

Water | The billions without access to clean drinking water

Over 2 billion people lack access to safely managed drinking water

- That's 1 in 4 people on the planet
- 2,005,898,336 people according to the [WHO/UNICEF 2020 Joint Monitoring Program](#)
- 29% of the world's population does not have a handwashing facility with soap and water available at home according to [SDG6data.org](#)

What's safely managed?

- *In order to meet the criteria for a safely managed drinking water service, households must use an improved source that is:*
 - *accessible on premises,*
 - *available when needed, and*
 - *free from contamination.*
- [More information on JMP water monitoring](#)

Sanitation | The billions without improved bathroom facilities

Over 3.5 billion people lack access to safely managed sanitation services

- That's nearly 1 in 2 people, or nearly half the world's population
- 3,589,471,032 people according to the [WHO/UNICEF 2020 Joint Monitoring Program](#)
- 44% of the world's domestic wastewater is not safely treated according to [SDG6data.org](#)

What's safely managed?

- *People should use improved sanitation facilities which are not shared with other households, and the excreta produced should either be:*
 - *treated and disposed of in situ,*
 - *stored temporarily and then emptied and treated off-site, or*
 - *transported through a sewer with wastewater and then treated off-site.*
- [More information on JMP sanitation monitoring](#)

Investments | What's needed to reach people

Meeting drinking water, sanitation, and hygiene targets by 2030 requires a 4x increase in the pace of progress. At current rates, in 2030:

- 1.6 billion people will lack safely managed drinking water
- 2.8 billion people will lack safely managed sanitation
- 1.9 billion people will lack basic hand hygiene facilities
- From <https://sdgs.un.org/goals/goal6>

Globally, \$144B per year is needed in order to reach the SDG 6 targets and ensure the 2 billion people living without clean water are reached.

Water For People is aiming to raise \$500M by 2030 to ensure we, and alliance partners, reach 200 million people.

Impact Calculator | Every dollar you give to Water For People multiplies Water For People's sustainable Everyone Forever model requires co-investment from partners like local governments and businesses. The average amount of co-investment is an additional \$0.53 for every dollar we provide.

When communities have clean water and sanitation, people are healthier – reducing medical costs. They also save time otherwise spent walking to fetch water – time now available to spend on economic or educational pursuits. [As a result, the return-on-investment for clean water is seven-fold.](#)

$$\$1 \times 1.535 \times 7 = \$10.75$$

Progress | Water For People's achievements from 2017-2021
4.67 million people reached with reliable water access

38 district water, sanitation, and hygiene offices created

1.77 million people reached through sanitation initiatives

5.9 million people reached through replication of the Everyone Forever model

75 million people reached through partnerships with national governments in Bolivia, Peru, Rwanda, and Uganda

[Water For People 2017-2021 Strategic Wrap](#)

[Water For People 2021 Annual Report](#)

Data | Progress toward Everyone Forever

Everyone Forever isn't just a tagline. We have specific metrics, targets, and goals toward reaching Everyone in a district with access to water and sanitation services, Forever.

The Everyone Forever Tracker captures data and progress through multiple dashboards:

- Country-level
- District-level
- Progress toward Everyone
- Progress toward Forever

<https://www.waterforpeople.org/the-data/>