



Headline Statistics



* The total daily water usage is the total water provided by the City of Cape Town and includes water provided to Stellenbosch and Drakenstein Municipalities

** The average per person water use is the average for the City of Cape Town only and is estimated as Total Water Use / Population. Summer demands are expected to be higher than the yearly average due to the increased use of water for outdoor irrigation. Average water use per person over the last 12 months was approximately 160 l/d

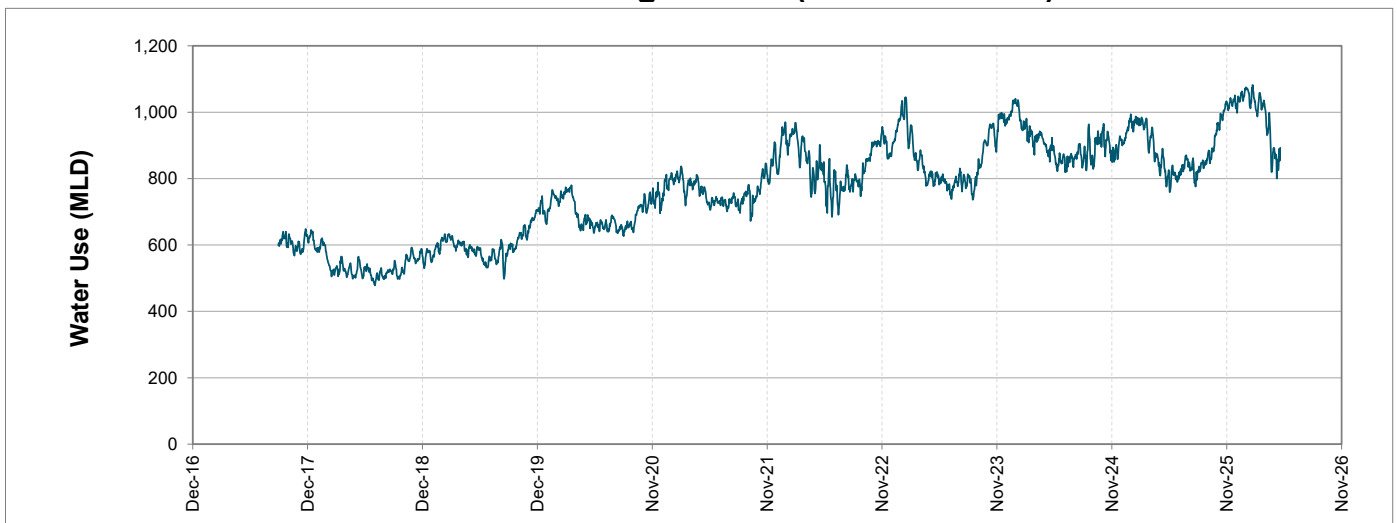
Water Resource Status

WATER RESOURCE STATUS	MEANING OF CURRENT STATUS
Water Wise Use	<p>Exceptional rainfall during May 2026 resulted in a 20% recovery in Western Cape Water Supply System (WCWSS) storage within one week, increasing the likelihood of the system reaching full supply capacity by November 2026. Rainfall intensities in several catchment areas were extreme and should be regarded as an anomalous event.</p> <p>As rainfall patterns remain unpredictable, it is important to continue to be water wise. Use water responsibly to sustain supply.</p> <p>The next WCWSS Water Resource Status update will be published in July 2026.</p>

Water Production from Different Sources



Overall Water Usage Trend (2010 - Present)



WCWSS means Western Cape Water Supply System

MLD means million litres per day

More information on Water Saving and Restrictions is available on the City of Cape Town's 'ThinkWater' website

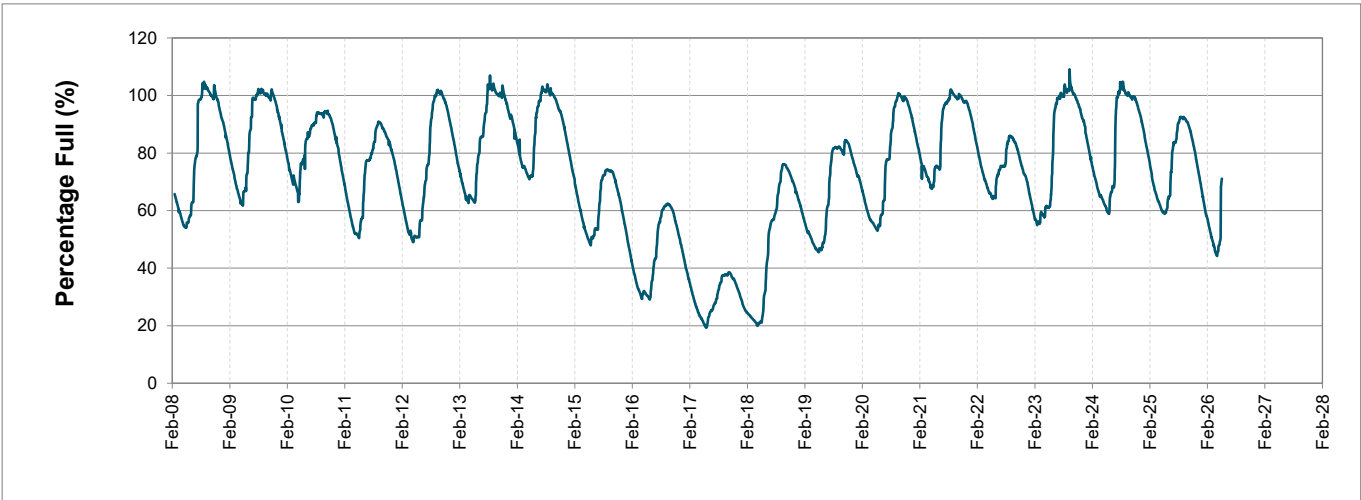
Water Stored in Major Dams (WCWSS)

Overall Percentage Full **71.1%**

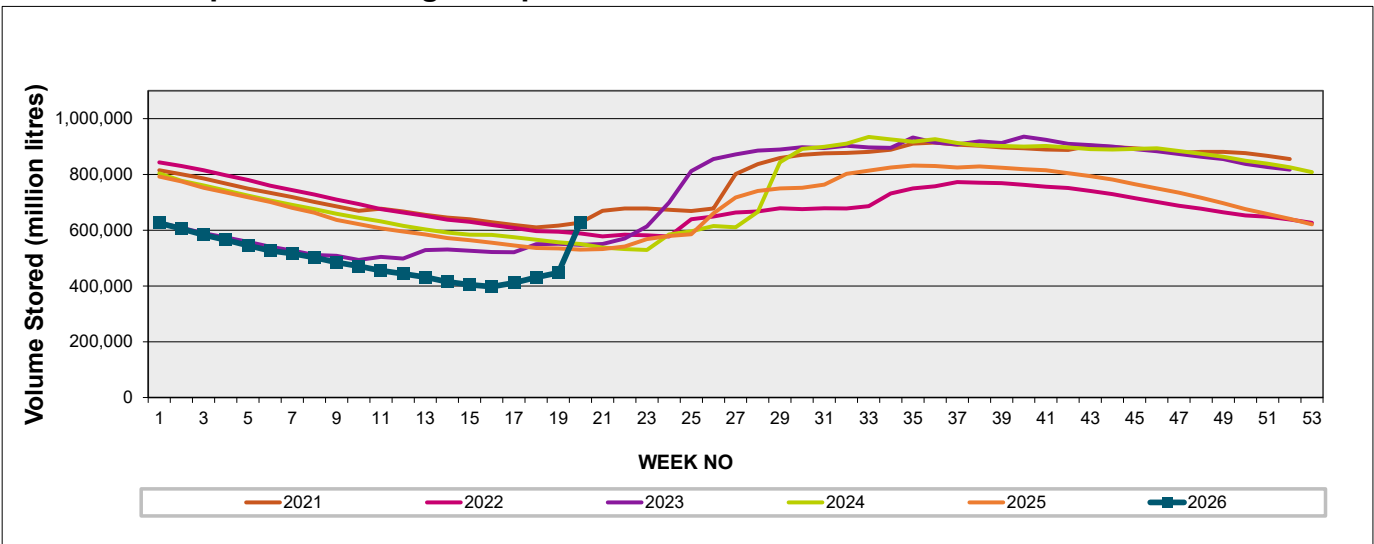
Weekly Change **9.9%**

MAJOR DAMS (WCWSS)	STORAGE						
	CAPACITY	%	%	%	%	%	%
	MI	19 May 2026	Previous week	2025	2024	2023	2022
BERG RIVER	130,010	78.4	70.9	61.7	70.7	86.8	67.8
STEENBRAS LOWER	33,517	54.5	50.1	39.7	55.7	53.5	61.6
STEENBRAS UPPER	31,767	71.6	57.5	90.0	80.5	94.9	83.7
THEEWATERSKLOOF	480,188	72.0	61.4	59.2	58.8	58.7	67.0
VOËLVLEI	164,095	58.1	51.0	57.7	50.4	39.4	57.2
WEMMERSHOEK	58,644	93.4	75.6	50.1	63.8	71.5	50.8
TOTAL STORED	898,221	638,623	550,157	530,347	538,779	549,578	580,723
% STORAGE		71.1%	61.2%	59.0%	60.0%	61.2%	64.7%

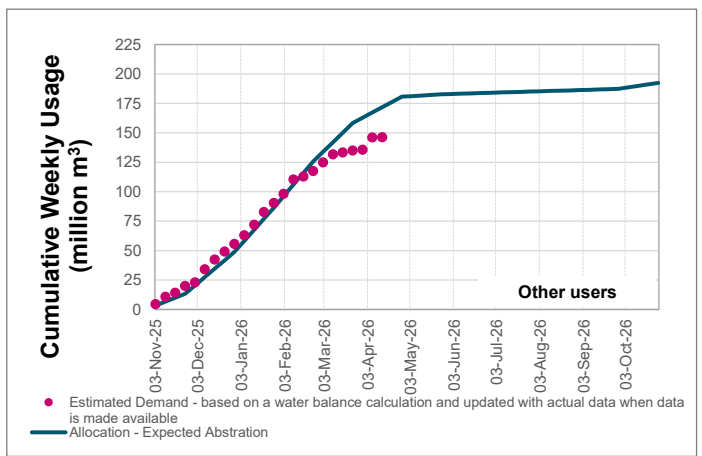
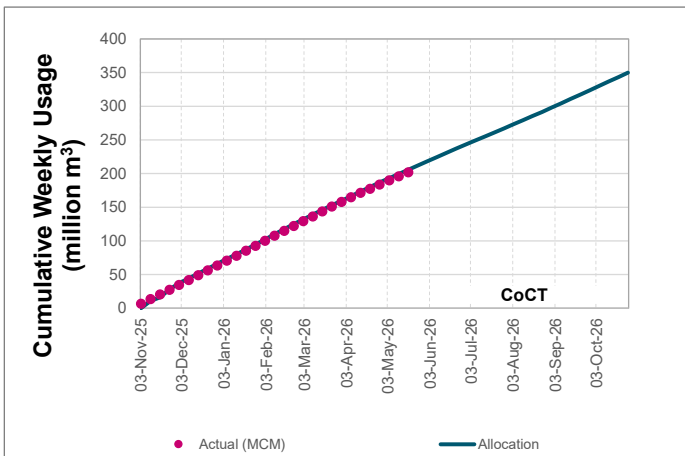
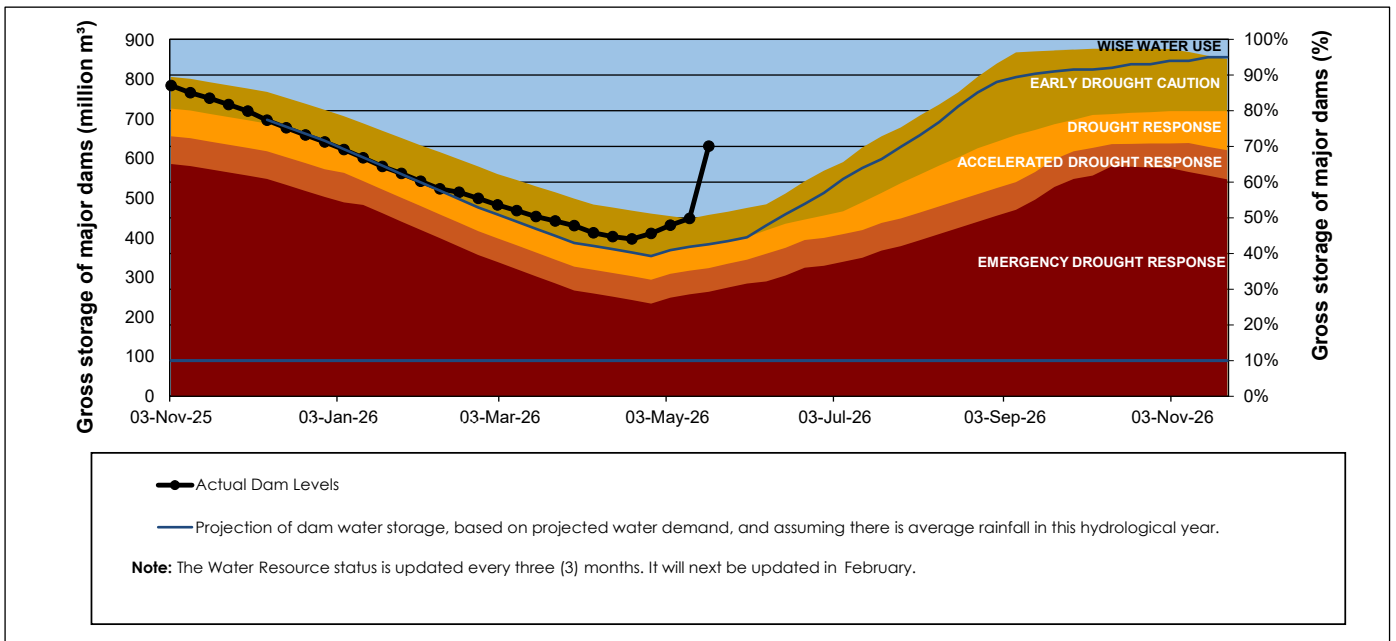
WCWSS Storage Record (2008 - Present)



WCWSS Comparative Storage Graph



Projected WCWSS Dam Storage Levels



Water Stored in Minor Dams

Overall Percentage Full **N/D**

Weekly Change **N/D**

MINOR DAMS	STORAGE						
	CAPACITY	%	%	%	%	%	%
	MI	19 May 2026	Previous week	2025	2024	2023	2022
ALEXANDRA (Table Mountain)	126	N/D	0.0	30.6	35.2	87.5	54.3
DE VILLIERS (Table Mountain)	243	N/D	N/D	72.3	83.1	99.7	69.2
HELY-HUTCHINSON (Table Mount)	925	N/D	0.0	11.7	0.0	85.2	27.9
KLEINPLAATS (Simon's Town)	1,368	30.2	25.9	5.9	40.1	9.2	43.6
LAND-EN-ZEEZICHT (Helderberg)	451	94.8	92.5	72.1	100.0	83.2	74.4
LEWIS GAY (Simon's Town)	182	68.5	55.1	97.7	29.3	83.0	0.0
VICTORIA (Table Mountain)	128	N/D	0.0	29.1	73.7	100.4	50.6
WOODHEAD (Table Mountain)	954	N/D	N/D	49.5	37.4	70.5	61.3
Total Stored	4,377	N/D	N/D	1416.1	1744.2	2601.6	2068.7
Percentages stored		N/D	N/D	32.4	39.8	59.4	47.3

Rainfall Recorded

RAINFALL (mm)	12-May	13-May	14-May	15-May	16-May	17-May	18-May	May	
								Total*	LT Average
Blackheath Upper	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	62.0	55.7
Brooklands	10.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	108.0	107.1
Newlands	49.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	334.7	210.0
Steenbras	13.5	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	127.5	116.9
Table Mountain (Woodhead)	51.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/D	N/D	227.9	188.7
Theewaterskloof	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/D	88.3	48.5
Tygerberg	11.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	145.6	60.0
Voëlvlei	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	133.2	69.2
Wemmershoek	33.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	310.4	120.1
Wynberg	22.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	258.9	142.8

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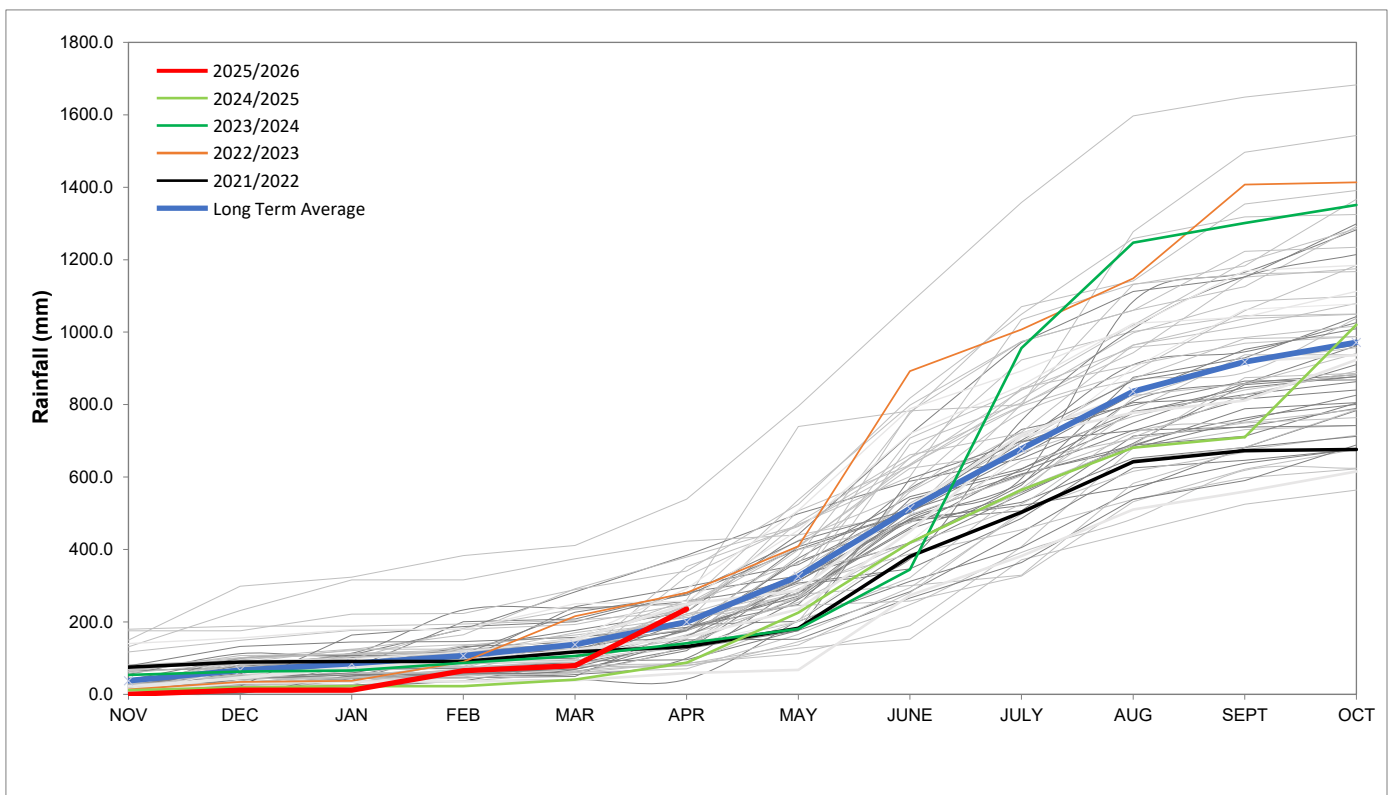
*Total/cummulative rainfall for month indicated above

**LT: Long Term

***Readings taken at approximately 8am daily except for Newlands which is taken at 12:00 daily

Accumulated Monthly Rainfall at Wemmershoek

Note: Wemmershoek station used due to long record and mountainous location



Drinking Water Quality

SAMPLE PASS RATE

Month	Water Quality Compliance (%)	Target (%)
Jan-22	99.04	98.00
Feb-22	99.04	98.00
Mar-22	98.99	98.00
Apr-22	98.96	98.00
May-22	98.90	98.00
Jun-22	98.96	98.00
Jul-22	99.46	98.50
Aug-22	99.47	98.50
Sep-22	99.46	99.00
Oct-22	99.47	99.00
Nov-22	99.45	99.00
Dec-22	99.36	99.00
Jan-23	99.36	99.00
Feb-23	99.35	99.00
Mar-23	99.29	99.00
Apr-23	99.24	99.00
May-23	99.24	99.00
Jun-23	99.18	99.00
Jul-23	99.19	99.00
Aug-23	99.14	99.00
Sep-23	99.10	99.00
Oct-23	99.10	99.00
Nov-23	99.04	99.00
Dec-23	99.15	99.00
Jan-24	99.16	99.00
Feb-24	99.12	99.00
Mar-24	99.16	99.00
Apr-24	99.20	99.00
May-24	99.21	99.00
Jun-24	99.26	99.00
Jul-24	99.27	99.00
Aug-24	99.31	99.00
Sep-24	99.33	99.00
Oct-24	99.37	99.00
Nov-24	99.42	99.00
Dec-24	99.42	99.00
Jan-25	99.48	99.00
Feb-25	99.57	99.00
Mar-25	99.61	99.00
Apr-25	99.65	99.00
May-25	99.66	99.00
Jun-25	99.62	99.00
Jul-25	99.69	99.00
Aug-25	99.69	99.00
Sep-25	99.70	99.00
Oct-25	99.70	99.00
Nov-25	99.72	99.00
Dec-25	99.72	99.00
Jan-26	99.72	99.00
Feb-26	99.70	99.00

This table shows CCT drinking water quality compliance according to the South African National Standard 241:2015. Compliance, measured against all prescribed chemical and microbiological components, consistently exceeds the very high CCT target of 99%. (Overall compliance percentages of continuous sampling and analysis are released on a monthly basis.