Who Really Controls California Water?

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Retail water institutions
Retail water purveyors in California

Number of entities
- Cities: 1,305
- Counties: 280
- Special districts: 583
- Public utilities: 107
- Mutual companies: 107

Population served (M)
- Cities: 20.1
- Counties: 6.4
- Special districts: 10.6
- Public utilities: 5.3
- Mutual companies: 1.4
California cities

City ownership of a water system

Yes 280

No 202
Population served by 10 largest cities

Percentage of city population served
Overlapping jurisdictions

Operation of city-owned systems
### Special districts

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Abbr.</th>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Population</th>
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<td>County water districts</td>
<td>CWD</td>
<td>188</td>
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<td>MWD</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td>Municipal utility districts</td>
<td>MUD</td>
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<td>California water districts</td>
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<td>28</td>
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**Number served:** 583  
**Population served:** 10,638,000
Water systems by class

Viability of water systems
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Population

1,118,000

Should be merged

36,565,000

Viable

Governance of water purveyors

Number

Population

City council
County supervisors
Elected board
Company, with state oversight
Water resources

Water resources in California
**State Water Resources Control Board**

Jerry Brown, Governor

Dorene D'Adamo  Steven Moore  Felicia Marcus Chair  Tam Doduc  Joaquin Esquivel

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**Imported surface water projects**

[Map of California showing various water projects]
## Imported surface water projects

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<th>Project</th>
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<th>Customers</th>
<th>Maximum Supply (AFY)</th>
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<td>United States</td>
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<td>9,509,000</td>
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<td>State of California</td>
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<td>Metropolitan Water District</td>
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<td>Hetch Hetchy Project</td>
<td>City and County of San Francisco</td>
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<td>East Bay Municipal Utility District</td>
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<td>City of Los Angeles</td>
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<td>270,000</td>
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## Central Valley Project

- **Donald Trump,** President
- **Ryan Zinke,** Secretary of the Interior
- **Brenda Burman,** Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation (Nominated)
State Water Project

Jerry Brown, Governor

John Laird, Secretary for Natural Resources

Grant Davis, Director, Department of Water Resources

State Water Project

State Water Contractors
Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Zone 7
Alameda County Water District
Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency
Castaic Lake Water Agency
City of Yuba City
Coachella Valley Water District
County of Butte
County of Kings
Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency
Desert Water Agency
Dudley Ridge Water District
Empire West Side Irrigation District
Kern County Water Agency
Littlerock Creek Irrigation District
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Mojave Water Agency
Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
Oak Flat Water District
Palmdale Irrigation District
Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency
San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
Santa Clara Valley Water District
San Diego County Water Authority
Solano County Water Agency
Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District
Ventura County Watershed Protection District
Groundwater sustainability agencies

- Cities: 108
- Counties: 38
- Joint powers agencies: 25
- Special law districts: 44
- General law districts: 82

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