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## Estimated Use of Water in the United States in 2000

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**Table 2.** Total water withdrawals by water-use category, 2000.

[Figures may not sum to totals because of independent rounding. All values are in million gallons per day. —, data not collected]

STATE	PUBLIC SUPPLY		DOMESTIC		IRRIGATION		LIVE-STOCK		AQUA-CULTURE		INDUSTRIAL		MINING		THERMOELECTRIC POWER		TOTAL	
	Fresh	Fresh	Fresh	Fresh	Fresh	Fresh	Fresh	Saline	Fresh	Saline	Fresh	Saline	Fresh	Saline	Fresh	Saline	Fresh	Saline
Alabama	834	78.9	43.1	—	10.4	833	0	—	—	8,190	0	9,990	0	9,990	0	9,990	0	9,990
Alaska	80.0	11.2	1.01	—	—	8.12	3.86	27.4	140	33.6	0	161	144	305	—	—	—	—
Arizona	1,080	28.9	5,400	—	—	19.8	0	85.7	8.17	100	0	6,720	8.17	6,730	—	—	—	—
Arkansas	421	28.5	7,910	—	198	134	0.08	2.78	0	2,180	0	10,900	0.08	10,900	—	—	—	—
California	6,120	286	30,500	409	537	188	13.6	23.7	153	352	12,600	38,400	12,800	51,200	—	—	—	—
Colorado	899	66.8	11,400	—	—	120	0	—	—	138	0	12,600	0	12,600	—	—	—	—
Connecticut	424	56.2	30.4	—	—	10.7	0	—	—	187	3,440	708	3,440	4,150	—	—	—	—
Delaware	94.9	13.3	43.5	3.92	0.07	59.4	3.25	—	—	366	738	582	741	1,320	—	—	—	—
District of Columbia	0	0	0.18	—	—	0	0	—	—	9.69	0	9.87	0	9.87	—	—	—	—
Florida	2,440	199	4,290	32.5	8.02	291	1.18	217	0	658	12,000	8,140	12,000	20,100	—	—	—	—
Georgia	1,250	110	1,140	19.4	15.4	622	30.0	9.80	0	3,250	61.7	6,410	91.7	6,500	—	—	—	—
Hawaii	250	12.0	364	—	—	14.5	0.85	—	—	0	0	640	0.85	641	—	—	—	—
Idaho	244	85.2	17,100	34.9	1,970	55.5	0	—	—	0	0	19,500	0	19,500	—	—	—	—
Illinois	1,760	135	154	37.6	—	391	0	—	—	11,300	0	13,700	0	13,700	—	—	—	—
Indiana	670	122	101	41.9	—	2,400	0	82.5	0	6,700	0	10,100	0	10,100	—	—	—	—
Iowa	383	33.2	21.5	109	—	237	0	32.8	0	2,540	0	3,360	0	3,360	—	—	—	—
Kansas	416	21.6	3,710	111	5.60	53.3	0	31.4	0	2,260	0	6,610	0	6,610	—	—	—	—
Kentucky	525	27.5	29.3	—	—	317	0	—	—	3,260	0	4,160	0	4,160	—	—	—	—
Louisiana	753	41.2	1,020	7.34	243	2,680	0	—	—	5,610	0	10,400	0	10,400	—	—	—	—
Maine	102	35.7	5.84	—	—	247	0	—	—	113	295	504	295	799	—	—	—	—
Maryland	824	77.1	42.4	10.4	19.6	65.8	227	8.31	0.02	379	6,260	1,430	6,490	7,910	—	—	—	—
Massachusetts	739	42.2	126	—	—	36.8	0	—	—	108	3,610	1,050	3,610	4,660	—	—	—	—
Michigan	1,140	239	201	11.3	—	698	0	—	—	7,710	0	10,000	0	10,000	—	—	—	—
Minnesota	500	80.8	227	52.8	—	154	0	588	0	2,270	0	3,870	0	3,870	—	—	—	—
Mississippi	359	69.3	1,410	—	371	242	0	—	—	362	148	2,810	148	2,960	—	—	—	—
Missouri	872	53.6	1,430	72.4	83.3	62.7	0	16.9	0	5,640	0	8,230	0	8,230	—	—	—	—
Montana	149	18.6	7,950	—	—	61.3	0	—	—	110	0	8,290	0	8,290	—	—	—	—
Nebraska	330	48.4	8,790	93.4	—	38.1	0	128	4.55	2,820	0	12,200	4.55	12,300	—	—	—	—
Nevada	629	22.4	2,110	—	—	10.3	0	—	—	36.7	0	2,810	0	2,810	—	—	—	—
New Hampshire	97.1	41.0	4.75	—	16.3	44.9	0	6.80	0	236	761	447	761	1,210	—	—	—	—
New Jersey	1,050	79.7	140	1.68	6.46	132	0	110	0	650	3,390	2,170	3,390	5,560	—	—	—	—

New Mexico	296	31.4	2,860	—	—	10.5	0	—	—	56.4	0	3,260	0	3,260
New York	2,570	142	35.5	—	—	297	0	—	—	4,040	5,010	7,080	5,010	12,100
North Carolina	945	189	287	121	7.88	293	0	36.4	0	7,850	1,620	9,730	1,620	11,400
North Dakota	63.6	11.9	145	—	—	17.6	0	—	—	902	0	1,140	0	1,140
Ohio	1,470	134	31.7	25.3	1.36	807	0	88.5	0	8,590	0	11,100	0	11,100
Oklahoma	675	25.5	718	151	16.4	25.9	0	2.48	256	146	0	1,760	256	2,020
Oregon	566	76.2	6,080	—	—	195	0	—	—	15.30	0	6,930	0	6,930
Pennsylvania	1,460	132	13.9	—	—	1,190	0	182	0	6,980	0	9,950	0	9,950
Rhode Island	119	8.99	3.45	—	—	4.28	0	—	—	2.40	290	138	290	429
South Carolina	566	63.5	267	—	—	565	0	—	—	5,710	0	7,170	0	7,170
South Dakota	93.3	9.53	373	42.0	—	5.12	0	—	—	5.24	0	528	0	528
Tennessee	890	32.6	22.4	—	—	842	0	—	—	9,040	0	10,800	0	10,800
Texas	4,230	131	8,630	308	—	1,450	907	220	504	9,820	3,440	24,800	4,850	29,600
Utah	638	16.1	3,860	—	116	42.7	5.08	26.3	198	62.20	0	4,760	203	4,970
Vermont	60.1	21.0	3.78	—	—	6.91	0	—	—	355	0	447	0	447
Virginia	720	133	26.4	—	—	470	53.3	—	—	3,850	3,580	5,200	3,640	8,830
Washington	1,020	125	3,040	—	—	577	39.9	—	—	519	0	5,270	39.9	5,310
West Virginia	190	40.4	0.04	—	—	968	0	—	—	3,950	0	5,150	0	5,150
Wisconsin	623	96.3	196	66.3	70.2	447	0	—	—	6,090	0	7,590	0	7,590
Wyoming	107	6.57	4,500	—	—	5.78	0	79.5	222	243	0	4,940	222	5,170
Puerto Rico	513	0.88	94.5	—	—	11.2	0	—	—	0	2,190	620	2,190	2,810
U.S. Virgin Islands	6.09	1.69	0.50	—	—	3.34	0	—	—	0	136	11.6	136	148
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43,300</b>	<b>3,590</b>	<b>137,000</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>18,500</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>136,000</b>	<b>59,500</b>	<b>345,000</b>	<b>62,300</b>	<b>408,000</b>

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**MUNICIPAL USE IN ACRE FEET PER YEAR**

**LINCOLN USES APPROXIMATELY 45,000 AC/FT OF WATER PER YEAR.  
THE AREA OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN COVERS APPROXIMATELY 77 SQUARE  
MILES**

- LINCOLN USES 11 AC/IN PER YEAR FOR ALL USES
- 8 AC/IN PER YEAR IS USED FOR INSIDE USES OF ALL CUSTOMERS
- 3 AC/IN PER YEAR IS USED FOR OUTSIDE USES FOR ALL CUSTOMERS

**GRAND ISLAND USES ABOUT 9 AC/IN PER YEAR FOR ALL USES  
OMAHA USES ABOUT 11 AC/IN PER YEAR FOR ALL USES**

**IRRIGATED AGRICULTURAL AVERAGE USE IN 1995 WAS 13 INCHES, WITH A HIGH  
OF 31 INCHES AND A LOW OF 7.9 INCHES.**