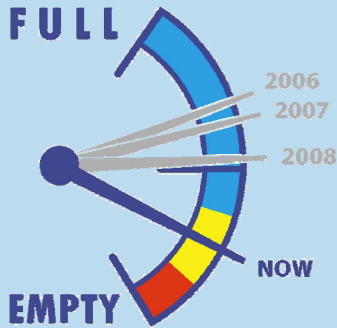


WATER SUPPLY SHORTAGE: ADVISORY

The City of Santa Monica requests that all water customers voluntarily reduce water use by 10%



Water Reserve Levels



Artwork courtesy the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Water: There IS a CRISIS

- Santa Monica will continue to **import 88%** of its water until our groundwater treatment plant is completed in late 2010.
- Our imported water comes from the State Water Project (SWP) in Northern California, where a **three-year drought** continues.
- SWP supplies have been **further limited** due to court orders.
- Reservoirs are approaching critically **low levels**.
- Many existing plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems are **inefficient and wasting water**.

Keep Saving Santa Monica!

Comply with These Requirements:

Violations may result in fines of \$250



- 1 Use your sprinklers before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m. any day of the week; drip irrigation, hand-watering, & repairs are exempt.



- 2 Don't allow your irrigation water to overspray or runoff your property.



- 3 Never use a hose to clean driveways, sidewalks, patios, walkways, streets, alleys.

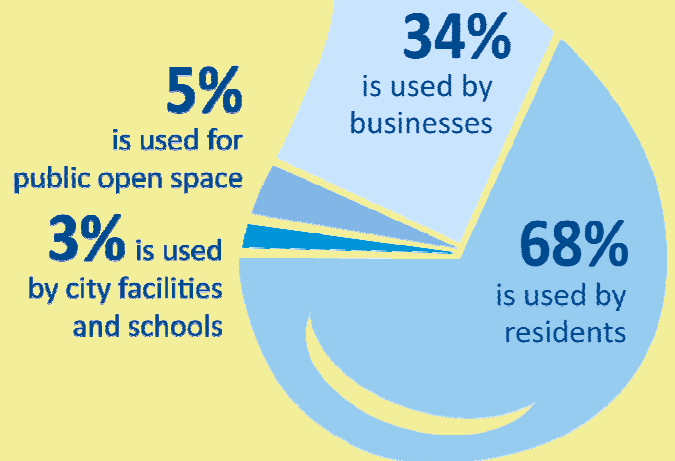


- 4 Use water efficiently and fix all leaks.



- 5 Use a bucket of water to wash your car; no runoff allowed.

Where the Water Goes...



- ◆ Apartments and condos account for **48 % of all the water** used in Santa Monica.
- ◆ The average multi-family building in Santa Monica uses **272,000 gallons per year**.
- ◆ The average apartment **uses 30,000 gallons per year (86 per day)**.

More water-saving tips on the back



APARTMENT RESIDENT TIP SHEET

The City of Santa Monica is responding to record-dry conditions and reductions in our imported water supplies by asking our residents to "Watch the Water!"

How Much Do You Use?

A person using water efficiently uses 68 gallons per day.

Toilet Flushing: 5 flushes x 1.6 gallons per flush	= 8.0 gallons
Shower: 5 minutes x 2.5 gallons per minute	= 12.5 gallons
Clothes Washer: 1/3 load each day	= 6.0 gallons
Washing Dishes: 4 washes per day	= 4.0 gallons
Washing Hands: 4 times per day	= 4.0 gallons
Cleaning & Other:	= 33.5 gallons

Indoor Water Savings

- ◆ Keep **showers** to 5 minutes
- ◆ Turn off water when **brushing teeth** or **shaving**
- ◆ Don't use toilet as **trash can**
- ◆ When **hand washing dishes**, fill sink, don't leave water running
- ◆ Run only **full loads** in your clothes and dish washers
- ◆ Report any **leaky** faucets, toilets, showers
- ◆ Request new water-efficient **clothes washers**
- ◆ 700 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 240 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 400-600 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 2.5 Gallons / Minute
- ◆ 300-800 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 450-1,500 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 20-30 Gallons / Load

Outdoor Water Savings

- ◆ Take car to **car wash**, or use a **bucket of water**
- ◆ Report to your property manager any irrigation **overspray** or **runoff**
- ◆ Report to your property manager leaky and broken **sprinkler heads**
- ◆ Report any **leaks** around hosebibs, spigots, pool and spa pumps
- ◆ Clean patios, walkways, parking areas with a **broom** rather than hose
- ◆ 40 Gallons / Car Wash
- ◆ 500 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 600 Gallons / Month
- ◆ 450-600 Gallons / Month / Leak
- ◆ 20 Gallons / Minute

For more



water-saving tips:

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