

## Hydrology and Oceanography Global Water Distribution

Your Name

## How is water distributed on Earth?

## Lab Tasks —

If all of Earth's water could fit inside a 2liter (2000 mL) bottle, how much water in that bottle would be from each water source, total and fresh?

- 1. On the back of the paper, develop an equation and show the math for calculating each water source.
- 2. Use the lab materials to create accurate physical models (with labels) showing the total and fresh global water distribution.
- 3. Use a computer and Excel to create excellent graphs showing the total and fresh global water distribution.



Graphing Hints: Be sure to show all decimal places on your graph, and be sure your pie-of-pie graphs show smaller data clearly.

**Global Water Distribution** — Data Source: Gleick, P. H., 1996: Water resources. In *Encyclopedia of Climate and Weather*, ed. by S. H. Schneider, Oxford University Press, New York, vol. 2, pp. 817-823.

Graph the data below by creating 2 pie-of-pie charts:

- Graph #1: Total Water
- Graph #2: Fresh Water

You may create the graphs by hand or use digital tools such as Google Sheets. Check your work — be sure to include all the elements of a well-designed graph, including a **masterpiece caption**. Refer to your **Help Guides** for an editing checklist and more information.

	Graph #1	Graph #2	Additional Data
WATER SOURCE	PERCENT OF TOTAL WATER	PERCENT OF FRESH WATER	VOLUME (km <sup>3</sup> )
Oceans, Seas, and Bays	96.5	0	1,338,000,000
Ice Caps, Glaciers, and Permanent Snow	1.74	68.7	24,064,000
Groundwater (Fresh)	0.76	30.1	10,530,000
Groundwater (Saline)	0.94	0	12,870,000
Soil Moisture	0.001	0.05	16,500
Ground Ice and Permafrost	0.022	0.86	300,000
Lakes (Fresh)	0.007	0.26	91,000
Lakes (Saline)	0.006	0	85,400
Atmosphere	0.001	0.04	12,900
Swamp Water	0.0008	0.03	11,470
Rivers	0.0002	0.006	2,120
<b>Biological Water</b>	0.0001	0.003	1,120
TOTAL	100	100	1,385,984,000

