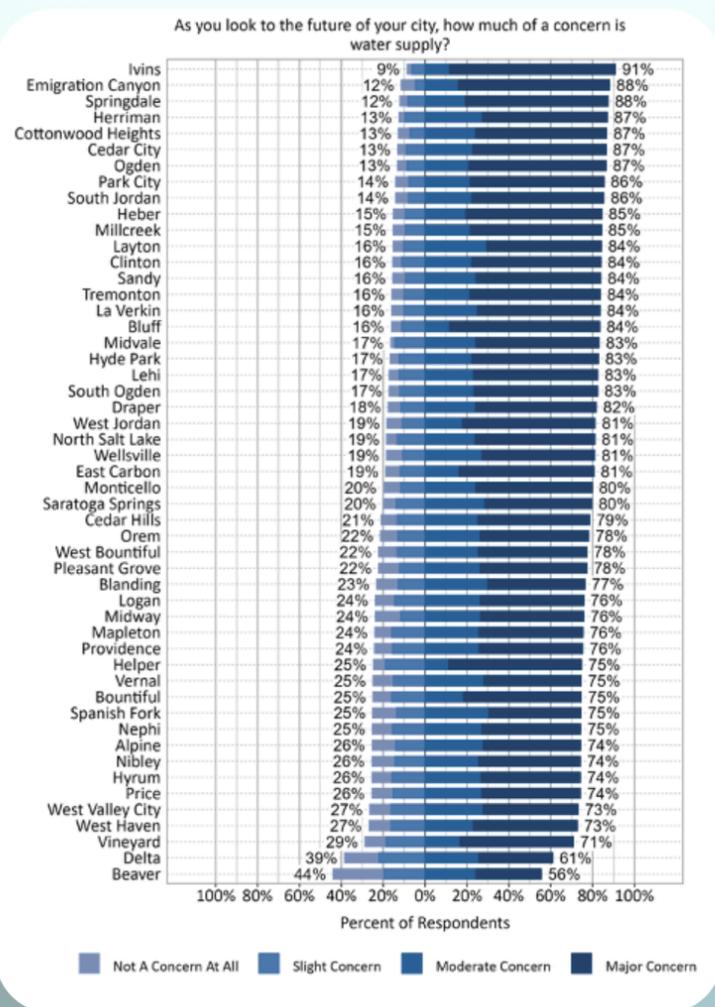


Water Supply and Water Quality: Concerns among Utah Residents

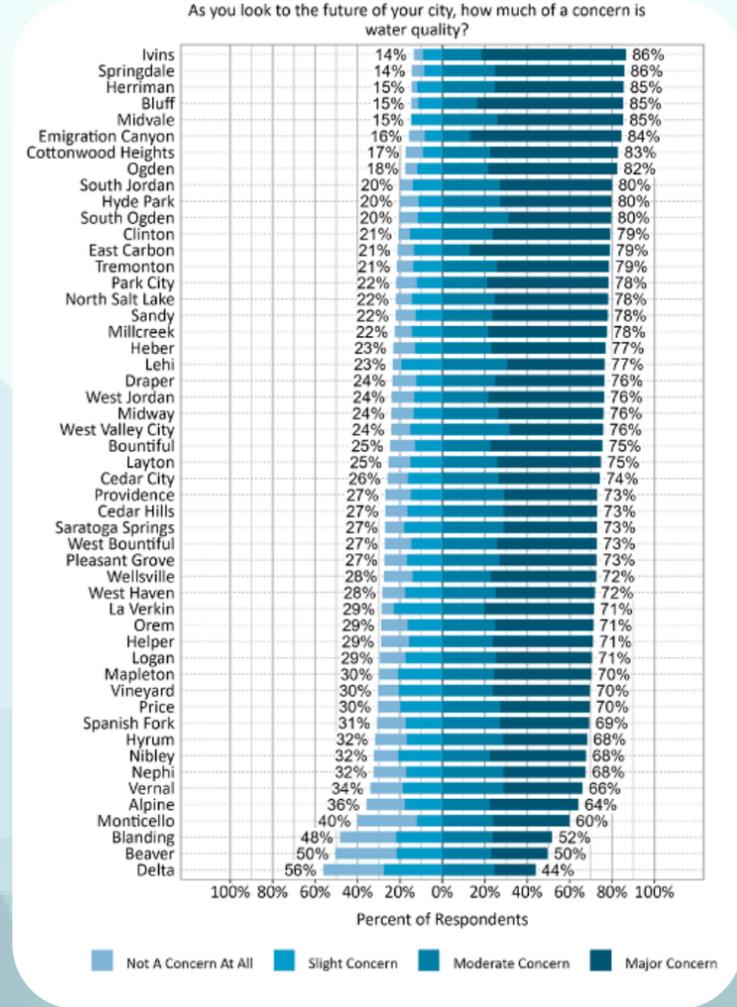
What the Data Shows

We surveyed over 14,000 Utahns from 51 cities or towns. Consistent with its desert geography, **80%** of Utahns reported moderate or major levels of concern about water supply, and **74%** reported moderate or major levels of concern about water quality.

Concern about Water Supply



Concern about Water Quality



These figures show how concern about water supply and water quality varies across cities in Utah. The cities near the top reported the most concern, while the cities at the bottom reported less concern.

What are some solutions?

In response to an open-ended question of what can be done to improve their local environmental quality, Utahns proposed a wide variety of solutions to address water supply and quality concerns:

"We need to get serious about implementing ... water conservation measures." - Ogden Resident

"Slow down new housing till the problems with the water lines and wells are solved." - Wellsville Resident

"Clean-up Utah Lake and help the community get involved in beautifying and cleaning Utah lake ... and impose HEAVY fines on people that litter at the lake/marinas." - Saratoga Springs Resident

"Promote xeriscaping HARD, even if it means subsidizing" - West Jordan Resident

"Fix the pipes, they keep breaking. Water supply needs to be increased for emergency needs." - Bountiful Resident



Utah can protect its water by using less and reusing more through smarter irrigation, fewer grassy lawns, fixing leaks, sustainable development, and cleaning and reusing wastewater.



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