



Results for South West Water ¹	Percentage of household customers	Range and average for all WaSCs ²	Comments or points of interest	
Satisfaction with water a	Satisfaction with water and sewerage services			
Overall satisfaction with water supply (Sample size: 400) ³	93%93%94% 93% 93%94% 91% 90% 90% 90% 91% 90% 90% 91% 91% 89% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	96% to 81% Average: 90%		
Overall satisfaction with sewerage services (Sample size: 328)	85% 81% 82%77% 85% 84%79% 71% 52% 47%	75% to 47% Average: 65%	Significantly lower than WaSC average	
Satisfaction with value f	or money			
Satisfied with value for money of water services (Sample size: 396)	58%65%54%56%65% ^{72%} 66%67%60%55%	74% to 55% Average: 65%	Significantly lower than WaSC average	
Satisfied with value for money of sewerage services (Sample size: 329)	61%60%58%57%66%67%65%64%57%51%	75% to 51% Average: 68%	Significantly lower than WaSC average	
Views on fairness and af	fordability of charges			
Agree charges are fair (Sample size: 387)	39% ^{46%} 39% ^{38%} ^{50%^{57%}^{51%^{53%}42%^{42%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year}}	65% to 42% Average: 54%	Significantly lower than WaSC average	
Agree water and sewerage charges are affordable (Sample size: 397)	61% 62% 61% 57% 66% ^{75%} 67% 68% 63% 68% 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: 383)	66%66%62%62%62% ^{71%} 63%63% 43%41% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	68% to 37% Average: 53%	Significantly lower than WaSC average	
Trust company (mean score – where 10 is trust completely and 1 is do not trust at all) (Sample size: 397)	7.25 7.29 7.27 7.19 7.56 7.72 7.21 7.00 6.14 5.42	7.02 to 5.12 Average: 6.23	Significant change since last year. Significantly lower 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: 383)	74% _{69%} 73%73%77% 67% ^{73%} 68%70% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	79% to 59% Average: 70%			
Aware of free meter option (Sample size: 107) ⁴	88%75%82%83% _{69%} 77%81%76% _{69%} 82%	82% to 51% Average: 66%	Significantly higher than WaSC average		
Aware of option to go back to rateable value charge within 24 months (Sample size: 107) ⁴	49%41%35%35%25% ^{39%} 25%27%19% ^{35%} 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	35% to 11% Average: 25%	Significant change since last year. Significantly higher than WaSC average		
Aware of WaterSure tariff (Sample size: 400*) ⁵	17% 20% 18% 17% 19% 15% 15% 17% 20% 19%	24% to 11% Average: 18%			
Aware water company offers reduced charges to some households who struggle to afford their bills (Sample size: 400*) ⁶	44%42% ^{46%49%}	57% to 38% Average: 48%			
Aware of Priority services (Sample size: 400*)⁵	59% _{45%} 52%48%44%44%55%51%51%62%	62% to 49% Average: 56%	Significant change since last year. Significantly higher than WaSC average		
Contact					
Contacted water company with query in last 12 months (Sample size: 398*)	22%24% _{18%} 27%24% _{15%} 22%24%24%27% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	37% to 19% Average: 28%			
Reason for contacting water company was to complain (Sample size: 106 who made contact)	6% 6% 8% 2% 0% 0% 1% 2% 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: 105 who made contact)	78%85%81%77%81% _{69%} 76%73%72%68%	87% to 67% Average: 76%	
Water on tap			
Satisfied with colour and appearance of tap water (Sample size: 398)	95% ^{97%} 94% 89% ^{92%} ^{95%} 93% ^{94%} 90%89% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	94% to 89% Average: 91%	
Satisfied with taste and smell (Sample size: 394)	86%88%87% 87%85%89%86%86% 81% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	90% to 75% Average: 83%	
Satisfied with hardness/softness (Sample size: 383)	88%91%90%85%86%89%83%80%76%78%	90% to 41% Average: 66%	Significantly higher than WaSC average
Satisfied with safety (Sample size: 387)	94%94%95%90%93% 91%94%94% 91% 81% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	92% to 75% Average: 85%	Significant change since last year
Satisfied with reliability of supply (Sample size: 400)	97%98%98% _{93%} 96%97%96%96% _{93%} 91% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	98% to 91% Average: 94%	Significantly lower than WaSC average
Satisfied with water pressure (Sample size: 399)	90% ^{93%} 91% 88%87% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	96% to 79% Average: 86%	
A sewerage system that			
Satisfied with company actions to reduce smells from sewerage treatment works (Sample size: 256)	77%73%77%75%81%80%75%69% 52%52% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	70% to 52% Average: 64%	Significantly lower than WaSC average





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Satisfied with maintenance of sewerage pipes & treatment works (Sample size: 277)	81% 73%80%75%79%83%76%69% 54%48% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	77% to 48% Average: 64%	Significantly lower than WaSC average
Satisfied with company cleaning of waste water before releasing it back into the environment (Sample size: 305)	80%74%71%72%75%73% 54%41% 24%26% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	51% to 22% Average: 40%	Significantly lower than WaSC average
Satisfied with company actions to minimise sewer flooding (Sample size: 301)	73%75%67%67%72%76%62%53% 34%30% 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Year	57% to 30% Average: 48%	Significantly lower than WaSC average





Sample Profile

Regional sample profile for South West Water	(Sample size: 400*)		
Gender			
Male	48%		
Female	52%		
Age			
18-29	0%		
30-44	8%		
45-59	29%		
60-64	12%		
65-74	28%		
75+	23%		
SEC			
Higher managerial, administrative & professional occupations	50%		
Intermediate occupations	24%		
Routine & manual occupations	21%		
Never worked and long-term unemployed/Full-time students	3%		
Refused	2%		
Water Meter			
Proportion having a water meter	73%		

Statistical reliability on sample size of 400 is +/- 4.9%

¹ Bournemouth customers included in South West Water since 2021.

² Average (mean) proportion for all WaSCs is based on weighted data. All other data is unweighted.

³ Sample size is shown in brackets and excludes don't knows unless followed by an asterisk *.

⁴ Question filtered on unmetered households as per the main report and not stated removed.

⁵ Question wording changed in 2024 to include "Yes, have enquired but not eligible".

⁶ Question changed to Yes/No option in 2021 so data not comparable with previous years.