

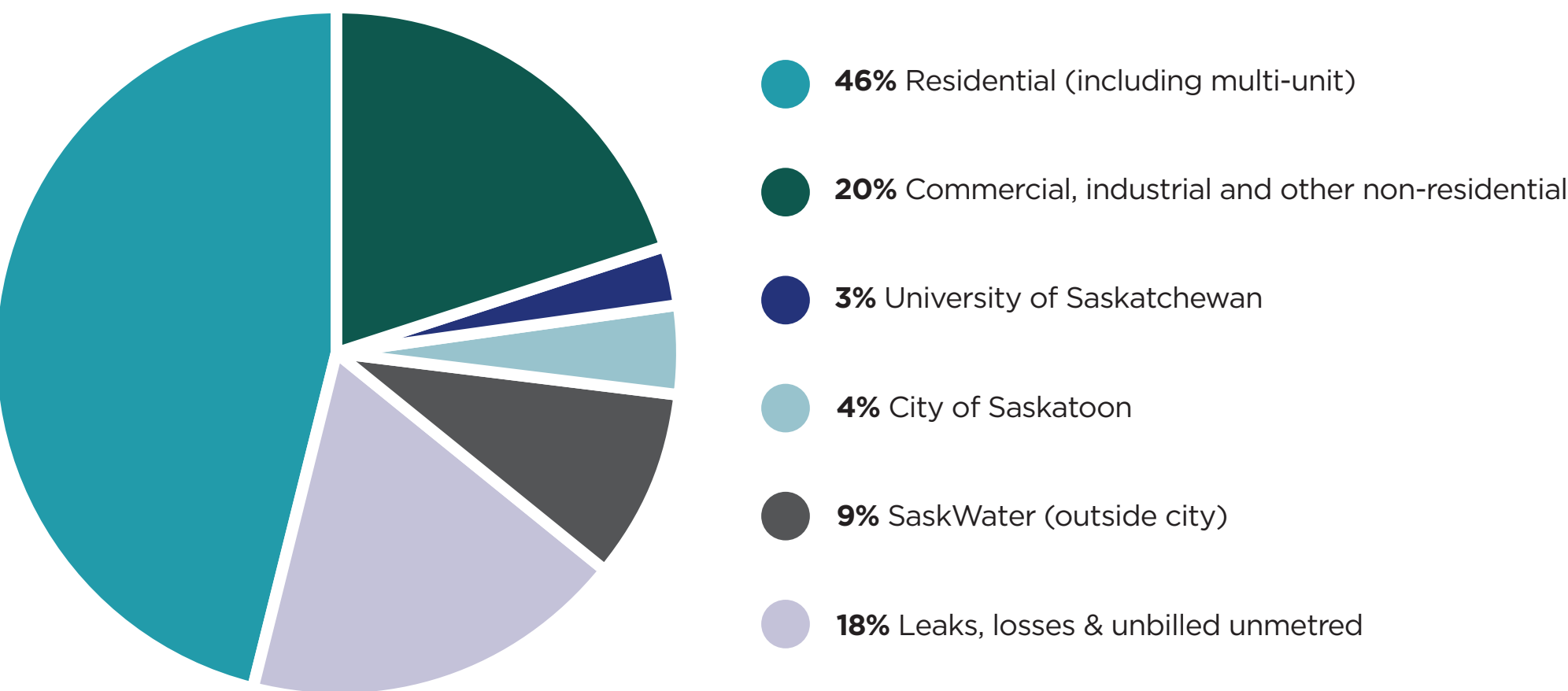
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Water Use in Saskatoon

- Climate Change
- Low Emissions
- Water Conservation

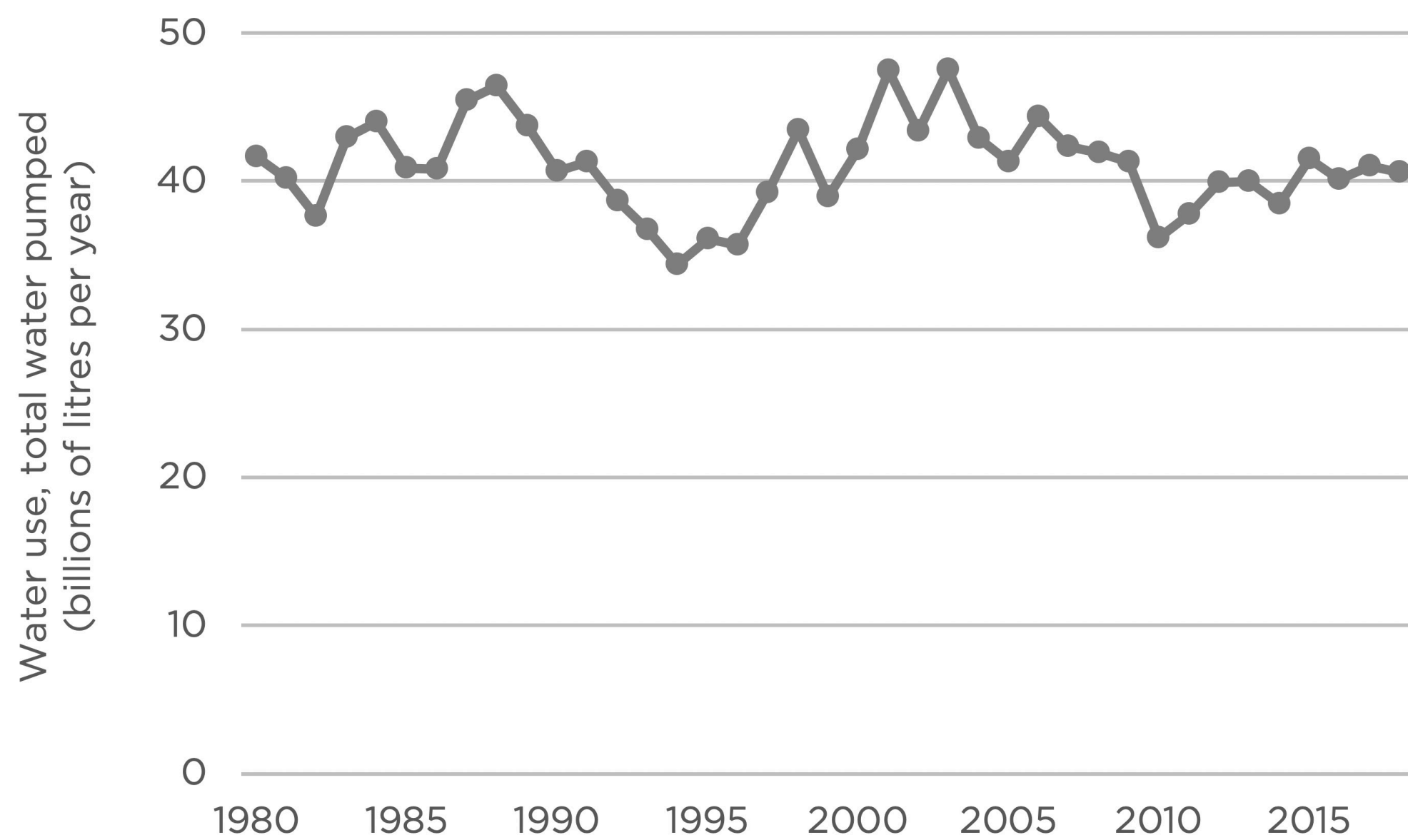
Saskatoon residents, businesses, and institutions use about 40 billion litres per year. Averaged out, that works out to 1,300 litres per second, every second of every day, or about 8 bathtubs full every second.



Percentage breakdown of water use within Saskatoon

While most water is used at home, significant water saving opportunities also exist for businesses, by the City and University, as well as in water lost through leaks.

Despite a rising population and growing economy, total water use has not increased over the past four decades, meaning per-capita demand is falling.



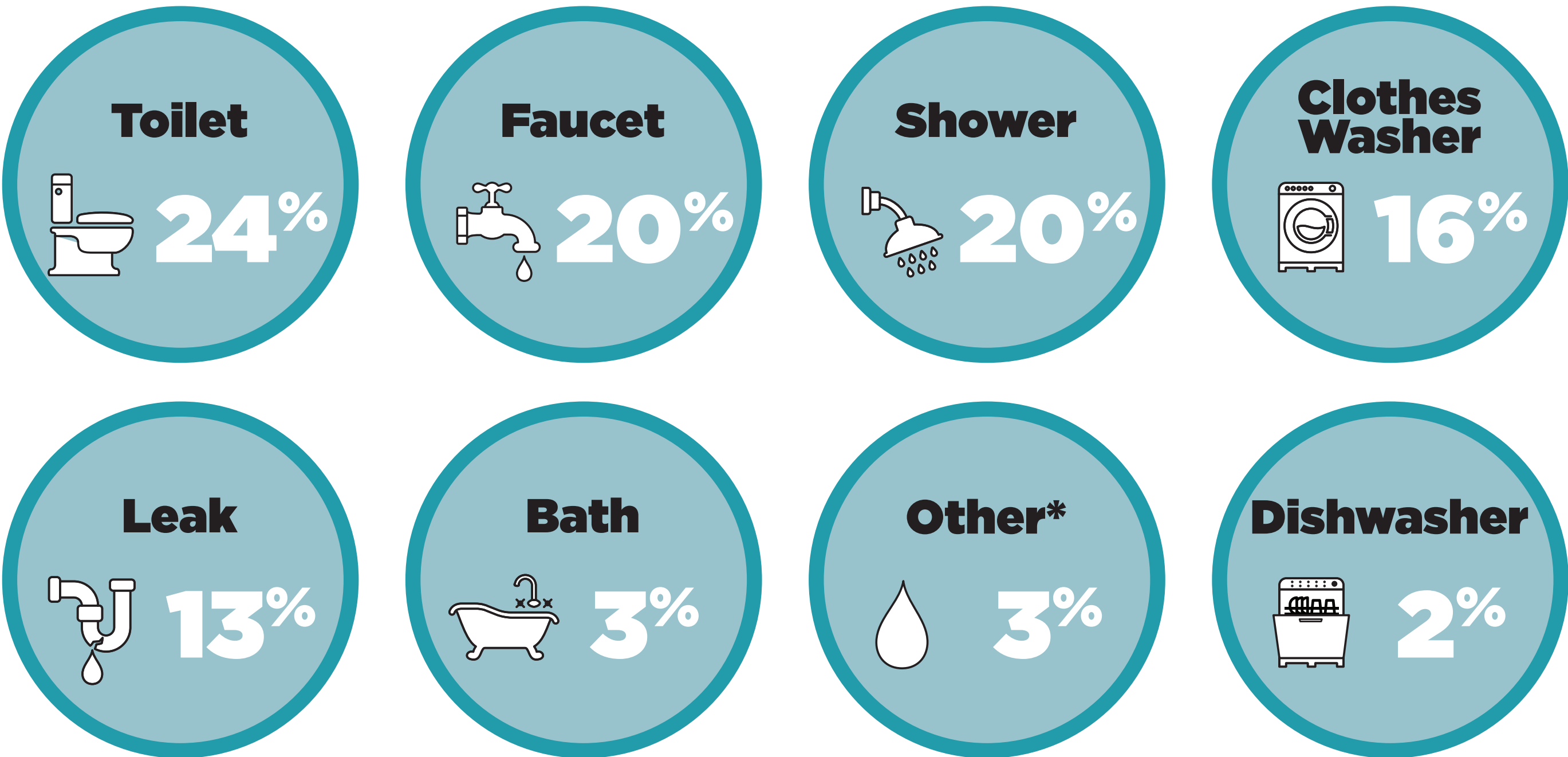
Total water volume produced for distribution within Saskatoon

Water Use at Home

Understanding where water is used is the first step toward conversation. We use a lot of water in our homes and most of this is used in the bathroom.

*“Other” includes evaporating cooling, humidification, water softening, and other categorized indoor uses.

Based on DeOreo et al., Residential End Uses of Water, Version 2: Executive Report (Denver: Water Research Foundation, 2016)



A Water Conservation Strategy for Saskatoon



The City of Saskatoon is drafting a long-term, integrated water conservation strategy. The strategy will include all water users and all uses—indoors and out.

Engage with us

The draft water conservation strategy is being developed in consultation with businesses, residents, and institutions and will be placed before City Council for approval in the coming months. For more information, please visit saskatoon.ca/engage

Benefit with us

There are many reasons to conserve, but three stand out:

- Water conservation is climate change adaptation—it builds resilience
- Reducing demands on the system could help us defer or avoid costly capacity-expansion projects
- Reducing water use can reduce GHG emissions

Conserve with us

There are many ways to conserve water. Residents can:

- Replace inefficient toilets, taps, showerheads, clothes washers, and dishwashers
- Outdoors, use water wisely: tune-up irrigation systems and don't overwater
- Use a broom instead of a hose when cleaning decks and driveways
- Shut off taps when brushing teeth or shaving
- Only run the dishwasher when it's full

Businesses can:

- Replace inefficient fixtures and appliances
- Evaluate water use in production processes
- Install water-saving irrigation control systems

The City of Saskatoon can:

- Conserve water in City facilities
- Find and fix leaks in the underground distribution system
- Maintain green and healthy parks while using water as efficiently as possible

Did you know?

A low-volume toilet can save \$1,500 (and 450,000 litres) over 20 years, and repay its initial cost in about 6 years.