

Water Connected



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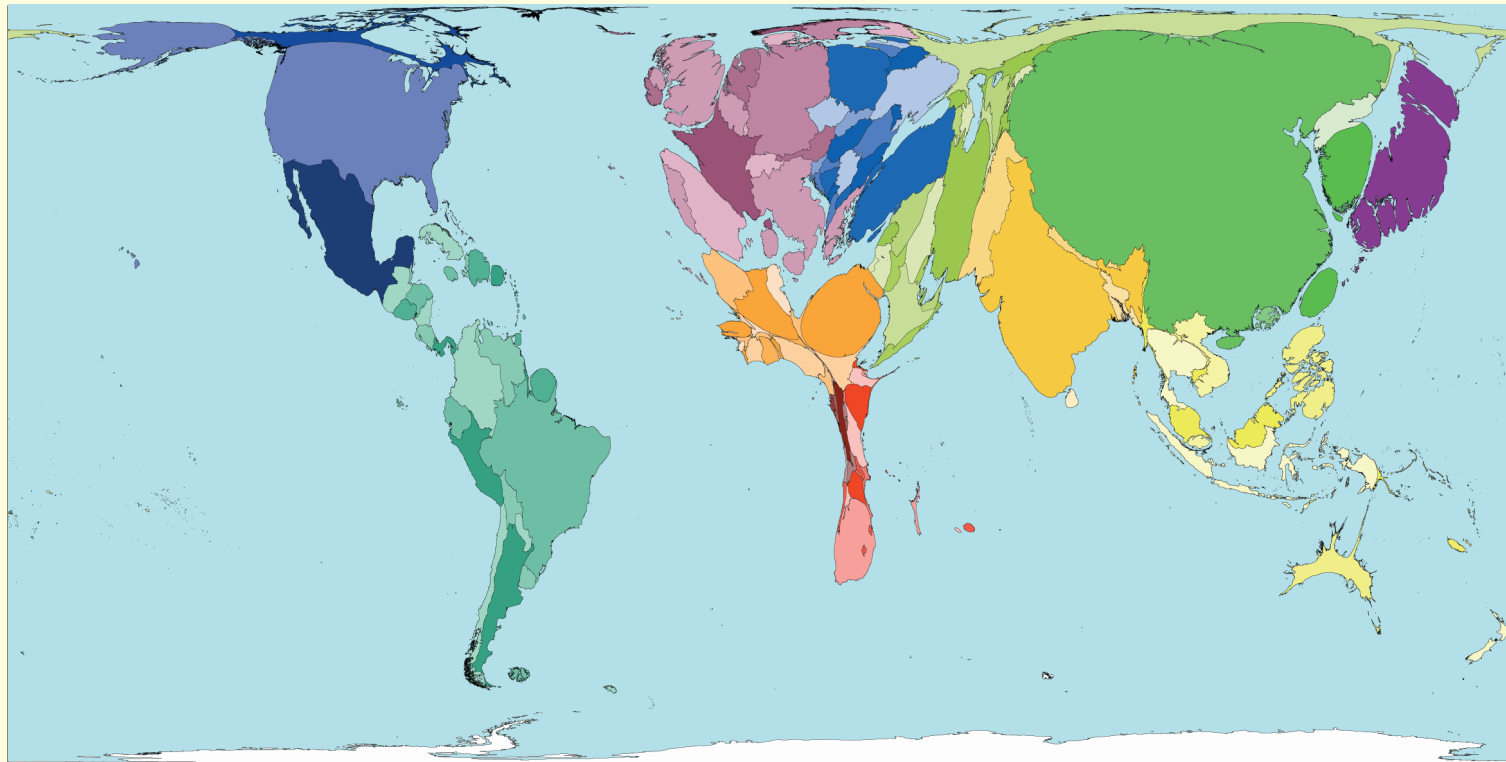


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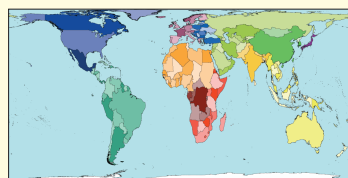
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This is a map of the number of people estimated to be living in households that are connected to a water supply. Water is supplied to households rather than to individuals, so data collected refers to household water supplies.

In Western Europe almost all households have tap water supplied; in Central Africa only 10% do. Having water pipes connected to your house means that you do not need to spend time and energy collecting water for drinking, cooking and washing. Piped water is necessary for the operation of a flush sewage system.

Territory size shows the proportion of all households with tap water supplies that are found there.



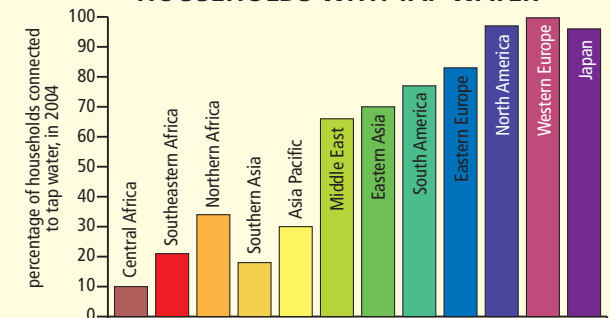
Land area

HIGHER AND LOWER RATES OF HOUSEHOLD WATER CONNECTIONS

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
30	Italy	99	187	Myanmar	6
30	Spain	99	192	Ethiopia	5
32	Lebanon	98	192	Burundi	5
32	Poland	98	192	Guinea-Bissau	5
32	Ireland	98	195	Afghanistan	4
35	Finland	97	195	Central African Republic	4
36	Greenland	97	195	Chad	4
37	Uruguay	96	195	Togo	4
37	Slovakia	96	199	Somalia	1
37	Japan	96	199	Uganda	1

percentage of households with a piped water supply in 2004*

HOUSEHOLDS WITH TAP WATER



Technical notes

- Data are from the World Health Organisation and United Nations Fund for Children's Joint Monitoring Programme, 2005.
- *100% water connection reported in 19 territories and assumed near 100% in 3 others. 31 territories with missing data were given regional averages, and are not shown in this table.
- See website for further details.

“Clean water is essential for life and something most of us in the United Kingdom take for granted. But over a billion people in the world do not have access to it ...”

Barbara Frost, 2007