

2019 WATER & SEWER RATE SURVEY

PREPARED BY
THE CITY OF OAKWOOD

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Each year the city of Oakwood collects and compiles water and sanitary sewer rate information from jurisdictions in Southwest Ohio and presents the results in the form of comparative bar charts. Reporting governmental entities use this rate analysis in various ways. Water and sewer rates are established to address the costs of providing the utility service. The rates are a function of annual operating expenses and capital expenses. Rates can vary dramatically depending on the scope and timing of major capital investments.

Each participating jurisdiction is asked to calculate their effective water and sewer cost using a base consumption of 22,500 gallons (or 3,000 cubic feet) over a three month period of time. Since reporting entities may bill on a monthly, bi-monthly or quarterly basis and have minimum consumption fees, multipliers, surcharges, etc., calculations must be done carefully to obtain an accurate presentation of the data. The city uses a calculation worksheet to assist participants in determining their quarterly cost and to ensure data accuracy.

Oakwood staff carefully reviews all responses and contacts jurisdictions to double-check calculations in cases where figures appear to be incorrect or noticeably out of line with prior year numbers.

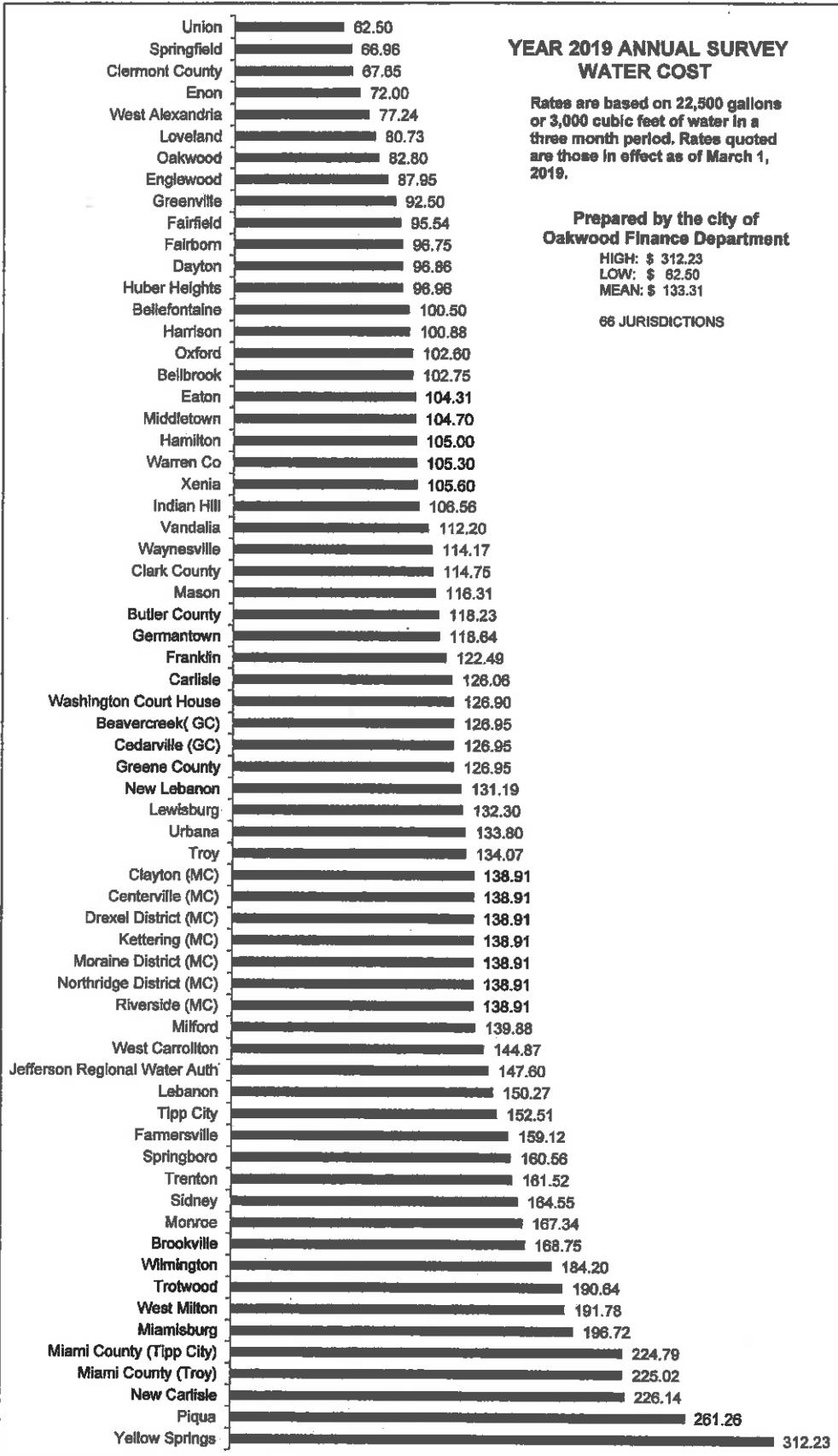
The methodology used in completing the survey is as follows:

- 1) A survey form is e-mailed to each participating entity in early February.
- 2) Data forms are collected until late February and entered into a tally sheet.
- 3) Second request letters are sent in late February to entities that have not responded.
- 4) The tally sheet is completed once all responses are received.
- 5) The data for each entity is compared to the previous year. Any entity that reports a decrease in rates or an increase in excess of 10% is contacted for verification and recalculation, if necessary. Entities providing water and/or sewer service to multiple jurisdictions, such as the city of Dayton, Montgomery County and Greene County are contacted to verify the correct rate for the various jurisdictions being served.
- 6) The corrected survey information is compiled into bar charts.
- 7) Each responding entity and other interested parties are sent a summary of the survey results.

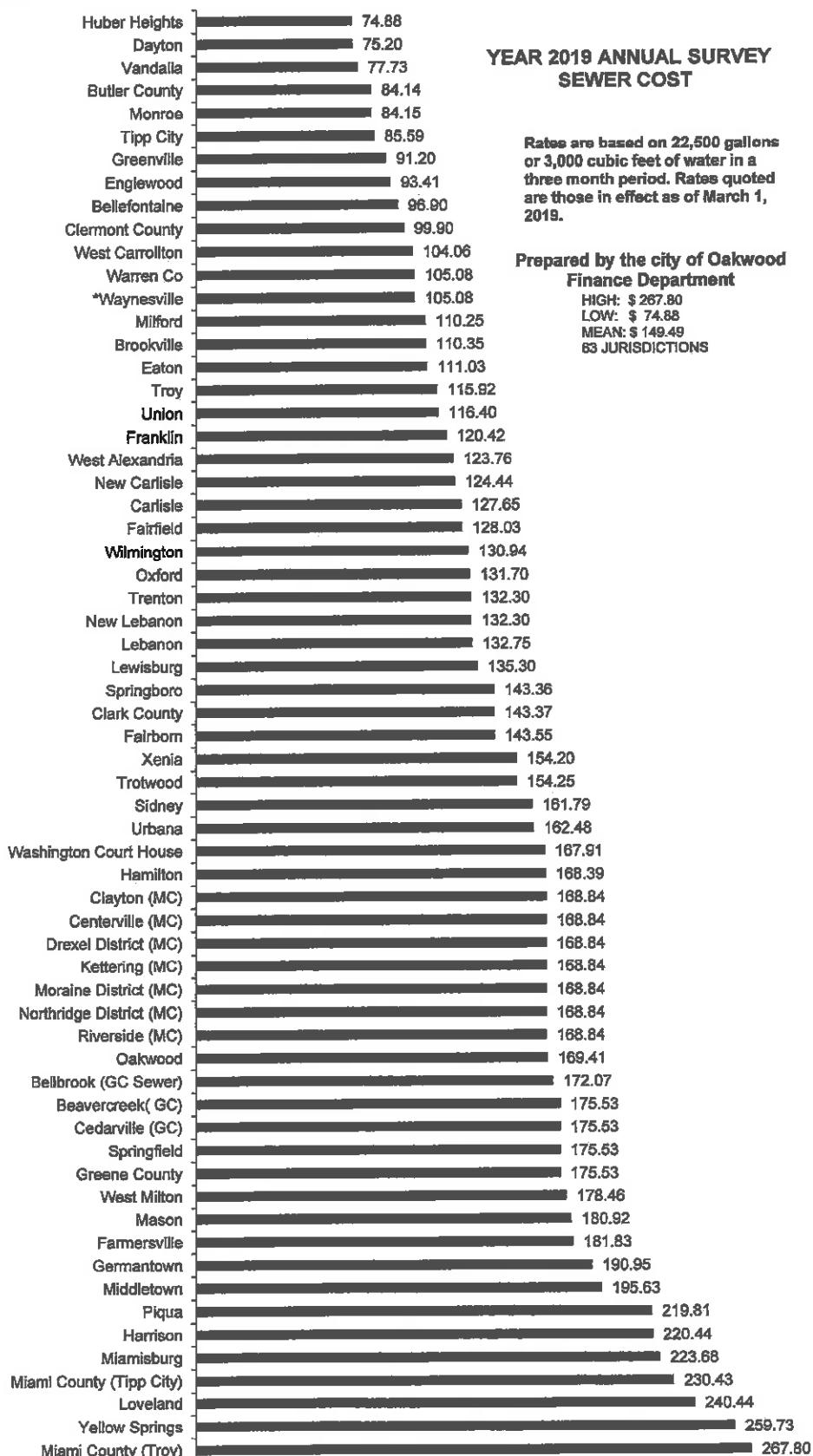
The 2019 survey reflects a collective rate increase compared to 2018, as follows:

Water:	3.0%
Sewer:	2.6%
Combined:	2.7%

Questions regarding the survey should be addressed to Theresa L. Rushlow, Utility Clerk, city of Oakwood, at (937) 298-0400.



**YEAR 2019 ANNUAL SURVEY
SEWER COST**



Rates are based on 22,500 gallons
or 3,000 cubic feet of water in a
three month period. Rates quoted
are those in effect as of March 1,
2019.

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HIGH: \$ 267.80
LOW: \$ 74.88
MEAN: \$ 149.49
63 JURISDICTIONS

**YEAR 2019 ANNUAL SURVEY
COMBINED WATER & SEWER COST**

Clermont County	167.55
Huber Heights	171.84
Dayton	172.06
Union	178.90
Englewood	181.36
Greenville	183.70
Vandalia	189.93
Bellefontaine	197.40
West Alexandria	201.00
Butler County	202.37
Warren Co	210.38
Eaton	215.34
*Waynesville	219.25
Fairfield	223.57
Oxford	234.30
Tipp City	238.10
Fairborn	240.30
Springfield	242.49
Franklin	242.91
West Carrollton	248.93
Troy	249.99
Milford	250.13
Monroe	251.49
Oakwood	252.21
Carlisle	253.71
Clark County	258.12
Xenia	259.80
New Lebanon	263.49
Lewisburg	267.60
Hamilton	273.39
Bellbrook (GC sewer)	274.82
Brookville	279.10
Lebanon	283.02
Trenton	293.82
Washington Court House	294.81
Urbana	298.28
Mason	297.23
Middletown	300.33
Beavercreek (GC)	302.48
Cedarville (GC)	302.48
Greene County	302.48
Springboro	303.92
Centerville (MC)	307.75
Clayton (MC)	307.75
Drexel District (MC)	307.75
Kettering (MC)	307.75
Moraine (MC)	307.75
Northridge District (MC)	307.75
Riverside (MC)	307.75
Germantown	309.59
Wilmington	315.14
Loveland	321.17
Harrison	321.32
Sidney	326.34
Farmersville	340.95
Trotwood	344.89
New Carlisle	350.58
West Milton	370.24
Miamisburg	420.40
Miami County (Tipp City)	455.22
Piqua	481.07
Miami County (Troy)	492.82
Yellow Springs	571.96

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HIGH: \$ 571.96
LOW: \$ 167.55
MEAN: \$ 283.97
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