

São Paulo faces extreme water rationing

Residents of Brazil's biggest city face cuts to water supplies of up to five days a week, with the Cantareira reservoir system – which supplies 6.2 million people – down to just 5.1% of its capacity

Reservoir system capacity
(2.2 trillion litres, 2010)

Cantareira
45% of total

Alto Tietê
20.5%

Guarapiranga
19%

Rio Claro 5.5%
Rio Grande 7%

Alto Cotia 3%

