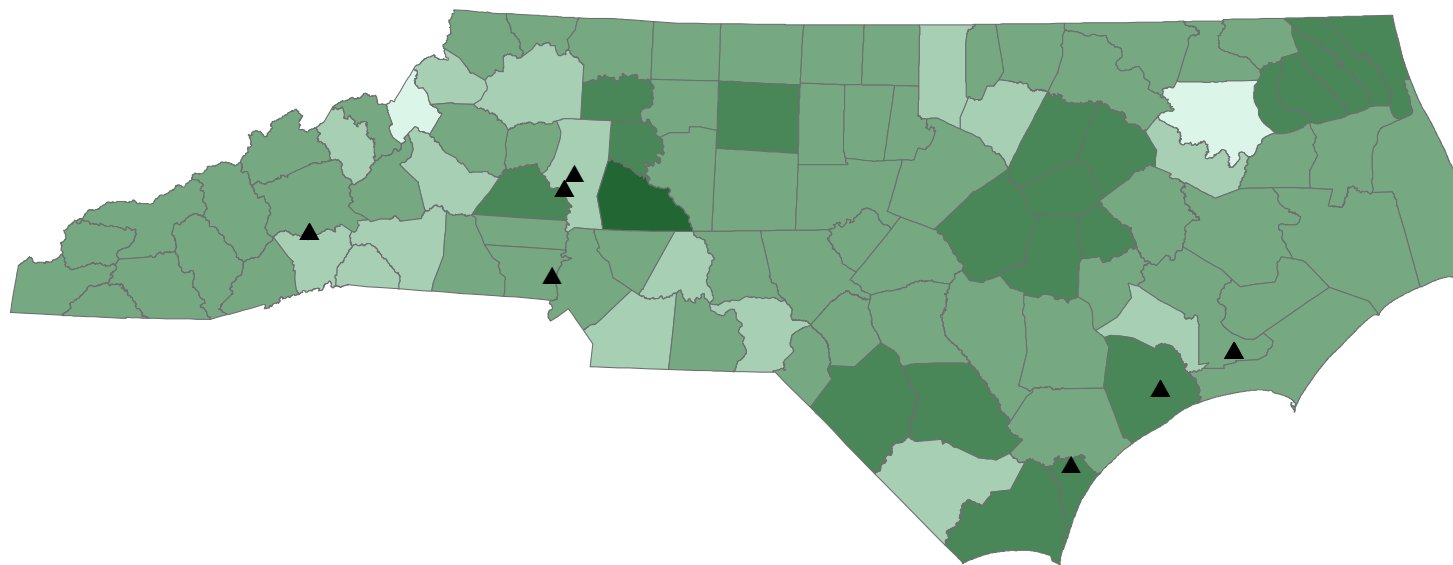
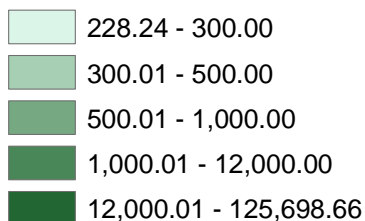


## Concentration of Iron Detected in NC Private Well Water ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ ), Average 1998-2010



### 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.<sup>11</sup>

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

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