



The SipSafe program, conducted by the Mississippi State University Extension Service and funded by a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is working to reduce lead exposure in children ages birth to 5 years by screening water in qualifying schools and childcare facilities.

## OKTIBBEHA COUNTY



# 1130

children served

^There are ~1,426 children enrolled in Oktibbeha County.



# 248

samples taken

# 2.0%



of results over 10ppb\*

Five samples tested over 10ppb.

# 12



facilities sampled

^There are 15 facilities located in Oktibbeha County.

This data was collected between 2021 and 2023.

\*10ppb is the proposed EPA action level for lead in drinking water.

^Based on January 2024 report of licensed childcare facilities in Mississippi from MSDH.

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