



Results for Northumbrian Water	Percentage of household customers	Range and average for all WaSCs ¹	Comments or points of interest
Satisfaction with water a	and sewerage services		
Overall satisfaction with water supply (Sample size: 200) ²	94% ^{97%} 95% _{92%} 93% ^{96%} 93% ^{98%} 96%95% 93% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	96% to 81% Average: 90%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Overall satisfaction with sewerage services (Sample size: 188)	92%92%92%90%91%89%84%82%70%71%	75% to 47% Average: 65%	
Satisfaction with value f	or money		
Satisfied with value for money of water services (Sample size: 197)	77% ^{84%} 78%75% ^{79%79%81%^{86%}77%72% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year}	74% to 55% Average: 65%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with value for money of sewerage services (Sample size: 185)	84% 79% 78%78% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	75% to 51% Average: 68%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Views on fairness and af	fordability of charges		
Agree charges are fair (Sample size: 197)	66% ^{73%} 64%63%60% ^{72%} 71% ^{76%} 62%59%	65% to 42% Average: 54%	
Agree water and sewerage charges are affordable (Sample size: 199)	83% 81% 85% 81% 85% 74% 75%74% 73% 76% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	79% to 68% Average: 74%	
Care and trust			
Agree company cares about service given to customers (Sample size: 192)	77%79%73%75%71%76%73%68%59%61%	68% to 37% Average: 53%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Trust company (mean score – where 10 is trust completely and 1 is do not trust at all) (Sample size: 199)	8.15 7.95 8.01 7.96 7.96 8.16 7.70 7.81 6.90 6.91 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	7.02 to 5.12 Average: 6.23	Significantly higher than WaSC average





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Awareness of consumer	Awareness of consumer rights and responsibilities				
Likely to contact company if worried about paying bill (Sample size: 194)	67% ^{75%} 71%69%71% ^{78%} 68%71%65%59%	79% to 59% Average: 70%	Significantly lower than WaSC average		
Aware of free meter option (Sample size: 94) ³	69%69%65%64% 60% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	82% to 51% Average: 66%			
Aware of option to go back to rateable value charge within 24 months (Sample size: 94) ⁴	25% ^{34%} 28% _{21%} 22%23%23%22% _{19%} 23% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	35% to 11% Average: 25%			
Aware of WaterSure tariff (Sample size: 200*)4	9% ^{12%} ^{6%} ^{8%} ^{10%} ^{6%} ^{11%} ^{9%} ^{14%} ^{15%} ^{14%} ^{15%} ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁹ ²⁰ ²¹ ²² ²³ ²⁴ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ ¹⁸ ¹⁹ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶ ¹⁶	24% to 11% Average: 18%			
Aware water company offers reduced charges to some households who struggle to afford their bills (Sample size: 200*) ⁵	15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	57% to 38% Average: 48%			
Aware of Priority services (Sample size: 200*) ⁵	50%44%42%45%41%42% ^{51%} 44%44% ^{59%}	62% to 49% Average: 56%	Significant change since last year		
Contact					
Contacted water company with query in last 12 months (Sample size: 198*)	14% 16% 15% ^{20%22%} 13% 18% ^{20%} 16% ^{21%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	37% to 19% Average: 28%	Significantly lower than WaSC average		
Reason for contacting water company was to complain (Sample size: 41 who made contact)	17% 5% 3% 5% 0% 0% 3% 0% 0% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	5% to 0% Average: 2%			





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Satisfaction with way query handled (Sample size: 41 who made contact)	86%87%81%88%76%92%77%90%94%80%	87% to 67% Average: 76%	
Water on tap			
Satisfied with colour and appearance of tap water (Sample size: 200)	96%97%95%93%97%97%97%97%97%97%97%97%97%97%95%93%94% 92%93%94% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	94% to 89% Average: 91%	
Satisfied with taste and smell (Sample size: 198)	91% ^{94%} 92% 91% ^{94%} 92% 91% ^{90%} 87%87% ^{88%} 85% 87% ^{90%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	90% to 75% Average: 83%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with hardness/softness (Sample size: 185)	89%88%87%85%85% 82%80% 78% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	90% to 41% Average: 66%	Significant change since last year. Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with safety (Sample size: 194)	95%95%96%94%92%94%92%94% 88% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	92% to 75% Average: 85%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with reliability of supply (Sample size: 199)	99%98%98%97%99%99%98% ^{100%} 96%98% 96%98% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	98% to 91% Average: 94%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with water pressure (Sample size: 199)	94%93% 94%93%94% 96%94%96% 89% 88% 96%94%96% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	96% to 79% Average: 86%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
A sewerage system that works			
Satisfied with company actions to reduce smells from sewerage treatment works (Sample size: 143)	87%82%81%81%82%88%86%76% _{63%} 65%	70% to 52% Average: 64%	





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Satisfied with maintenance of sewerage pipes & treatment works (Sample size: 156)	91%88%86%85%87%86%83%80% _{69%71%}	77% to 48% Average: 64%	
Satisfied with company cleaning of waste water before releasing it back into the environment (Sample size: 167)	90%86%85%86%82%87% _{68%61%} 46%49% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	51% to 22% Average: 40%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with company actions to minimise sewer flooding (Sample size: 171)	87%87%82%83%81%87%73%72% 54%57% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	57% to 30% Average: 48%	Significantly higher than WaSC average





Sample Profile

Regional sample profile for Northumbrian Water	(Sample size: 200*)		
Gender			
Male	48%		
Female	52%		
Age ⁶			
18-29	2%		
30-44	12%		
45-59	27%		
60-64	14%		
65-74	22%		
75+	22%		
SEC ⁶			
Higher managerial, administrative & professional occupations	48 %		
Intermediate occupations	25%		
Routine & manual occupations	19%		
Never worked and long-term unemployed/Full-time students	4%		
Refused	2%		
Water Meter			
Proportion having a water meter	52%		

Statistical reliability on sample size of 200 is +/- 6.79%

¹ Average (mean) proportion for all WaSCs 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 filtered on unmetered households as per the main report and not stated removed.

⁴ Question wording changed in 2024 to include "Yes, have enquired but not eligible"

⁵ Question changed to Yes/No option in 2021 so data not comparable with previous years.

⁶ Percentages do not add to 100% due to rounding.