

# Results of Alkalinity Calculator

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**Site Name:** MW01 - Sample 2, Replicate

**Site ID:** 431525108371901

**Collection Date:** 4/24/12

**Collection Time:** 1831

**Sample Temperature:** 20.60 °C

**Sample Conductance:** 1378.0 µS/cm

**Analyst:** Peter McMahon

**Analysis Date:** 4/24/12

**Analysis Time:**

**Sample Volume:** 100 mL

**Filtered?:** yes

**Acid Concentration:** 1.60 eq/L

**Acid Lot Number:** A0321

**Acid Correction Factor:** 1.010 [[help](#)]

**Acid Expiration Date:** July 2012

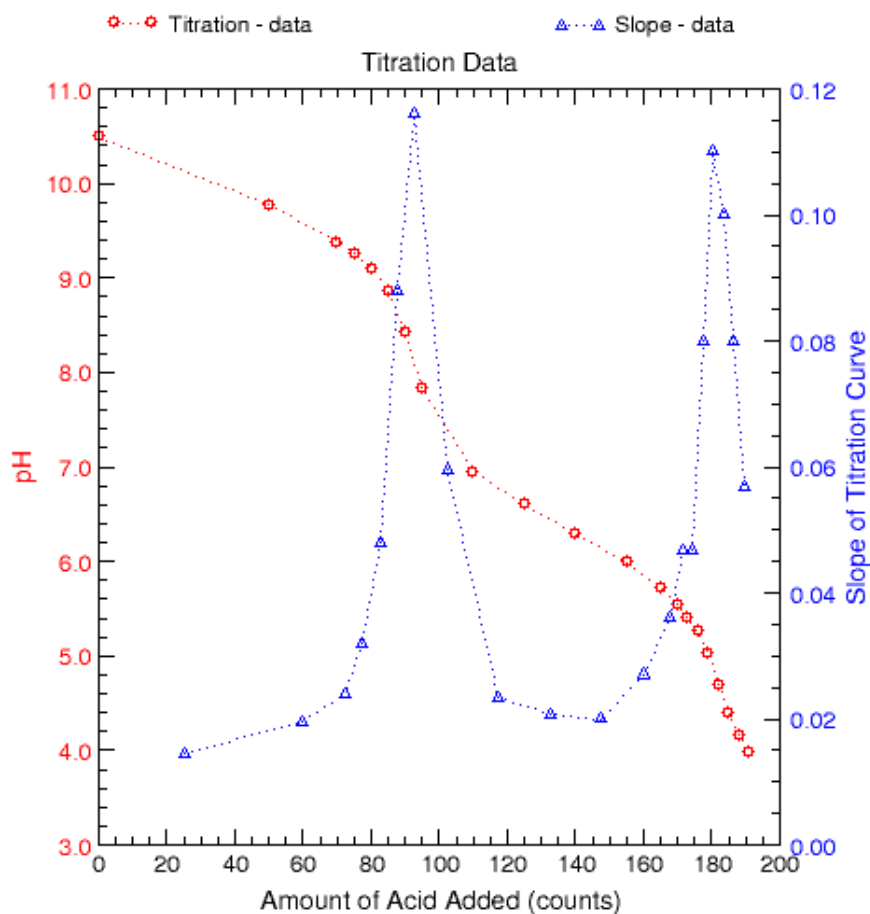
**Stirring Method:** magnetic

**Titration Type:** digital titration

**Comments:** This sample was collected after three borehole volumes had been purged from well.

**Titration Data:**

pH	-d(pH)	Counts	d(Counts)	-d(pH)/d(Counts)
10.49		0		
9.77	0.72	50	50.0	0.014400
9.38	0.39	70	20.0	0.019500
9.26	0.12	75	5.0	0.024000
9.10	0.16	80	5.0	0.032000
8.86	0.24	85	5.0	0.048000
8.42	0.44	90	5.0	0.088000
7.84	0.58	95	5.0	0.116000
6.95	0.89	110	15.0	0.059333
6.60	0.35	125	15.0	0.023333
6.29	0.31	140	15.0	0.020667
5.99	0.30	155	15.0	0.020000
5.72	0.27	165	10.0	0.027000
5.54	0.18	170	5.0	0.036000
5.40	0.14	173	3.0	0.046667
5.26	0.14	176	3.0	0.046667
5.02	0.24	179	3.0	0.080000
4.69	0.33	182	3.0	0.110000
4.39	0.30	185	3.0	0.100000
4.15	0.24	188	3.0	0.080000
3.98	0.17	191	3.0	0.056667



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**Results from  
Inflection  
Point  
Method:**

Inflection Point Method		
The <a href="#">inflection point method</a> determines endpoints by finding the greatest change in the measured pH per unit volume of acid added. [ <a href="#">reporting tips</a> ]		
Carbonate endpoint:	pH 8.13	92.5 counts
Bicarbonate endpoint:	pH 4.85	180.5 counts
Alkalinity:	3.65 meq/L	182.5 mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
<i>Advanced Speciation (from alkalinity and sample pH)</i>		
Hydroxide:	0.25 meq/L	4.3 mg/L as OH <sup>-</sup>
Carbonate:	2.70 meq/L	81.1 mg/L as CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup>
Bicarbonate:	0.69 meq/L	42.3 mg/L as HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
<b>Warning:</b> The carbonate endpoint found in this titration (92.5 counts) does not agree well with the calculated theoretical carbonate endpoint for this sample (79.3 counts). This is an indication that something significant, other than hydroxide, carbonate, and bicarbonate, was neutralized in this titration. <b>The calculated values for carbonate and bicarbonate may</b>		

not represent their true concentrations in the sample and should be reported only as estimates. Use the "e" remark code when entering the carbonate and bicarbonate concentrations into NWIS. [[more info](#)]

**Equilibrium  
Dissociation  
Constants:**

Constituent	Symbol	$\log_{10}(K)$
Water	$K_w'$	-14.09
Carbonic acid	$K_1'$	-6.32
Bicarbonate	$K_2'$	-10.20

These mixed acid dissociation constants have been corrected for both temperature effects and activity corrections, using the following data as the basis for those corrections:

Temperature:	20.60 °C
Specific conductance:	1378.0 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$
Estimated ionic strength:	2.03e-02 eq/L

If you don't think the inflection point method, either of the theoretical carbonate titration curve methods, or the Gran method found the correct endpoints, hit the **Back** button on your browser and try again with one or more user-specified fixed endpoints.

Confused about the methods used? See the [methods](#) page.

Thanks for using the **Alkalinity Calculator!**