Water Requirement Calculation Table

Livestock	Number	IG/day per animal in winter	IG/day per animal in summer	IG/day (Imperial gallons per day)
Beef/Dairy/Bison *				
Feeder/heifer/steer (600 lb.)		5	9	-
Feeder (900 lb.)		7	12	-
Feeder (1250 lb.)		10	15	-
Cow/calf pair		12	15	-
Dry milking cow **		10	12	-
Lactating cow **		25	30	-
Bison		8	10	-
Horses				
Horses		8	11	-
Hogs				
Sow (Farrow/wean)	1,100	5.5		6,050
Dry Sow/Boar		4		-
Feeder	11,040	2		22,080
Nursery (33 lb.)	5,120	1		5,120
Chickens				
Broilers	220,000	0.035		7,700
Roasters/Pullets		0.04		-
Layers		0.055		-
Breeders	20,000	0.07		1,400
Turkeys				
Turkey Growers		0.13		-
Turkey Heavies	10,000	0.16		1,600
Sheep/Goats				
Sheep/Goats			2	-
Ewes/Does		3		-
Lambs/Kids (90 lb.)		1.	.6	-
		TOTAL (IG/day)		43,950
	***	TOTAL with 10	% wash water	48,345

^{*} For beet, dairy, bison and horse enterprises:

Use summer numbers if appropriate for the operation. Otherwise base projections on winter values.

Always use the greater of the two values.

** For intensive Dairy operations, please use the Dairy Barn Water Requirement Calculator found on separate sheet.

*** 10% of the total is added to allow for wash water

Other consumption:

Normal household consumption: 60-75 IG/day per person or (272-340 I/day/person)

Unit Conversions				
Total per day	Total per year	Unit		
48,345	17,645,925	IG		
199,797	72,925,796	litres		
0.200	73	cubic		
		decametres		
		(dam³)		

Conversion Factor: 1 IGPM = 4.546 l/m

Please note that the Water Requirement Calculator is an estimation only.