

Water Facts

- The average person in the United States uses anywhere from 80-100 gallons of water per day. Flushing the toilet actually takes up the largest amount of this water.
- In a year, the average American residence uses over 100,000 gallons.
- Two-thirds of the water used in the average home is used in the bathroom.
- A bath uses up to 70 gallons of water; a five-minute shower uses 10 to 25 gallons.
- A running toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water each day.
- You can save 2,190 gallons of water per person per year by only flushing the toilet once a day.
- At one drip per second, a faucet can leak 3,000 gallons in a year.
- Ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day.
- Approximately 85 percent of U.S. residents receive their water from public water facilities. The remaining 15 percent supply their own water from private wells or other sources.
- Water itself does not conduct electricity well, but the impurities found in water do.
- The U.S. uses less water now than it did in 1970.