

# Annual compliance report

## Water takes

### Activities this report covers

This report covers compliance monitoring for the all water takes, excluding municipal water supplies and water races, for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

### What we've done

This year we monitored 516 consents to take water, mostly for irrigation purposes:

	Total	Complying	Minor non-compliance	Major non-compliance
>20 litres/sec	231	160	50	21
10-20 litres/sec	130	76	48	6
<10 litres/sec	155	115	37	3
<b>All takes</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>351 (68%)</b>	<b>135 (26%)</b>	<b>30 (6%)</b>

### What we've noticed

The majority of consent holders are complying with the conditions of their consents. A quarter (26%) of consent holders had minor non-compliance. The main issues with minor non-compliance are two fold:

- Late/no reporting of water use records; or
- Late/no verification of a water meter.

Thirty (30) water take consents had major non-compliance. This mainly related to consent holders not complying with low flow conditions.

### What we'd like to fix or change

We are looking into if we can reduce the amount of monitoring we undertake on water consents by targeting consents of interest and reducing the monitoring frequency on low risk and complying water take consents.

The Resource Management (Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes) Regulations 2010 for water takes between 5 and 10 litres/sec came into effect in November 2016. This requires these consent holders to keep daily records and ensure their water meters are verified by June 2017. Reminders and monitoring will be targeted to these consent holders in the next year to ensure compliance with the Regulations.

