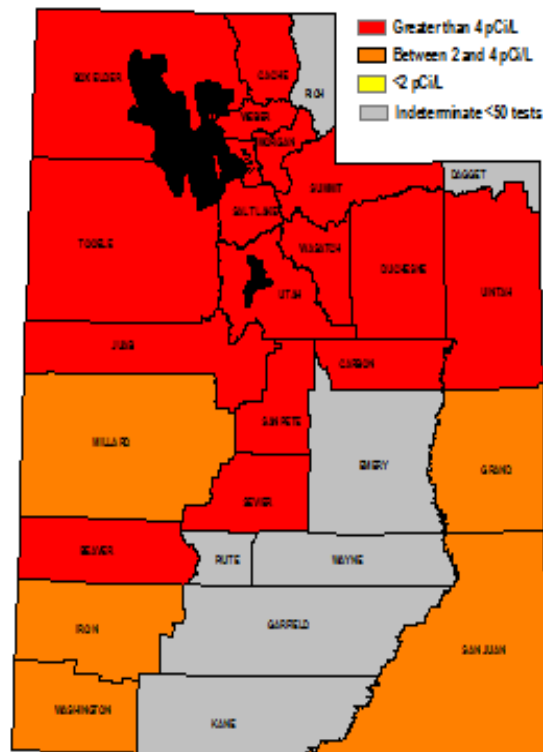


# Utah Radon Facts



Utah has been tracking Radon Test results since 1993 –

## **1 in 3 Utah homes has Elevated Radon Levels**

The State has 37,000 radon test results:

- 5.2 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

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

Radon Test Kit is \$9 through State's website: **Radon.Utah.Gov**

### **Radon Legislation in Utah:**

Executive Appropriations Committee passed \$50,000 funding for the Utah Indoor Air Program  
Funding is ongoing, starts FY 2015 -supports a part-time radon position at the State level  
Legislative session 2013 passed SB109 for Utah – setting aside \$25,000 for electronic media campaign to educate Utah residents about Radon Gas and its health effects on Lung Cancer  
Legislative session 2014 passed a subsequent radon media campaign for \$25,000  
Legislative session 2015 passed a subsequent radon media campaign for \$150,000

### **Real Estate and Radon within Utah**

\*Real Estate Due-Diligence Check-List:

\*In Spring of 2014 the Utah Board of Realtors updated their Due- Diligence checklist and put Radon as the #4 item to consider

\*Realtors are required to go over the Checklist with all clients buying and selling a home

\*Since radon has been added to the Checklist, an increase in testing during transactions is occurring

### **Utah Building Code**

In 2016, the Utah Construction Commission voted to remove the requirement “that a radon certified mitigator be required for the work in the building of a new home.” The new code would allow a builder to use any contractor to build in RRNC (Radon Resistant New Construction).

In 2016, the Uniform Building Code Commission recommended that Appendix F be recommended as a bill to the Utah Legislature.

### **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

### **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 700 posters from Utah students/year

### **SIRG Funding Match**

The State of Utah **does not** receive funding to match the SIRG funds. We have been fortunate the past couple of years to have received some funding for educational campaigns. But there is no guarantee that this will continue.

### **For more information on Radon in the State of Utah**

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