WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Water and sanitation are human rights. Universal access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services are government priorities in Rwanda. WASH underpins sustainable socio-economic development and is critically linked to efforts to improve nutritional status, overall population health, food security and environmental management.

64% of population using basic sanitation services

SITUATION

DRINKING WATER

Rwanda has made great strides to improve water services.

57% using basic drinking water services

By 2024: 100% of population using basic drinking water services

TARGETS

HANDWASHING WITH SOAP

Everyone practicing good handwashing habits

5% of households with a handwashing facility with soap and water

By 2024: 100% of population using basic sanitation services

CHALLENGES

HANDHELD SANITATION

Upgrading latrines to be safe, hygienic and private

By 2024: 100% of population using basic sanitation services

Reducing collection time to less than 30 minutes

Improve sustainability of water supply services

Improve water quality

Reaching the poorest households

Understanding obstacles to practicing handwashing with soap

Habit formation for handwashing at scale

1 2017 JMP (National baseline for basic drinking water services is TBD. However, EICV4 provides 85% of population using improved water sources.)
2 JMP definition of basic drinking water services: improved water source within 30-minute collection time
3 2018-2024 Water and Sanitation Sector Strategic Plan
4 EICV4
5 2018-2024 Water and Sanitation Sector Strategic Plan
6 DHS14-15

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