

Costs of Artificial Water Fluoridation

3 Case Studies

Toronto, Ontario (population 2.5 million) would save ½ billion dollars over 10 years if they stopped fluoridation.

A recent cost analysis submitted to Toronto city council on March 1, 2010 demonstrates that Toronto would generate from \$420.7 million to \$760.5 million in estimated cost savings over a ten year period.

<http://gerrycooper.typepad.com/blog/2010/03/a-safe-and-sustainable-toronto.html>

Sacramento California (population ½ million) would save almost \$1 million per year if they stopped fluoridation - \$2/person/yr.

"Management Partners, a consulting group hired by the city, suggests that the city stop fluoridating its water supply. The firm states that if the city cuts water fluoridation from its budget, it could retain \$836,000 each year. The city has a \$43 million budget gap." See:

<http://www.sacramentoexpress.com/headline/27199>

New York, NY (population 8 million) would save between \$11 and \$12 million per year if they stopped fluoridation-\$1.50/person/year.

Direct Maintenance and Capital Costs

\$5,145,473.54 – fluoride chemicals
\$4,290.00 – chemicals and supplies to test water F levels
\$5,992,351.86 – sodium hydroxide (pH adjustment chemicals)
\$500.00 - preventive gear
\$50,000.00 – capital costs
\$11,192,615.40 – TOTAL not including employee costs

Yearly Employee Costs

\$514,624 – 11 Watershed Maintainers @ \$46,784.00/person
\$113,226 – 2 Supervisors of Watershed Maintainers @ \$56,613/person
\$627,850/year – TOTAL employee costs