Making Water Efficiency a Way of Life in the Sacramento Region

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Water Use Since 2000

- **Water Use is Steady While Population Increases 25 Percent (2000–13)**
- **Sacramento-area water providers were first in California to ask customers to conserve and led the state in water use reductions.**

Doing Our Part During Drought

- **Sacramento-area residents and businesses contributed 12 percent of the state's total savings (with only 5 percent of the state's population).**

*Return Flows*

- **More than 40 percent of the water used in the Sacramento region is returned to our watershed and local waterways to benefit people and the environment downstream, decreasing the area’s net water use.**

Water Use Reflects the Region’s Unique Characteristics

- **Hot Temperatures, Large Landscapes Drive Water Use**
  - In winter, when sprinklers are turned off, the Sacramento region’s water use is comparable to other communities throughout California, as well as the statewide average for residential per-person water use.
  - In summer, the Sacramento region averages 74 days over 90 degrees. Hot days stress landscapes, which then require more water to survive.
  - Development patterns and affordable land values provide opportunities to own property. Larger landscapes generally result in higher water use.

Progress on Water Meters

- **90 Percent of Water Accounts Are Now Metered**

*Return Flows*

- **Water Used Here Flows Back Into California’s Water System**

Return Flows

- **40% of the water used in the Sacramento region is returned to local waterways**

Water Use Reflects the Region’s Unique Characteristics

- **Higher per-capita water use does not signify waste**

Using gallons per capita per day

- **Sacramento Regional Average**
- **Los Angeles DWP**
- **Statewide Average**
- **Sacramento County Water Agency**
- **Citrus Heights Water District**
- **City of El Dorado**
- **City of Folsom**
- **City of Lincoln**
- **City of Roseville**
- **City of Sacramento**
- **City of West Sacramento**
- **El Dorado Irrigation District**
- **Elk Grove Water District**
- **Fair Oaks Water District**
- **Golden State Water Company**
- **Placer County Water Agency**
- **Rancho Murieta Community Services District**
- **Rio Linda Elverta Community Water District**
- **Sacramento County Water Agency**
- **Sacramento Suburban Water District**
- **San Juan Water District**
- **San Jose Water District**
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- **San Jose Water District**

Key = percent metered, metered completion year

Doing Our Part During Drought

- **Water Saved (June 2014-December 2016)**

*Return Flows*

- **2 million people in the Sacramento region vs 39 million people statewide**
- **121 billion gallons saved in the Sacramento region vs 1 trillion gallons saved statewide**

**Sacramento Region Leads State in Water Conservation (2014–15)**

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Doing Our Part During Drought

- **Contributing to California’s Water Savings**

Water saved in the Sacramento region is enough to...

- **1.9 trillion** Fill 1.9 trillion glasses of water
- **192 billion** Produce 192 billion craft beers
- **870,000** Meet the drinking water needs of 870,000 families for a year
- **4.8 billion** Wash 4.8 billion loads of laundry

California American Water 100%
Sacramento County Water Agency 100%
Citrus Heights Water District 100%
City of Elk Grove 100%
City of El Dorado 100%
City of Roseville 100%
City of Sacramento 79%, 2020
City of West Sacramento 80%, 2018
El Dorado Irrigation District 100%
Elk Grove Water District 100%
Fair Oaks Water District 100%
Golden State Water Company 92%, 2021
Orange Vale Water Company 100%
Placer County Water Agency 100%
Rancho Murieta Community Services District 100%
Rio Linda Elverta Community Water District 100%
Sacramento County Water Agency 89%, 2025
Sacramento Suburban Water District 94%, 2022
San Juan Water District 100%

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Sacramento Area Residents Are Continuing to Use Less (2016)

- **reduced water use by 25%**

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