# PFAS in Public Water Systems — EPA's Second Monitoring Data Release

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# PFAS Monitoring Updates

• <u>Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 5</u>: Published on December 27, 2021, and requires sample collection for 30 chemical contaminants (**29 PFAS and Lithium**) between 2023 and 2025

#### Results from 1<sup>st</sup> + 2<sup>nd</sup> of 12 data releases?

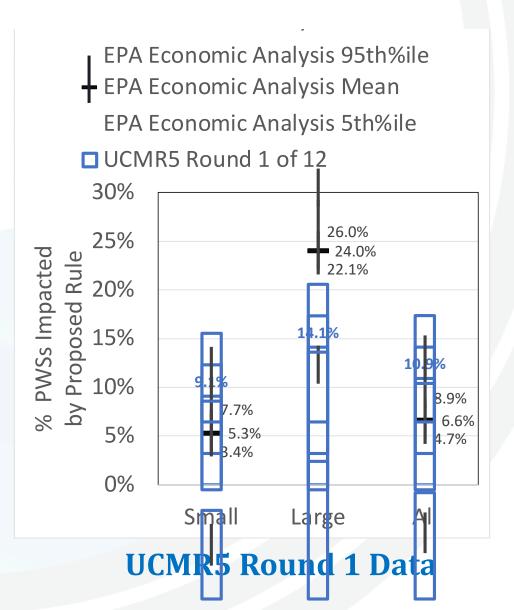
3,197 PWSs reporting any PFAS results

- 431 PWSs with detectable PFAS
- 3,074 reporting PFAS of interest (EPA Method 533)
- 419 PWSs (13.6%) with PFAS exceeding USEPA proposed PFAS regulation



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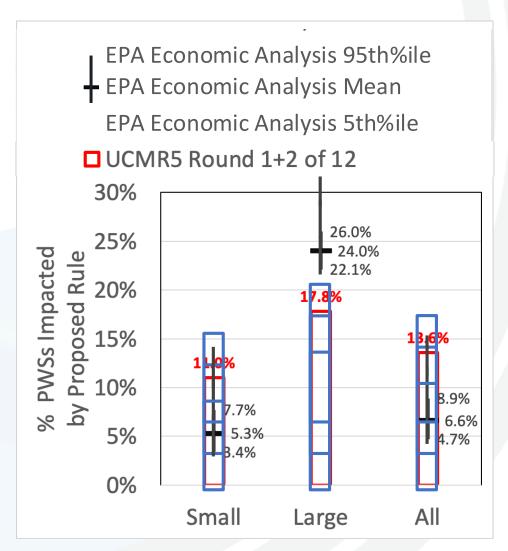
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**UCMR5 Round 1&2 Data** 





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- Let the science and data lead rulemaking
- Everyone deserves safe, affordable, and reliable water
- Prioritize our resources to accomplish that most effectively



# Questions?





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