# **Engage and understand:** Global water perspectives Activity 5

# **Water Usage**

People in Beijing use about 160 litres of water, per person, per day. That's about one bathtub and 2 buckets full each day.

## **Water Stress**

Water stress is how much water is taken (withdrawal) compared to the water resources in that country.

High!

Surces in that country

# May's Water Story Beijing, China



I live in Beijing, the capital city of China. China has about 20% of the world's population but only 7% of the freh water on Earth.

Water supply is a big issue for us, especially in the long dry season. Floods and pollution are also a problem. Clean, freah water is hard to find in the environment here. We are now haing to source water from outside Beijing as we have used much of the clean water sources available.

# **Water supply and access**

Water consumption can vary according to where you live in China. In some areas water is not treated and people use a lot less.



96%

96% of people in China have a safe drinking water supply. 4% do not have safe drinking water.

This activity is part of a suite of resources that support Smart Water – A context for learning, which provides students and teachers with opportunities to connect with water and learn more about drinking water in the Waikato region.

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