

H2O Fun Facts

HBPW Water Treatment Plant



How much do you know about water? Check out these fun water facts below to learn more about the importance of water in our daily lives.

Q: How much does a gallon of water weigh?

A: A gallon of water at 68 degrees Fahrenheit weighs 8.34 pounds.

Q: How long can a person live without food?

A: More than a month.

Q: How long can a person live without water?

A: Approximately one week, depending upon conditions.

Q: How much water must a person drink daily to maintain health?

A: 2.5 quarts from all sources (water and food).

Q: How much water is used to flush a toilet?

A: Two to seven gallons.

Q: How much water is used in the average five-minute shower?

A: 20-50 gallons.

Q: How much water is used to brush your teeth?

A: Two gallons.

Q: How much water does an individual use daily?

A: On a national average, 140-160 gallons per day.

Q: Of all the earth's water, how much of it is ocean or seas?

A: 97 percent.

Q: How much of the Earth's surface is water?

A: 80 percent, that's why Earth is called the water planet!

Q: How much of the Earth's water is suitable for drinking water?

A: One percent.

Q: Did you know that water is the only substance found on Earth naturally in three forms?

A: Solid, liquid and gas.

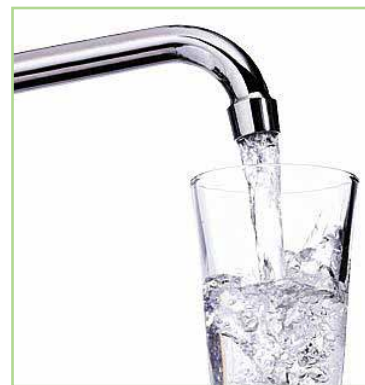
Q: How much of the human body is water?

A: 70 percent.

Q: How much of an elephant is water?

A: 70 percent.

Interested in another way to save? Check if your toilet is leaking! Stop by the HBPW to get a free toilet leaking tag.



Did you know that 85 percent of U.S. residents receive their water from public utilities? Or that the Holland Board of Public Works has ten dedicated full-time employees that have more than 146 years of experience combined? It's important to us that we provide you with high quality drinking water.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know...

That a leaky faucet can waste 100 gallons of water a day?

Did you know...

That nearly one half of the world's population doesn't have access to clean water for sanitation, drinking and other human needs?

Did you know...

That for about \$2 a day, HBPW customers can get 1,000 gallons of water delivered 24 hours a day, seven days a week?