# SUMMARY PROGRESS 2021: SDG 6 INDICATORS





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# 6.1.1 DRINKING WATER

**people** 



lacked safely managed drinking water services in 2020



### 6.2.1a SANITATION



of the world's populati

lacked safely managed sanitation services, and 494 million people practised open defecation, in 2020

### 6.2.1b HYGIENE

23 billion people



lacked a basic handwashing facility with soap and water at home in 2020



6.3.1 WASTEWATER

Globally



of household wastewater is not safely treated



## **6.3.2 WATER QUALITY**

The lack of water quality data for

billion people

means that they are at significant risk because the health of their rivers, lakes and groundwater is unknown



#### 6.4.1 WATER-USE EFFICIENCY

Since 2015 water-use efficiency has increased by



globally

## 6.4.2 WATER STRESS

2.3 live in water-stress countries

of which **733 million live in high and critically water-stressed** countries

#### 6.5.1 INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT



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are **not on track** to have sustainably managed water resources by 2030

Globally, the current rate of progress needs to be doubled

#### 6.5.2 TRANSBOUNDARY COOPERATION

24 solutries



reported that all the rivers, lakes and aquifers that they share with their neighbours are covered by operational arrangements for cooperation



## 6.6.1 ECOSYSTEMS



are experiencing rapid changes in the area covered by surface waters



## 6.a.1 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION



Official development assistance (ODA) commitments to the water sector increased

9%

from 2015 to 2019, but disbursements showed little change

## **6.b.1 PARTICIPATION**



Only

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report having high levels of participation by communities in water and sanitation decision-making

