## Fun Facts About Water and Infrastructure



The first municipal water filtration works opened in Paisley, Scotland, in 1832.

There are more than 56,000 community, and 200,000 individual, water systems providing water to the public in the United States.


Public water suppliers process 43 billion gallons of water per day for domestic and public use.

Approximately 1 million miles of pipes carry water through the United States and Canada. That's enough to travel from the Earth to the Moon and back-twice!

The average person spends less than 1\% from personal income for water, wastewater, and water disposal services.


## In the US, approximately <br> 338 billion gallons of fresh water are needed per day.



Each person uses an average of $\mathbf{1 6 0}$ gallons of water per day.

One gallon of water weighs 8.34 pounds.


Each person is using 9,340 pounds of water per week-that's more than the weight of an adult elephant!

More than 39,000 gallons of water are used to manufacture a new car, including tires.


Water is the main ingredient in other beverages. For example, it takes 1,500 gallons of water to make one barrel of beer.

It takes $\mathbf{3 0 0}$ million gallons of water to produce a single day's supply of newsprint.


Aboveground storage tanks ensure that water pressure is consistent and the volume is sufficient to fight fires.

