

Water Savings for the New Year



Take the "I'm for Water" Pledge!

Commit to using less water by making adjustments to your water use throughout the year with USEPA's [WaterSense](https://www.epa.gov/watersense/im-water-pledge) (<https://www.epa.gov/watersense/im-water-pledge>).

Download the [2024 WaterSense Pledge monthly checklist](#) which provides a couple of simple steps you can take each month to save and protect our water supplies.

Join thousands of others throughout the country who are doing their part in protecting this precious natural resource we can't live without!

Water Savings Are on Tap All Year in 2024!

Complete the New Year and Pledge Savings throughout 2024, by taking the "I'm for Water" Pledge to conserve and protect our water supplies. To reward that pledge, check out these simple steps each month to save water for future generations.

January 2024

- Take control of your water use by being the "C.O.D.D." (Cold, Open, Drip, Done).
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February 2024

- If you're looking for a new home, look for a WaterSense certified home.
- Check for leaks in your home.

March 2024

- For the best water, turn off your faucet, brush and other accessories and use the "F" (Faucet) button.
- Check for leaks in your home.

April 2024

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May 2024

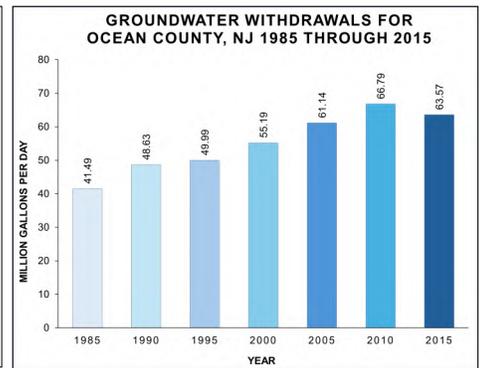
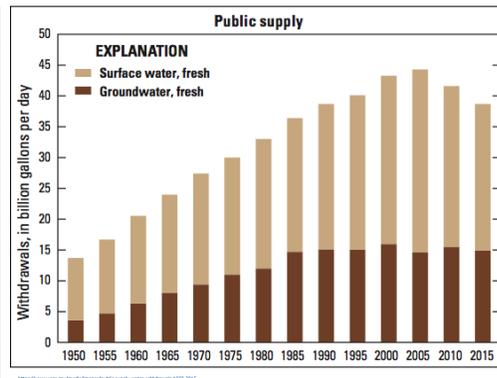
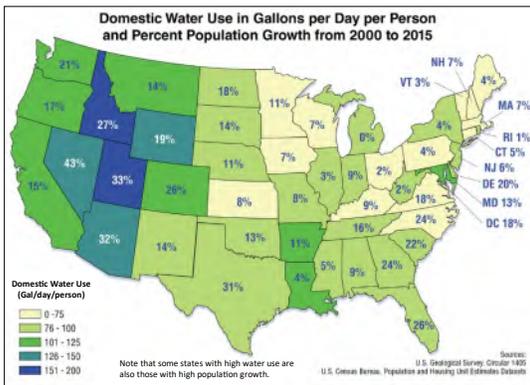
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June 2024

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We Use a Lot of Water Everyday!

In 2015, we used an average of **82 gallons of water per person per day**. Unnecessary everyday water use puts greater stress on our water supplies. These supplies include surface water (streams and reservoirs) and wells that withdraw groundwater (aquifers). Population growth puts additional pressure on these supplies. The United States' population used less than 15 billion gallons of water per day in 1950. By 2015 this use grew to over 35 billion gallons a day. Groundwater withdrawals for Ocean County, New Jersey in 1985 was about 41 million gallons per day and increased to over 63 million gallons per day by 2015. Even though our planet appears to have plenty of water, only 3% is freshwater. About 2% of this cannot be used since it is locked in glaciers or so deep within the Earth that current technology cannot tap it. That leaves about 1% of freshwater for our use. Remember to conserve water and keep our water supplies clean so we have enough water for future generations.



Being Smart Saves Water, Energy, and Money!



The average family can save **38,000 gallons of water** per year by retrofitting with WaterSense labeled fixtures (toilets, faucets, showerheads) and ENERGY STAR certified appliances (clothes washers, dishwashers), or the amount of water needed to supply an average family for more than 4 months.

The average family spends nearly **\$1,200 per year on water**, but can save nearly \$420 annually from retrofitting with WaterSense labeled fixtures and ENERGY STAR certified appliances.

We Can Use Less Water and Energy with WaterSense and ENERGY STAR Certified Products

	COLD		& HOT			
	Efficient	Typical	Efficient	Typical	Efficient	Typical
Toilets	17.0 gphd	34.5 gphd	108 gphd	138 gphd	0.9 gphd	1.6 gphd
Irrigation	108 gphd	138 gphd	24.9 gphd	30 gphd	10.3 gphd	24.6 gphd
Faucets	24.9 gphd	26.5 gphd	24 gphd	30 gphd	0.9 gphd	1.6 gphd
Showerheads	24 gphd	30 gphd	0.9 gphd	1.6 gphd	10.3 gphd	24.6 gphd
Dishwasher	0.9 gphd	1.6 gphd	10.3 gphd	24.6 gphd		
Clothes Washer	10.3 gphd	24.6 gphd				

gphd = Gallons per Household per Day.
 Measures the amount of water used by a household on a daily basis.

