

Water Conservation Links



[California droughts background](#)

The California Department of Water Resources has put together historical facts and trends about droughts in California, and is a good resource to gain a greater perspective on the most recent drought concerns.

[California water districts and associations](#)

Your local water district is often a good resource for rebates, water conservation tips specific to your area, and other information concerning water use in your community.



[Flex Your Power](#)

Flex Your Power's website is a resource for energy efficiency and conservation information. Find incentives, rebates, technical assistance, retailers, product guides, case studies, and more.

[H2Ouse — Water saver home](#)

The California Urban Water Conservation Council has put together a virtual home that demonstrates the many ways you can help conserve water in your house. Take the tour to investigate water saving opportunities and learn more about household water conservation.



[Residential water conservation techniques](#)

The Environmental Protection Agency released this simple computer program in 1991 showing a ways to save water in your home and protect the environment, all while saving money. An older program, but still useful for anyone seeking information about conservation.

[Smart Rebates program](#)

Smart Rebates is a statewide program administered by the California Urban Water Conservation Council that offers a wide-ranging list of measures for conservation products and appliance rebates in areas that have never before operated programs. Residential and commercial customers of participating water utilities may qualify for Smart Rebates. Verify that your water utility is participating in the Smart Rebates Program and which water-saving fixtures and appliances are eligible for rebates in your area.



[Water conservation in your backyard](#)

Wise use of water for garden and lawn watering not only helps protect the environment but saves money and provides for optimum growing conditions.

Use this resource to learn simple ways of reducing the amount of water used for irrigation.



[Water conservation tips and drought guidebook](#)

The California Department of Water Resources has put together a Water Conservation Tips sheet and a 2008 Urban Drought Guidebook. Both are good sources of information regarding ways to reduce water use.



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[WATERGY software](#)

WATERGY is a spreadsheet model that uses water and energy relationship assumptions to analyze the potential of water savings and associated energy savings. The spreadsheet allows utility data input (energy and water cost and consumption data for the most recent twelve months) and facility data (number and kind of water-consuming devices and their water consumption and flow rates). It then estimates annual savings for direct water use, direct energy use, and indirect energy use, as well as total cost and payback times for a number of conservation methods.



[Watering calculator](#)

The Watering Calculator estimates the amount of water to give your landscape or garden each week. Intended for use with urban Southern California zip codes, it was developed by the city of San Diego and is provided by the Metropolitan Water District and The Family of Southern California Water Agencies.

[WaterSense](#)

WaterSense makes it easy for Americans to save water and protect the environment. Look for the WaterSense label to choose quality, water-efficient products. Many products are available and don't require a change in lifestyle. Explore this link to learn about WaterSense labeled products, saving water, and how businesses and organizations can partner with WaterSense.



[Waterwiser drip calculator](#)

The drip calculator can show you how much water is being wasted at your home or business due to leaky faucets and fixtures.

Source: United States Senator Barbara Boxer, June 2008