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| General information |  |
| Region | **Western Africa** |
| Surface area | **923,770 km2** |
| Total Population |  **208,327,405 (WB, 2020)\*** |
|  Urban pop. | **52%** |
|  Rural pop. | **48%**  |
| Access to basic water supply services | **70% (NBS, 2020)\*\***  |
| Access to basic sanitation services | **44% (NBS, 2020)\*\*** |

**Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS) Regulators in Africa – Country Profile**

**Nigeria**

**WSS Regulatory Status**

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|  | Water Supply | Sanitation |
| **Urban** | **Rural** | **Urban** | **Rural** |
| Type of Regulation | Ministerial Regulation |
| Name of Regulator | Federal Ministry of Water Resources (FMoWR)  |
| Year of establishment | - |
| Policy | National Water Supply and Sanitation Policy, 2000 |
| Legal instrument | The Water Resources Act, 1993 (revised in 2004) | The National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement (Establishment) Act, 2007 |
| Area of Jurisdiction | Federal (National) and Sub-national |
| Number of regulated service providers | -  |
| Type of service providers | National, Subnational (SWAs &STWSSAs) and regional (RUWASSAs) state agencies |  |
| Key functions of FMoWR |
| * Overall policy coordination
* Development of regulations, standards and guidelines
* Information management and reporting
* Prohibition of certain activities
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| Note  |
| Ministerial regulation is the predominant form of WSS regulation applied at federal and sub-national level. However, Nigeria’s federal nature and high degree of autonomy of its 36 States have resulted in application of different forms of regulation especially regulation by agency at State level. The regulatory functions vary from State to State and can include: regulating the production, distribution, supply and use of water, the quality of service and the tariff and charges payable; licensing service providers; setting, approving and reviewing standards; providing regulatory rulings; ensuring compliance and enforcement; advising State government and developing annual reports ([Lagos State Water Regulatory Commission](https://web.facebook.com/lagosstatewaterreg/?_rdc=1&_rdr)). |
| \*[Source](https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.POP.TOTL?locations=NG) \*\*[Source](https://www.nigerianstat.gov.ng/pdfuploads/SG%20Remarks%20for%20NBS%20WASH%20NORM%20Survey%202019.pdf) For more information on FMoWR, click [here](https://www.waterresources.gov.ng/)  |