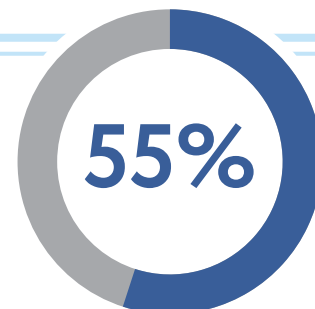


SAFE DRINKING WATER SNAPSHOT

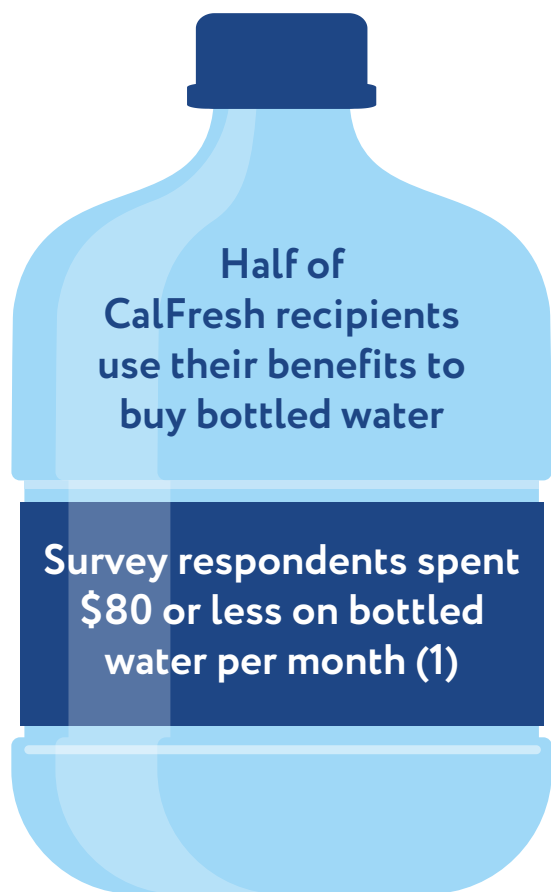
More than one million Californians lack access to safe drinking water. The lack of safe drinking water is a threat to food security. The CalFresh Safe Drinking Water Pilot gives \$50/month in benefits to more than 4,800 people in select zip codes that lack access to safe drinking water.

A MAJORITY OF CALIFORNIANS DO NOT TRUST THE SAFETY OF THEIR TAP WATER*

This distrust is highest in the counties surrounding Los Angeles (60%) and the Central Valley/Central Coast (64%)



As a result: 72% of respondents buy bottled water as an alternative



“I have a water jug here that I fill up. I got three of them and it costs me \$2.50 to fill a 5-gallon up. And with a family of six we go through three 5-gallon jugs a week.

It will go quick because of the weather lately, because of the heat. You know, you got to have it to stay hydrated.”

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(1) The original survey question asked respondents how much was spent on bottled water each week. This value was re-calculated to estimate a monthly expense.