico	241,540	60,385	N/A	copper, PVC, ductile iron	none known	none known	N/A	7.4 - 8.0
Aqua Dilla, Puerto Rico	114,497	28,624	N/A	copper, PVC, ductile iron	none known	none known	N/A	7.8 - 8.2
Caquas, Puerto Rico	109,236	27,309	N/A	copper, PVC, ductile iron	none known	none known	N/A	7.2 - 7.6

Economics of Internal Corrosion Control

1990 – Contains data from a 1988 survey of ~20 systems.

Lists service material and number service lines



Subject Area:
Distribution Systems
Internal Corrosion

American Water Works Association Research Foundation
Economics of Internal Corrosion
Water Utility Questionnaire Results
20 December, 1988

Group 2, Page 4

	Metropolitan Water District of S.C.	Philadelphia Water Dept	Tampa Water Dept.	S. Nevada W. System	Indianapolis Water Company
12 Pipe length mi.					
a Steel		66.0			<1
b Galvanized					
c Cast iron		2900.0			1538.0
d Ductile iron		290.0			513.0
e Concrete	775.0			65.0	13.0
f Asbestos Cement		0.0			0.0
g Plastic		0.3			2.0
h Other		6.6 Reinforced Concrete			<1
i Total	775.0	3282.9	1950	65.0	2066.0
13 Data					
a Pipe spec	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
b Pipe diam	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
c Date inst	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
d Cleaning	Yes	Yes	No		
e Breaks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
f Break cause	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
g Record start	1941	Always	1967	1971	1918
14 Replaced/Retired					
a Replace	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
b Material		Cast iron	Cl, Steel, Galv		Cast iron
c Retire	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
d Age		1900-1920	Various		1948
15 C Value					
a Monitor	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
b Year start			1956		
16 Pumping cost					
a Record	No	Yes	No	No	?
b Year start					
17 Serv Matrl %	NA			NA	Not tabulated
a Copper		50-80%			
b Plastic		1%			
c Galv		1-2%	5%		
d Black St					
e Lead		10-20%			
f Other					
18 Lead goosenecks	NA		N/A	NA	?
a Number					
b Percent		1-2%			



LSL Occurrence Estimates



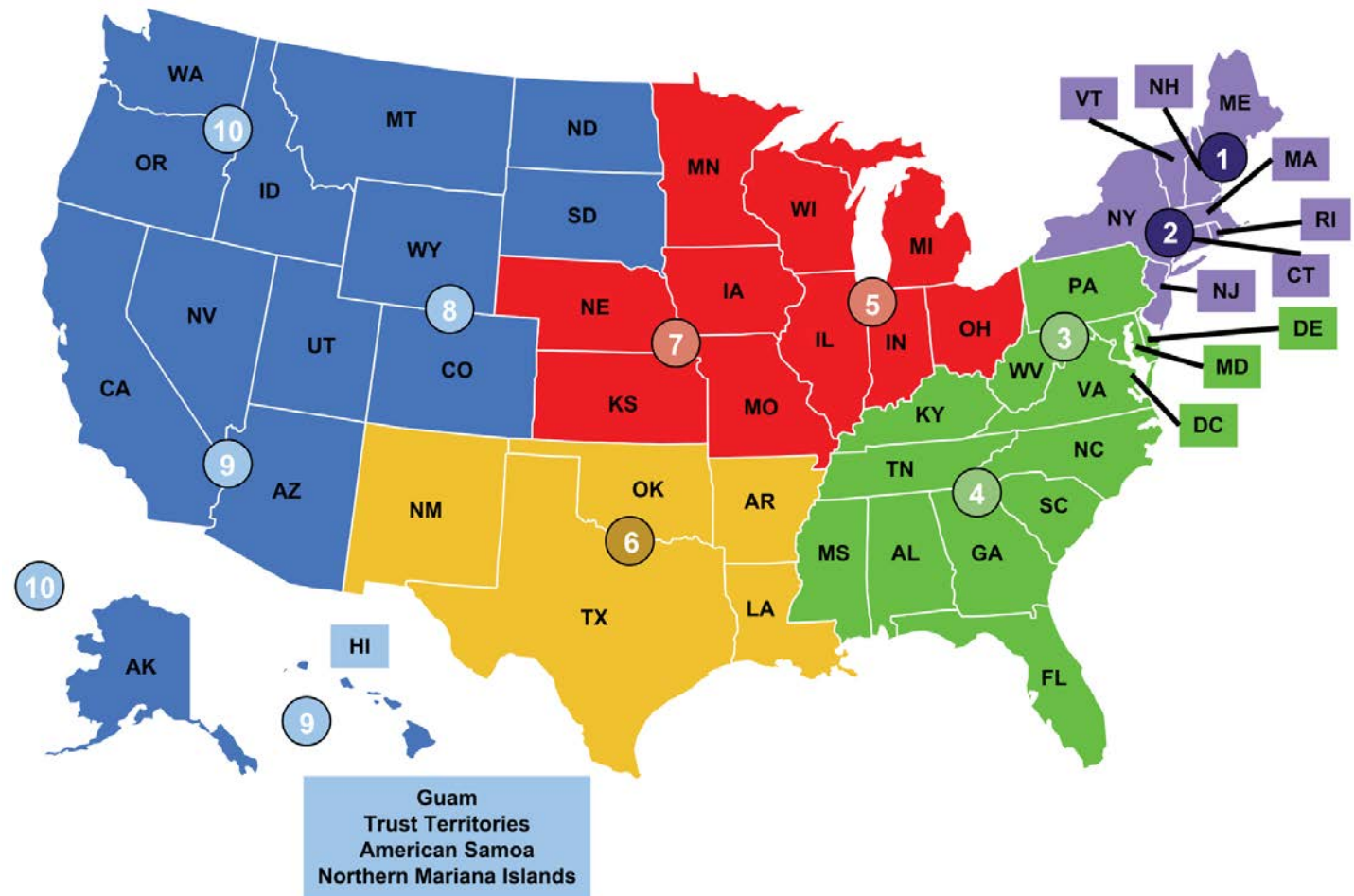
LSLs—Number and Location

- AWWA Estimate (1990)
 - 3.3 million lead service lines.
 - 6.4 million lead service connections.
(Ref. Weston and EES 1990 Report to AWWA.)
- EPA Estimate (2015)
 - 10.5 million lead service lines in 1988.
 - 7.3 million lead service lines (currently).
(Ref. LCRWG Report to NDWAC 8/24/15.)
- Journal AWWA Estimate (2016)
 - 6.1 million full or partial lead service lines.
 - 27,000 estimated in Washington State.
(Ref. Cornwell et al. 2/2016.)

2016 Journal AWWA Estimate

Data were grouped by multiple EPA
regions to allow for statistically-valid
analysis

Estimate on a state-to-state-basis likely to
be inaccurate





Washington State LSL Occurrence

- 2016 LSL and Lead Component Survey
- DOH surveyed 686 systems, representing 90.3% of Group A connections in Washington
- Five systems reported LSLs remaining in use, with 917 total LSLs remaining in service



Indiana LSL Occurrence

- 2016 Journal AWWA estimate of 290,000 LSLs
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management surveyed water systems in 2016 to assess number of LSLs in service
- Estimated 205,557 LSLs based on survey results
 - Survey responses either based on estimates or records, and systems provided an estimate of confidence in estimate or records ranging from 1 to 10



Colorado LSL Occurrence

- 2016 Journal AWWA estimates 58,000 LSLs in Colorado
- Since the 2011 and 2013 surveys were completed, Denver has estimated that 60,000 LSLs remain in distribution system



Summary

- Removal of LSLs is desirable to reduce lead in water
- Several states are requiring development of LSL inventories
 - Anticipate this to be more prevalent in future, possibly required by LCR Long-Term revisions
- Historic records can be a useful source of information for past LSL usage
- Even the latest estimate of LSL occurrence can vary when a system-by-system inventory is performed



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