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Ontario's government is taking action to protect the province's drinking water and water resources as part of its draft Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan to keep Ontarians safe and pass on a cleaner environment to future generations.

Today, the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks released the [Minister's Annual Report on Drinking Water 2019](#) and the [2018-2019 Chief Drinking Water Inspector Annual Report](#).

The Minister's Annual Report on Drinking Water 2019 showcases the work Ontario is doing to protect our drinking water and water resources. The Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Annual Report provides an overview of the ministry's progress during 2018-19 and includes in-depth information on the performance of Ontario's drinking water systems and licensed and eligible laboratories.

The reports showcase the province's strong monitoring, reporting and enforcement activities and programs and how these actions help ensure Ontario's drinking water is among the best protected in the world.

This includes reporting on the tests results for lead in drinking water. Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health has not received any reports of lead toxicity in Ontario children that have been linked primarily to drinking water in the last 10 years. At the same time, blood lead levels of Canadians have also declined by over 70 per cent in the past 40 years due to ongoing actions to reduce lead exposure from all sources.

Visit Ontario's Data Catalogue to see the supporting [Drinking Water Quality and Enforcement](#) data. For more information on the drinking water quality and enforcement data, please call the drinking water help line at 1-866-793-2588 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday to Friday or email waterforms@ontario.ca.