water every drop counts

earthwise

Ninety-seven percent of the water on the planet is in the form of salt water. Only 3% is fresh, and two-thirds of that is ice[1].

preciouswater

If a tap is dripping once per second, it's wasting 10,220 Litres of precious water per year!

Report leaking taps and cisterns that continually flush to the Office of Facilities Management on 9850 7176 or 9850 7145.

worldmeasures

Macquarie University uses 259 million litres of water annually.
259,000,000 Litres = 68,420,000 US Gallons
= 56,970,000 UK Gallons = 25,900,000 Chinese Dou
= 143,600,000 Japanese Sho = 259,000,000 Thai Tanan.
Can you imagine that?

wateruse

Macquarie University uses the equivalent of two olympic sized swimming pools every week.

1. For more information on earthwise, please visit http://witcombe.sbc.edu/water/waterfacts.html
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water is worth saving

waterwaste

Toilets are the third highest water using item in the home, behind showers and washing machines.

halfflush

Single flush toilets use up to 11 Litres of water per flush. Whilst some of the toilets on campus have a flusherette valve installed to significantly reduce this flow, using the half flush when you can really helps. Half flush buttons vary, so look for the flush button with a smaller symbol.

indirectimpact

Indirect impacts of water consumption outweigh direct use of water. For example, did you know it takes 200 Litres of water to produce 150 grams of beef? We need to consider the real cost of producing goods.

nationaluse

Australia uses 25,000 gigalitres of water per annum - which is equivalent to 50 Sydney Harbours[1].

1. For more information on national use, please visit Pipa - http://www.pipa.com.au/docs/sydharb.html
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