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Nevada Statewide Radon Potential by Zip Code

Radon is a colorless, odorless, and tasteless radioactive gas that occurs naturally in most rocks and soils. It is produced by the decay of uranium in soil, rock and water. Radon is harmlessly dispersed in outdoor air, but when trapped in buildings it can build up, increasing the risk of lung cancer.

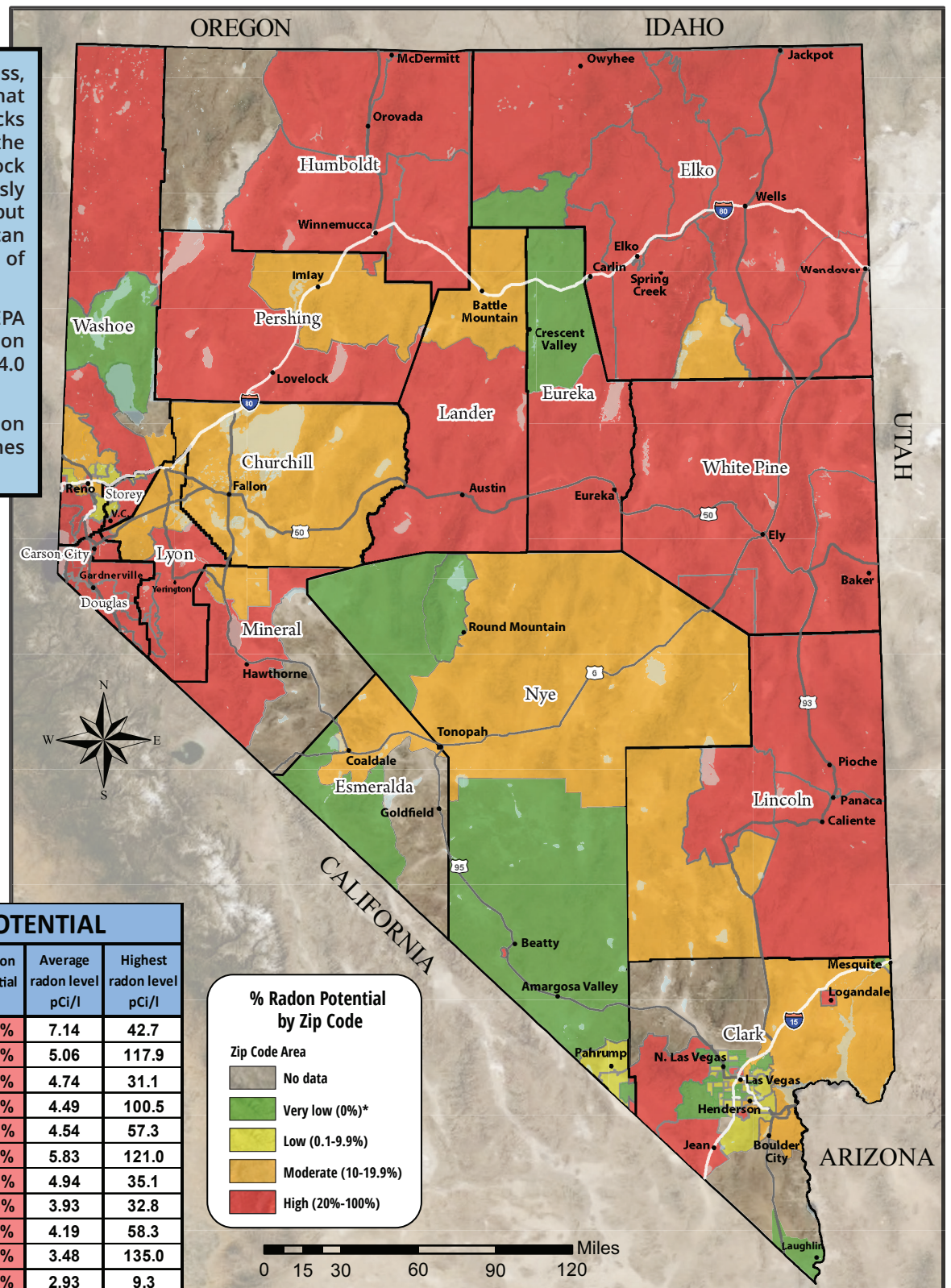
The EPA Action Level: The U.S. EPA recommends that you take action to reduce radon levels that are 4.0 pCi/l or higher.

*The EPA and the U.S. Surgeon General recommends all homes be tested for radon.

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RADON POTENTIAL					
County	Total valid tests	4 pCi/l and greater	% Radon Potential ↓	Average radon level pCi/l	Highest radon level pCi/l
Pershing	205	120	58.5%	7.14	42.7
Douglas	4,437	1,804	40.7%	5.06	117.9
Mineral	106	43	40.6%	4.74	31.1
Carson City	1,908	760	39.8%	4.49	100.5
Elko	479	174	36.3%	4.54	57.3
Lincoln	80	26	32.5%	5.83	121.0
Eureka	26	8	30.8%	4.94	35.1
White Pine	213	65	30.5%	3.93	32.8
Humboldt	301	87	28.9%	4.19	58.3
Lyon	1,220	331	27.1%	3.48	135.0
Storey	45	12	26.7%	2.93	9.3
Washoe	10,700	2,341	21.9%	3.33	195.0
Churchill	499	83	16.6%	2.75	16.4
Lander	155	24	15.5%	2.90	24.9
Clark	3,713	411	11.1%	2.07	70.0
Nye	181	14	7.7%	1.83	9.2
Esmeralda	3	-	0%*	1.40	1.9
Totals	24,271	6,303	26.0%	3.61	

**Note: Results are based on independently tested home data from program-provided kits, radon professionals and radon labs, from 1989 to Mar. 31, 2019. When known, post-mitigation results are not included and usable results are valid tests, one per home, using the highest radon level on the lowest tested level of the home.



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*Small sample size: more testing is needed to reference reliable radon potential for this area.