

## The Annual Impact of Drain Blockages

In order to compile our analysis, we got in touch with (or used publicly available data from) all of England and Wales' major water and wastewater companies to collate statistics on how many blockages they deal with each year (or in the most recent year), and the costs associated with fixing them.

Water company	Customer base	Length of drain network	Number of sewer/drain blockages annually	Annual repair costs
<b>Anglian Water</b>	<a href="#">6 million+</a>	<a href="#">76,000 km</a>	40,000	£19 million
<b>Dŵr Cymru/Welsh Water</b>	<a href="#">3 million</a>	<a href="#">30,000+ km</a>	20,000	£8 million
<b>Northumbrian Water</b>	<a href="#">2.7 million</a>	<a href="#">30,000+ km</a>	10,949	£6 million
<b>Severn Trent Water/Hafren Dyfrdwy</b>	<a href="#">8 million+</a>	<a href="#">93,000+ km</a>	45,000	£10 million
<b>South West Water</b>	<a href="#">1.8 million</a>	<a href="#">17,500+ km</a>	7,149	£4.4 million
<b>Southern Water</b>	<a href="#">4.7 million</a>	<a href="#">40,000 km</a>	20,000	£15 million
<b>Thames Water</b>	<a href="#">15 million</a>	<a href="#">109,435 km</a>	75,000	£18 million
<b>United Utilities Water</b>	<a href="#">7 million+</a>	<a href="#">77,000 km</a>	20,000	£10 million
<b>Wessex Water</b>	<a href="#">2.9 million</a>	<a href="#">35,000+ km</a>	15,000	£5 million
<b>Yorkshire Water</b>	<a href="#">5.7 million</a>	<a href="#">31,500 km</a>	26,000	£8 million
			<b>278,098</b>	<b>£103.4 million</b>

