

# Water

## 2010/11 Fact sheet

Melbourne Water manages water supply catchments and treats and supplies drinking and recycled water. In this role we manage:

- 157,000 hectares of catchments in the Yarra Ranges
- 10 reservoirs with a total capacity of 1,812 billion litres
- 37 water treatment plants
- 1,062 kilometres of water mains
- 214 kilometres of aqueducts
- 65 service reservoirs

### Key statistics 2010/11

- Total reservoir storage level increased by 22% – rising from 33.7% on 1 July 2010 to 55.7% on 30 June 2011
- Thomson Reservoir, which represents about 60% of Melbourne's total water storage capacity, was only 41.2% full at the end of 2010/11
- Even with an easing of water restrictions, Melburnians continued to save water in 2010/11, with an average daily consumption of 963 million litres per day (compared to 989 million litres in 2009/10)
- Residential daily per capita water consumption for Melbourne in 2010/11 was 140 litres compared to 148 litres in 2009/10
- We supplied 351,761 million litres of drinking water to retail water businesses (compared with 361,362 million litres in 2009/10 and 371,170 million litres in 2008/09)

Melbourne Water also manages waterways and major drainage systems in the Port Phillip and Westernport region and removes and treats most of Melbourne's sewage.