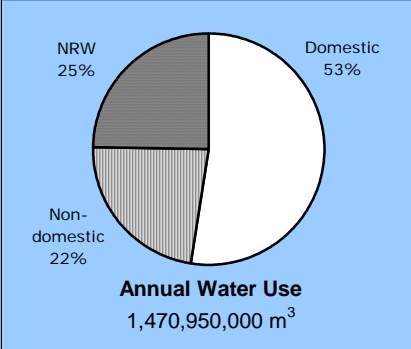
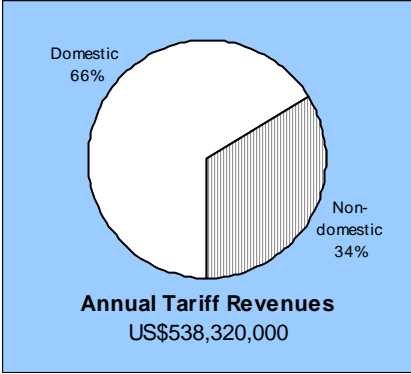


Production & Distribution	<p>SEOUL WATER SUPPLY</p> <p>Population: 10,330,000 (2001)</p> <p>Annual Production 1,470,950,000 m³ Groundwater 3% Surface Water 97%</p> <p>Annual Consumption 773,800,000 m³ Domestic 332,150,000 m³ Nondomestic 1,105,950,000 m³ Total</p>	 <p>Annual Water Use 1,470,950,000 m³</p>
Service Connections	<p>Domestic¹ 1,864,000 Nondomestic 280,000 Total 2,144,000</p>	 <p>Annual Tariff Revenues US\$538,320,000</p>
Service Indicators	<p>Service Coverage 100% 24-hour Water Availability 100% Per Capita Consumption 205 l/c/d Average Tariff US\$0.487/m³</p>	
Efficiency Indicators	<p>Nonrevenue Water 25% Unit Production Cost US\$0.210/m³ Working Ratio 0.57 Staff/1,000 Connections 1.4 Revenue Collection Efficiency 93%</p>	
Small-scale Water Providers	<p>The only water provider in the city is the Seoul Metropolitan Government. It sells excess capacity to the nearby cities of Guri and Namyangjoo, which manage their own water supply distribution. Bottled water costs about US\$0.41/500 ml.</p>	
Private Sector Participation	<p>The Office of Waterworks commissioned a private company to conduct its bimonthly meter reading and billing operations. Privatization of sewage treatment started in 1999 with positive results in terms of operational efficiency. The Seoul Government is considering privatizing its waterworks operations, but is worried by the prospect of workers' union strikes, which are allowed in private companies but not in government enterprises.</p>	
Flood Management	<p>The city suffered from major floods in 1990, 1998, and 2001, caused by the Han River, monsoon rains, and inadequate drainage capacity, especially in low-lying areas. During the last 10 years, annual flood damage in Seoul amounted to US\$2 million. The city invested an average of US\$60 million annually for flood protection over the same period.</p>	
Notes	<p>¹ The average number of persons per connection in 2001 was 5.5. The increase in connections in 2001 was 5,410.</p> <p>Data as of 2001.</p>	