How much water do you use each day?

ESTIMATE how many gallons of water you use in one day.	gallons
USE this chart to calculate your water use indoors by tallying yo	ur number of uses in one day.
EXample: If you flushed the toilet 4 times per day: 4 flushes ×	3 gallons per flush = 12 gallons

Your Daily Indoor Water Use

Activity	Number of Uses or Minutes	×	Average Use (gallons)	=	Your Use (gallons)
Drinking	drinks	×	0.1 gallons per drink	=	
Cooking	meals	×	0.2 gallons per meal	=	
Washing dishes by hand			5 gallons per day	=	
Dishwasher			5 gallons per day	=	
Toilet	flushes	×	3 gallons per flush	=	
Hand washing	washes	×	1 gallon per wash	=	
Showers	minutes	×	3 gallons per minute	=	
Baths	baths	×	25 gallons per bath	=	
Teeth brushing	brushings	×	0.5 gallons per brush	=	
Load of laundry*	loads	×	35 gallons per load	=	
Other		×		=	
* Divide weekly loads by 7 days to	get number of daily loads		Total		

Compare your total calculation with your estimate. How close were you?

Home Activity: Check Your Water Bill Your water may be measured in "units." 1 unit = 748 gallons. Divide your family's daily water use by the number of people in your family. ______ gallons per day for family + _____ people in family = _____ gallons per person per day Does it match with your daily total? Remember, the water bill includes outdoor water use. How does your use compare with the Santa Cruz County average use of 75 gallons per person per day?

