

# Utah Radon Fact Sheet

## UTAH RADON PROGRAM

Radon.Utah.Gov

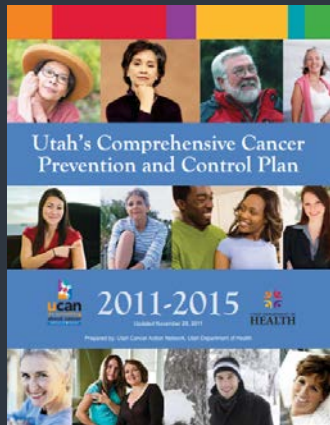
Contact: Eleanor Divver  
edivver@utah.gov

801-536-0091

Radon Hotline:

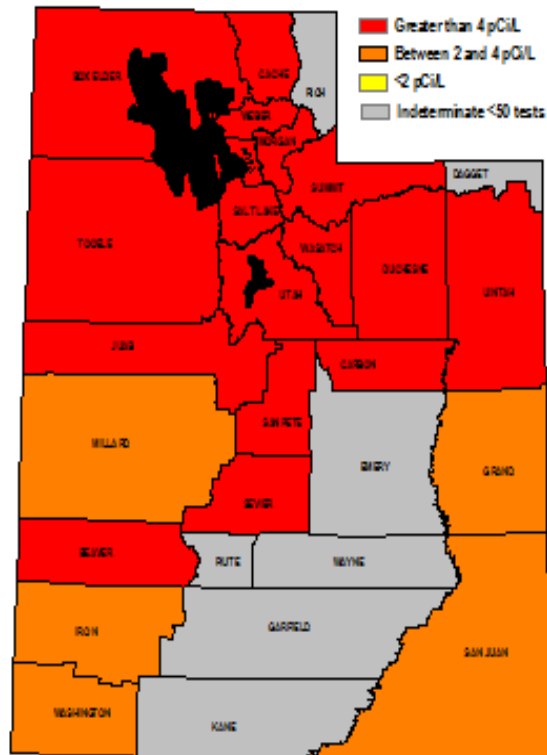
800-458-0145

195 North 1950 West,  
Salt Lake City, UT  
84114



Utah Cancer Control  
Plan

[https://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/p ublications/cancer/ccc/utah\\_ccc\\_plan\\_2011\\_2015.pdf](https://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/p ublications/cancer/ccc/utah_ccc_plan_2011_2015.pdf)



## 1 in 3 Utah homes has Elevated Radon Levels

- The State has 55,000 radon test results:
  - 5.3 pCi/L of air is our average
  - 63% below 4 pCi/L of air
  - 37 % above 4pCi/L of air
  - Maximum level – 664 pCi/L
- Radon Test Kit is \$9 through State's website: Radon.Utah.Gov

The only way to know if you have elevated Radon Levels is to test your home for Radon

*Maps and tables are not intended to be used to determine if a home in a given area should be tested for radon. Homes with elevated levels of radon have been found in all areas of the state. All homes should be tested regardless of geographic location.*

## Utah Pending/Enacted Legislation

Currently, there is no statutory authority to regulate indoor radon or the qualifications of those persons that perform radon measurement and mitigation services professionally in our state. But working to get an education bill passed. Utah provide cash and/or in kind match of 40% or greater on the funds received for the EPA SIRG.

## Utah Radon Coalition

- Utah has one of the most active radon coalitions with approximately 26 members.
- Representing the coalition are: Oncologists, Doctor's, Builders, Mitigators, Lobbyists, Lung Cancer Survivors, County Health Representatives, State Government, etc.
- Have been instrumental in collaborating with legislators to pass legislation

## Real Estate and Radon within Utah

- Included Radon on the Real Estate Due-Diligence Check-List
- Increased number of testing during transactions since realtors are required to go over the Checklist with all clients buying and selling a home
- Over 400 realtors were trained in a CE course for realtors titled "Radon for the Real Estate Professional."

## Utah Pending/Enacted Legislation

**Utah Code § 58-55-305:** Requires those installing or repairing radon mitigation systems to be licensed as a contractor under the state's construction trades licensing law.

Pursuant to state regulations (Utah Admin. Code R156-55a-302b), applicants for the Radon Mitigation Contractor specialty classification must hold a current certificate from the National Radon Safety Board or National Radon Proficiency Program.

**Utah Code 26-7-7:** Requires the Department of Health, in consultation with the Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control, to develop a statewide electronic awareness campaign to educate the public regarding: the existence and prevalence of radon gas in buildings and structures; the health risks associated with radon gas; and options for radon testing and remediation.

**Utah Concurrent Resolution 11 (2013):** Urges property owners, business owners, landlords, real estate professionals, home builders, government agencies, and others to take action to test for and remediate radon and educate the public about the dangers and risks of radon exposure.

## Utah Radon Awareness, Education, Testing and Mitigation

- The educational component is fulfilled through teaching realtor classes, builder's classes, mitigation classes and other groups that have a special interest in learning more about radon
- Newborn Baby Program – give free radon test kits for new families, able to test their homes
- Interact with ten local Health Districts to educate residents about radon and its health effects
- Attend local home shows, health-fairs
- Teach Environmental Science students at High Schools and Junior Highs
- Radon Poster Contest – receiving over 400 posters from Utah students in 2017