



#TheSDGVizProject

CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

Access to water and sanitation 1990-2015

Despite incredible progress in recent years, billions of people around the world still lack access to safe drinking water, sanitation, and hand-washing facilities. Recent studies suggest that in order to meet the U.N.'s goals of providing universal access to basic sanitation services by 2030, the rate of progress would need to double its current rate. Significant improvements in the use and management of water are also needed to address the growing demand in areas where the population is rapidly increasing, as well as to protect against the increasing frequency and severity of droughts and floods due to climate change.

Africa Asia Europe North America Oceania South America

Access to water | WAT

1990

WAT: 80.3%
SAN: 65.2%

1991

WAT: 80.4%
SAN: 65.4%

1992

WAT: 80.9%
SAN: 65.3%

1993

WAT: 80.9%
SAN: 65.6%

1994

WAT: 80.9%
SAN: 65.0%

1995

WAT: 81.3%
SAN: 65.8%

1996

WAT: 81.7%
SAN: 66.4%

1997

WAT: 82.1%
SAN: 66.6%

1998

WAT: 82.5%
SAN: 67.2%

1999

WAT: 82.9%
SAN: 67.7%

2000

WAT: 83.3%
SAN: 68.1%

2001

WAT: 83.8%
SAN: 68.5%

2002

WAT: 84.2%
SAN: 69.1%

2003

WAT: 84.6%
SAN: 69.6%

2004

WAT: 85.0%
SAN: 70.1%

2005

WAT: 85.4%
SAN: 70.5%

2006

WAT: 85.8%
SAN: 71.0%

2007

WAT: 86.4%
SAN: 71.5%

2008

WAT: 86.7%
SAN: 71.7%

2009

WAT: 87.1%
SAN: 72.1%

2010

WAT: 87.5%
SAN: 72.6%

2011

WAT: 87.8%
SAN: 72.6%

2012

WAT: 88.4%
SAN: 73.1%

2013

WAT: 88.8%
SAN: 73.6%

2014

WAT: 89.1%
SAN: 73.8%

2015

WAT: 89.5%
SAN: 74.0%

Data provided by WASHwatch

WASHwatch was developed by WaterAid in 2009 to help address the accountability deficit in the water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) sector. It was the WASH sector's first global dashboard that tracked progress in the sector across all countries. For the past decade it brought together commitments made by governments with evidence on WASH budgets, service levels and health outcomes. In doing so, it has supported WASH advocates across 192 countries to hold decision makers to account.

Before WASHwatch, it was difficult to access WASH data online. It was the first website that attempted to bring together all relevant WASH information in one place. However, in recent years several other websites have been developed to house various types of WASH information. Given the proliferation of these websites – and the variety of functions they perform – the WASHwatch project has been brought to an end.

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