AN INVESTIGATION OF WATER USAGE IN CASUAL DINING RESTAURANTS IN KANSAS

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A conversation about water

Water Supply Sustainability Index (2050) With Climate Change Impacts

Number of Counties for each Category in Parentheses

- Extreme (412)
- Moderate (1,192)
- High (608)
- Low (929)
Background
Why it is important
Water in the world

Population using improved drinking water sources, in percentage
- Less than 50%
- 50 to 75%
- 76 to 90%
- 91 to 100%
- No data

Source: World Health Organization
Water in our communities / businesses
Since 2000 & 1997 studies
Since the program's inception, WaterSense has helped consumers save a cumulative 46 billion gallons of water and $343 million in water and sewer bills. In 2009 alone, WaterSense had a banner year by helping Americans save more than 36 billion gallons and reduce their water and sewer bills by $267 million.

How much is that exactly? It's enough water to fill the Empire State Building more than 130 times. Or it's enough to supply nearly 390,000 households with their annual water needs. That's a remarkable feat, especially when you consider that all this water went straight down the drain before.

And the savings go beyond gallons of water. Electricity is needed to heat the water we use when we shower and wash our hands, as well as to heat, treat, and pump water from the treatment facility to the tap. By using WaterSense labeled plumbing fixtures, in 2009, consumers saved 4.9 billion kilowatt hours of electricity and eliminated more than 1.7 million metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions, equivalent to taking 320,000 cars off the road for a year.
Anecdotal (?)
Manhattan Restaurants
Water & Sustainability
• Sustainable Dining in Vancouver