#### **COPING WITH DROUGHT**

# Tho has made the grade?

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On April 1, as California entered a fourth year of drought, Gov. Jerry Brown stood in a barren field that should have been smothered in snow and demanded a 25% cut in urban water use.

To comply with Brown's mandate, the State Water Resources Control Board developed reduction targets that each of California's more than 400 urban water districts must meet over the next several months.

Districts that have had high residential water usage must cut their overall consumption by as much as 36%. Districts that have recorded low residential use will be required to cut their usage by as little as 4%. The targets were finalized by state regulators after weeks of public comment.

Regulators will evaluate compliance on both a monthly and a rolling cumulative basis beginning this month and running through February. Water use during that time will be compared with the same months in

Districts that fail to meet reduction targets may be fined up to \$10,000 a day.

The report cards below show the targets for 16 districts across Southern California. The report cards also show how much each district's actual water usage increased or decreased in April 2015, as compared with April 2013. The April data are the latest available.

The state releases new water-use data at the beginning of each month. These report cards will be updated online at latimes.com/ drought-report-card as new information is released. Regulators said water use for this month will be made

public by early August. Although districts will be judged on how much they reduce total water use -

which includes commercial, industrial and other sectors residential use usually makes up the largest share of water consumption in urban areas.

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#### California Water Service Co. East Los Angeles



Actual change

Population: **155,293** 

Total water use (gallons): 394.6 million

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



#### Sweetwater Authority (Chula Vista)

Reduction goal

Actual change

Population: 189,970 Total water use (gallons): 512.7 million

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



#### City of San Diego

# Reduction goal

Actual change

Population: 1.3 million Total water use (gallons): 4.8 billion

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



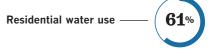
Actual change

### City of Long Beach

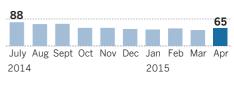
Reduction goal

Actual change

Population: 473,247 Total water use (gallons): 1.5 billion



Residential gallons per person per day



## Lake Arrowhead Community Services Dist.

Reduction goal

**16**%

Population: 22.675

Actual change

Total water use (gallons): 23.8 million

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



#### Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

Actual change

Reduction goal

**16**%

Population: 4 million

Total water use (gallons): 13.3 billion

Residential water use Residential gallons per person per day



# Helix Water District

(El Cajon)

Reduction goal

**720**%

Population: 270.375 Total water use (gallons): 835.7 million

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



## City of Anaheim

Reduction goal

Actual change

Population: 358.549

Total water use (gallons): 1.6 billion

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



# City of San Clemente

Reduction goal

Actual change

Population: 50,960

Total water use (gallons): 247.8 million

Residential water use Residential gallons per person per day



# City of Norco

Reduction goal

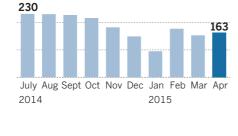
Population: 27,160

Actual change

Total water use (gallons): 195.3 million

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



# City of Beverly Hills

Reduction goal

Population: 42,157

281

Actual change

Total water use (gallons): 300 million

Residential water use



Residential gallons per person per day



# California Water Service Co. Westlake

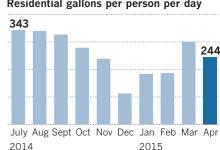
Reduction goal

Population: 19,459

Total water use (gallons): 197.8 million

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



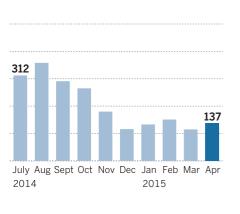
# City of Arcadia

Reduction goal

Actual change

Population: 57,639 Total water use (gallons): 381.6 million

Residential water use Residential gallons per person per day



# Rancho California Water District (Temecula)

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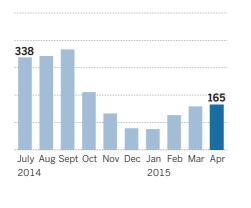
Reduction goal

Population: 166,659

Total water use (gallons): 1.8 billion

Residential water use

Residential gallons per person per day



## Coachella Valley Water District Actual change

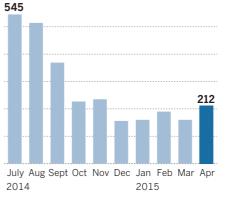
Reduction goal

Population: 318,217

Residential water use

Total water use (gallons): 2.8 billion

Residential gallons per person per day



## Santa Fe **Irrigation District**

Total water use (gallons): 302.3 million

Reduction goal

Population: 19,839

Actual change

Residential water use Residential gallons per person per day

644

