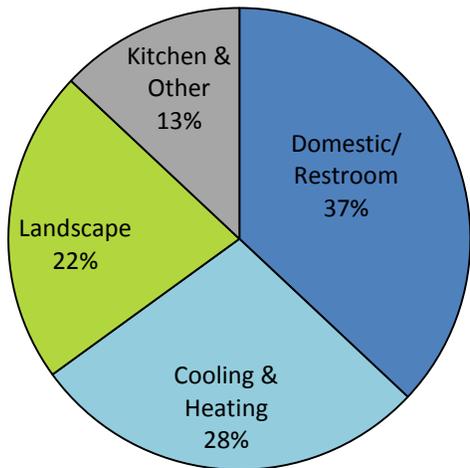
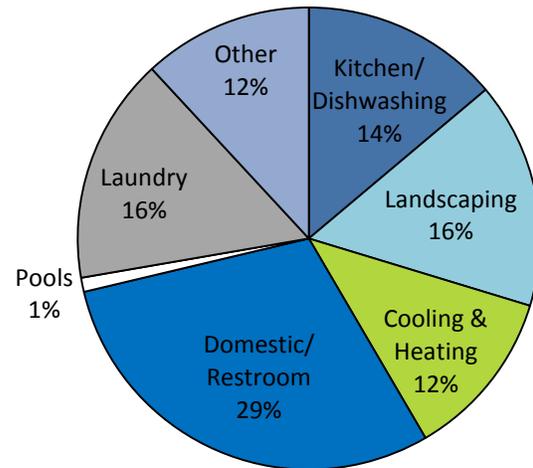


# Business Water Conservation

## Use of Water in Office Buildings



## Use of Water in Hotels



## Steps in Conserving Water at your Business:

### Increase Employee Awareness

#### Put up signs

Encourage water conservation by posting tips and reminders anywhere water is used in your business. Good areas to post signs would be the office kitchen, locker rooms, restrooms, near outdoor/indoor faucets.

#### Assign a Water Monitor

Have an employee monitor the quantity and purpose of water use and identify water waste.

#### Offer Incentives

Award the employees that suggest and follow methods for conserving water.

#### Communicate

Notify your contractors and vendors that water efficiency is a priority for your business and see what they can do to help conserve. (Laundry, Dishwashers, Landscaping, etc.)

### Adopt Water-Saving Maintenance

#### Set Attainable Goals

Read water meters weekly to monitor success of your water conservation efforts and let employees know their progress.

#### Check Your Water Supply System for Leaks

Repair dripping faucets and toilets that run continuously or leak. Update and replace with water-efficient plumbing fixtures, appliances and other equipment.

#### Keep Equipment Calibrated and Operating Properly

Test equipment, such as backflow devices and irrigation timers, annually to make sure you're not inadvertently wasting water.

## Design and Maintain Landscapes for Efficiency

- Hire a landscape service that specializes in water-efficient landscaping concepts.
- Use low-volume irrigation, such as a drip-irrigation system, for flower beds and shrubs.
- Make regular adjustments to your irrigation controller to account for weather changes.



- Shut down automatic irrigation when it rains. Water in the early morning or late evening when temperatures rise.
- Use low water turfs, native plants or regionally adapted plants in your landscape.
- Investigate the availability of reclaimed water for irrigation and other approved uses.