

Vulnerable Populations in Glynn County

Understanding vulnerable populations is essential for protecting public health and ensuring equitable access to safe drinking water.



OLDER ADULTS (65+)

Glynn County has a significantly higher proportion of older residents compared to state and national averages. Approximately 23.8% of the population (over 20,000 residents) are age 65 or older. Older adults may be more susceptible to contaminants in drinking water due to weakened immune systems and underlying health conditions.



CHILDREN AND INFANTS

About 20.3% of the population is under the age of 18, including young children who are particularly sensitive to waterborne contaminants such as lead and pathogens. Infants and young children are at higher risk because their bodies are still developing.



LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS

An estimated 13.9%–16.1% of residents live below the poverty level. Lower-income households may face challenges such as:

- Limited access to healthcare
- Reduced ability to address plumbing or water quality issues in homes
- Greater reliance on public water systems



UNINSURED INDIVIDUALS

Approximately 15.7% of residents under age 65 lack health insurance. This can limit access to medical care in the event of water-related health concerns.



RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITY POPULATIONS

Glynn County includes a diverse population, with approximately:

- 25% Black or African American
- 8% Hispanic or Latino

Historically, minority populations may face disproportionate environmental and infrastructure challenges, making equitable water service delivery critical.



WHY THIS MATTERS FOR WATER QUALITY

These populations may be more vulnerable to environmental exposures and service disruptions. The Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water & Sewer Commission remains committed to:



Maintaining high water quality standards



Ensuring reliable service across all communities



Providing timely public communication during outages or emergencies

Safe Water. Strong Community. Shared Responsibility.

STAY INFORMED

YOUR VIEWS ARE WELCOMED!

If you would like to learn more about issues affecting your community, the **BGJWSC** meets on the **third Thursdays** of every month at **2:00 pm**, unless otherwise scheduled, in the **BGJWSC Commission Room**.

Public is invited.



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Water Quality Report

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En Español : Este Informe contiene informacion importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.



A MESSAGE FROM THE EPA

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially expecting mothers, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in-home plumbing. The Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water & Sewer Commission is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposure. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact the BGJWSC at info@bgjwsc.org. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

To request all individual Lead Tap Sample results for the Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water & Sewer Commission, contact: info@bgjwsc.org.

The Service Line Inventory (SLI) is a requirement under the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) to help water systems identify and replace lead service lines. It mandates that all public water systems develop and maintain an inventory of service line materials to assess the presence of lead and protect public health. The inventory will support proactive lead reduction efforts and ensure compliance with regulatory requirements to minimize lead exposure in drinking water.

To access the SLI for Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water & Sewer Commission visit: www.bgjwsc.org/wsl



THE BRUNSWICK-GLYNN JOINT WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION PROVIDES EXCEPTIONAL WATER FOR YOU.

FROM THE GROUND WATER WELL TO YOUR TAP,

Brunswick Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission (BGJWSC) reliably delivers the highest quality water possible.



Since 1997, the federal government has required water systems to provide customers a detailed report of water quality.



We are pleased that our water system had no test results that exceeded the maximum contaminant levels allowed by the EPA for the 2025 testing year.



We encourage you to take the time to become familiar with the information contained in this report.



BGJWSC's water system draws from the Miocene and/or Upper Floridan Aquifer. Water is extracted from the aquifer via 20 groundwater wells.



At BGJWSC, we are stewards of your water system and we work diligently to meet all federal and state requirements.

