

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 239

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239. Mr C F B Smit (Limpopo: DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

In respect of each Water Board throughout the country,

- (a) How many litres of processed water are lost prior to reaching the consumers as a result of leakages, illegal water connections and theft; and
- (b) What is the revenue value of such water losses in each case?

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

The table below indicates Water Boards; processed water that is lost prior to reaching the consumers because of leakages, illegal water connections and theft:

Water Board	a) Volume of processed water lost given by Water Boards	a) Volume of processed water lost			Unit value of water			b) Revenue
		m³/annum	litres/annum	Mega litres/annum	R/m³	R/litre	R/Megalitre	value of water losses
Amatola Water	2 747 million cubic litres, 8.74 % of total volume of water from January 2022 to December 2022	2,747,000	2,747,000,000	2,747	3.69	0.004	3,691.30	R10,140,000
Bloem Water	9 389 934 kilolitres, which is 9% of total volume of water for the 2021/22 financial year	9,389,934	9,389,934,000	9,390	10.01	0.010	10,010.72	R94,000,000
Lepelle Northern Water (Figures given for 9 months converted to 12 months pro-rata)	8 169 385 kilolitres from July 2022 to March 2023	10,892,513	10,892,513,333	10,893	8.02	0.008	8,022.09	R87,380,732
Magalies Water (Figures given for 3 years, converted to annual pro-rata)	12 676 570 kilolitres, 4.4% of total volume of water for the past three financial years (2020/21 to 2022/23)	4,225,523	4,225,523,333	4,226	0.24	0.000	240.60	R1,016,667
Mhlathuze Water	955, 47 mega litres, 2.56% of total volume of water for the 2021/22 financial year	955,470	955,470,000	955	3.28	0.003	3,277.80	R3,131,836
Overberg Water	927 294 cubic metres of total volume of water for the 2021/22 financial year	927,294	927,294,000	927	3.94	0.004	3,940.00	R3,653,538

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Rand Water	78 913 million litres, 4.7% of total volume of water for the 2021/22 financial year	78,913,000	78,913,000,000	78,913	11.13	0.011	11,127.47	R878,102,393
Umgeni Water	15 201 000 kilolitres, 2.7% of total volume of water for the 2021/22 financial year	15,201,000	15,201,000,000	15,201	0.50	0.001	502.29	R7,635,294

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