



Headline Statistics

WCWSS DAM STORAGE
(%)

77.7

WEEKLY DAM LEVEL
CHANGE
(%)

-0.50

AVERAGE TOTAL
DAILY WATER USE
(MLD)*

847

AVERAGE WATER USE
PER PERSON (l/d)**

145

* 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
Early Drought Caution	Rainfall since May 2026 has been lower than expected, and thus the dam levels have been increasing slower than expected. As rainfall patterns remain unpredictable, it is important to remain water wise and use water responsibly to sustain supply should the drier weather persist for the remainder of winter - as current seasonal forecasts are predicting. The next Water Resource Status update will be published in September 2026.

Water Production from Different Sources

MAJOR DAMS
(MLD)

815

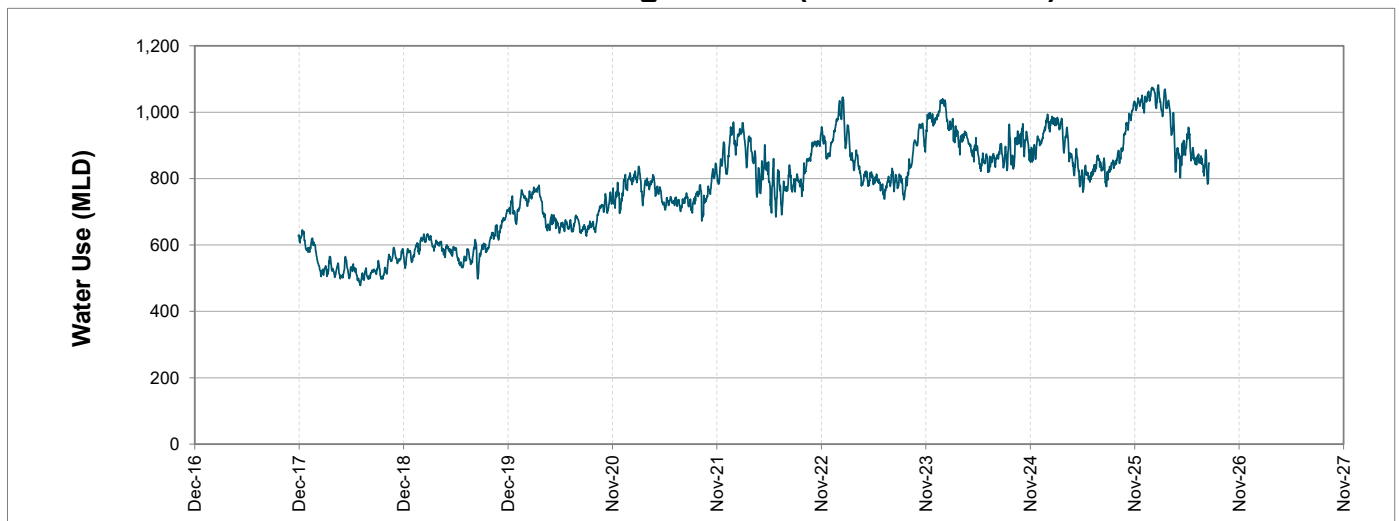
MINOR DAMS
(MLD)

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GROUND WATER
AND SPRINGS
(MLD)

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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

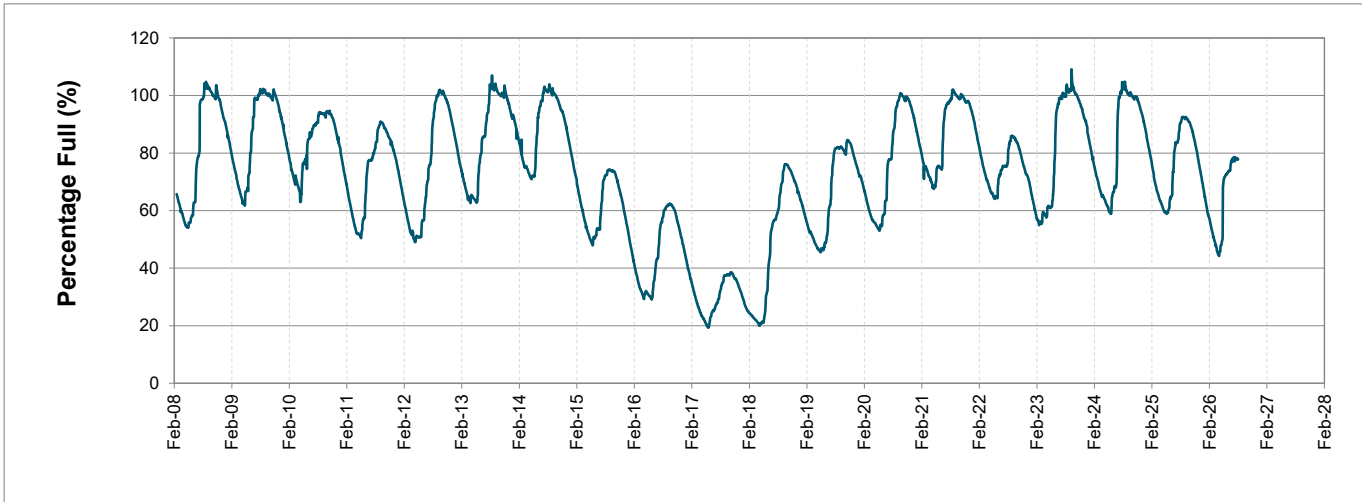
Water Stored in Major Dams (WCWSS)

Overall Percentage Full77.7%

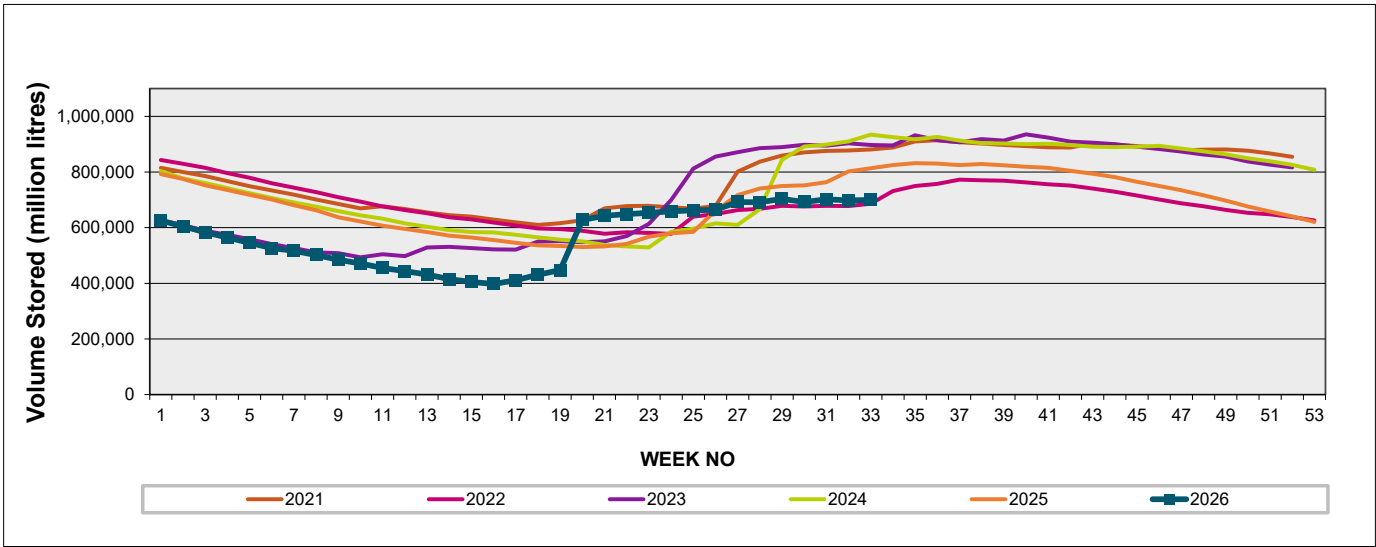
Weekly Change-0.5%

MAJOR DAMS (WCWSS)	STORAGE						
	CAPACITY	%	%	%	%	%	%
	MI	17 August 2026	Previous week	2025	2024	2023	2022
BERG RIVER	130,010	91.9	91.9	100.4	100.7	100.0	91.3
STEENBRAS LOWER	33,517	52.9	53.1	94.1	102.0	99.4	80.9
STEENBRAS UPPER	31,767	93.2	97.8	102.4	101.0	99.1	85.3
THEEWATERSKLOOF	480,188	77.9	78.3	85.6	104.9	101.1	77.1
VOËLVLEI	164,095	61.4	61.5	93.9	104.3	94.8	63.9
WEMMERSHOEK	58,644	96.9	98.3	91.8	100.1	99.9	67.3
TOTAL STORED	898,221	698,351	702,712	813,559	930,893	894,323	687,306
% STORAGE		77.7%	78.2%	90.6%	103.6%	99.6%	76.5%

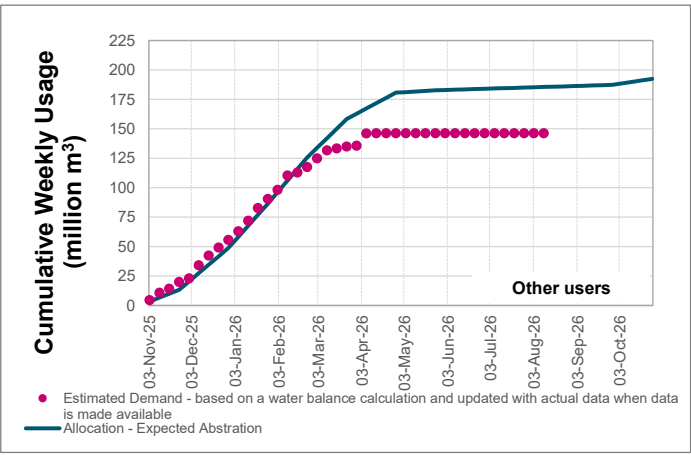
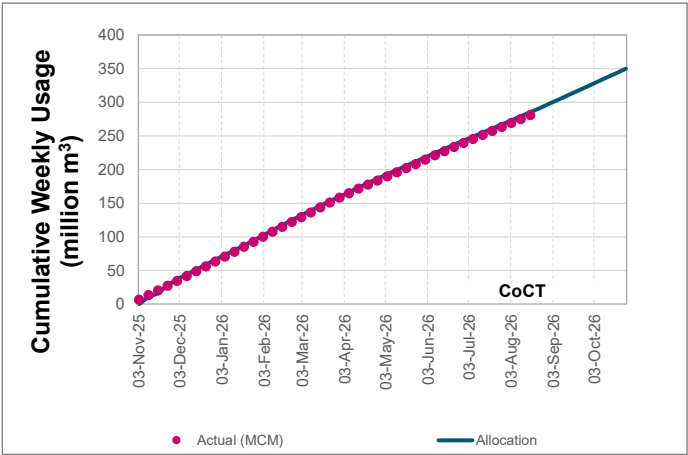
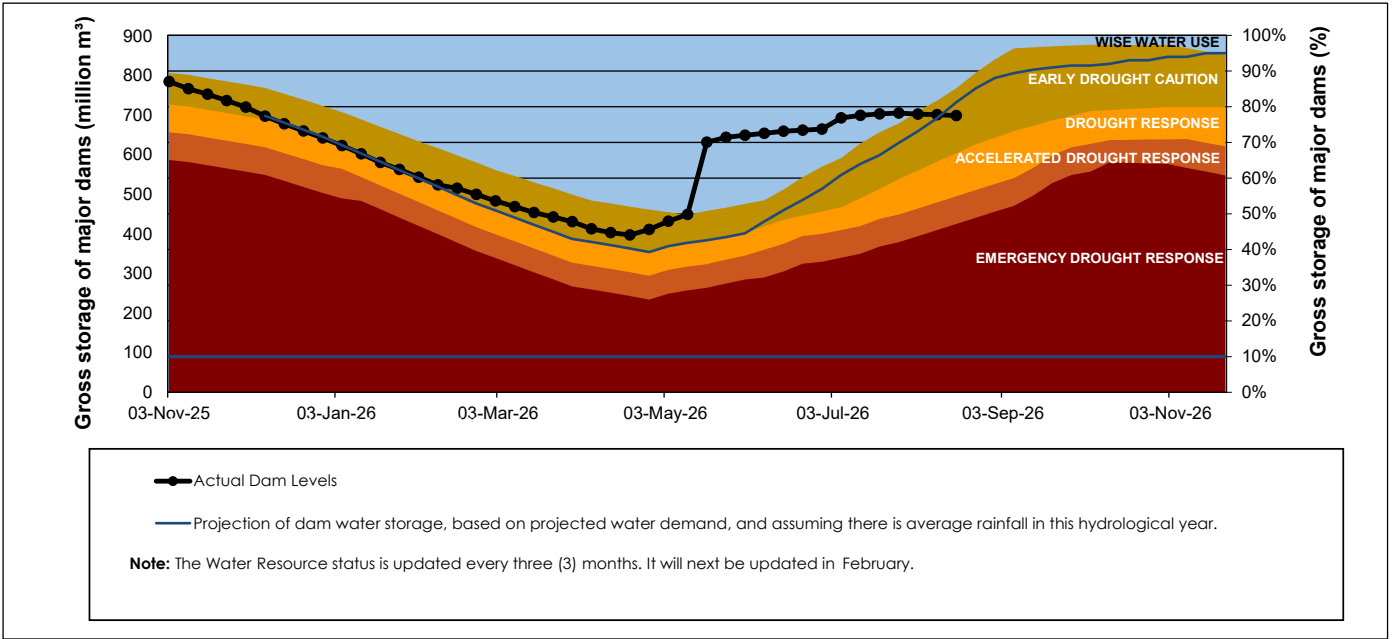
WCWSS Storage Record (2008 - Present)



WCWSS Comparative Storage Graph



Projected WCWSS Dam Storage Levels



Water Stored in Minor Dams

Overall Percentage Full **ND**

Weekly Change **ND**

MINOR DAMS	STORAGE						
	CAPACITY	%	%	%	%	%	%
	MI	17 August 2026	Previous week	2025	2024	2023	2022
ALEXANDRA (Table Mountain)	126	78.7	79.5	83.1	ND	89.5	100.0
DE VILLIERS (Table Mountain)	243	99.8	100.2	99.1	ND	100.0	94.5
HELY-HUTCHINSON (Table Mount	925	0.0	0.0	99.8	ND	99.3	100.3
KLEINPLAATS (Simon's Town)	1,368	37.7	38.6	68.5	89.8	97.5	62.1
LAND-EN-ZEEZICHT (Helderberg)	451	100.7	100.7	98.8	100.0	99.4	79.4
LEWIS GAY (Simon's Town)	182	84.5	92.4	100.9	100.9	98.2	34.1
VICTORIA (Table Mountain)	128	100.0	102.3	57.2	ND	100.4	101.2
WOODHEAD (Table Mountain)	954	81.9	89.4	93.5	ND	84.0	84.7
Total Stored	4,377	2365.7	2468.0	3769.5	ND	4115.9	3469.5
Percentages stored		54.0	56.4	86.1	ND	94.0	79.3

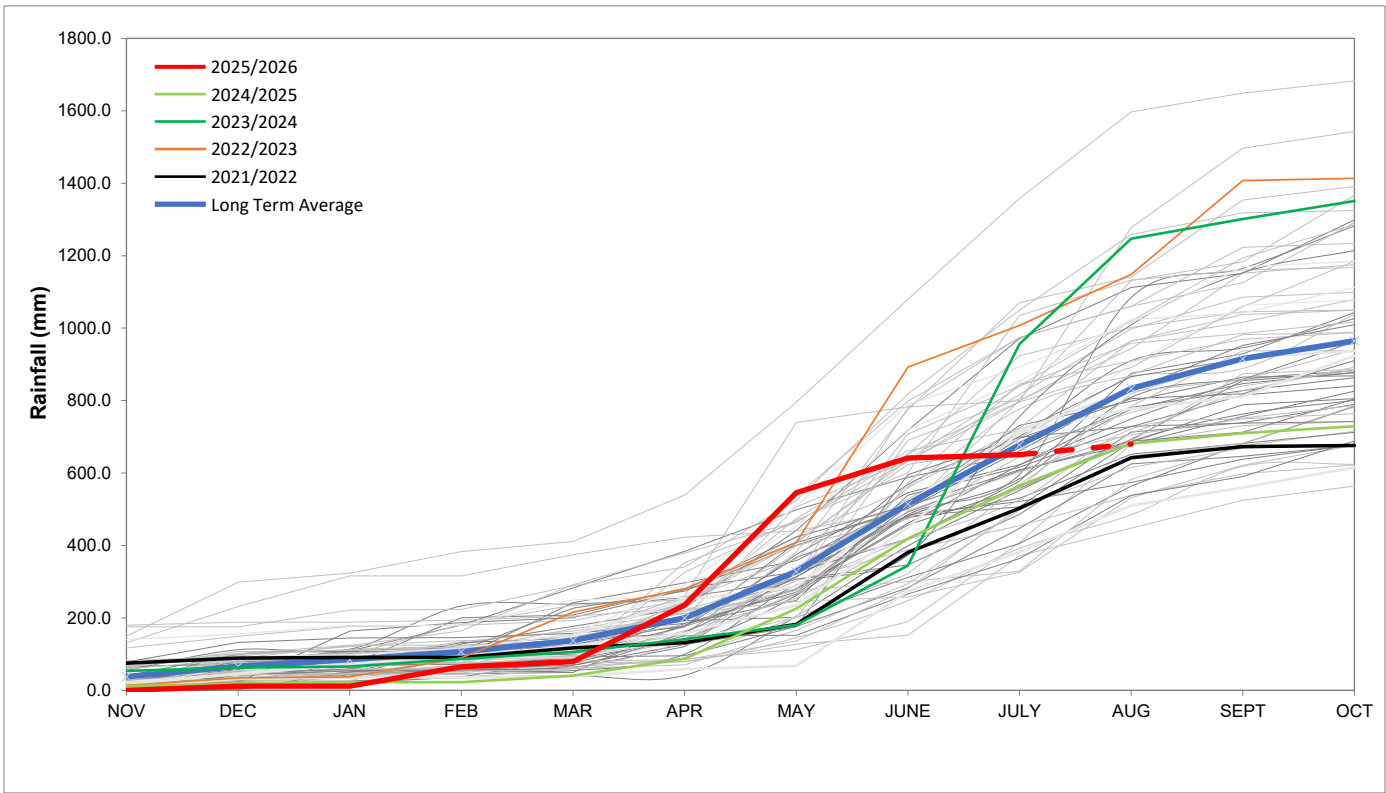
Rainfall Recorded

RAINFALL (mm)	10-Aug	11-Aug	12-Aug	13-Aug	14-Aug	15-Aug	16-Aug	Aug	
								Total*	LT Average
Blackheath Upper	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.0	77.7
Brooklands	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.0	135.1
Newlands	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	73.0	237.0
Steenbras	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	41.7	127.1
Table Mountain (Woodhead)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	67.2	215.8
Theewaterskloof	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.5	76.0
Tygerberg	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	133.0	86.5
Voëlvlei	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.2	90.2
Wemmershoek	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.0	146.0
Wynberg	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	43.4	191.1

Notes:
*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
Mar-26	99.72	99.00
Apr-26	99.73	99.00
May-26	99.73	99.00
Jun-26	99.76	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.

