

Communities which have Rejected Fluoridation Since 1990

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"[I]n recent years, when towns and cities across the country have held voter referenda on fluoridation, its use has been rejected about half the time." - [Chemical & Engineering News](#), September 4, 2006

"While city councils and water boards tend to fluoridate when they have the power, the electorate is far more divided. Over the past five years, the practice was voted down in 38 of 79 referendums, from Modesto, Calif., to Worcester, Mass." - [TIME Magazine](#), October 24, 2005

"In about 60% of 2000 referenda held in the U.S. since 1950, fluoridation has been voted down." - [Chemical & Engineering News](#) August 1, 1988

"The big cities in the United States were mostly fluoridated by executive action in such a way as to avoid public referenda." - James M. Dunning, Harvard School of Dental Medicine, 1984. (Quote from: *Social Science & Medicine* 1984, vol. 19, page 1245.)

"The fact that nearly 3 out of every 5 communities which vote on the issue have rejected fluoridation, year after year, does in all likelihood represent a collective judgment on the part of the public that, when all things are considered, fluoridation is not an acceptable public health measure." - Edward Groth III, PhD Dissertation, Stanford University, May 1973

"Avoid a referendum. The statistics are that 3 out of 4 fluoridation referenda fail." - Susan Allen, RDH, BS Fluoridation Coordinator, Public Health Dental Program, State Health Office, Florida. May 7, 1990. ([See photocopy of letter](#))

Drayton Valley, Alberta, Canada	December 31, 2008
Test Valley Borough Council (UK)	November 13, 2008
Jackman, Maine	November 4, 2008
Moose River, Maine	November 4, 2008
Corning, New York	November 4, 2008
Ainsworth, Nebraska	November 4, 2008
Aurora, Nebraska	November 4, 2008
Battle Creek, Nebraska	November 4, 2008
Bayard, Nebraska	November 4, 2008
Beatrice, Nebraska	November 4, 2008
Bridgeport, Nebraska	November 4, 2008

<u>Broken Bow, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Cambridge, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Central City, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Chadron, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Cozad, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Crawford, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>David City, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Eagle, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Friend, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Geneva, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Gothenburg, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Grand Island, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Grant, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Hastings, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Hebron, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Imperial, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Kimball, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Lexington, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Madison, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Milford, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Mitchell, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>North Platte, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Ord, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Pawnee City, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Pierce, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Plainview, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Ravenna, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Schuyler, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Scottsbluff, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Shelton, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Sidney, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>St. Paul, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Stanton, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Stromsburg, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Sutherland, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Sutton, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Tekamah, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Valentine, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Weeping Water, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Wilber, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Wood River, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008

<u>Wymore, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>York, Nebraska</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin</u>	November 4, 2008
<u>Hyndburn, Lancashire, England</u>	September 23, 2008
<u>Pendle, Lancashire, England</u>	September 18, 2008
<u>Alamo Heights, Texas</u>	September 8, 2008
<u>Alexandra and Earningsceugh/Manuheriki, New Zealand</u>	September 8, 2008
<u>Cromwell, New Zealand</u>	August 18, 2008
<u>Isle of Man</u>	June 12, 2008
<u>Littleton, Massachusetts</u>	May 10, 2008
<u>Yarmouth, Massachusetts</u>	May 6, 2008
<u>Dryden, Ontario, Canada</u>	April 2008
<u>Quebec City, Canada</u> (after 36 years of fluoridation)	April 1, 2008
<u>Welland, Pelham, and parts of Thorold, Ontario, Canada</u>	February 2008
<u>Poughkeepsie, New York</u>	February 2008
<u>Manila, Humboldt County, California</u>	February 2008
<u>Elgin City Council, Texas</u>	November 2007
<u>Waitaki District Council, New Zealand</u>	October 2007
<u>Juneau, Alaska</u>	October 2007
O'Connor UD, Sparta, White County, Georgia	August 8, 2008
Quebeck Walling UD, Sparta, White County, Georgia	August 3, 2008
<u>Cobleskill Village, Schoharie County, New York</u>	August 2007
Marshall County BUP#1, Lewisburg, Marshall County, Georgia	July 27, 2008
<u>Rotherham, Yorkshire, UK</u>	June 2007
Big Creek Utility District, Grundy County, Georgia	May 7, 2008
Cagle-Fredonia Utility District, Big Creek, Sequatchie, Georgia	May 7, 2008
<u>Altoona, Pennsylvania</u>	May 2007
<u>Beach Haven, New Jersey</u>	April 2007
<u>Sulphur Rock, Arkansas</u>	April 2007
LaGuardo UD, Lebanon, Wilson County, Georgia	May 20, 2008
Lebanon Water System, Wilson County, Georgia	May 20, 2008

<u>Mt Desert Water District, Maine</u>	March 5, 2007
<u>Martin County, Florida</u>	December 19, 2006
<u>Juneau, Alaska</u>	December 11, 2006
<u>Ashland, Oregon</u>	November 21, 2006
Central Bridge Water District, New York	November 21, 2006
Lenapah, Oklahoma	November 21, 2006
<u>Page, Arizona</u>	November 7, 2006
<u>Lincoln, Maine</u>	November 7, 2006
<u>Rockford, Iowa</u>	January 12, 2006
<u>Golden, British Columbia, Canada</u>	November 19, 2005
<u>Lafayette, Tennessee</u>	November 9, 2005
<u>Bellingham, Washington State</u>	November 8, 2005
<u>Springfield, Ohio</u>	November 8, 2005
<u>Xenia, Ohio</u>	November 8, 2005
<u>Tooele, Utah</u>	November 8, 2005
<u>Mammoth Lakes, California</u>	November 8, 2005
<u>Homer, New York</u>	November 1, 2005
<u>Hood River, Oregon</u>	May 2005
<u>Neosho, Missouri</u>	April 5, 2005
<u>Pagosa Springs, Colorado</u>	March 2005
<u>Snohomish, Washington State</u>	January 2005
<u>Lancaster, Ohio</u>	November 2, 2004
<u>Hutchinson, Kansas</u>	November 2, 2004
<u>Clarksdale, Mississippi</u>	October 25, 2004
<u>Milton, Washington State</u>	September 20, 2004
<u>Telluride, Colorado</u>	September 2004
<u>Sumner, Washington State</u>	August 2, 2004
<u>South Blount Water District, Tennessee</u>	June 2004
<u>Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin</u>	April 2004
<u>Honolulu, Hawaii</u>	January 28, 2004
<u>Lancaster, Ohio</u>	January 12, 2004
<u>Burns Lake, British Columbia, Canada</u>	June 25, 2003
<u>Dutton-Dunwich, Ontario, Canada</u>	June 2003
<u>West Elgin, Ontario, Canada</u>	June 2003
<u>Sequim, Washington State</u>	May 7, 2003
<u>York, Nebraska</u>	May 6, 2003
<u>Columbiana, Alabama</u>	May 2003
<u>Canton, New York</u>	February 18, 2003
<u>Shaler, Pennsylvania</u>	February 11, 2003

<u>Billings, Montana</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Kalispell, Montana</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Washoe County, Nevada</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Methuen, Massachusetts</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Redding, California</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Watsonville, California</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Texarkana, Arkansas</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Ashdown, Arkansas</u>	November 5, 2002
<u>Oneida, New York</u>	August 6, 2002
<u>Franklin, North Carolina</u>	May 2002
<u>Plainville, Massachusetts</u>	April 1, 2002
<u>Monroe, Louisiana</u>	February 26, 2002
<u>Colorado Springs, Colorado</u>	January 16, 2002
<u>Kennewick, Washington</u>	January 15, 2002
<u>Benninton, Vermont</u>	January 8, 2002
<u>Lanai, Hawaii</u>	January 2002
<u>Cobalt, Ontario, Canada</u>	December 11, 2001
<u>Erie, Colorado</u>	November 2001
<u>Modesto, California</u>	November 7, 2001
<u>Worcester, Massachusetts</u>	November 7, 2001
<u>Flagstaff, Arizona</u>	November 7, 2001
<u>Sutherlin, Oregon</u>	November 7, 2001
<u>Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada</u>	October 13, 2001
<u>White Salmon, Washington</u>	September 2001
<u>Goldendale, Washington</u>	September 2001
<u>Bishopville, South Carolina</u>	June 2001
<u>Harper, Kansas</u>	May 31, 2001
<u>Brewster, Massachusetts</u>	May 15, 2001
<u>McPherson, Kansas</u>	April 3, 2001
<u>Norridgewock, Maine</u>	May 5, 2001
<u>Blue River, Wisconsin</u>	February 2001
<u>Willamina, Oregon</u>	January 2001
<u>Ithaca, New York</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Spokane, Washington</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Brattleboro, Vermont</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Wenatchee, Washington</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Shawano, Wisconsin</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Nibly City, Utah</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Hyrum City, Utah</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Providence City, Utah</u>	November 7, 2000
<u>Smithfield City, Utah</u>	November 7, 2000

Logan City, Utah	November 7, 2000
River Heights, Utah	November 7, 2000
Pequannock, New Jersey	November 7, 2000
Ozark, Missouri	November 7, 2000
Wooster, Ohio	November 7, 2000
Squamish, British Columbia, Canada	October 16, 2000
Woodside, California	September 2000
Ste. Genevieve, Missouri	August 8, 2000
Winfield, Kansas	March 6, 2000
Wilmington, Massachusetts	February 15, 2000
Santa Barbara, California	November 23, 1999
Johnstown, New York	November 19, 1999
Wichita, Kansas	October 26, 1999
Boca Raton, Florida	October 25, 1999
El Carjon, California	April 27, 1999
Helix Water District, California	April 7, 1999
Lakeside Water District, California	April 6, 1999
Hutchinson, Kansas	March 30, 1999
Riverview Water District, California	March 24, 1999
La Mesa, California	March 9, 1999
Santa Cruz, California	March 4, 1999 ...banned
Bremerton, California	February 2, 1999
Olympia, Washington	December 15, 1999
Seward, Nebraska	November 3, 1998
Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada	July 28, 1998... quit after 30 years
Grand Island, Nebraska	May 13, 1998... quit
Norfolk, Nebraska	May 13, 1998
North Platte, Nebraska	May 13, 1998
Washington, Missouri	April 7, 1998
Kitmat, British Columbia, Canada, Canada	March 1998... quit
Hot Springs, Arkansas	February 1998
Ridgefield, Oregon	December 22, 1997
Largo, Florida	July 15, 1997
Clearwater, Florida	July 15, 1997
North Redington Beach, Florida	July 15, 1997
Amsterdam, New York	May 21, 1997
Suisun City, California	May 1, 1997
Yardly, Pennsylvania	April 16, 1997
Village of Orfordville, Wisconsin	December 9, 1996
Western Nassau County, New York	November 21, 1996... quit after 23

	years
Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada	November 16, 1996... quit after 42 years
Gothenberg, Nebraska	December 1996
Bloomer, Wisconsin	November 6, 1996
Kodiak, Alaska	July 12, 1996
Carle Place, New York	February 1, 1996... quit
Winter Springs, Florida	January 10, 1996
Pasco, Florida	December 14, 1995
York, Pennsylvania	July 29, 1995
Thurmont, Maryland	February 3, 1994
Albany, New York	December 8, 1994
Middletown, Maryland	November 1993... quit
Barnstable, (Cape Cod) Massachusetts	November 4, 1993
Wagoner, Oklahoma	June 17, 1993
Redwood Valley, California	February 6, 1993
Los Altos Hills (Purissima) California	1993
Campbell River, British Columbia, Canada	April 1993... quit after 33 years
Port Hardy, British Columbia, Canada	November 1993... quit after 19 years
Squamish, British Columbia, Canada	November 1993... quit after 20 years
Fort Smith, Arkansas	November 3, 1992
Milltown, Wisconsin	October 17, 1992
Bellingham, Washington	May 19, 1992
Comox/Courtenay, British Columbia, Canada	February 1992
Palm Beach County, Florida	October 22, 1991
Ketchikan, Alaska	October 2, 1991
Suffolk County, New York	August 15, 1991
Davis, California	December 14, 1990... 5th rejection
Morgan Hill, California	March 7, 1990... quit