Glossary, abbreviations and units of measurement

Glossary:

Gross freshwater supplied by water supply industry (ISIC 36): Water supplied by water supply industry to the user. Includes losses during transport. The water supplied by water supply industry for the operation of irrigation canals is excluded.

Losses during transport: The volume of water lost during transport between a point of abstraction and a point of use, and between points of use and reuse. Includes leakages and evaporation. Net freshwater supplied by water supply industry (ISIC 36): Gross freshwater supplied by water supply industry minus freshwater losses during transport.

Water supply industry (ISIC 36): Public or private bodies whose main functions are water collection, treatment and distribution activities for domestic, industrial and other needs.

Abbreviations:

AQUASTAT: FAO's global information system on water and agriculture
ECE: United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
EEA: European Environment Agency
EU: European Union
Eurostat: European Union Statistical Office
FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
IRWS: International Recommendations for Water Statistics
ISIC: International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities

OECD: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme

UNSD: United Nations Statistics Division

WHO: World Health Organisation

WMO: World Meteorological Organization

**Units of measurement:**

m$^3$: cubic metre