
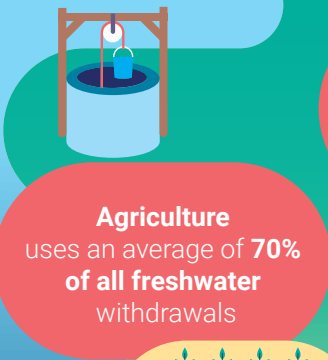




Environmental and freshwater policies can be effectively driven by the **consideration of equity and health**



Between 2000 and 2015, **1.5 billion people** gained **access to basic drinking water services**



**Agriculture** uses an average of **70%** of **all freshwater withdrawals**



Some **2.3 billion people** **lack access to safe sanitation**



Approximately **40%** of the **world's wetlands** were lost between **1997 and 2011**



Approximately **1.4 million people** **die** annually from diseases associated with **pathogen-polluted drinking water**