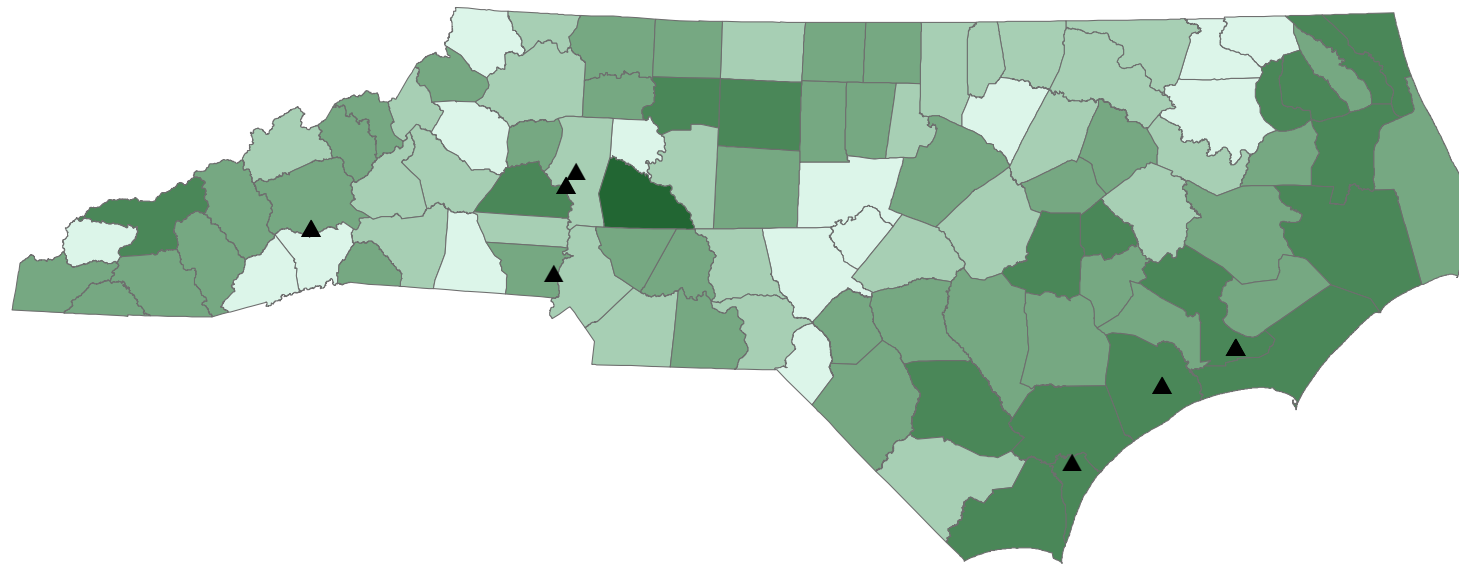
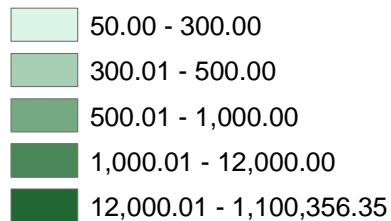


Concentration of Iron Detected in NC Private Well Water ($\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$), Average 2010



Concentration of iron detected in private wells ($\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$)



▲ National Priorities List sites reporting iron

Iron [SMCL](#): 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$

Iron is a naturally-occurring element that may be present in ground water from the erosion of natural deposits. Iron is considered a secondary contaminant because drinking water that contains iron is not expected to cause negative health effects but may cause a disagreeable taste to drinking water or cause staining of plumbing fixtures.¹¹

[Information about secondary contaminants in drinking water.](#)