

Facts & Figures on Water

Water services: the road to achieving the MDGs is still long



- 1.1 billion people do not have access to clean water
- 2.6 billion people do not have basic sanitation
- Each minute, 15 deaths occur due to water-related diseases

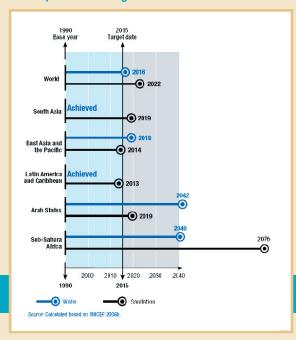
Millennium Development Goa

Halve, by 2015, the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water and the proportion of people who do not have access to basic sanitation.

83% of the world's population use improved drinking water sources

1.1 billion people are still forced to use unsafe water sources 58% of the world's population has access to improved sanitation facilities

Some regions are off track for reaching the Millenium Development Goal target for water and sanitation



The MDG target: past performance and future targets for water and sanitation

People with access to an improved water source (millions)

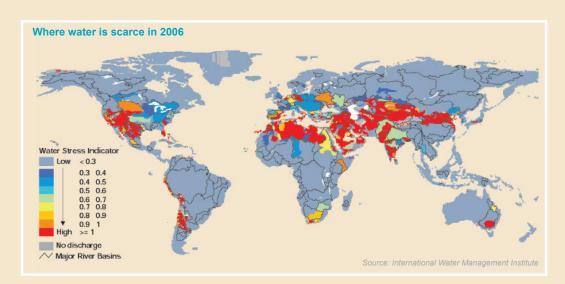
| | | 2004 | Target 2015 | Average annual number of people | | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| | 1990 | | | Gaining access 1990-2004 | Needing access to meet the target 2004-15 | |
| Sub-Saharan Africa | 226.6 | 383.8 | 627.1 | 10.5 | 23.1 | |
| Arab States | 160.1 | 231.8 | 335.8 | 4.7 | 6.5 | |
| East Asia and the Pac | 1,154.4 | 1,528.2 | 1,741.2 | 22.9 | 24.3 | |
| South Asia | 840.6 | 1,296.4 | 1,538.1 | 32.5 | 22.1 | |
| Latin America and the | | | | | | |
| Caribbean | 334.3 | 499.0 | 527.8 | 9.0 | 6.1 | |
| World | 2,767.7 | 4,266.4 | 5,029.5 | 79.5 | 82.4 | |

People with access to improved sanitation (millions)

| | | 2004 | Target 2015 | Average annual number of people | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------------------------------|---|
| | 1990 | | | Gaining access 1990-2004 | Needing access to meet the target 2004-15 |
| Sub-Saharan Africa | 148.4 | 256.5 | 556.0 | 7.2 | 27.9 |
| Arab States | 120.6 | 196.0 | 267.2 | 4.9 | 6.9 |
| East Asia and the Pac | 467.0 | 958.2 | 1,284.9 | 32.0 | 33.6 |
| South Asia | 242.9 | 543.8 | 1,083.3 | 24.7 | 42.5 |
| Latin America and the | | | | | |
| Caribbean | 279.6 | 423.2 | 492.2 | 8.6 | 8.4 |
| World | 1,456.9 | 2,663.9 | 3,994.0 | 77.5 | 120.4 |

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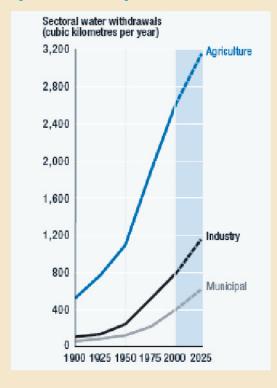
Per capita availability of water resources is decreasing



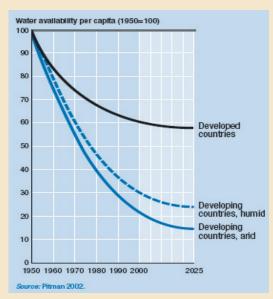
The global availability of freshwater is projected to drop to 5,100 m³ per capita per year by 2025

Projected withdrawals are 27% higher for developing countries in 2025 than in the mid-1990s. This is the reverse of the trend in rich countries.

Agriculture is still the largest user of water



Water availbility in decline



- 70% of all available freshwater is used for agriculture
- Current global water withdrawals for irrigation are estimated at about 2,000 to 2,500 $\rm km^3\,per\,year$
- In 2000, about 57% of the world's freshwater withdrawal, and 70% of its consumption, took place in Asia, where the world's major irrigated lands are located

For more information concerning world water

Aquastat: http://www.fao.org/ag/agl/aglw/aquastat/main/index.stm

Gemstat: http://www.gemstat.org/

Human Development Report 2006: http://hdr.undp.org/hdr2006/

Monitoring Programme for Water Supply and Sanitation: http://www.wssinfo.org/en/welcome.html

Rural Poverty Portal: http://www.ruralpovertyportal.org/english/topics/water/statistics.htm

Unicef: http://www.unicef.org/wes/index_statistics.html
Water Partners International: http://water.org/resources/

World Health Organization: http://www.who.int/water_sanitation_health/en/