



Water is a precious resource,  
and conservation benefits everyone  
in our community.

**Fact**

A typical household uses 146,000 gallons annually, enough to fill at least five railroad tank cars.

**Fact**

Most household water (up to about 60%) is used for outdoor purposes, such as irrigation.

**Fact**

As much as 30% of water can be lost to evaporation by watering lawns mid-day.

**Install Water-Efficient Fixtures**

Can you guess which of the following non-efficient items uses the most water:

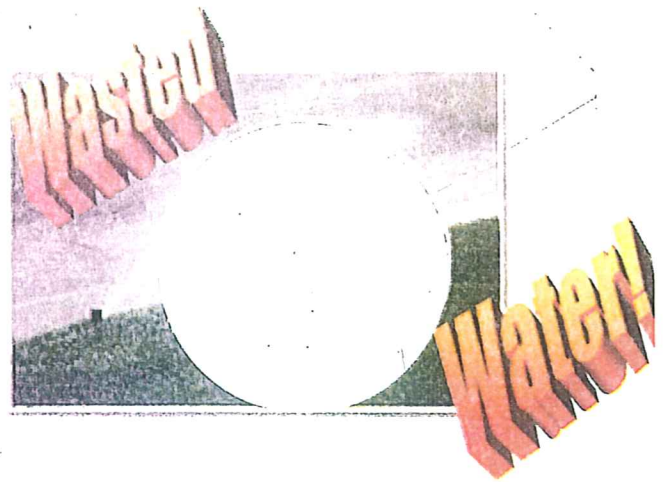
- Washing machines
- Toilets
- Showers

See answer below

**Call Us**

For more information about water conservation and how it can benefit you, call the  
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at 970-879-2424 or  
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at 970-879-2060

Answer: Toilets without water-efficient fixtures use about 20.1 gallons per person per day, followed by washing machines (15 gallons) and showers (13.3 gallons).



Smart use of our limited water  
benefits the entire community

**Tip**

Water lawns before 6 A.M. or after 8 P.M. and avoid watering on windy days.

**Tip**

Water only when your lawn is thirsty. Over-watering promotes shallow root growth, making your lawn less hardy.

**Tip**

Water in several short sessions, spaced 30 minutes apart. Three 10-minute sessions is better than one straight 30-minute session.

**Tip**

Check sprinkler system valves periodically for leaks and keep the heads in good repair.

**Tip**

Clean sidewalks with a broom instead of a hose. And minimize the amount of water on pavements by re-aligning sprinkler heads.

**We Never Run Dry of Tips  
For Water Conservation**

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