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Most people don't actually think about the supply of water. Water is easy to ignore, you can just turn on a tap and water comes out!

We still have the same amount of water in our ecosystem but the supply of freshwater faces a three-pronged attack from population growth, climate change and industrialisation. As it currently stands, there's not enough water to go around. Of the World's total water supply 97% is seawater and of the remaining only 0.3% is usable unpolluted clean waterthat is readily available to us for our daily water supply.

Water is an important resource and wasting it could mean big shortages in the future. An average European uses 200 litres of water every day. North Americans use 400 litres.But this is the only part of the picture. When you consider the water required to produce all the stuff we consume, we actually guzzle a massive 4,645 litres every day.

If all brush teeth for 2 mins with tap on, we waste 12 litres of water. Baths uses 80 litres water, 5 min shower uses 35 litres, 5 min power shower uses over 60 litres. By washing their clothes everyday an individual takes 65 litres of water to fill a washing machine up.Most single flush toilets use around 9 litres per flush and an old style one can use up to 13 litres. And there are over 1,000,000,000 earthlings who still lack access to clean water.

But there are so many simple things we can do to save water. Turn the faucet/tap off while you are brushing your teeth, shaving, washing your hands, washing up dishes, and so on.Promptly repair any leaks in and around your taps. (One leak can waste several thousand litres of water per year.) Take showers rather than baths. By cutting one minute off your shower time, you can save about 3300 litres of water a year. Waiting until you have a full load for your dishwasher or washing machine can save up to 30 litres of water and use the shortest cycle possible.