Active Sites used for Groundwater Level Monitoring

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Description:
This map indicates the number of active groundwater level monitoring sites. The sites are grouped into nine groups with different colors to differentiate between the Provincial Offices responsible for the monitoring thereof.

Data Sources:
Water Management Areas: Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS), Directorate Catchment Management. Boundaries and towns: Chief Directorate National Geospatial Information (NGI), Department Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development. Groundwater data: Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS), Directorate National Hydrological Services, Hydstra Database.

The total number of sites = 1 724

LEGEND

- Major Cities/Towns
- Groundwater Dependent Towns 2024
- International Boundary
- Water Management Area Boundary 2012

Responsible Provincial Office:

- Region1 - Western Cape
- Region2 - Eastern Cape
- Region3 - Kwa-Zulu Natal
- Region4 - Gauteng
- Region5 - Mpumalanga
- Region6 - Free State
- Region7 - Northern Cape
- Region8 - Limpopo
- Region10 - North West
- Acid Mine Drainage Region - National Office

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