Private Water Well Testing
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- In Louisiana almost .5 million people use private wells
- Limited methods for home owners to have water tested
What is safe drinking water?

What do you test for?

How often?

How much does it cost?
How do you get the word out that you are in the water testing business?
Who test the samples?

- Certified Lab
- University Lab
- Mail in Test???
What do you test water for?

- Bacteria
- Lead
- Pesticides
- VOC’s
CO$T

- Health Unit $75.00
- University Lab
- Home Store
- Private Lab $25-$75.00
Collecting Samples

- Method
- Container
- Holding Time
- Temperature
Test Results

- How to read
- Sample copy
- Perception vs. Reality
Ethics

- Trust!!
- Who owns the results?
- Privacy
- Public/Non Public
- Test Results
Do you really want to do this?
Questions?

- Thank you
- Geaux Tigers!!!!