## Assessing and Modelling the Influence of Household Characteristics on Per Capita Water Consumption

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## Presentation outline

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## Aim

To investigate and model water consumption trends in Duhok, Iraq.

## Case study: Duhok city

* Population: 295,000 inhabitants ${ }^{(2)}$
* Area: 577 km $^{2(2)}$
* Annual rainfall: 550 mm/year ${ }^{(3)}$
$*$ Ave temperature: $\mathbf{2}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in winter $43^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in summer ${ }^{(3)}$
* Water sources

Earth dam: (47.5 Million $\left.\mathbf{m}^{3}\right)^{(4)}$ National water supply network:

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\text { (66.1 Million m³/year) }{ }^{(4)}
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Wells: (8.3 Million $\left.\mathrm{m}^{3} / \mathrm{year}\right)^{(4)}$


Duhok city location in Kurdistan, Iraq ${ }^{(1)}$

## Methodology for data collection

- MCQ type
- No. of questions: over 40
- Distributed: 419 households
- Received: 407 households



## Household survey



## Results

| Household characteristics | Unit | Mean |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Current survey | CSO and KRSO survey |
| Household size (occupancy) | No./household | 7.04 | 6.7 |
| Number of children (<15 years) | No./household | 2.22 | 2.47 |
| Number of adult males members (15-65 years) | No./household | 2.27 | 1.96 |
| Number of adult females members (15-65 years) | No./household | 2.33 | 2.01 |
| Number of elders (>65 years) | No./household | 0.22 | 0.25 |
| Household type | \% | Houses (91.9\%) <br> Apartments (8.9\%) | Houses (95.8\%) <br> Apartments (4.2\%) |
| Total built up area of all floors | $\mathrm{m}^{2} /$ household | 314.6 | 283.1 |
| Garden area per household | $\mathrm{m}^{2} /$ household | 29.6 |  |
| Number of rooms in the household | No. | 4.19 |  |
| Number of floors in the household | No. | 1.48 |  |
| Monthly family income/household | $10^{3} \mathrm{ID} /$ month | 1857.6 | 1664.9 |
| * ID=Iraqi Dinnar |  |  |  |

## Household characteristics \& total average consumption






## Household characteristics \& per capita consumption






## Per capita income \& per capita water consumption

| Income | Income range in Iraqi Dinar (ID) |  | Number of | Per capita water |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| group | Per household | Per capita |  | households <br> consumption (lpd) |
| Low | $<1$ Million | $<150$ Thousand | 92 | 241 |
| Medium | $\mathbf{1 - 2}$ Million | $150-300$ Thousand | 176 | 272 |
| High | $>2$ Million | $>300$ Thousand | 139 | 290 |

Income group thresholds were decided using the classification given in CSO and KRSO survey in Iraq (2012)

Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) and Kurdistan Regional Statistics Office (KRSO), 2012. Iraqi household socio-economic survey report.


## Proportions of water end-uses in all income groups

Low income


## Impact of per capita monthly income on water end-uses



■ Hand wash basin

- Shower
- Dishwashing
- Laundry
- Toilet flushing

■ Cooking and drinking

- House washing
- Garden watering
- Car washing
- Bath
- Swimming pool



## Impact of per capita monthly income on the frequency of water end-uses




## Impact of per capita monthly income on the duration of water end-uses




## Impact of per capita monthly income on the flowrate of water end-uses



## Modelling daily per capita usage with household characteristics



## Comparison between STEPWISE and EPR regression models

Coefficient of determination $\left(R^{2}\right)$

| Relationship of per capita water consumption with | Coefficient of determination ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Demographic characteristics |  | Physical characteristics |  | Demographic and Physical characteristics |  |
|  | EPR | STEPWISE | EPR | STEPWISE | EPR | STEPWISE |
| All surveyed households | 0.63 | 0.57 | 0.84 | 0.74 | 0.90 | 0.87 |
| Low income households | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.80 | 0.76 | 0.92 | 0.92 |
| Medium income households | 0.95 | 0.92 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.95 | 0.95 |
| High income households | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 0.89 | 0.91 |

## STEPWISE based models


a. All surveyed households (Demographic characteristics)

b. All surveyed households (Physical characteristics)

c. All surveyed households (Physical \& demographic characteristics)

d. Low income households (Demographic characteristics)

e. Low income households (Physical characteristics)

f. Low income households (Physical \& demographic characteristics)

g. Medium income households (Demographic characteristics)

h. Medium income households (Physical characteristics)


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j. High income households (Demographic characteristics)

k. High income households
(Physical characteristics)


1. High income households
(Physical \& demographic characteristics)

## EPR based models


(Demographic characteristics)

b. All surveyed households (Physical characteristics)
 Per capita water consumption (lpd)
c. All surveyed households
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## Conclusions and key findings

- The pcc increases with the increase in household income and decreases with the increase in the household occupancy.
- Frequency of all water end-uses increases with the increase in per capita income except for toilet usage.
- Toilet use frequency in low income households is higher than that in medium and high income groups.
- The duration of hand wash basin tap in Duhok is much higher than typical values in the developed world. This indicates an additional water use activities (e.g. ablution) via the hand wash basin tap.
- Flow rate from different water end-uses decreases with increase in the per capita income, suggesting that households in high income group are relatively new and fitted with water efficient appliances.
- Pcc decreases with the increase in male adults, elders and children but increases with the increase in number of adult females in a household.
- Using the survey data, it is possible to predict pcc. The quality of prediction improves when the full data was disaggregated into low, medium and high income group households.
- The models based on EPR offer a marginal improvement in the predictions quality.


## Any questions?


[^0]:    Medium income households
    (Physical \& demographic characteristics)

