



**Summary of key results for Nelson Mandela Bay informal settlements on access to water  
June 2022**

Number of settlements	Number of residents
33	1065

**Summary**

The drought in Nelson Mandela Bay poses a serious risk to water access in informal settlements. While Day Zero has not yet fully hit the metro, **24% of informal settlement residents** who participate in Asivikelane have already indicated that they **did not have access to enough water** when surveyed in June.

As the vast majority of residents surveyed use communal taps, it is critical that the metro have a plan in place to provide interim services in the event of the taps running dry.

- The main issues with water were: drought restrictions, shortage of taps, leaking taps, and some taps not working at all.

**Detailed findings as they relate to water access:**

***Enough water***

The key finding is that almost 24% of residents did not have access to enough water in June.

Enough water 7 Days	Number of residents	%
No	253	24%
Unknown	8	1%
Yes	804	75%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1065</b>	<b>100%</b>

Many residents who did not have access to enough water attributed it to restrictions imposed as a result of the drought.

***Settlements that did not have access to enough water***

Residents in 16 settlements indicated that they did not have enough water. They are:

- Afghanistan
- Bayland
- Bayland 2

- Bayland Phase 3
- Chris Hani
- Dubai
- Embuqeni
- Haven
- KGS (Kiva, Gqabi and Sonto)
- Khayamnandi Extension
- McCarthy
- Moeggesukkel
- New Town
- NU29 Motherwell
- Vukani
- Westville

The data collected in June also shows that almost 100% of the residents who did not have access to enough water used communal taps.

### ***Sources of water***

Another important data set is which sources of water are used by residents, as this shows that the vast majority could be in need of emergency water if communal taps run dry.

<b>Water source</b>	<b>Number of residents</b>	<b>%</b>
Borehole	0	0%
Communal tap	890	84%
No water	9	1%
Other water	2	0%
Own tap	96	9%
Water tank	12	1%
Water truck	56	5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1065</b>	<b>100%</b>

As only 6% of residents surveyed used water tanks and trucks as sources of water – which are emergency interventions – a large number of residents could be adversely affected by taps running dry.