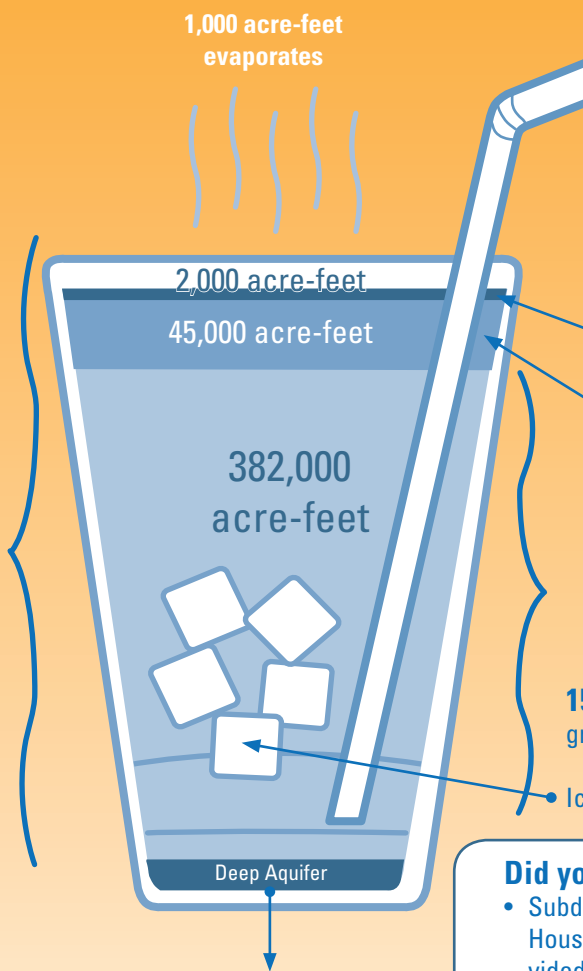


How Much Water Is Here?

Picturing annual water supply in Teton Basin

Teton Valley Water Supply = 430,000 acre-feet



The amount of water in the "deep aquifer" is relatively unknown

Other Stressors on water supply

- Prolonged drought and less snowpack
- Growing population and need for more water downstream
- Incremental conversion of land from agriculture to suburban use

HOW IS IT USED?

5% Domestic, commercial, municipal, and industrial use

10.5% Irrigated crops/pasture

WHERE DOES IT GO?

88% Surface and groundwater outflows to the Snake River and beyond

155,000 acre-feet moves through the aquifer as groundwater annually

Ice cubes represent groundwater

Did you know?

- Subdivisions have replaced 1/8 of the land that was formerly in agriculture. Households use less than 1% of the total annual water supply, but subdivided acreage impacts the ability to use existing canals and large parcels of undeveloped land to recharge the aquifer.
- Aquifer recharge is like temporary storage for our water supply, delaying the flow of surface water to places downstream.
- 88% of our annual water supply flows out of Teton Valley as surface water downstream—the majority in the spring during peak run-off.