

# How to Maintain Your Home

## And The Biggest Mistakes Americans Are Making

We surveyed 1000 Americans on home maintenance habits.

### Outside of Home

#### Inspect your roof 2X annually.

Only 13% inspected their roof within the past year.

! Roof issues can lead to water damage, mold growth and structural damage.

#### Protect your home from the elements.

65% don't maintain the exterior of their home properly.

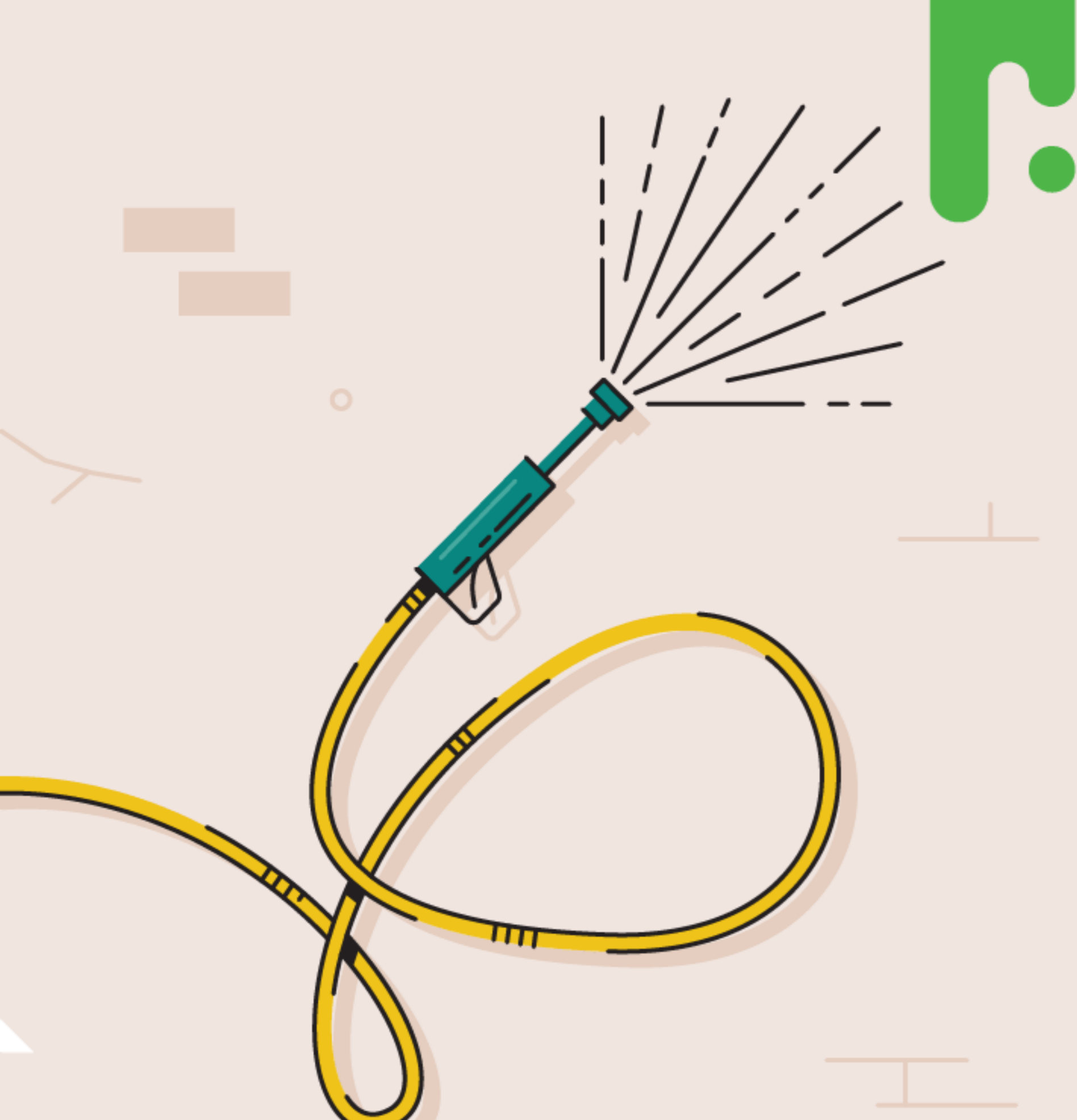
! Repairing a home with water damage can cost more than \$100,000.



#### Pressure wash your home once annually.

Only 15% pressure washed their home.

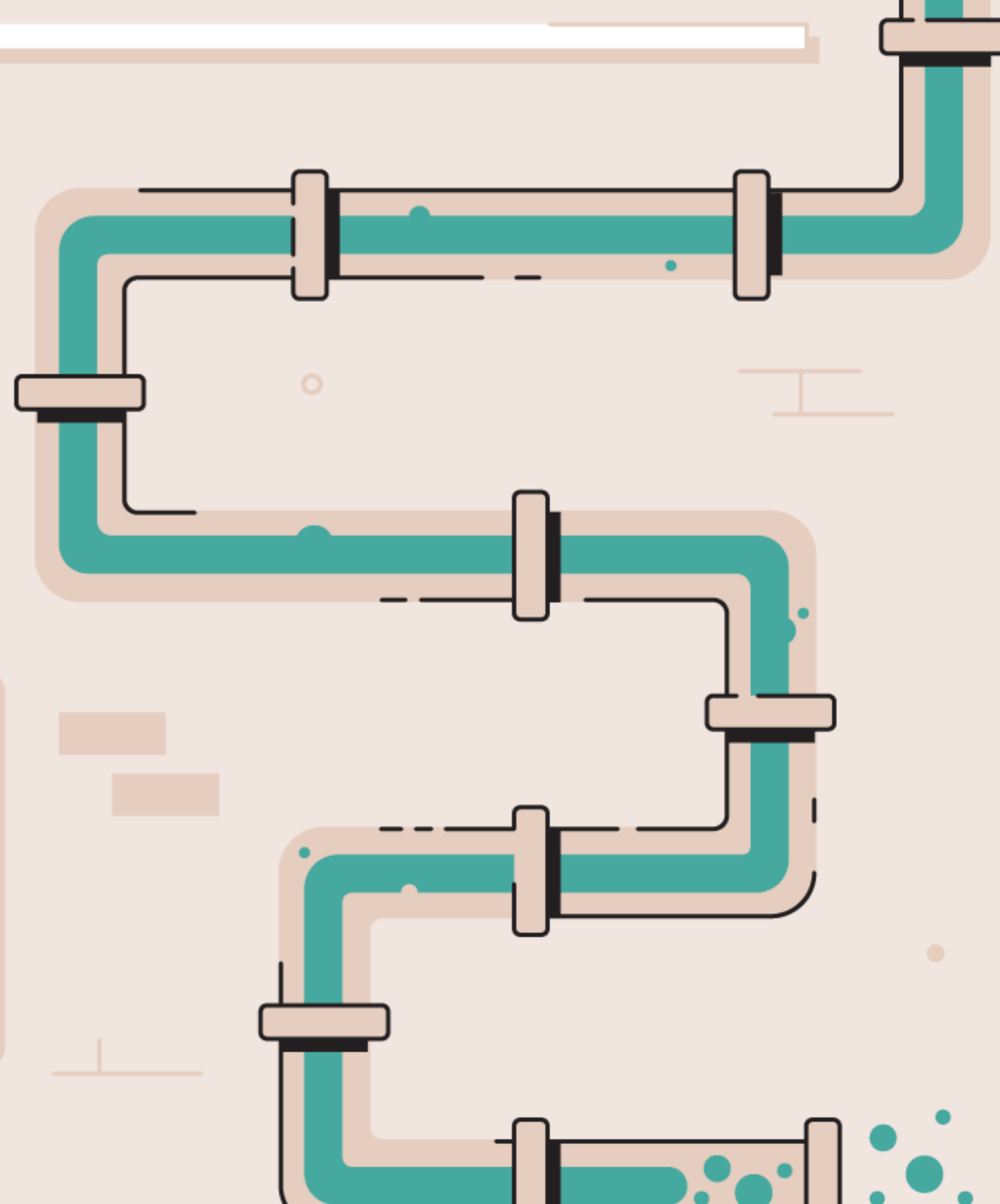
! Mold and mildew builds up over time.



#### Clean your gutters 3—4 times annually.

84% haven't cleaning their gutters within the past year.

! Full gutters can lead to foundation cracks, structural damage, insect infestation and more.



### Inside of Home

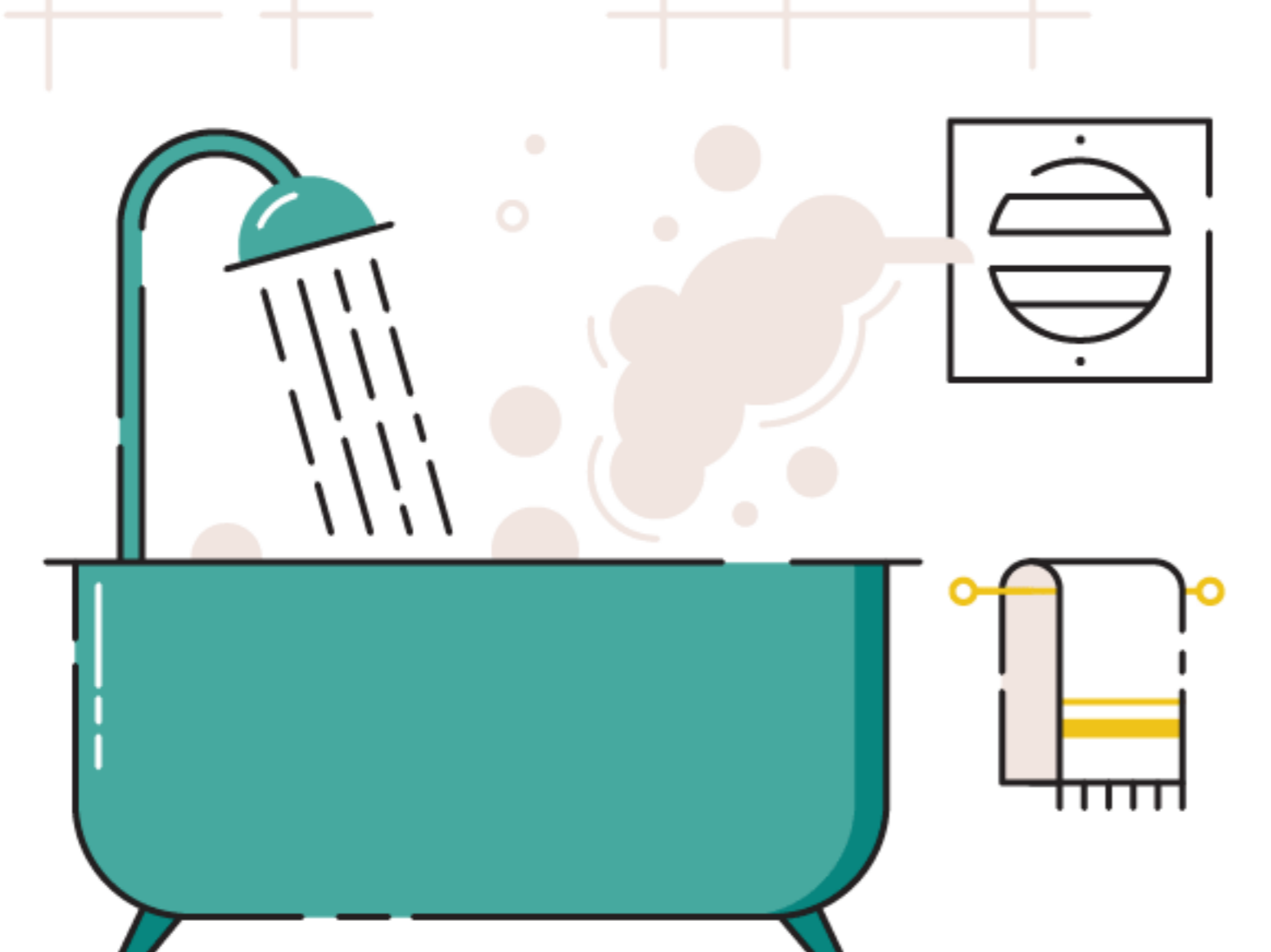
#### Open windows can lead to water damage in your home.

13% left a window open during the rain.



#### Use vent or open a window during a shower to prevent mold.

25% of people shower without a window open or a fan on.



#### Immediately remove any standing water or moisture in your home.

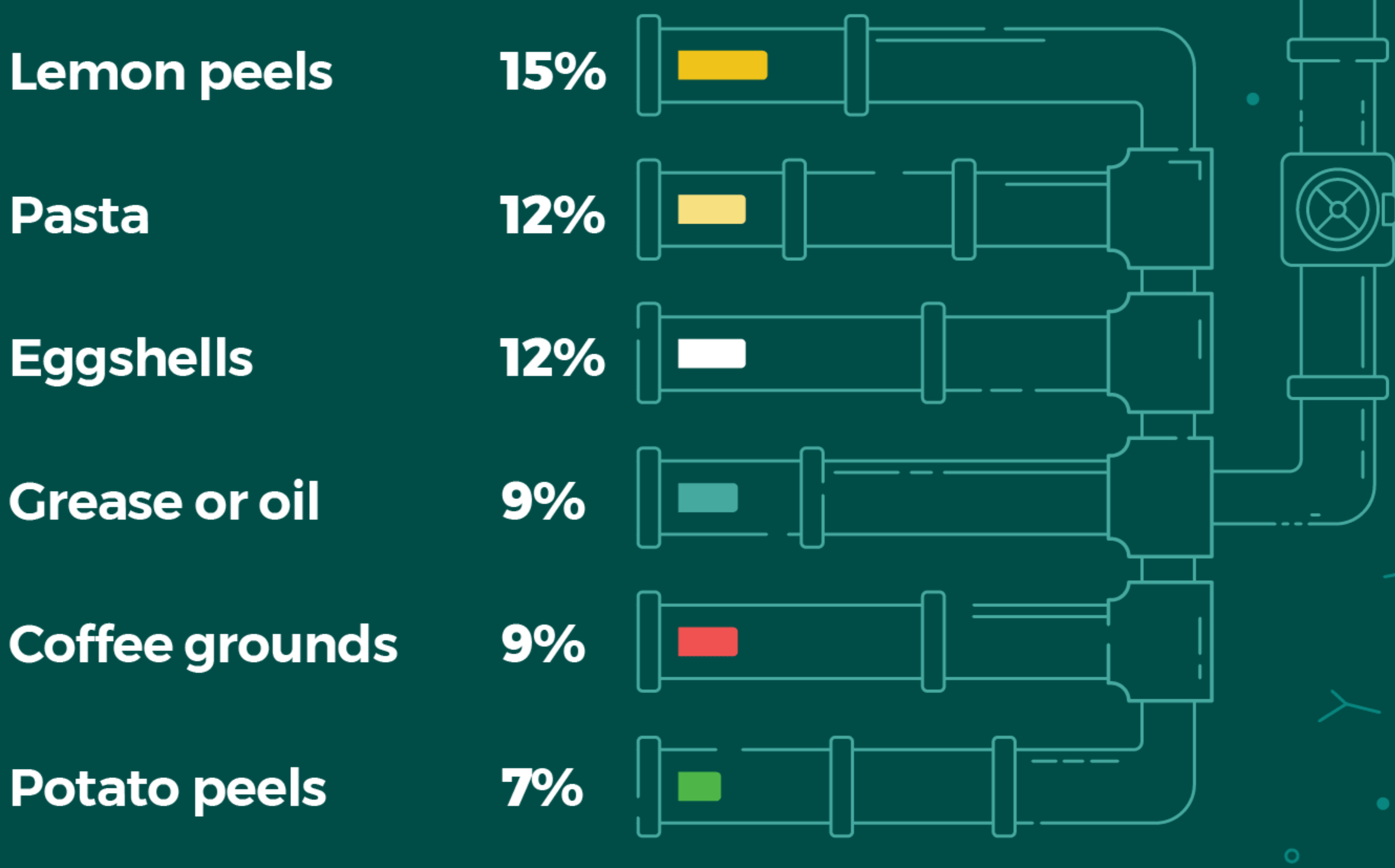
38% of Americans don't take precautions to avoid water damage in their home.



! Unwanted moisture can cause mold, rot and a strong odor inside the home.

### What do Americans put down the drain?

39% of people put food items down the drain.



! Believe it or not, no food should be put down the drain as its detrimental to your pipes.