



My Water Footprint Stats

Instructions

Part 1: Calculating My Water Footprint and Collecting Data

Go to Watercalculator.org and click the Find Your Footprint button to estimate your water use. Don't worry if you don't know all the answers precisely—just consider your habits and select the choices that most accurately reflect your typical behavior in the various categories. When you are finished, do not close the page! On the last page where you see your total water footprint, scroll down to get more data about the water use choices you selected. Use that information to complete the chart below.

Water Footprint Stats from WaterCalculator.org

of household members you recorded: _____

Category	Your Result (Gallons/Day)	U.S. Average (Gallons/Day)
Indoor Water		
shower		11
bathtub		2
bathroom sink		3
toilet		14
kitchen sink		7
dishes		1
laundry		10
greywater system		-25
Outdoor Water		
lawn & garden		72
rain barrel		-2
swimming pool		23
car washing		1
Virtual Water		
driving		5
electricity		30
shopping habits		583
paper		-3
plastic		-1
bottles & cans		-8
fabrics		-52
diet		1063
pet food		48
Total		



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Part 2: Analyzing My Water Footprint

Use the information you noted on the previous page to analyze your water footprint calculator estimates.

1. How well do you think the calculator estimated your water usage? Explain.

2. From which category (Indoor Water, Outdoor Water, or Virtual Water) did you use the most water?

3. Did any of the results surprise you? Explain.

4. What changes could you make to reduce your water footprint? Hint: In your Water Footprint Calculator results, click the Tips button next to areas that require the most water for some ideas.
