

Water usage survey

Answer for the home you live in and a normal week. Rough counts are fine, and there is no need to look anything up.

Area or postcode

Date

For each statement, tick one box from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree).

1 How many people live in your home, including you?

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 or more

2 How long was your last shower?

☐ Under 5 min ☐ 5 to 7 min ☐ 8 to 10 min ☐ 11 to 15 min ☐ Over 15 min

3 How many loads of laundry does your home wash in a typical week?

☐ 0 to 2 ☐ 3 to 4 ☐ 5 to 6 ☐ 7 to 9 ☐ 10 or more

4 Which of these does your home have? (tick all that apply)

☐ Low-flow showerhead ☐ Low-flow toilet ☐ Tap aerators ☐ Efficient washer ☐ Dishwasher
☐ Not sure

5 When did anyone last check your home for leaks?

☐ In the last month ☐ In the last year ☐ Longer ago ☐ Never ☐ Not sure

6 In summer, how often is your lawn or garden watered?

☐ Every day ☐ A few times a week ☐ Once a week ☐ Rarely or never ☐ No lawn or garden

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE					STRONGLY AGREE				
7 I know roughly how much water my home uses.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
8 We run the washer and dishwasher only when full.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
9 Everyone in my home tries to save water.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
10 Drips and running toilets get fixed quickly here.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
11 Saving water at home is easy for us.	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5					
12 What would make it easier for your home to use less water?										

Optional questions (1 of 3)

Add any of these to the core questions. Keep the numbering running on from page one.

Bathroom, kitchen and laundry

13 On a typical day, how many showers are taken in your home in total?

- ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 or more

14 How often do you turn off the tap while brushing your teeth?

- ☐ Never ☐ Rarely ☐ Sometimes ☐ Often ☐ Always

15 How are dishes usually washed in your home?

- ☐ Dishwasher ☐ By hand, tap running ☐ By hand, in a filled sink ☐ A mix

16 Which change would save your home the most water?

- ☐ Shorter showers ☐ Turning taps off ☐ Fixing leaks ☐ New fixtures ☐ Less garden watering

17 What makes it hard to use less water at home? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ Habits ☐ Old fixtures ☐ Cost of new fixtures ☐ Others in the home ☐ Not sure how ☐ Nothing

Garden and outdoor water

18 How is your garden or lawn usually watered?

- ☐ Hose by hand ☐ Sprinkler on a timer ☐ Drip system ☐ Watering can ☐ Not watered

19 What time of day is it usually watered?

- ☐ Early morning ☐ Midday ☐ Evening ☐ It varies ☐ Not watered

20 Do you collect rainwater or reuse household water outside?

- ☐ Rain barrel or tank ☐ Reused household water ☐ Both ☐ Neither

21 Would you swap part of your lawn for plants that need less water?

- ☐ Already have ☐ Yes ☐ Maybe ☐ No ☐ No lawn

Optional questions (2 of 3)

Add any of these to the core questions. Keep the numbering running on from page one.

Bills and meters

22 Who pays the water bill for your home?

- ☐ We pay it directly ☐ It is in the rent ☐ Shared with neighbours ☐ Not sure

23 Does your home have its own water meter?

- ☐ Yes, its own ☐ A shared meter ☐ No meter ☐ Not sure

24 How often do you look at how much water your bill says you used?

- ☐ Every bill ☐ Sometimes ☐ Rarely ☐ Never ☐ I never see it

25 Compared with a year ago, your water bill is:

- ☐ Higher ☐ About the same ☐ Lower ☐ Not sure

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE				STRONGLY AGREE
26 I would check an app that shows my daily water use.	1	2	3	4	5

Water shortages and restrictions

27 In the past year, how often has your home had low pressure or no water?

- ☐ Never ☐ Once ☐ A few times ☐ Often ☐ Not sure

28 Are there water restrictions where you live right now?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure

STATEMENT	STRONGLY DISAGREE				STRONGLY AGREE
29 I would know where to find the rules if restrictions began.	1	2	3	4	5

30 In a shortage, what would your home cut first? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ Garden watering ☐ Car washing ☐ Shower time ☐ Laundry loads ☐ Pool filling ☐ Nothing

Optional questions (3 of 3)

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Water shortages and restrictions (continued)

31 What would help your home most during a water shortage?

About your home (optional)

32 What type of home do you live in?

☐ House ☐ Apartment or flat ☐ Townhouse ☐ Other

33 Do you own or rent your home?

☐ Own ☐ Rent ☐ Other

34 Roughly how old is your home?

☐ Under 10 years ☐ 10 to 30 years ☐ Over 30 years ☐ Not sure

Thank you. Your answers are anonymous.

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