

Massachusetts PFAS & Your Health Study



Preliminary findings from the Massachusetts PFAS & Your Health Study

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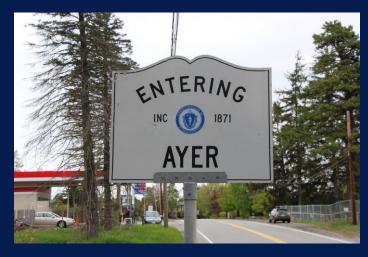
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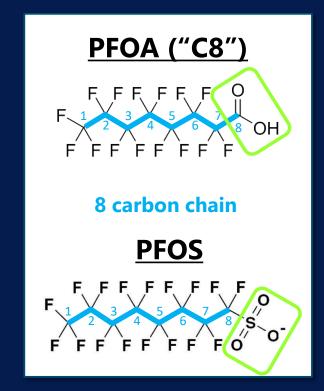
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PFAS 101 Per- and poly<u>f</u>luoro<u>a</u>lkyl <u>s</u>ubstances

- Class of over 14,000 compounds
- "Forever chemicals" resist degradation
- Mobile in environment
- Used in consumer products since 1950s
- Emerged as common drinking water pollutants around 2010-2015





PFAS are used in many everyday products

- Carpets & upholstery
- Waterproof apparel
- Non-stick cookware
- Waxes (floor, skis)
- Grease-proof food packaging
- Cosmetics
- Dental floss
- Paints









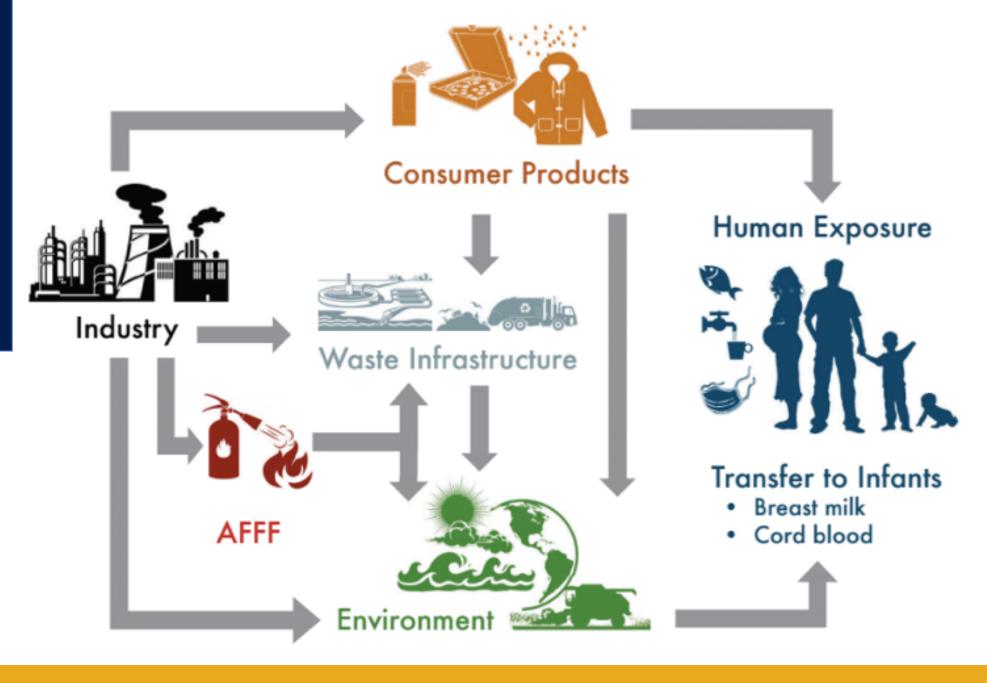








How are we exposed to PFAS?



PFAS exposures are widespread



> PFAS found in blood of over 99% of US residents (CDC)



- Some PFAS are long-lived in the human body
 - Long-chain PFAS: years
 - Some newer PFAS: weeks to months
 - Many PFAS: not yet studied



- > PFAS levels in blood depend on many factors
 - Age
 - Sex
 - Occupation



Exposures to PFAS have been associated with many harmful health effects

- Increased cholesterol & risk of obesity
- Immune system suppression, including suppressed vaccine response
- Changes in thyroid hormone levels
- Reproductive effects (preeclampsia, decreased fertility)
- Developmental effects (decreases in birth weight, changes in bone density)
- Impaired mammary gland development
- Cancer (kidney, testicular, prostate)



PFAS in Ayer drinking water

- PFAS first discovered in Ayer drinking water in 2016
- Highest levels in Grove Pond wells from use of PFAScontaining firefighting foams at former Ft Devens
- Treatment at Grove Pond wells started in Nov. 2020 and Spectacle Pond wells in July 2022
- All Ayer water is now filtered for PFAS



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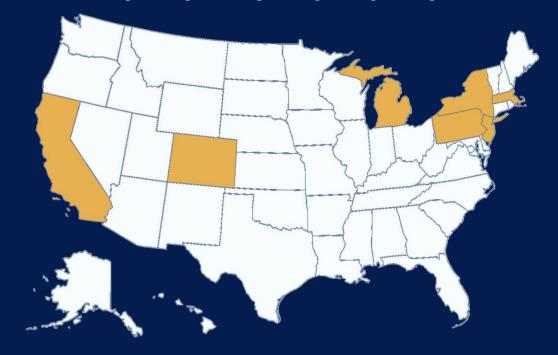




CDC PFAS Multi-site Health Study

- Funded by CDC and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
- Goal: improve understanding of PFAS-related health effects
- Target study population size:7,000 adults and 2,100 children

Includes communities in 7 states: CA, CO, MA, MI, NJ, NY, PA



MA PFAS & Your Health Study



- Ayer and Hyannis, MA
- Enrollment goal: 1,000 adults and 300 children (ages 4-17) across both communities
- Recruitment included both current and former residents of Ayer

Research partners

Silent Spring Institute (lead)
Harvard School of Public Health
Eastern Research Group

Local partners

People of Ayer Concerned about the Environment (PACE) MA Breast Cancer Coalition (MBCC)



MA PFAS & Your Health Study timeline

Sept. 2019: Silent Spring awarded grant from CDC/ATSDR

Sept. 2021: CDC/ATSDR receives approval for study protocols

Nov. 2021: Launch of enrollment in Hyannis

Nov. 2022: Launch of enrollment in Ayer

Sept. 2023: End of data collection across all sites

June 2024: Community meetings with initial PFAS results

Community outreach



Postcards to all Ayer addresses





Tabling at Transfer Station and town events



Lawn signs around town

Community outreach







Community events



Social media









Who was eligible in Ayer?



•Adults (ages 18+):

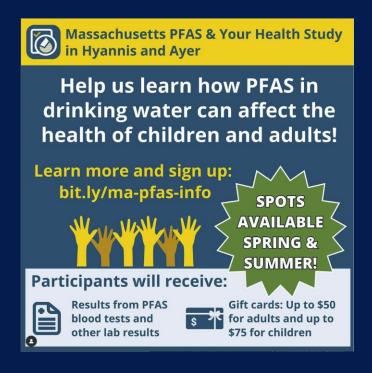
 Lived in Ayer anytime between May 2006 and February 2018

Children (ages 4-17):

 Lived in Ayer anytime between May 2006 and February 2018 and/or their mothers lived in Ayer during this time prior to child's birth

Who was eligible?

- Former residents were eligible
- Multiple members of the same household could participate



 Firefighters and workers at PFAS industrial facilities were <u>not</u> eligible

What did participants do?

Office visit

- Informed consent
- Blood and urine sample
- Body measurements



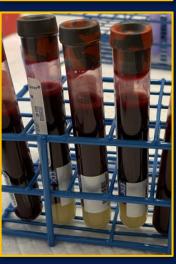
- Residential and work history
- Water consumption, diet, and consumer product use
- Health history

Neurobehavioral tests (children 5-17)

Vocabulary exercises, drawing, and puzzles









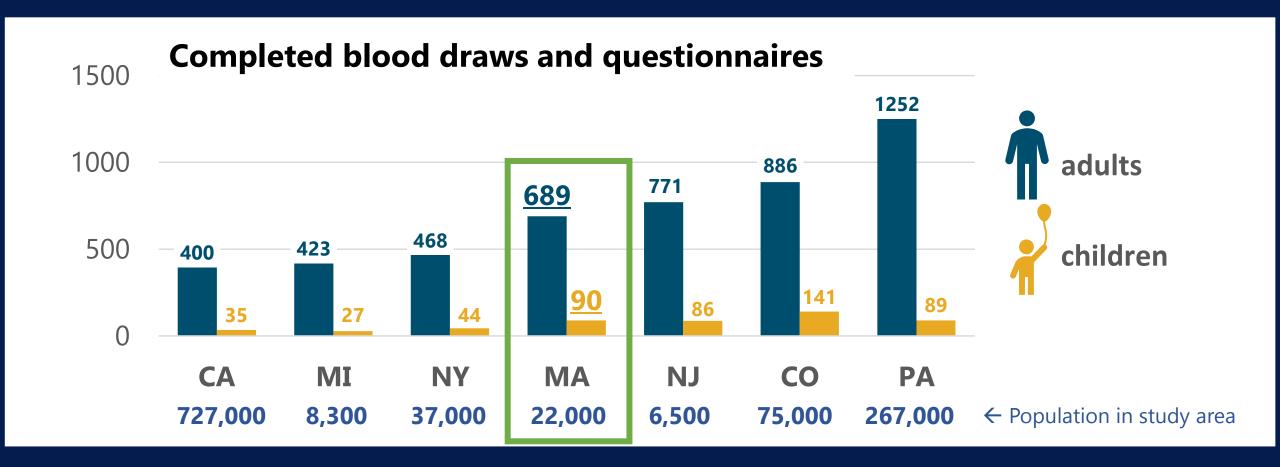


What are we testing for?

- Levels of 7 PFAS in blood
 - Indicator of PFAS exposure
- Routine lab tests
 - Cholesterol, blood sugar, thyroid hormones, liver enzymes, and others
- Additional tests (for some samples)
 - Additional PFAS
 - Changes in biochemical pathways
 - COVID antibodies



MA PFAS & Your Health Study Enrollment across all sites



Enrollment numbers as of September 2023



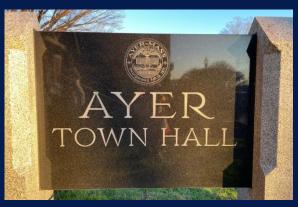
Study enrollment in Ayer and Hyannis

	TOTAL		AYER		HYANNIS	
	<u>18+</u>	<u>4-17</u>	<u> 18+</u>	<u>4-17</u>	<u> 18+</u>	<u>4-17</u>
Number of adults and children screened	972	156	380	79	592	77
Number of completed blood draws and questionnaires	676	89	291	48	385	41

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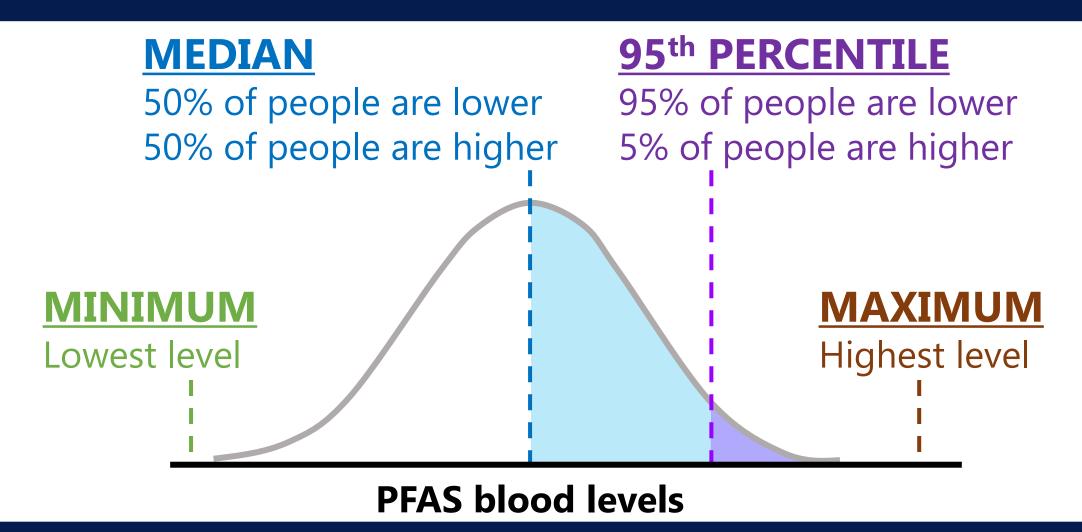


Information about Ayer participants

	Adults <i>N</i> = 291	Children $\mathcal{N} = 48$
Median Age	58 years	12 years
Females	63%**	44%
Males	36%	56%
Hispanic	5%	2%
Non-Hispanic Black	2%	0%
Non-Hispanic White	87%	90%
Non-Hispanic Other*	5%	8%
Data not available	1%	0%



Key terms for community data





Units: micrograms per liter (µg/L)	% of samples with this chemical	Minimum	Median	95 th percentile	Maximum
PFOS	100%	0.17	3.3	8.5	13.7
PFHxS	99.7%	< 0.1	1.8	5.7	11.9
PFOA	100%	0.17	1.9	4.0	8.9
PFNA	97%	< 0.1	0.4	0.9	2.6
PFDA	55%	< 0.1	0.1	0.3	1.6
PFUnDA	41%	<0.1	< 0.1	0.3	0.6
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PFNA	PFOS and PFHx	S are two	PFAS typic	cally	2.6
PFDA	PFOS and PFHxS are two PFAS typically higher in communities with firefighting foam as a source of contamination			1.6	
PFUnDA				0.6	
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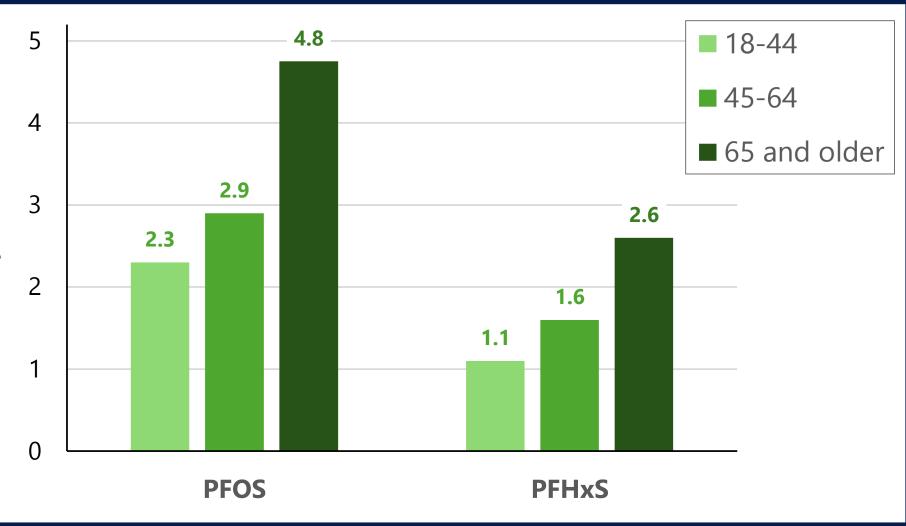
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PFHxS			1.8	5.7	11.9
PFOA			1.9	4.0	8.9
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PFAS levels in Ayer adults increase with age

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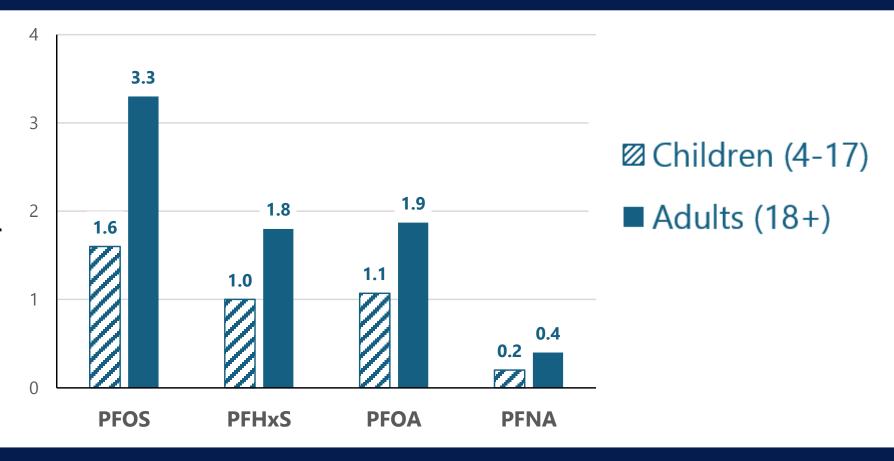




Median PFAS blood levels were lower in children than adults in Ayer

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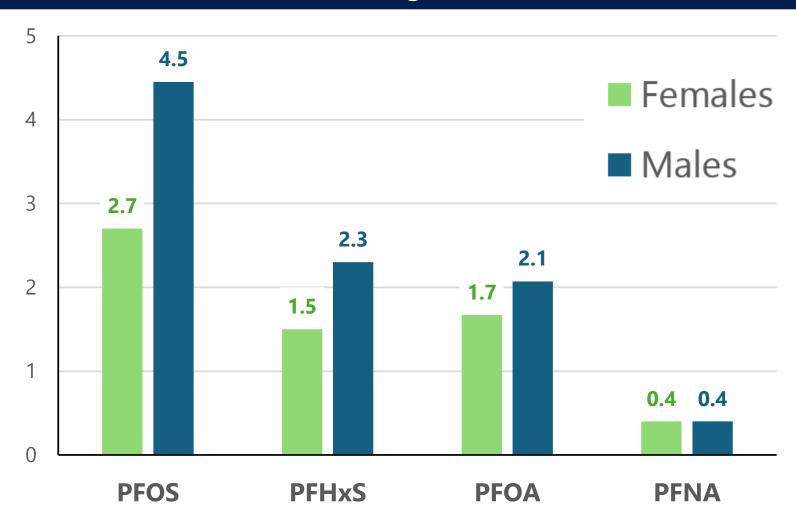
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PFAS levels were higher in men than women for some PFAS in Ayer

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Learning about PFAS in the general population

NHANES: National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey

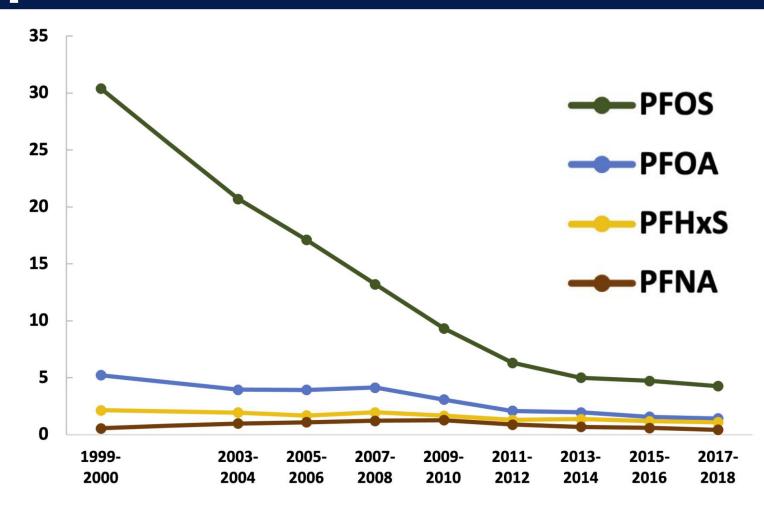
- Representative sampling of around 5,000 U.S. residents every 2 years by the CDC
- PFAS blood levels were measured in around 2,000 people in 2017-2018



Levels of some PFAS have declined in the general US population since 1999

Geometric mean blood PFAS level micrograms per liter (µg/L)

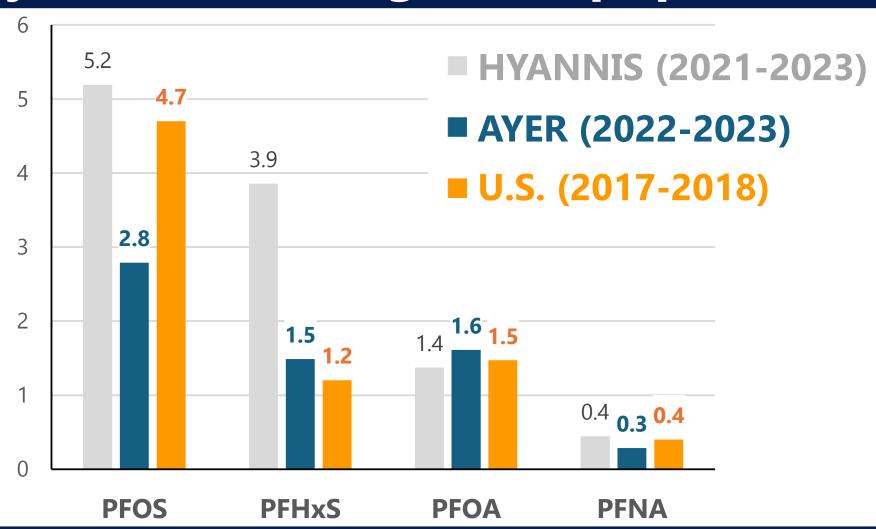
Data and graph from NHANES: https://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/pfas/images/pfas-blood-levels-usa-chart.jpg



Median levels of 4 PFAS in blood (Ayer adults) compared to Hyannis and the general population

median
concentration
micrograms per liter
(µg/L)

Note: These medians are adjusted for age distribution of participants

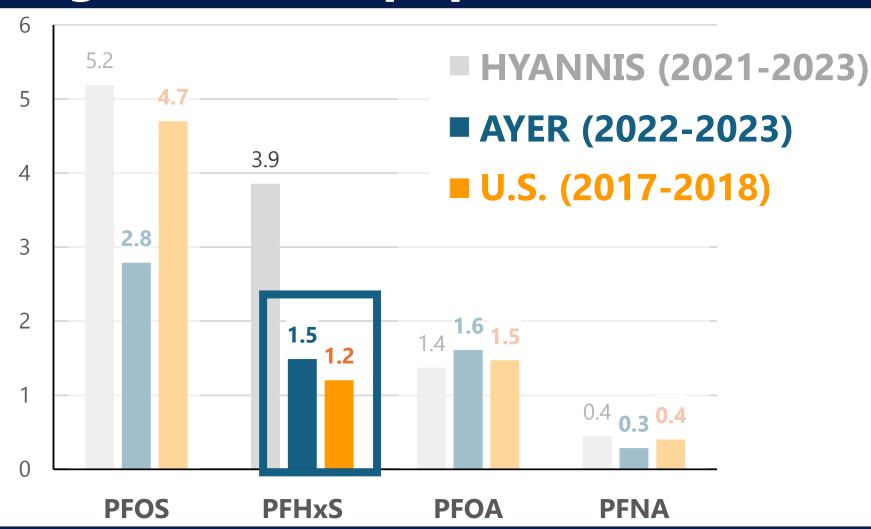


Ayer median for PFHxS was 24% higher than the general U.S. population

MEDIAN concentration

micrograms per liter (µg/L)

Note: Hyannis and Ayer medians are adjusted to the age distribution of NHANES



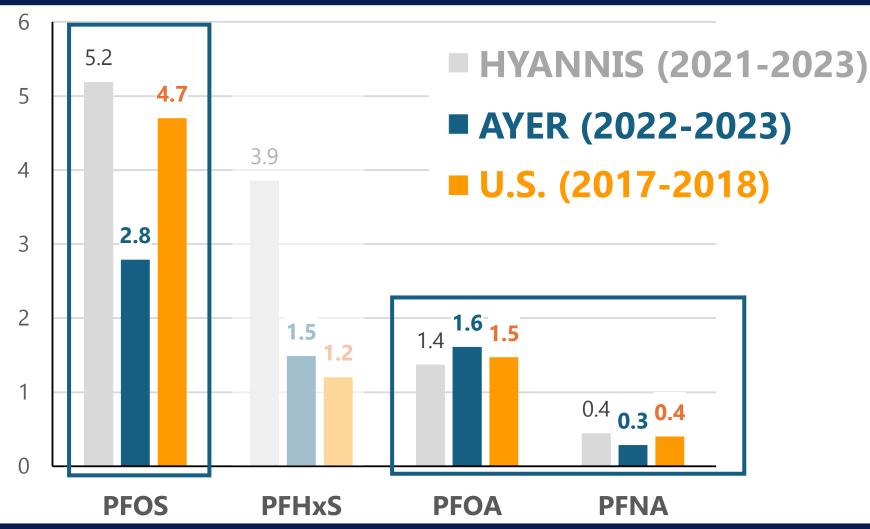
Ayer median for other PFAS were similar to or lower than the general U.S. population

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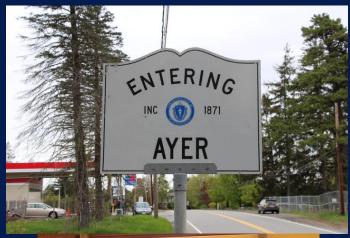
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Sample report-back letters sent to participants

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PFOA - perfluorooctanoic acid (total)	3.0	20+	1.47	3.87
• n-PFOA - linear isomer of PFOA	2.9	20+	1.40	3.80
• Sb-PFOA - branched isomer of PFOA	<0.1	20+	<0.1	0.20
PFOS - perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (total)	8.6	20+	4.70	15.1
• n-PFOS - linear isomer of PFOS	6.6	20+	3.20	11.0
• Sm-PFOS - branched isomer of PFOS	2.0	20+	1.40	4.60
PFHxS - perfluorohexane sulfonic acid	12.5	20+	1.20	3.80
MeFOSAA - 2-(N-methyl-perfluorooctane sulfonamido) acetic acid	<0.1	20+	0.10	0.60
PFNA - perfluorononanoic acid	0.7	20+	0.40	1.40
PFDA - perfluorodecanoic acid	0.1	20+	0.20	0.60
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Sum of 7 PFAS commonly found in blood: PFOS, PFOA, PFHxS, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnDA, and MeFOSAA	25	See next page for interpretation		



Results for 7 PFAS chemicals

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Sum of 7 PFAS can be compared to screening benchmarks from National Academies report

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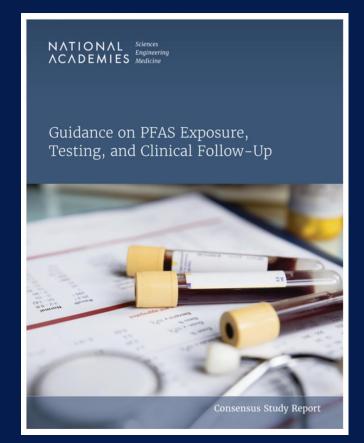


National Academies report (2022) Guidance on PFAS Exposure, Testing, and Clinical Follow-Up

- "Clinicians should offer PFAS testing to patients likely to have a history of elevated exposure."
- Recommends additional clinical screenings and lab tests, depending on PFAS blood levels

Scan for resources





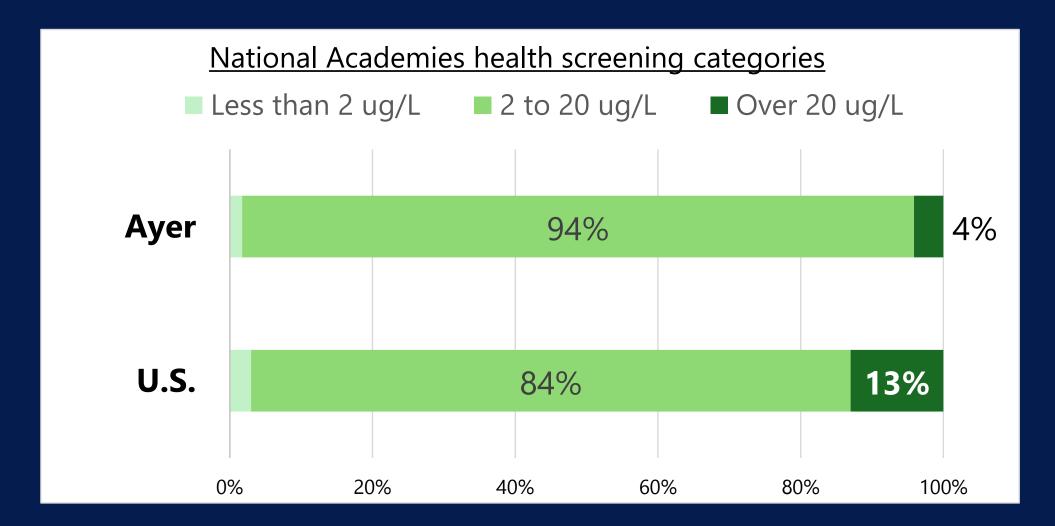
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Sum of 7 common PFAS (μg/L)	National Academies suggested patient follow-up
Less than 2 μg/L	Clinicians should provide usual standard of care
2 up to 20 μg/L	 Within usual standard of care, clinicians should: Prioritize screening for dyslipidemia with a lipid panel (once between ages 9 and 11, once every 4-6 years over age 20) Screen for hypertensive disorders of pregnancy at all prenatal visits Screen for breast cancer based on clinical practice guidelines based on age and other risk factors
20 μg/L or higher	 In addition to usual standard of care, clinicians should: Prioritize screening for dyslipidemia with a lipid panel (for patients over age 2) At all well visits: Conduct thyroid function testing (for patients over age 18) Assess for signs and symptoms of kidney cancer (for patients over age 45), including urinanalysis Assess for signs and symptoms of testicular cancer and ulcerative colitis (for patients over age 15)



Ayer had a lower proportion of adults above 20 µg/L than the general population





Resources for clinicians and blood testing

PFAS-REACH documents on PFAS Exchange

Medical screening guidance documents for clinicians and patients

Information about PFAS blood testing

Website: www.pfas-exchange.org/resources/

Scan for resources





PFAS Exposure: Information for patients and guidance for clinicians to inform patient and clinician decision making

This document is intended as a guide for individuals who are seeking PFAS blood testing. Residents of communities with local sources of contamination and people who may have been exposed to high levels of PFAS at their workplace may seek a PFAS blood test to learn more about their exposure. This document provides information about what you can and can't learn from a PFAS blood test, how to find a lab to conduct the testing

uestions to ask a lab about their services, and tools to help you with interpretation and action

PFAS blood testing: What you need to know

For people in PFAS-impacted communities and occupations

This guidance is intended to inform discussion and decision making for physicians and their patients. Many of these tests and screenings are part of basic primary care annual appointments. In 2019, the American Medical Association (AMA) resolved to support research and policy to address the effects of PFAS exposure.

What won't a PFAS blood test tell me?

A PFAS blood test can't tell you where the PFAS

different sources including drinking water, food,

and consumer products. Nearly everyone has

in your body came from or how long you've

been exposed. PFAS can come from many

some measurable amount of PEAS in their

A blood test also doesn't directly indicate

experiencing were caused by PFAS exposure or

definitively predict whether you are likely to

develop certain health problems in the future

Blood draw vs. finger-prick tool

. Most labs require a blood draw by a

phlebotomist so they can test a large

amount of your blood. This has been

EmpowerDX (part of Eurofins) offers a

finger-prick tool that allows you to

your whole blood. Note that if PFAS

levels in your blood are low, this test may be less likely to detect the PEAS

Limitations you may encounter

 Health insurance may not cover costs. The maximum number of PEAS that can

be tested is around 40. This is a small

number compared to the thousands o PEAS that exist

and may have legal benefits.

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What if I want to get my blood tested?

- Some clinicians can order blood tests
- Some labs offer PFAS blood testing to individuals
 - Options for testing at clinics or at home
- Insurance may not cover the cost of testing
- Visit PFAS Exchange for more info

Blood test information at:

bit.ly/pfas-blood-test or scan





PFAS blood testing: What you need to know

For people in PFAS-impacted communities and occupations

This document is intended as a guide for individuals who are seeking PFAS blood testing, Residents of communities with local sources of contamination and people who may have been exposed to high levels of PFAS at their workplace may seek a PFAS blood test to learn more about their exposure. This document provides information about what you can and can't learn from a PFAS blood test, how to find a lab to conduct the testing, questions to ask a lab about their services, and tools to help over with interpretation and action.

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A PFAS blood test can't tell you where the PFAS in your body came from or how long you've been exposed. PFAS can come from many different sources including drinking water, food, and consumer products. Nearly everyone has some measurable amount of PFAS in their

What won't a PFAS blood test tell me?

A blood test also doesn't directly indicate whether any health conditions you are experiencing were caused by PFAS exposure o definitively predict whether you are likely to develop certain health problems in the future.

Blood draw vs. finger-prick tool

. Most labs require a blood draw by a

phlebotomist so they can test a large

amount of your blood. This has been

 EmpowerDX (part of Eurofins) offers a finger-prick tool that allows you to

collect a sample at home and will test

your whole blood. Note that if PFAS levels in your blood are low, this tes

may be less likely to detect the PFAS.

· Health insurance may not cover costs.

. The maximum number of PFAS that can

be tested is around 40. This is a small

number compared to the thousands of

PFAS that exist.

and may have legal benefits.

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note about litigation

If you are considering legal action, consult a lawyer before testing your blood. Discovery of PFAS in blood may start the clock on a statute of limitations that could prevent you from litigating in the future. Note that certain documentation may be required in legal settings, so you may need a blood draw (rather than a finger-prick) by a phlebotomist who can serve as a documented witness.

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How can I reduce my exposure to PFAS?

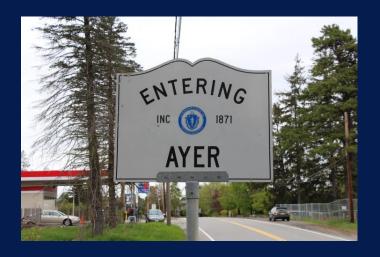
- Select products without stain- and water-resistance
- Avoid microwave popcorn and eat more fresh foods
- Avoid cosmetics and other products with "fluoro-" ingredients
- Minimize contact with fluorinated ski and floor wax
- Look for products that say "PFAS-free"

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Smartphone app!



Tonight's agenda

- What are PFAS?
- Study overview and timeline
- Summary of blood PFAS levels in Ayer
- How to interpret your results
- Next steps and key takeaways







Next steps for our study

- Working with ATSDR and other sites to analyze data and look for links between PFAS and health effects
- Conducting additional analyses on blood samples from some Massachusetts participants
- Reconstructing past levels of PFAS in the drinking water to estimate past exposures
- Planning to provide updates to the community over time

Key take-aways

- Ayer community is part of a major
 CDC study to understand PFAS health effects
- Median PFAS levels in Ayer were generally similar to the general US population and lower than Hyannis
- Analysis of data to look for links with health effects is ongoing and may inform future regulations and clinical guidance



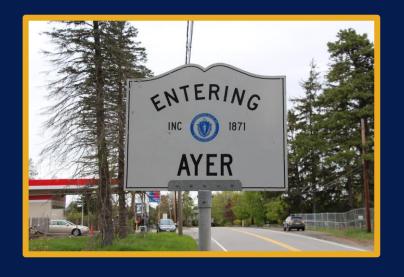
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EXTRA SLIDES

Estimated current PFOS in NHANES

Assuming an exponential decline 30 across all cycles of NHANES **MEDIAN** (1999-2018): concentration Current PFOS median: 1.9 µg/L 20 micrograms per liter $(\mu g/L)$ 10 5 2001 2003 2005 2007 2009 2011 2013 2015 2017 2019 2021 2023



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Estimated current PFHxS in NHANES

