# Appendix 7o: Water Matters Report 2017







Results for Yorkshire Water	Percentage of household customers	Range and average for all WASCs <sup>1</sup>	Comments or points of interest
Satisfaction with water	er and sewerage services		
Overall satisfaction with water supply (Sample size: 400) <sup>2</sup>	95% 95% 96% 95% <sub>93%</sub> 94% 89% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 <b>Year</b>	86% to 96% Average: 91%	
Overall satisfaction with sewerage services (Sample size: 377)	94% 91% 92% 91% 89% 85% 87% 91% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	82% to 92% Average: 87%	
Satisfaction with valu	e for money		
Satisfied with value for money of water services (Sample size: 389)	80% 71% 73% 78% 82% 79% 76% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	54% to 82% Average: 72%	
Satisfied with value for money of sewerage services (Sample size: 369)	82% 75% 82% 83% 82% 79% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	58% to 84% Average: 75%	
Views on fairness and	affordability of charges		
Agree water and sewerage charges are affordable (Sample size: 396)	87% 65% 70% 80% 79% 77% 76%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	61% to 81% Average: 74%	
Agree charges are fair (Sample size: 380)	75% 59% 59% 71% 67% 71% 65%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	39% to 67% Average: 61%	
Integrity			
Agree company cares about service given to customers (Sample size: 372)	68% 63% 66% 80% 75% 72% 74%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	61% to 79% Average: 69%	
Trust company (mean score – where 10 is trust completely and 1 is do not trust at all) (Sample size: 396)	7.39 7.28 7.45 7.89 8.05 7.72 7.99  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	7.17 to 8.15 Average: 7.67	Upward 7-year trend





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Awareness of consum	er rights and responsibilities	WASCS	
Likely to contact company if worried about paying bill (Sample size: 385)	83% 69% 69% 77% 73% 71% 73%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	65% to 80% Average: 72%	Downward 7-year trend
Aware of free meter option (Sample size: 164*) <sup>3</sup>	11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	63% to 80% Average: 69%	Upward 7-year trend
Aware of option to go back to rateable value charge within 12 months (Sample size: 164*) <sup>3</sup>	26% 31% 28% 29% 27% 25% 26% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	20% to 37% Average: 28%	
Aware of WaterSure tariff (Sample size: 400*)	11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	5% to 18% Average: 9%	Upward 7-year trend
Aware of other schemes offered which provide lower charges to help customers who struggle to afford their bills (Sample size: 400*) <sup>4</sup>	5% 4% 4% 3% 2% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	3% to 7% Average: 5%	
Aware of Priority Services. (Sample size: 400*) <sup>5</sup>	20% 26% 32% 48% 47% 48% 45% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	37% to 52% Average: 43%	Upward 7-year trend
Satisfaction with and	views on contact experiences		
Contacted water company with query in last 12 months (Sample size: 400*)	18% 17% 15% 18% 18% 20% 9% 18 17 15 16 17 Year	14% to 20% Average: 18%	Upward 7-year trend
Reason for contacting water company was to complain (Sample size: 80 who made contact)	26% 14% 5% 8% 6% 1% 4% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	0% to 11% Average: 4%	Downward 7-year trend
Satisfaction with way query handled (Sample size: 80 who made contact)	88% <sub>75%</sub> 85% 92% 93% <sub>79%</sub> 85%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	70% to 90% Average: 81%	





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Water on tap		1111000	
Satisfied with colour and appearance of tap water (Sample size: 398)	94% 92% 95% 95% 93% 95% 93% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	86% to 95% Average: 92%	
Satisfied with taste and smell (Sample size: 393)	89% 91% 92% 92% 88% 89% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	81% to 93% Average: 87%	
Satisfied with hardness/softness (Sample size: 381)	80% 69% 79% 86% 85% 85% 78%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	45% to 92% Average: 69%	Significant decrease between 2016 and 2017
Satisfied with safety (Sample size: 390)	94% 94% 94% 96% 98% 92% 94% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	86% to 97% Average: 92%	
Satisfied with reliability of supply (Sample size: 400)	96% 98% 97% 98% 98% 99% 95% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	94% to 99% Average: 97%	Significant increase from 2016 to 2017
Satisfied with water pressure (Sample size: 400)	91% 90% 91% 93% 92% 89% 90% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	81% to 91% Average: 87%	
A sewerage system th			
Correctly identify items that should not be disposed of down the toilet, sink or drain (Sample size: 400*) <sup>6</sup>	80% 79% 60% 85% 85% 83% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	82% to 90% Average: 84%	
Satisfied with company actions to reduce smells from sewerage treatment works (Sample size: 310)	86% 70% 68% 84% 82% 75% 75% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	70% to 82% Average: 77%	
Satisfied with maintenance of sewerage pipes & treatment works (Sample size: 323)	85% 75% 74% 86% 87% 81% 82% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	73% to 87% Average: 81%	





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Satisfied with company cleaning of waste water before releasing it back into the environment (Sample size: 391)	85% 70% 76% 89% 91% 79% 80%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	67% to 85% Average: 79%	
Satisfied with company actions to minimise sewer flooding (Sample size: 302)	84% 70% 69% 82% 85% 79% 82%  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  Year	67% to 85% Average: 79%	
Likelihood to recomme	end as a provider of water and	sewerage services	
Extremely likely to recommend the company to friends and family as a provider (Sample size: 388) <sup>4,7</sup>	50% 53% 41% 53% 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Year	30% to 55% Average: 43%	Significant increase between 2016 and 2017





Regional sample profile for Yorkshire Water	(Sample size: 400*)
Gender	
Male	47%
Female	53%
Age	
18-29	4%
30-44	22%
45-59	35%
60-74	26%
75+	14%
SEC	
Higher managerial, administrative & professional occupations	39%
Intermediate occupations	23%
Routine & manual occupations	25%
Never worked and long-term unemployed/ Full-time students	13%
Water meter	
Proportion having a water meter	55%

Statistical reliability on sample size of 400 is  $\pm 2.94\%$  at 10%/90%,  $\pm 4.49\%$  at 30%/70% and ±4.90% at 50%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Average (mean) proportion for all WaSCs based on weighted data. All other data is unweighted

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sample size is shown in brackets and excludes don't knows unless followed by an asterisk \*

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Question filtered on unmetered households as per the main report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Question not asked in all years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Question wording changed in 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Tissues (eg. Kleenex) removed from the prompted list in 2015. Previous years' results have been recalculated based on respondents only mentioning tissues and nothing else being reallocated as none of these.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Extremely likely to recommend is based on the proportion of customers scoring 9 or 10.