## Water Consumption in Arizona



## Let's talk about how we use water in the desert.

- About how long do you take in the shower?
- 4 minutes (1 radio song)
- 8 minutes (2 radio songs)
- 12 minutes (3 radio songs)



## Yearly Phoenix Rainfall

- About 76 billion gallons of rain fall in Phoenix every year.
- If we divided that amount of water and gave an equal amount to every person living in Phoenix, you would get about:
- 35,500 gallons



## How much water do you use in the shower every year?

1. 4 -minute shower $=\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ of rainwater
2. 8 -minute shower $=\mathbf{2 5} \%$ of rainwater

3. 12 -minute shower $=\mathbf{3 7 \%}$ of rainwater

## When do we use water?



## Phoenix rainfall available for 4 people

- 142,000 gallons
- On your water bottle, $1 \mathrm{~cm}=10,000$ gallons
- $14.2 \mathrm{~cm}=142,000$ gallons
- Mark a line across the bottle at 14.2 cm from the bottom
- Color area in Blue


## Water Used to Make Clothes



## Clothes

## Color in Red

Are the blue jeans you own mostly bought new or used?

- One pair of new blue jeans $\mathbf{1 , 7 0 0}$ gallons of water per person
- One pair of used or hand-me-down blue jeans 800 gallons of water per person


## Water Used for Recreation



## Recreation

## Color in Purple

Do you mostly swim in a private or a public pool?

1. Private swimming pool

11,000 gallons of water per person per year
2. Public swimming pool

10 gallons of water per person per year

Do you mostly play in a private backyard or a public park?

1. Private backyard

2,500 gallons of water per person per year
2. Public park

30 gallons of water per person per year

## Water Used to Make Food



## Food

## Color in Green

What kind of food do you eat for dinner the most?

1. Beef
$\mathbf{9 4 , 0 0 0}$ gallons of water per person per year
2. Chicken
$\mathbf{2 4 , 0 0 0}$ gallons of water per person per year
3. Pasta with no meat

7,000 gallons of water per person per year

## Minimizing Water Use

1. Clothing

Second-hand or used jeans x $4=3,200$ gallons
2. Recreation

Public pool and public park x 4 = $\mathbf{1 6 0}$ gallons
3. Food

Pasta with no meat $\times 4=\mathbf{2 8 , 0 0 0}$ gallons

Grand Total: 31,360 gallons of water per year for 4 people

## How can we save water?



