

Hardeman County has an elevated risk profile. Chloride is detected in ~100% of wells, driven by road/geological sources. Contamination is often invisible — testing is the only way to confirm your well's safety.

N/A

HOUSEHOLDS ON
PRIVATE WELLS

Varies

PRIMARY
AQUIFER TYPE

ELEVATED

OVERALL
RISK LEVEL

YOUR TOP WATER QUALITY RISKS

CONTAMINANT	HOW COMMON	RISK LEVEL	SOURCE & CONTEXT
Chloride*	~100% of wells	Moderate	Road/Geological — Road salt application and natural mineral deposits
Sulfate*	~100% of wells	Moderate	Geological — Natural dissolution from gypsum and sulfate minerals
Nitrate	~67% above limit	High	Agricultural — Fertilizer, manure, and septic systems leaching into groundwater
Iron*	~14% above aesthetic limit	Moderate	Geological — Common in glacial and alluvial aquifers; staining and taste
Manganese*	~6% above aesthetic limit	Moderate	Geological — Found in reducing aquifer zones alongside iron

* Secondary standard — an aesthetic limit for taste, odor, or staining. Not a health-based EPA limit.

WHAT TO DO NEXT

- Order a water test.**
Test for Chloride, Sulfate, Nitrate, Iron, coliform bacteria. Bacteria annually; others every 3–5 years.
- Get your free county report.**
See full data, treatment options, and certified labs at <https://yourwaterreport.com/states/tx/hardeman-county/>
- Upload your lab results.**
We'll interpret them, flag anything above limits, and recommend next steps — free.

KNOW YOUR WELL

Well age / year drilled

Last water test date

Treatment systems installed

Well driller / service contact

WHAT YOUR RESULTS MEAN

Use this to interpret your lab report — match the contaminant to your result.

IF YOUR TEST SHOWS	WHAT IT MEANS	CONSIDER
Bacteria detected	Immediate concern	Shock chlorination; add UV system
Nitrate > 10 mg/L		