

Drinking Water 1-2-3 Academy: Lead Service Line Replacement

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Cost of Replacement

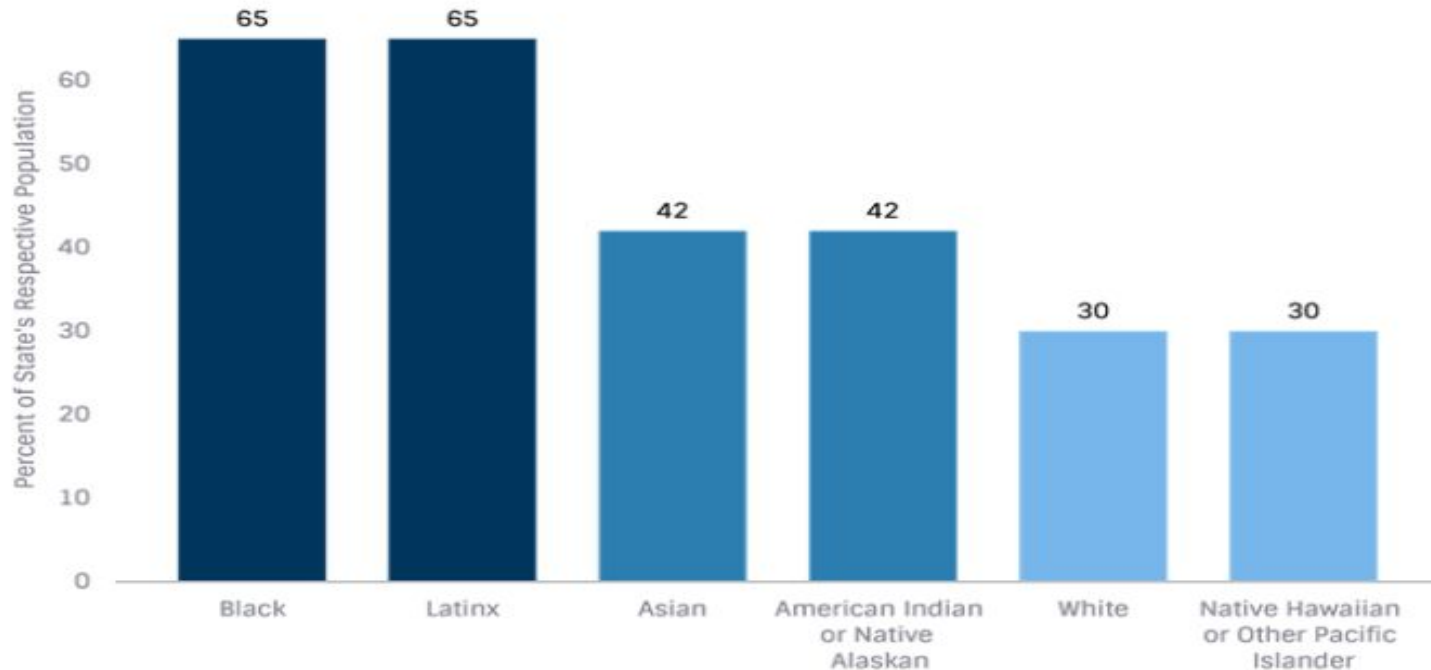
- Cost of lead service line replacement varies greatly. It can cost anywhere from **\$4,500** to as much as **\$25,000**.
- Average estimated cost is about **\$8,000**.
- Average total estimated cost to replace LSLs in Illinois **\$5,488,000,00**



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Representation of Racial and Ethnic Groups in Municipalities with the Most Lead Service Lines



Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act (HB 3739)

- Mandates full lead service line replacement within a required timeframe
- Bans partial lead service line replacement
- Requires water systems to submit a service line inventory to the state
- Requires water systems to submit a lead service line replacement plan to the state
- Creates lead service line replacement fund
- Creates the Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board
- Establishes a low income water assistance policy and program

What to expect

Water Systems are required to:

- Identify and replace lead service lines during the process of water main replacement beginning **January 1st, 2022**.
- Submit an initial **service line inventory** to the state by **April 15, 2023** and a final complete inventory by **April 15, 2024**
- Submit an initial lead service line replacement plan to the state by **April 15, 2024** and an **updated plan every April 15th for review** until a **final comprehensive plan** is submitted **April 15th, 2027**.

Equity Components

- Mandating the replacement of ALL lead service lines
- Prioritizing high risk facilities and high risk areas for inspection and replacement
- Establishing the Lead Service Line Replacement Fund
- Establishing a low income water assistance program
- Equity components for job contracts

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