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- This article was specifically created by the writers for Gale Opposing viewpoints to provide background information for high school students doing research on lead contaminated water.
- It is a secondary source and provides an overview of my topic.

## Notes:

- Prior to 1986, lead was used in water service lines, pipe systems, and plumbing fixtures serving residences and businesses in many parts of the United States. A
- As lead in the pipes degrades, it contaminates the water that flows through these systems.
- <u>Major symptoms of lead poisoning include</u> impaired liver, kidney, and brain function along with hearing loss, loss of reproductive capability, mood disturbances and depression, abdominal pain, chronic headaches, and vomiting.
- Flint, Michigan: that began in 2014 mass lead poisoning from contaminated water supplies.
- Federal lawmakers have called on the EPA to pass stricter standards and require that lead pipes be replaced.
- Efforts to address lead contamination have mainly focused on abatement strategies and the treatment, removal, and replacement of water infrastructure containing lead.
- A major infrastructure bill passed by Congress in 2021 allotted \$15 billion over five years for the removal and replacement of lead water mains and pipes throughout the country.