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Results for Affinity Water	Percentage of household customers	Range and average for all WoCs ¹	Comments or points of interest
Satisfaction with water services			
Overall satisfaction with water supply (Sample size: 250) ²	92% _{90%} 91% _{90%} 90% ^{94%} 92%92%91% _{91%} 86% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	96% to 86% Average: 90%	
Satisfaction with value f	or money		
Satisfied with value for money of water services (Sample size: 245)	78% _{69%64%65%} 77%72% _{69%} 75% _{68%63%}	74% to 58% Average: 65%	
Views on fairness and af	fordability of charges		
Agree charges are fair (Sample size: 245)	57%59%57%55% ^{67%69%} 56% ^{61%} 55% _{47%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	58% to 47% Average: 52%	Significant change since last year
Agree water and sewerage charges are affordable (Sample size: 248)	75%71%76% _{65%} 78%82%74%80%75%73% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	80% to 70% Average: 74%	
Care and trust			
Agree company cares about service given to customers (Sample size: 239)	66%60%66%61%65%66%56%57%48%50% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	60% to 43% Average: 53%	
Trust company (mean score – where 10 is trust completely and 1 is do not trust at all) (Sample size: 249)	7.65 7.46 7.41 7.43 7.77 7.82 6.93 6.86 6.35 6.46 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	6.83 to 5.81 Average: 6.49	
Awareness of consumer rights and responsibilities			
Likely to contact company if worried about paying bill (Sample size: 246)	70%70% ^{73%} 70%71% 71%70% _{66%63%} 65% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	73% to 65% Average: 68%	

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Aware of WaterSure tariff ³ (Sample size: 250*)	13% 11% 12% 12% 9% 12% 9% 15% 19% 6% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	24% to 17% Average: 20%	
Aware water company offers reduced charges to some households who struggle to afford their bills (Sample size: 250*) ⁴	37%38% ^{47%48} % 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	58% to 47% Average: 52%	
Aware of Priority services (Sample size: 250*)	49% _{38%} 41% 41%40%44%40%41%46% ⁵¹ % 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	61% to 45% Average: 53%	
Contact			
Contacted water company with query in last 12 months (Sample size: 250*)	27% 19% ^{26%} 24% 19% 20% 19% 16% 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	28% to 17% Average: 22%	
Reason for contacting water company was to complain (Sample size: 51 who made contact)	9% 2% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	4% to 0% Average: 2%	Low base size
Satisfaction with way query handled (Sample size: 51 who made contact)	82% _{77%} 79% _{73%} 74% _{71%} 78% _{75%} 81% 69% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	95% to 55% Average: 72%	Low base size
Water on tap			
Satisfied with colour and appearance of tap water (Sample size: 249)	94%92% 92% 94% 91% 92% 91% 91% 89% 90% 91% 92% 91% 91% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	94% to 88% Average: 90%	
Satisfied with taste and smell (Sample size: 243)	85% 85% 87% 84% 84% 81% 82% 81% 79% 78% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	87% to 81% Average: 82%	

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Satisfied with hardness/softness (Sample size: 248)	52%46%44%45%45%41%40%42% ₃₅ %37% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	66% to 37% Average: 47%	Significantly lower than WoC average
Satisfied with safety (Sample size: 243)	93% _{88%87%88%89%} 94% _{89%89%85%84%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	92% to 83% Average: 85%	
Satisfied with reliability of supply (Sample size: 250)	97% 97% 97% 96% 96% 97% 96% 96% 96% 96% 96% 96% 96% 96% 96% 96	99% to 87% Average: 95%	
Satisfied with water pressure (Sample size: 250)	85%85% _{81%} 84%85% ^{91%} 85%87%85% _{81%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	89% to 81% Average: 84%	

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Affinity Water sewerage services are provided by Thames Water (187 respondents), Anglian Water (37 respondents) and Southern Water (12 respondents)⁵







Results for sewerage service provider(s) for Affinity Water	Percentage of household customers	Range and average for all WoCs ¹	Comments or points of interest	
Satisfaction with sewera	Satisfaction with sewerage services			
Overall satisfaction with sewerage services (Sample size: 234)	89%85%87%87%87%82%72%73%62%56% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	68% to 36% Average: 58%		
Satisfaction with value for	or money			
Satisfied with value for money of sewerage services (Sample size: 225)	73%75%66% 71% 78%75%65%72%67%62% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	69% to 47% Average: 62%		
A sewerage system that	works			
Satisfied with company actions to reduce smells from sewerage treatment works (Sample size: 170)	79% _{72%} 80%84% _{75%} 82% _{65%} 71% _{59%52%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	68% to 40% Average: 58%		
Satisfied with maintenance of sewerage pipes & treatment works (Sample size: 195)	81% _{72%} 83%78%76%78% _{72%} 74% 53%48% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	69% to 36% Average: 56%	Significantly lower than WoC average	
Satisfied with company cleaning of waste water before releasing it back into the environment (Sample size: 198)	86%72%76%79%75%69% 53%43%31% 25% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	39% to 16% Average: 30%		
Satisfied with company actions to minimise sewer flooding (Sample size: 205)	84% _{71%} 74% _{72%} 79% _{74%} 60% _{48%38%33%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	50% to 17% Average: 37%		

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Sample Profile

Sample profile for Affinity Water	(Sample size: 250*)		
Gender			
Male	45%		
Female	55%		
Age			
18-29	2%		
30-44	12%		
45-59	27%		
60-64	8%		
65-74	27%		
75+	24%		
SEC ⁶			
Higher managerial, administrative & professional occupations	53%		
Intermediate occupations	26%		
Routine & manual occupations	17%		
Never worked and long-term unemployed/Full-time students	1%		
Refused	2%		
Water Meter			
Proportion having a water meter	75%		

Statistical reliability on sample size of 250 is +/- 6.2%

¹ Average (mean) proportion for all WoCs is based on weighted data. All other data is unweighted.

² Sample size is shown in brackets and excludes don't knows unless followed by an asterisk *.

³ Question wording changed in 2024 to include "Yes, have enquired but not eligible"

⁴ Question changed to Yes/No option in 2021 so data not comparable with previous years.

⁵ There is no differentiation between sewerage service providers within the results.

⁶ Percentages do not add to 100% due to rounding