

Data Collection Regarding Private Well Owner Outreach Programs

This is a voluntary data collection aimed at gathering current information about public health programs geared toward private well owners. The data collection is designed for environmental health staff at state, local, and tribal environmental health and agricultural departments who are government employees and who conduct outreach to private well owners.

This data collection was developed by a team of University of Illinois researchers who created a training program titled, "Private Well Class." Our team would like to invite you to participate in this data collection to help us learn from other comparable programs. Based on what we learn, we hope to boost well owner participation in our program and also to share our finding with other public health practitioners who could use the information to improve their outreach programs. A final report on this project will be made publicly available. All identifiable information will remain anonymous and all data kept secure.

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Thank you for participating.

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Private Well Owner Program Information

1. What was the name of your private well owner program?

2. Your private well owner program was designed to serve well owners at what scale?
 - local
 - community
 - county
 - multi-county
 - state
 - multi-state
 - national

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3. What was the source of funding? (Please assign a percentage to each that apply, if there were multiple funding sources for your program)
- local _____%
- county _____%
- state _____%
- national/ federal _____%

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4. What was the type of funding? (Please assign a percentage to each that apply, if there were multiple funding sources for your program)
- internal (regular budget item) _____%
- grant _____%
- state appropriation _____%
- contract _____%

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5. How much funding was dedicated to your private well owner program?
- less than \$1,000
- \$1,000 to \$5,000
- \$5,000 to \$20,000
- \$20,000 to \$50,000
- over \$50,000

6. What was your private well owner program duration? (just the last instance if repeated)
- ongoing (part of regular business practices)
- less than a month (e.g., during NGWA's Groundwater Awareness week)
- between a month and a year
- more than a year

7. How many well owners participated in your private well program?

8. Was your private well owner program limited to a specific number of well owners?
- No
- Yes

[If no, go to 9]

[If yes, go to 10a]

9. How many well owners could have participated? (e.g., number of wells in study area, area rural population, etc.) (ie, maximum total possible participants)

[skip to 11]

10. (a) Why were the number of well owners limited for your program?

10. (b) Were the well owners in your private well owner program selected to participate or were they included, first come, first served?
- Well owners were selected by program staff
- Well owners were included first come, first served

[if selected, skip to 11]
[if first come, first served, go to 10c]

10. (c) How many potential participants were turned away because of limitations?

10. (d) How many potential well owners could have participated? (e.g., number of wells in study area, area rural population, etc.) (ie, maximum total possible participants)

[end of skip questions for #10]

11. Did participants in your program provide feedback?

- Yes, and I have that information
- Yes, but I do not have that information
- No

12. How many staff were involved in the program? _____

13. Was anyone specifically in charge of outreach?

- Yes
- No

14. Was there a report or final product? (final product could be an updated website, a rule change, warning letter to well owners, etc)

- Yes, and I have that information
- Yes, but I do not have that information
- No

15. Level of Engagement.

Please describe any quantitative measures of program completion (e.g., test scores, etc.), engagement with the program (e.g., actions well owner completed as a result of your program, etc.), or interaction between the program and participants (e.g., requests for information/follow up, etc.) _____

Program Factors

(random order for each participant, except "other" is always last)

16. Please indicate who partnered with you to complete your private well owner program. (include all that apply and list organization name)

Government _____
University/school _____
Business _____
Civic _____
Environmental _____
Agricultural _____
Landowner _____
Other _____

(random order for each participant, except "other" is always last)

17. What methods were used to advertise your private well owner program? (check all that apply)

- Website
 - E-mail
 - Radio
 - Newspaper
 - Press release
 - Flyers
 - Word-of-mouth
 - Public Meetings
 - Other _____
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18. Were there any factors that may have influenced participation?

(check all that apply)

- Concern over a local issue
 - Incentive given to well owner
 - Regulatory
 - Other (Please describe)
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(if they check "concern over a local issue", go to 18b, else skip to 19)

18. (b). Please describe the local issue that may have influenced participation in your program?

(random order for each participant, except "other" is always last)

19. If there were any program incentives, what were they?

(check all that apply)

- Free Testing
 - Additional financial Incentive
 - Educational Credit
 - Gift
 - Free or reduced professional service
 - Other _____
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(random order for each participant, except "other" is always last)

20. What format or formats were used to implement your private well owner program? (check all that apply)

- Website (e.g., online learning or testing, webinars, etc.)
 - E-mail (e.g., direct email, newsletter, etc.)
 - Classroom based (face-to-face)
 - Well Testing Program (e.g., providing bottles, portable test kits, sample analysis, etc.)
 - Train-the-trainer (e.g. Coop Extension Master Well Owner Program, etc.)
 - Direct Services
 - Other _____
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(random order for each participant, except "other" is always last)

21. What additional activities did participants engage in as part of your private well owner program?

