

Restaurant A	
<p><u>Description of Operation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building age &gt;100 years</li> <li>• Employees 100</li> <li>• Approximately 7,000 square feet</li> <li>• Seating capacity of 252</li> <li>• Hours of operation about 8 a.m. to midnight seven days a week</li> </ul>	<p><u>Water Consumption Status</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most of the toilets are 3.5 gallon per flush (gpf) models</li> <li>• Most urinals are 1.6 gpf models</li> <li>• Restroom faucet aerators in excess 1.0 gallons per minute (gpm)</li> <li>• Two toilets were damaged and running during the assessment</li> <li>• Some kitchen faucets lacked aerators, others were rated in excess of 2.0 gpm</li> <li>• A low-flow pre-rinse spray nozzle was not installed</li> <li>• Alternative controls were not in place for kitchen faucets (e.g. foot control)</li> <li>• Two faucets in the kitchen were leaking</li> <li>• Two water cooled ice machines rated at 1,300 lbs/24 hours were in place</li> </ul>
<p><b>Performance</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">0.136 thousand gallons/square foot 3.368 thousand gallons/seat</p>	

The case study indicates that Restaurant A performs well against the benchmarks developed in this study scoring in the 40<sup>th</sup> percentile by consumption per square foot and 18<sup>th</sup> percentile by consumption per seat. However, Restaurant A's water consumption status indicates that there are many opportunities for improved practices including:

- Replacing toilets with 1.6 gpf models
- Replacing urinals with 1.0 gpf or waterless urinal models
- Replacing restroom faucet aerators with ones that use 0.5-1.0 gpm
- Repairing toilet leaks
- Install or replace kitchen sink aerators with 2.5 gpm models where higher flow is needed and 1.5-2.0 gpm models elsewhere
- Install a 1.6 gpm pre-rinse spray nozzle
- Install foot-activated faucets where appropriate to save water and for hands-free convenience
- Repair leaking faucets
- When replacing water-cooled ice machines consider air-cooled alternatives

Despite respectable performance against the benchmark Restaurant A has a number of opportunities for improved water conservation. This may suggest that even more significant opportunity exists at those establishments that do not perform well against the benchmarks.