

Access definitions

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1. Report of Multi-Agency Working Group on Harmonizing Definitions of Access and Coverage – 2008
2. JMP 2008



NCWSP coverage criteria

- Water facility must provide all year round potable water with at least 12hrs per day capacity
- Minimum of 20 litres per person per day
- Each spout of a borehole/standpipe must serve maximum 300 persons, 150 for hand-dug wells
- Within a maximum walking distance of 500 metres



GWCL

- Minimum consumption per person per day
 - Large towns - 75 litres
 - Metropolis - 100 litres
- Sources of safe water
 - GWCL pipelines
 - Rainwater not considered safe
- Supply should be at least 12 hours per day (all year round)
- Distance is not measured



JMP (UN)

- The proportion of population **USING** an improved water/sanitation facility
- Minimum of 20 litres per person per day
- Within a distance of **1 km** from home
- An improved sanitation facility must not be shared with other households
- Users of bottled/sachet water must also have access to other improved water sources for household use



Differences in access parameters

Parameter	CWSA	GWCL	JMP
Quantity	Min of 20 ltr/person/day	Min of 75/100 ltr/person/day	Min of 20 ltr/person/day
Distance	Max 500m	Not monitored	Max 1000m
Improved toilet facility	Squat hole serves max 10 persons, private or shared	Not monitored	Exclusively used by households and not shared
Population per spout	Max 300 persons (150 for HDW)	Not set	Not set



Proposed harmonized definition of access by multi-agency group

“Access to basic service of water supply means **year-round** supply of at least **20 litres** of safe water per capita per day, preferably **within 500** metres for all households and serving not more than **300 persons** per outlet.”