

Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

8-30. Increase the proportion of the population in the United States-Mexico border region who have adequate drinking water and sanitation facilities.

Wastewater receiving treatment

8-30h. Matamoros.

National Data Sources	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Water (OW), Office of Wastewater Management (OMW); Mexico's Comisión Nacional de Agua; State/local health departments; American Water Works Association; Rural Water Association; U.S.-Mexican Border Health Association.
State Data Source	Not identified.
Healthy People 2000 Objective	Not applicable.
Changes since the 2000 Publication	None.
Measure	Percent.
Baseline (Year)	0 (1997) (Matamoros).
Target	10
Target-Setting Method	10 percentage point improvement. For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
Numerator	Number of residents of Matamoros who have wastewater treatment service.
Denominator	Number of Matamoros resident persons.
Population Targeted	Resident population of Matamoros.
Questions Used To Obtain the National Baseline Data	Not applicable.
Expected Periodicity	Periodic.

Comments

The 200-kilometer border region is home to more than 10.5 million people, with about 6.2 million in the United States and 4.3 million in Mexico. In 1996, there were approximately 250,000 people in the Mexico border cities without potable water and 1.5 million people without sewer connections. In Mexico, the population figures are official estimates for 1998 based on 1990 census data.

In the United States, there is virtually 100 percent coverage in the major cities. Data for cities and the smaller border towns can be found at:

<http://www.fep.paho.org/english/env/water.htm>

and http://www.epa.gov/usmexicoborder/pdf/bitf_prog_200604.pdf.

See Appendix A for focus area contact information.