Are VOCs present in the Nation's ground water?

If so, are the VOC concern?

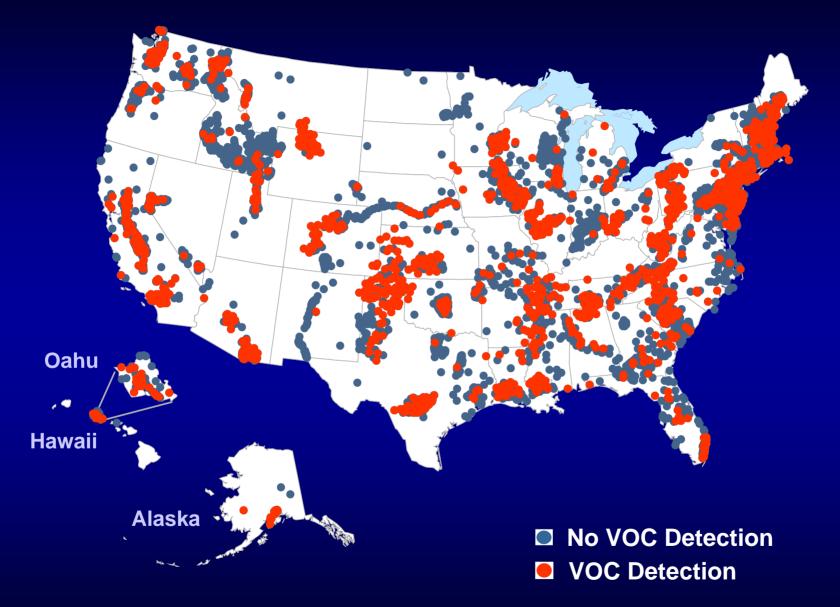
Ambient ground water

Water-supply system

Treatment→ Drinking water

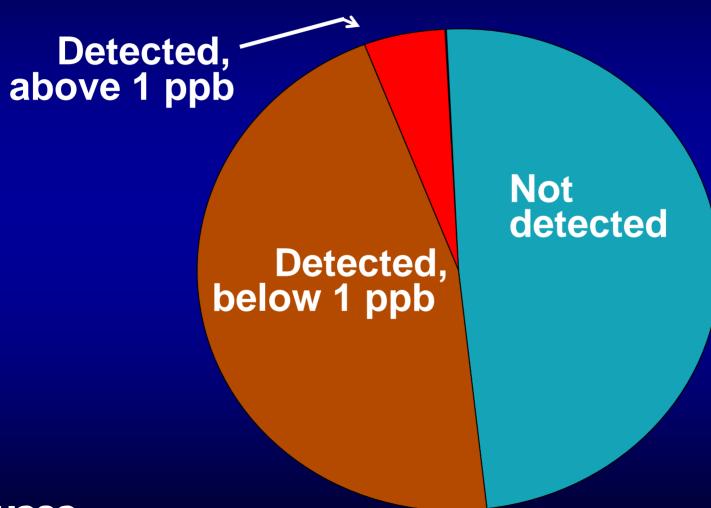
Water captured by supply wells





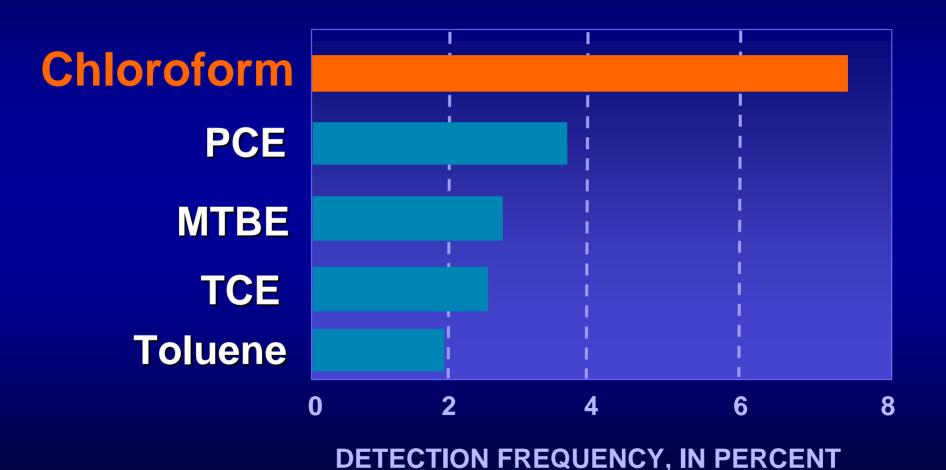


VOC concentrations in aquifers



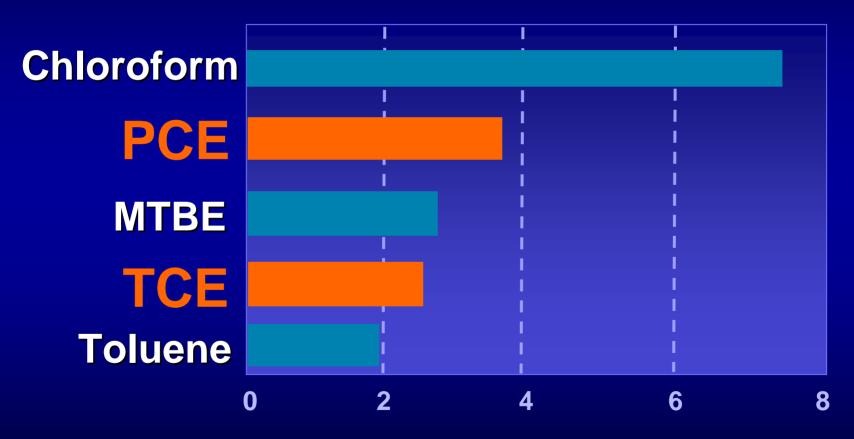


Chloroform was the most frequently detected VOC in aquifer samples





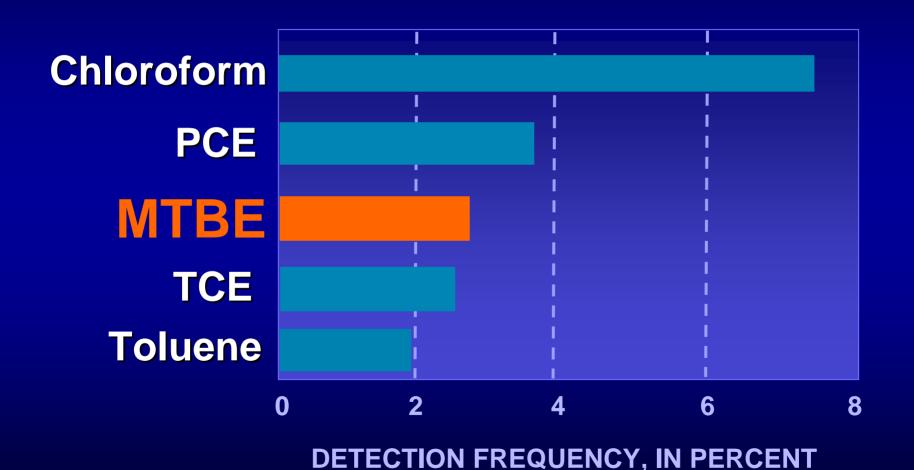
PCE and TCE were also frequently detected in aquifer samples



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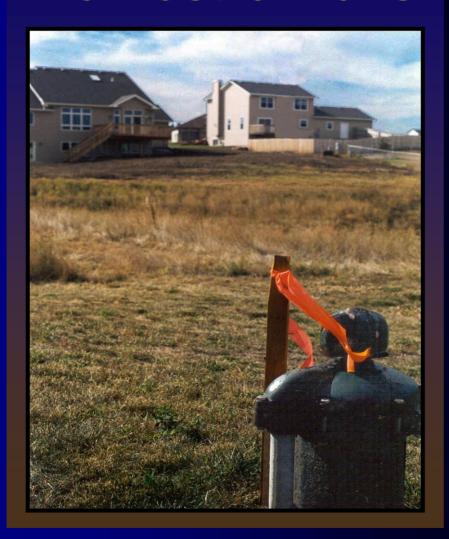


MTBE was the third most frequently detected VOC in aquifer samples



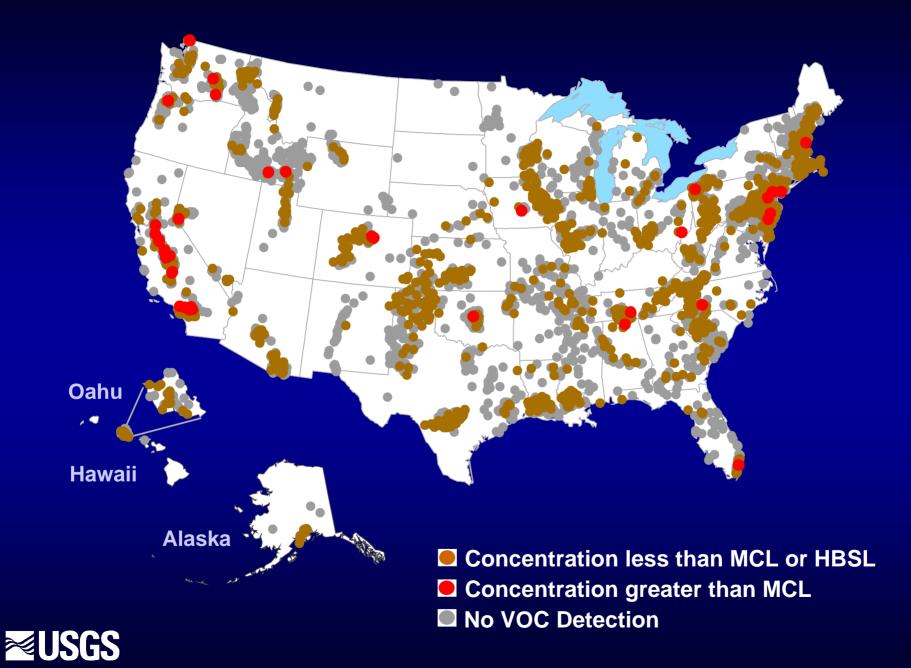


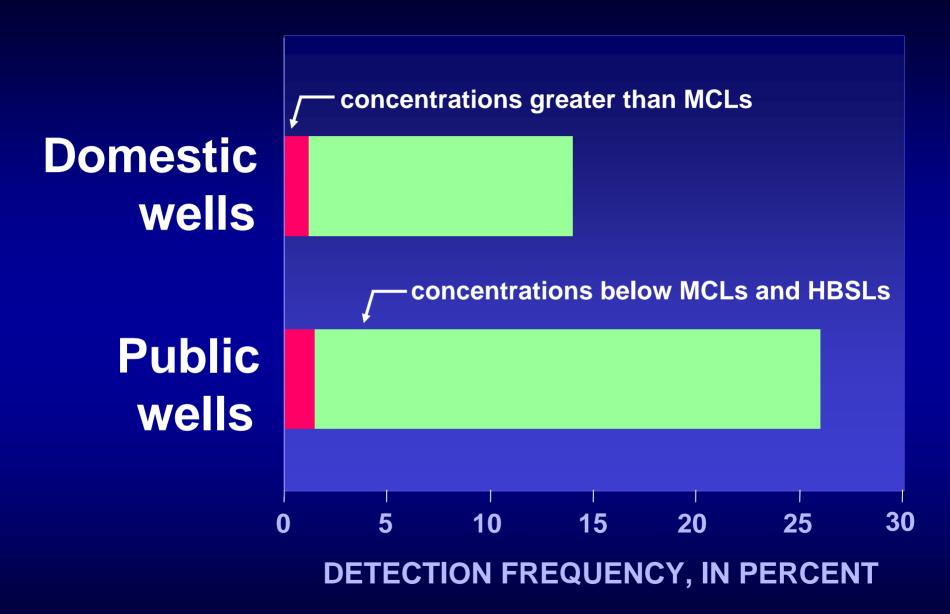
Domestic wells and Public wells











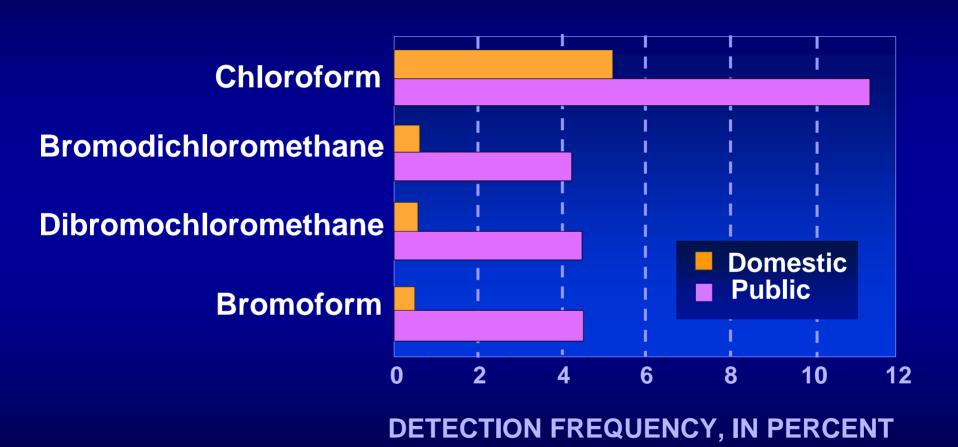


VOCs with concentrations greater than MCLs

		Well type	
Group	Compound	Domestic	Public
Fumigants	DBCP	Х	
	1,2-Dichloropropane	X	
	EDB	X	
Solvents	TCE	X	Х
	PCE	X	X
	Methylene chloride		X
Chemical production	1,1-Dichloroethene	X	X
	Vinyl chloride		X



THMs in domestic and public wells





Summary

- Widespread occurrence of VOCs
- Concentrations seldom of potential concern
- Large number of vulnerable aquifers

