

WaterSense® Labeled Bathroom Sink Faucets



ost of us know we can save water if we turn off the tap while brushing our teeth (as much as 3,000 gallons per year!), but did you know that there are products that will help save water when you turn on the tap too? WaterSense, a program sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), can help you identify high-performance, water-efficient bathroom sink faucets and faucet accessories that can reduce water use in the home and help preserve the nation's water resources.

Faucet Flows

Faucets account for more than 15 percent of indoor household water use—more than 1 trillion gallons of water across the United States each year.

WaterSense labeled bathroom sink faucets and accessories can reduce a sink's water flow by 30 percent or more without sacrificing performance. We could save billions of gallons each year by retrofitting the country's 222 million bathroom sink faucets with models that have earned the WaterSense label.

The WaterSense Label

All products bearing the WaterSense label complete a third-party certification process that includes independent laboratory testing to ensure they meet EPA criteria. Faucets and faucet accessories—



products that can be attached easily to existing faucets to save water—that obtain the WaterSense label will have demonstrated both water efficiency and the ability to provide adequate flow.

WaterSense Savings

By installing WaterSense labeled bathroom sink faucets or faucet accessories, an average household can save more than 500 gallons each year. Also, since these water savings will reduce demands on water heaters, households will also save energy. Achieving these savings can be as easy as twisting on a WaterSense labeled aerator, which can cost as little as a few dollars.

If every household in the United States installed WaterSense labeled bathroom sink faucets or faucet accessories, we could save more than \$350 million in water utility bills and more than



60 billion gallons of water annually—enough to meet public water demand in Miami for more than 150 days! In addition, U.S. homes could avoid about \$600 million in energy costs for heating water.

Look for WaterSense Labeled Faucets and Accessories!

Whether replacing an older, inefficient faucet that's wasting water and money, or simply looking for options to reduce water use in your home, choose a WaterSense labeled bathroom sink faucet or faucet accessory. The next time you wash your hands or brush your teeth, you'll know that you're doing your part to help protect our precious water resources.

For more information, please visit the WaterSense Web site at <www.epa.gov/watersense>.

