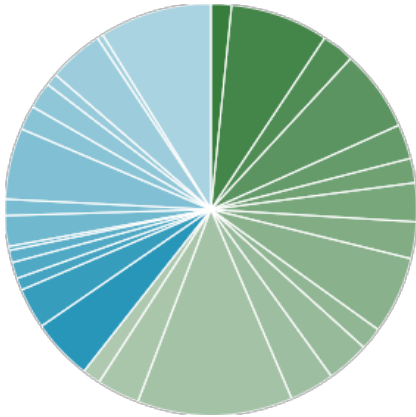


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	COUNT	PERCENT COUNTRY	PERCENT OVERALL
When you have a shower, put the plug in to store the water. Then use a large plastic jug to use this water to flush the toilet.	10	1.6%	1.6%
When turning on the hot tap in the house and waiting for the hot water to filter through from the tank, fill a watering can instead of letting the water drain down the sink!	48	7.69%	7.69%
Save water by collecting the grey water from your washing machine and using it to wash the car - I find the soapiness helps shift the dirt and then I just give it a quick slish with clean rain water to rinse off the dirty suds.	16	2.56%	2.56%
In our household if someone goes to the loo in the middle of the night we don't flush! This does two things; stops anyone in the house from being disturbed in the night; saves water! We wait until everyone has used the loo in the morning before we flush. We do follow one simple rule that I believe is widely followed in Australia - if it's yellow let it mellow, if it's brown flush it down!	40	6.41%	6.41%
Stop water evaporating by mulching plants with grass cuttings after watering.	17	2.72%	2.72%
Run an attachment from the outside drainpipe leading from the bath and washbasin to steer the water into a butt or similar container.	12	1.92%	1.92%
In summer, at the beginning of the day, drag a stick or cane horizontally across the lawn to flick the dew off the grass blades. Those few drops provide a much appreciated drink for a thirsty lawn.	19	3.04%	3.04%
Use a watering can and not a hose to save loads of water (sprinkler for 1 hour is equivalent to water for 2 days for family of 4 - shocking eh!)	18	2.88%	2.88%
Turn tap off while brushing teeth, saves gallons!	38	6.09%	6.09%
Use a water butt to fill pond, we use the entire water saved to replenish water lost from evaporation. The water is very friendly to the fish as no chlorine, and also the correct temperature.	11	1.76%	1.76%
Put a hippo bag in the toilet water reserve so it uses less water (there is absolutely no difference to the way it flushes).	21	3.37%	3.37%
Only use rain water for watering the garden this will reduce your water bill lots. Water butts take up very little room.	22	3.53%	3.53%
Rather than rinsing your fruit and veg under a free flowing tap - use a plug, wash and then reuse the water on your houseplants.	76	12.18%	12.18%
When I water our hanging baskets, I put a washing up bowl underneath to catch the inevitable overflow. I then use this to help water the pots of flowers.	21	3.37%	3.37%
Save water from shower by standing in a bowl, us this to water your plants.	9	1.44%	1.44%
Get a water meter, it is cheaper and makes you think twice about using water.	30	4.81%	4.81%
Any water left in kettles, pans, steamers and glasses is poured into 2 litre plastic bottles. A surprising amount is saved. This is used every day to water indoor and outdoor plants.	20	3.21%	3.21%

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When using the washing machine, reduce the spin speed so that when you remove the clothes from the machine, they are wetter than usual. The excess water will drip on the grass, or plants underneath.	6	0.96%	0.96%
Timer in the shower + Sharing baths with hubby!	8	1.28%	1.28%
Use the water from your hot-water bottle to water plants (cool it first) .	6	0.96%	0.96%
Use Water butt water for washing up and shaving when heated in a kettle, which is not used for making tea/coffee. It does not have an adverse effect on Psoriasis.	2	0.32%	0.32%
Only put the washing machine on when there is a full load, if there is only half a load of whites and half a load of colours, use a colour catcher sheet and mix the loads.	15	2.4%	2.4%
Cover the roof of your garden shed with black plastic sheeting. Water can be collected in the guttering and fed into your water butt. Water collection is 100% more than normal roofing felt.	8	1.28%	1.28%
Every time you boil an egg save the cooled water for your houseplants. They'll benefit from the nutrients released from the shell.	35	5.61%	5.61%
Use the water from fish and other aquatic animal tanks to water your plants. the water is rich in nutrients like nitrogen and phosphorus.	12	1.92%	1.92%
Only put the dishwasher on when it is full. This way you are not wasting any water and getting the most out of your machine.	13	2.08%	2.08%
. Try downloading the Ap "my water diary" it's great. You can track what you use to see if you can reduce it. You can measure your use over the national average.	6	0.96%	0.96%
Don't throw away unused tea in the tea pot or left over coffee but give it to your house plants. My Orchid is loving the unused tea.	27	4.33%	4.33%
I use the water from my water butt to wash the car using a Karcher power cleaner and a 'butt pump' to water the front garden.	3	0.48%	0.48%
Put water butts on every downpipe that you have on the house, they will be invaluable for watering all year round, and save you using tap water, therefore keeping water bills lower.	55	8.81%	8.81%