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Thames Water – Our Region



Thames Water













How we use water in the home

Average customer uses = <u>160</u> l/person/day

Average household water use in London

1. Showers and baths	31%
2. Flushing the toilet	23%
^a 3. Washing dishes	12%
4. Taps	11%
5. Washing clothes	8%
6. Outside water use	4%
7. Drinking	2%
8. Other	9%



Figure 1 - Water Breakdown [2012 Data used in dWRMP14]



How can we all help to save water?

www.thameswater.co.uk/savewater

Top tips for saving water

- Turn off the tap when
- brushing your teeth
- Page Take shorter showers - we
- 10 recommend four minutes
 - Fix leaks and drips
 - Reduce your water use in the garden
 - Don't leave the tap running to clean dishes or vegetables





Water & Energy Saving calculator

Find out how much water and energy you use at home with our easy-to-use interactive calculator



Water Efficiency Devices

Free water-saving products





18 litres a day



15 litres a day



3.5 litres a day



36 litres a day









30 litres a day



Report a leak

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- Email customer.feedback@thameswater.co.uk
- Call our 24-hour freephone leakline on 0800 714 614
- Website <u>www.thameswater.co.uk</u>
- Twitter @thameswater #tweetaleak

Besponse times - We aim to send a Network Service Rechnician out to investigate reported leaks within

- ^ω 2 hours emergency scenarios
- 4 hours urgent, causing flood or disrupting traffic
- 24 hours good flow, but no impact on customers or road users
- 3 days weeps, no impact on network or customers' supply

Where did you spot	the leak?		
Stre Tov Postcor Please tell us the neare landmark to the leak e.g. do number, shop, bus stop et	et *		
How bad is the leak?	,		
Please select from the image	s below *		
Trickling	Puddle	Flowing down street	Major burst
Unload a photo (opt	ionall		

To help us assess the leak	It would be	really helpful	I If you could	upload a photo.
Do you have a photo of the	leak? 💮	Yes 🔘	No	

Your contact details

We need your details just in case our engineers can't find the leak.

Your name *	
Contact number *	
Postcode *	Find address
Address line 1 *	
Address line 2	
Town *	



Smart Metering





What is smart metering about?

- Helping customers save water to help meet the supply and demand gap
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- Identifying leaks on our network to help us fix them quicker and reduce disruption
- Putting our customers in control of their bills and how they use water





Supply and demand gap

On average, our customers each use almost **a third more** water than they did 30 years ago. On top of this, people in London each use far more water than people in other parts of the UK – **an average of 164 litres per day, as opposed to 147 litres for everyone else**.

By 2020 demand in this region will outstrip supply by **133 million litres of water per day, growing to 414 million litres per day by 2040** – equivalent to the water needed by 2 million people.



Metering approach

- Installing water meters is the most effective way to address the supply and demand gap in the immediate future as metered customers tend to use water more wisely.
- The Secretary of State for Environment approved our statutory Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) giving us the go ahead to install meters on a compulsory basis. Metering also has the support of the Mayor of London, as well as environmental groups.
 - By 2020 we aim to have 56 percent of our customers on meters, rising to 75 percent by 2030 **aspiring to be a fully metered business**.
 - Our programme started in February 2014 and are currently working in 5 London boroughs including Bexley, Greenwich, Enfield, Islington and Camden.



Benefits: giving customers control



Meters are the fairest way to pay: As you only pay for what you use, just like energy bills.

People on meters use less: A third of our customers already

have meters and use around 12% less on average.



Customers can monitor their usage

so they know exactly how much they are using and what their metered charges will be.



Reducing leaks on customers pipes: Leaks on customers' pipes account for a quarter of all the water lost through leaks across our region.



How smart meters work



Customers' water usage is recorded by smart meter This data is transmitted using a radio signal and uploaded to our database Customers can view their water usage online



Metering technology

- Our smart meters use wireless, long wave radio technology which enables us to read meters remotely
- The smart meters we are using have already been installed globally, and comply with UK legislation and EU standards (Radio and Telecommunications Terminal Equipment Directive).
- Chese meters have electromagnetic levels which are very low. Our smart meters are low powered using just 25mW power emission. Mobile phones use 80 times more (2,000mW) and Wi-Fi four times higher (100mW).
 - <u>www.thameswater.co.uk/Metering_website_-</u> <u>Health_risks_of_smart_water_meters.pdf</u>



Questions?



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