# SUMMARY PROGRESS 2021: SDG 6 INDICATORS





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# **6.1.1 DRINKING WATER**

people



lacked safely managed drinking water services in 2020



## 6.2.1a SANITATION



billion people

lacked safely managed sanitation services, and 494 million people practised open defecation, in 2020

### 6.2.1b HYGIENE



lacked a basic handwashing facility with soap and water at home in 2020



6.3.1 WASTEWATER



of household wastewater was not safely treated in 2020



6.3.2 WATER QUALITY

The lack of water quality data for 3



means that they are at significant risk because the health of their rivers, lakes and groundwater is unknown



**6.4.1 WATER-USE EFFICIENCY** 

Between 2015 and 2019, water-use efficiency increased by



12%

6.4.2 WATER STRESS



live in water-stressed countries

of which 733 million live in high and critically water-stressed countries

#### **6.5.1 INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT**



are not on track to have sustainably managed water resources by 2030

Globally, the current rate of progress needs to be doubled

#### 6.5.2 TRANSBOUNDARY COOPERATION

**Only** 



reported that all the rivers, lakes and aquifers that they share with their neighbours are covered by operational arrangements for cooperation



6.6.1 ECOSYSTEMS

of the world's river basins

are experiencing rapid changes in the area covered by surface waters



## 6.a.1 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION



Both official development assistance (ODA) disbursements and commitments to the water sector dropped by about

from 2015 to 2021

#### 6.b.1 PARTICIPATION

Less than

of countries

reported having high levels of participation by communities in decision-making for rural drinking water and water resources management.

