Estimated water use by Household Activity

This is a list of common water uses and the average amount of water used for each.

Toilet flush 3 to 7 gallons

Shower 25 to 50 gallons

Hand washing 2 gallons (with tap running)

Brushing teeth 2 gallons (with tap running)

Outdoor watering 5 to 10 gallons per minute

Automatic dishwashing 10 gallons

Dishwashing by hand 20 gallons

Tub bath 36 gallons

