Fluoridation Status of Largest 50 U. S. Cities

Rank 2000	City	State	U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates, 4/1/01	Fluoridation Status	Year
1	New York	NY	8,008,278	Fluoridated	1965
2	Los Angeles	CA	3,694,820	Fluoridated	1999
3	Chicago	IL	2,896,016	Fluoridated	1956
4	Houston	TX	1,953,631	Fluoridated	1982
5	Philadelphia	PA	1,517,550	Fluoridated	1954
6	Phoenix	AZ	1,321,045	Fluoridated	1990
7	San Diego	CA	1,223,400	Approved*	2000
8	Dallas	TX	1,188,580	Fluoridated	1966
9	San Antonio	TX	1,144,646	Approved*	2000
10	Detroit	MI	951,270	Fluoridated	1967
11	San Jose	CA	894,943	Not Fluoridated**	---
12	Indianapolis	IN	791,926	Fluoridated	1951
13	San Francisco	CA	776,733	Fluoridated	1952
14	Jacksonville	FL	735,617	*Natural*	N/A
15	Columbus	OH	711,470	Fluoridated	1973
16	Austin	TX	656,562	Fluoridated	1973
17	Baltimore	MD	651,154	Fluoridated	1952
18	Memphis	TN	650,100	Fluoridated	1970
19	Milwaukee	WI	596,974	Fluoridated	1953
20	Boston	MA	589,141	Fluoridated	1978
21	Washington	DC	572,059	Fluoridated	1952
22	Nashville-Davidson	TN	569,891	Fluoridated	1953
23	El Paso	TX	563,662	*Natural*	N/A
24	Seattle	WA	563,374	Fluoridated	1970
25	Denver	CO	554,636	Fluoridated	1954

*** San Diego (California) and San Antonio (Texas) recently approved fluoridation. Fluoridation has not been implemented yet, however it will commence as soon as fluoridation equipment installation is completed at the jurisdictions' water plants.**

**** San Jose (California) will be required to fluoridate under California's Mandatory Fluoridation Law (AB733) enacted in 1995.**

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Census, April 1, 2000, *U.S. Population, City Rankings*; University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, *Fluoridation Facts*; & Division of Oral Health, U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, *Fluoridation Census, 1992*.

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26	Charlotte	NC	540,828	Fluoridated	1949
27	Fort Worth	TX	534,694	Fluoridated	1965
28	Portland	OR	529,121	Not Fluoridated***	---
29	Oklahoma City	OK	506,132	Fluoridated	1954
30	Tucson	AZ	486,699	*Natural (partial)*	N/A
31	New Orleans	LA	484,674	Fluoridated	1974
32	Las Vegas	NV	478,434	Fluoridated	2000
33	Cleveland	OH	478,403	Fluoridated	1956
34	Long Beach	CA	461,522	Fluoridated	1971
35	Albuquerque	NM	448,607	Fluoridated	1974
36	Kansas City	MO	441,545	Fluoridated	1983
37	Fresno	CA	427,652	Fluoridated (partial)	1954
38	Virginia Beach	VA	425,257	Fluoridated	1952
39	Atlanta	GA	416,474	Fluoridated	1969
40	Sacramento	CA	407,018	Fluoridated	2000
41	Oakland	CA	399,484	Fluoridated	1976
42	Mesa	AZ	396,375	Fluoridated	2000
43	Tulsa	OK	393,049	Fluoridated	1953
44	Omaha	NE	390,007	Fluoridated	1969
45	Minneapolis	MN	382,618	Fluoridated	1957
46	Honolulu	HI	371,657	Not Fluoridated***	---
47	Miami	FL	362,470	Fluoridated	1952
48	Colorado Springs	CO	360,890	*Natural+Adjusted*	N/A
49	St. Louis	MO	348,189	Fluoridated	1955
50	Wichita	KS	344,284	Not Fluoridated****	---

***** Portland (Oregon) and Honolulu (Hawai'i) are not fluoridated, however legislation has been introduced in both states' legislatures that will mandate fluoridation in all cities.**

****** Wichita (Kansas), while not fluoridated, is experiencing extensive local legislative efforts that, if successful, would require Wichita to fluoridate.**

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