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Increasing the Informational Value of Demand Side Planning Analyses

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Overview

- Define objectives of Tampa Bay Water Demand Management Plan
- Summarize informational needs
- Review information management approach
 - Data availability and limitations
 - Database design and integration
- Discuss selected analyses and water use characterizations
- Offer some lessons learned and a look forward

Tampa Bay Water

Regional water wholesaler

6 Member Governments

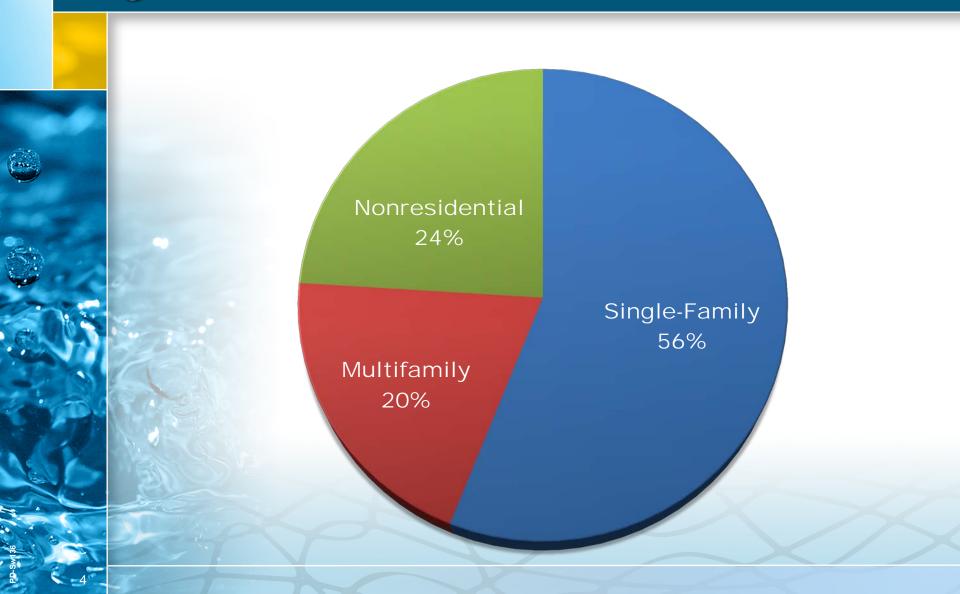
Baseline demand forecasted to increase

• 2011: ~ 230 mgd

• 2035: ~275 mgd

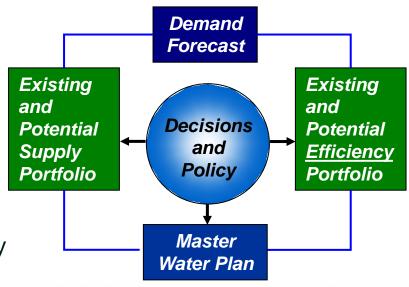


Regional Water Use



Purpose of Demand Management Plan

- Identify and evaluate regional water conservation potential
 - Opportunities to defer the need for capital investment
- Integrate demand management into supply planning process
 - Compare efficiency and supply projects using the same criteria, including cost

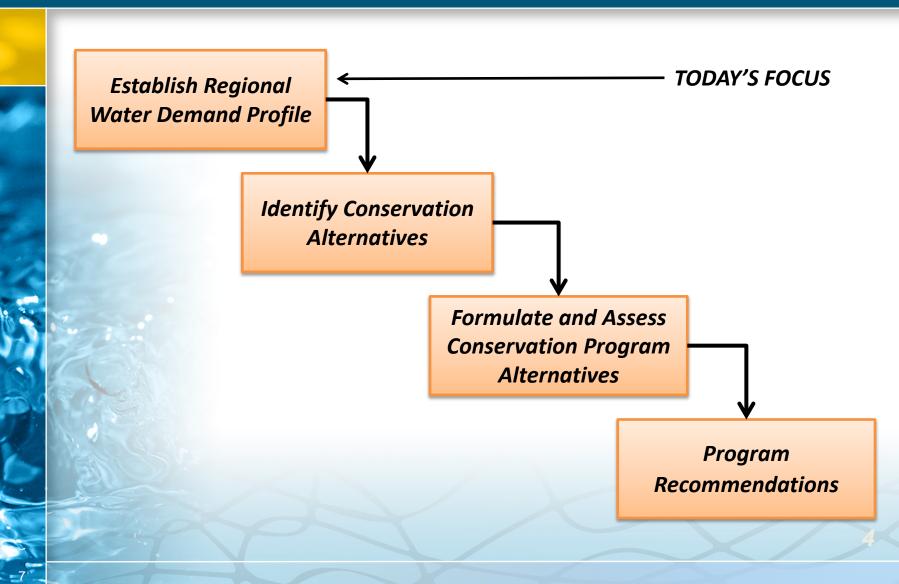


Regional Demand Management Benefits

- Conserved water = economic benefits
 - 1 mgd saved = \$15-20M capital cost deferment
 - 1 year deferral of \$100M capital project saves \$5 million in interest
- Avoided energy and chemical operating costs

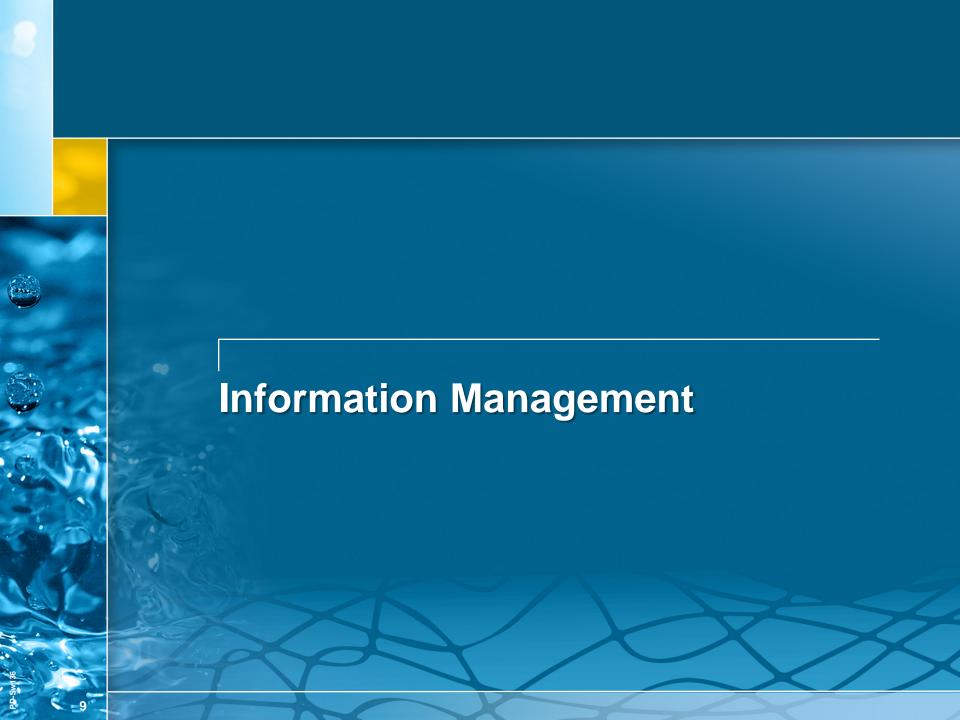


Key Project Components



Informational Needs

- Understanding demand dynamics
 - How does water use vary and why?
 - Dimensions of demand dynamics
 - Sectoral (user types)
 - Meteorological /Temporal (monthly, seasonal, annual)
 - Geographic /Socioeconomic / Demographic
 - Purpose of use (Indoor / Outdoor)
 - Conservation
- Economic benefits / costs of demand management
- Market for water efficient technology



Data Sources

Utility billing system

Account level, monthly

Property Appraiser

- Residential units
- Property use codes
- Property value / Year built
- Fixtures / extra features (baths, pools, fountains)
- Area parcel, heated, gross, extra features

Single-Family survey

Telephone questionnaire - 45 questions, 1300 participants

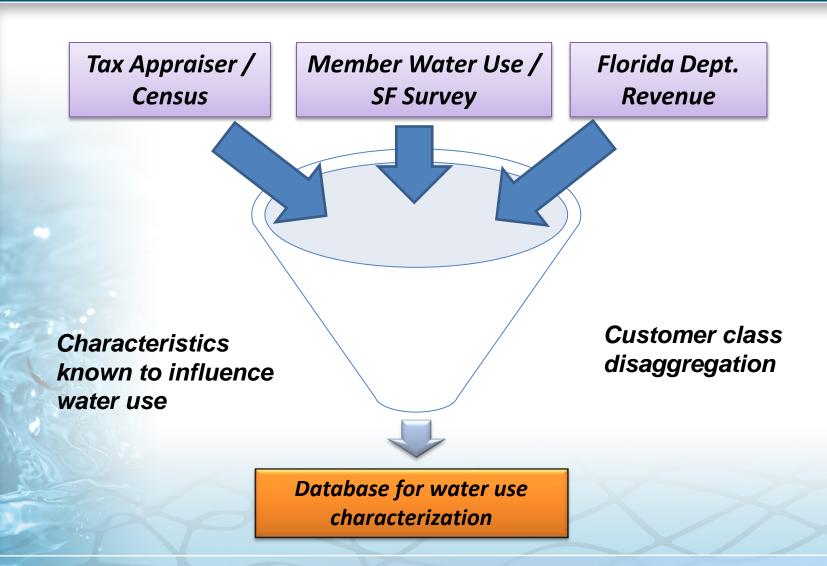
Census / State Departments

- Population, housing, employment, income, pph
- Hotel rooms / restaurant seating / students





Data Collection and Information Management



Multifamily Database Integration Issue







Attribute	Utility Account		Parcel 1		Parcel 2
PIN	1626040010004000010	(1626040010004000010	X	1626040010004000020
Address	6901 IAN CT 13	\rightarrow	6901 IAN CT 13	X	6921 IAN CT 11
Units	18		18		18
Neighborhood	NA		5MF113A		5MF113A
Value	NA		543,310		541,837
Heated Area (sq ft)	NA		19,460		19,460
Land Area (sq ft)	NA		49,721		49,731

Multifamily Location Grouping Summary

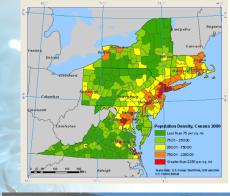
Attribute	Without Grouping	With Grouping		
PIN	1626040010004000010	1626040010004000010 1626040010004000020		
Consumption (Gal)	40,750	40,750		
Units	18	36		
GPUD	261	130		
Heated Area (sq ft)	19,460	38,920		
Land Area (sq ft)	49,721	99,452		
Just Value	543,310	1,085,147		

What information does this provide?













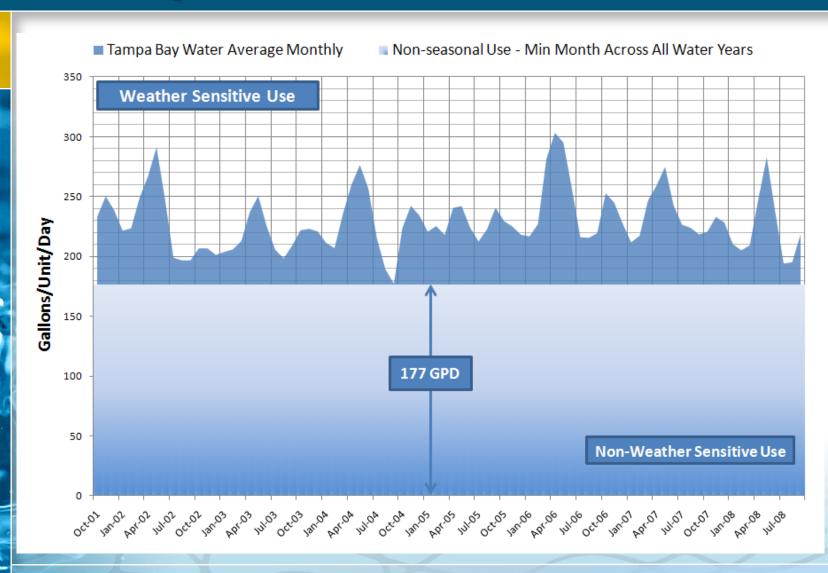








Differentiating Indoor Use from Total Use



Annual Average Single Family Use

Tampa Bay Water Wide = 229 gpd (7-year annual average per unit use)

Gallons/Capita/Day

Total: 88

Non-seasonal: 68

Seasonal: 20

Seasonal 52 gpd (23%)

> Non-Seasonal 177 gpd (77%)

Factors Affecting Single Family Water Use

- Household size
- Property characteristics
 - Value
 - Year built
 - Area (sq. ft.)
 - Irrigable area (sq. ft.)
- End uses
 - Lawn irrigation
 - Pools
 - Efficiency of indoor plumbing
- Access to alternative water sources
 - Reclaimed water
 - Shallow wells





Regression Analysis

- Monthly Consumption, dependent variable
- 25 independent variables (explanatory)

Socioeconomic Variables

- Marginal price of water & sewer
- Gross area of building
- Just value of property
- Fraction of green space area
- Number of bathrooms

Indicator Variables

- Monthly
- Pool
- Irrigation meter
- Reclaimed water
- Pre/Post intervention

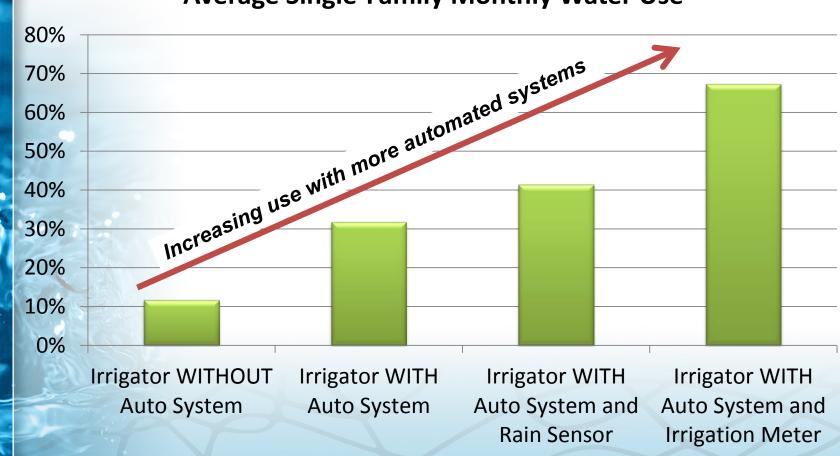
Weather Variables

- Total monthly precipitation (inches)
- Long-term normal precipitation
- Maximum temperature
- Long-term normal temperature

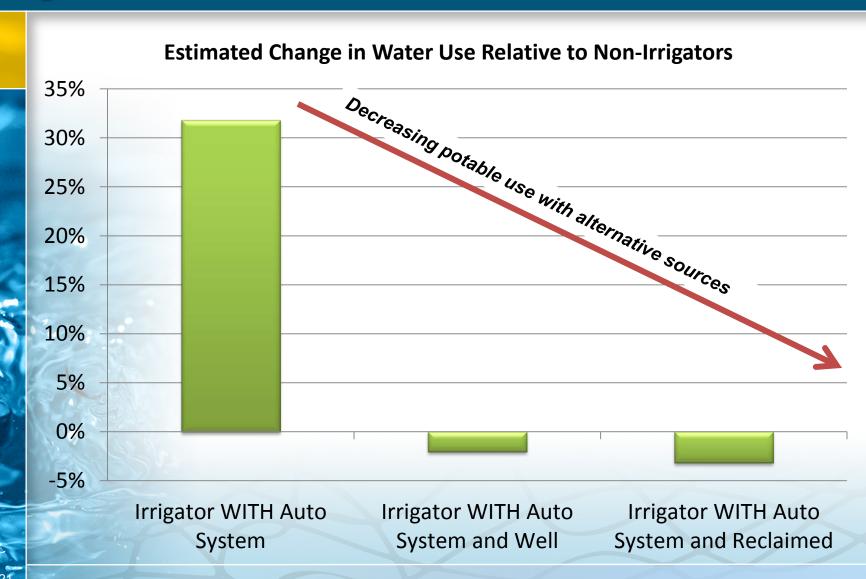


Automatic Irrigators Use More Water

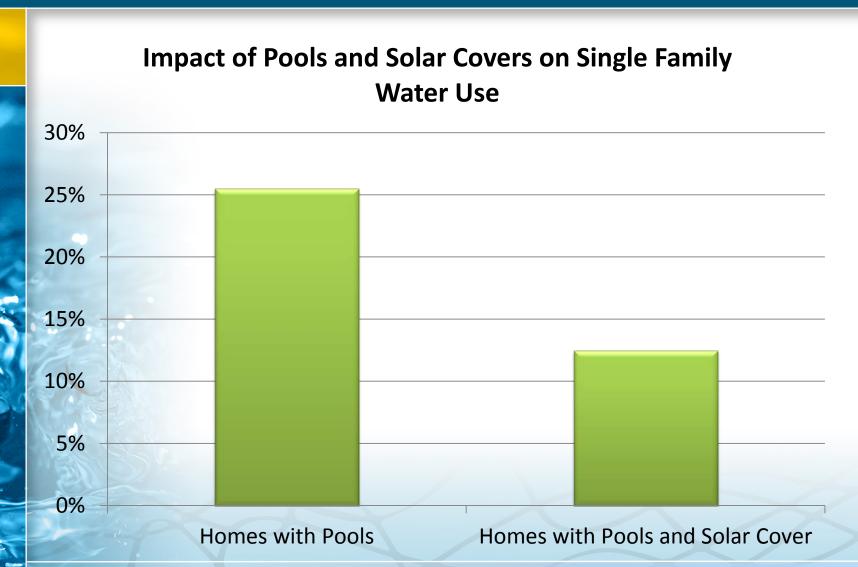




Alternative Sources Lower Potable Water Use for Irrigation

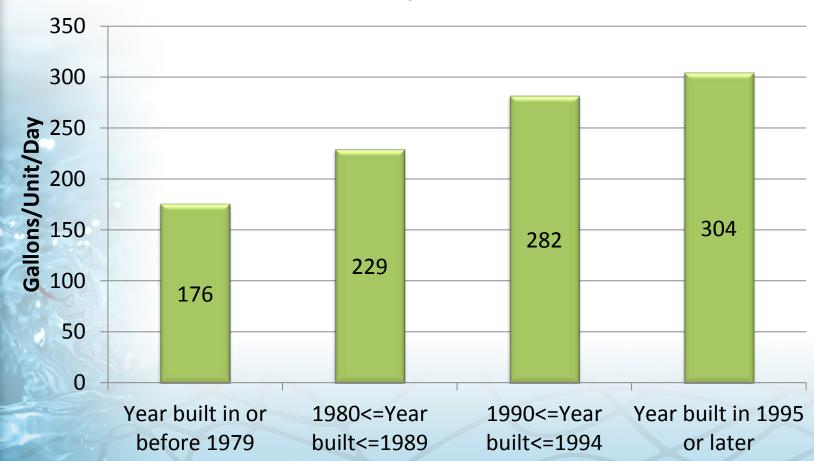


Pools and Solar Cover Impacts on Water Use

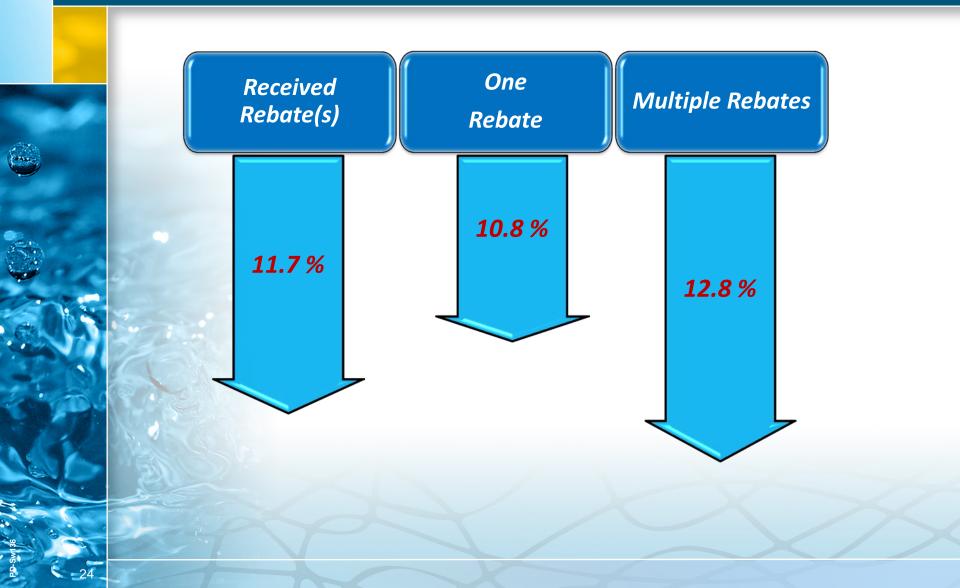


New Homes Use More Water (average)

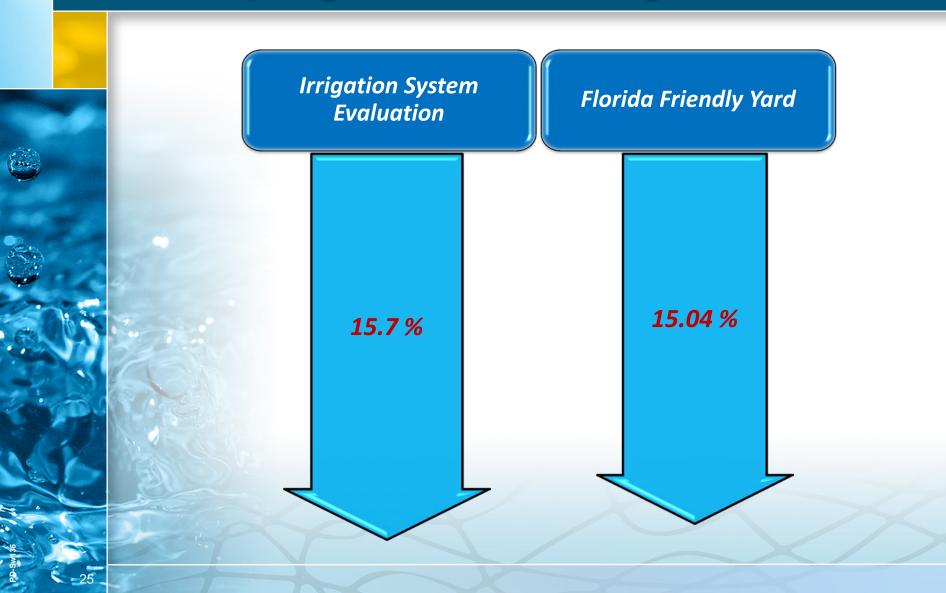




Ultra Low Flow Toilet Rebate programs reduce water use



Outdoor programs are saving water



Disaggregated Multifamily Average Water Use

Member	MF	Townhome	Condo/ Coop	MF less than 10 units	MF more than 10 units
NPR	97		64	84	103
PAS	60	53	50	112	58
NWH	90	98	80	104	88
SCH	94	60	69	116	95
СОТ	122	124	93	133	121
PIN	92	99	69	100	94
STP	105	58	91	97	110
TBW	109	104	90	111	112

Diverse Non-residential Sector

- Tampa Bay Water Wide
 - 24% of total demand
 - 89 property use types identified





- Today's Focus:
 - Hotels, Motels
 - Education
 - Restaurants
 - Office Buildings





Key nonresidential subsectors in region

Top 10 Use Types

- Hotels, motels
- Government
- Heavy Manufacturing
- Health Care
- Education
- Retirement
- Retail Stores
- Restaurants / Fast Food
- Light Manufacturing
- Office Buildings

Ranking based on procedure that balances unit usage rates with prevalence in market / region

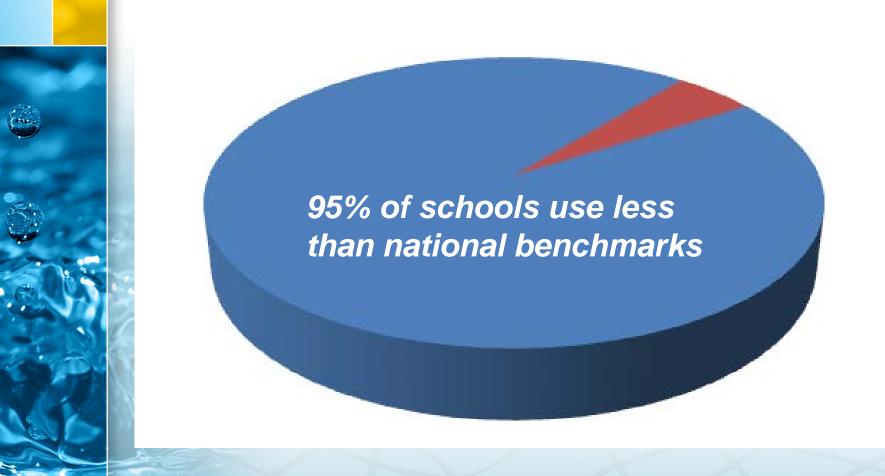
Water efficiency benchmarks available:

Commercial and Institutional End Uses of Water Study (Water Research Foundation)

Water use trends indicate efficiency potential

	Hotels/Motels	Office Buildings	Restaurants
National Benchmarks	1/2 of customers use more	1/3 of customers use more	1/2 of customers use more
High Users	9% of customers use 50% of total water use	5% of customers use 60% of total water use	8% of customers use 32% of total water use
Other findings	Seasonal factors: Irrigation, Cooling, Spring Break	Seasonal factors: Cooling	Fast food restaurants may have most efficiency potential

Schools in the region seem to be water efficient



Lessons learned

- Many attributes which explain water use variance available
 - Improved sectoral disaggregation
 - Increased metrics
 - Greater accuracy in rate of use estimates
- Data limitations not always a liability!
 - Design database that is accessible and reliable
 - Track metric data over time if possible
 - QA/QC is a must
- Keep analyzing and comparing numbers, but seek data and analyses that reveal <u>why</u> water use varies

Thank you!

Questions?

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