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Drinking water supply

The Communication contains selected statistical data on drinking water supply from public water supply system. The tables present data on abstracted and distributed water, number of households connected to public water supply system and water losses percentages.

In 2009, quantity of abstracted water decreased by 1% relative to 2008 and quantity of distributed water by 2.4% compared to 2008. Compared to 2008, water distributed to households decreased by 2.6%, water distributed to industrial sector decreased by 7.6% and to other users increased by 6.5%.

Number of households to which water was distributed increased in 2009 by 1.8% relative to 2008.

Percentage share of water losses in distribution of total water abstraction increased by 1.4% in 2009 compared to 2008.

The data refer to the Republic of Serbia and its subteritories. Starting from 1999, the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia does not have available certain data for AP Kosovo and Metohia, which are therefore not included in the data for the Republic of Serbia (total).

Abstracted and distributed water quantities and water losses from public water supply system, 2009¹⁾

	Total	Distributed water quantities, thous.m ³				Number of	Percentage
	abstracted water, thous.	Total	To households	To industrial sector	To other users 3)	households to which water was distributed	share of water losses in total water abstraction
Republic of Serbia	667 552	464 660	339 005	68 593	57 062	2 033 045	33,03
Central Serbia AP Vojvodina AP Kosovo and Metohia	516 760 150 792	349 219 115 441 	253 468 85 537 	57 480 11 113 	38 271 18 791 	1 389 528 643 517	35,82 23,44

¹⁾ Preliminary data

Distributed water quantities include water for own consumption.

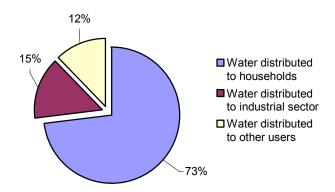
³⁾ Other users include water for own consumption: water supply systems, as well as water for own consumption.

Drinking	Drinking water supply, 2007-2009						
	2007	2008	2009				
	RE	REPUBLIC OF SERBIA					
Water abstracted, thous. m³:	691 839	674 301	667 552				
Underground and spring waters	499 848	485 612	484 390				
Surface waters	191 991	188 689	183 162				
Distributed water 1), thous. m ³	507 103	475 874	464 660				
Households	355 113	348 051	339 005				
Other users ²⁾		74 229	68 593				
Other public water supply	151 990 ³⁾	53 594	57 062				
Water taken from other system	16 657	18 957	17 586				
Water losses	201 393	217 384	220 478				
Water supply network							
Length of public water supply network, km	32 609	33 282	33 228				
Water mains	4 391	3 834	4 735				
Distribution network	28 218	29 448	28 493				
Number of connecting pipes	1 820 334	1 996 350	2 033 045				
•		Central Serbia					
Water abstracted, (thous. m³) from:	533 258	517 185	516 760				
Underground and spring waters	341 352	334 243	333 993				
Surface waters	191 906	182 942	182 767				
Distributed water ¹⁾ , thous. m ³	384 625	356 732	349 219				
Households	268 986	255 666	253 468				
Other users ²⁾	200 000	62 945	57 480				
Other public water supply	115 639 ³⁾	38 121	38 271				
Water taken from other system	16 657	18 957	17 586				
Water losses	165 290	179 410	185 127				
Water supply network	100 200						
Length of public water supply network, km	21 706	21 460	21 418				
Water mains	2 619	2 581	2 573				
Distribution network	19 087	18 879	18 845				
Number of connecting pipes	1 241 376	1 341 187	1 389 528				
Trained of commodating pipes		AP Vojvodina					
Water abstracted, (thous. m³) from:	158 581	157 116	150 792				
Underground and spring waters	158 496	151 369	150 397				
Surface waters	85	5 747	395				
Distributed water ¹⁾ , thous. m ³	122 478	119 142	115 441				
Households	86 127	92 385	85 537				
Other users ²⁾		11 284	11 113				
Other daers Other public water supply	36 351 ³⁾	15 473	18 791				
Water taken from other system	_	-	-				
Water losses	36 103	37 974	35 351				
Water supply network	00.00	0. 0	00 00 1				
Length of public water supply network, km	10 903	11 822	11 810				
Water mains	1 772	1 253	2 162				
Distribution network	9 131	10 569	9 648				
Number of connecting pipes	578 958	655 163	643 517				
Number of connecting pipes		AP Kosovo and Metohia					
Drinking water supply							
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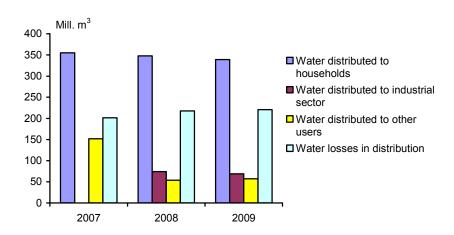
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Distributed water quantities include water for own consumption.
 Other users include water from enterprises from the following divisions: agriculture, forestry, fishing, hospitals, schools, hotels, restaurants and other public utilities, other public water supply systems, as well as water for own consumption.
 Distributed water quantities in 2007 include water from industrial sector.

Distributed water, 2009



Distributed water and losses, 2007-2009



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Methodological explanations

Data on water usage in settlements are collected from the reporting units that distribute water and/or manage water usage systems. Activity of the reporting units is defined in division 41of the Classification of Activities- abstraction, treatment and distribution.

Data on public water supply system have been collected since 1953. The survey was conducted annually (1953-1965; 1974-1991), three-annually (1966-1974; 1992-2000) and from 2005, due to users' requests and significance of indicators based on these data, the survey has been conducted annually.

Regarding the geographical aspect, the survey encompasses enterprises that perform their activities on the whole territory of the Republic of Serbia.

Data are collected by the reporting method, meaning that the reporting unit completes the questionnaire based on its available documentation and records. In case the respective documentation and records are not available, experts provide estimations based on water supply system functioning, equipment and technical characteristics of the network and supporting facilities. The completed questionnaire is delivered by the reporting unit to the competent statistical authority on the territory of the enterprise's head office.

Public water supply system is taken to be the set of connected hydro-technical components and plants that have joint management and control and that are used for water abstraction, collection, treatment and distribution to users.

Water abstraction (source) is the place of public, either underground or surface waters, from which public water systems are supplied (underground, spring, watercourse, accumulation and lakes).

Distributed waters are all directly abstracted and provided water quantities distributed to users by water supply system during the reporting year. Quantities of distributed water are determined by water meter and if such devices are unavailable quantities are calculated according to regulations related to the particular activity group.

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