

Changes in the Number of Special Districts
Among the Ten Most Common Types

	<u>1977-78</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>Change</u>
County service areas	727	895	+168
Fire protection districts	454	372	-82
Cemetery districts	263	252	-9
Community services districts	213	325	+112
County water districts	205	166	-39
California water districts	163	136	-27
Reclamation districts	157	156	-1
Resource conservation districts	139	96	-43
County sanitation districts	124	73	-51
Recreation & park districts	118	108	-10

This table shows that multi-purpose districts, like county service areas and community services districts, are more popular than they were three decades ago. The decline in the number of sin-

Appendix A: Types of Special Districts (2007-08)

County Service Areas	895
Fire Protection Districts	372
Community Services Districts	325
Cemetery Districts	252
County Water Districts	166
Reclamation Districts	156
California Water Districts	136
Recreation & Park Districts	108
Resource Conservation Districts	96
Irrigation Districts	94
Hospital Districts	80
County Sanitation Districts	73
Sanitary Districts	72
Public Utility Districts	54
Storm Water Drainage & Maintenance Districts	49
Mosquito Abatement & Vector Control Districts	46
Flood Control & Water Conservation Districts	42
Municipal Water Districts	37
Water Agency or Authority	30
County Waterworks Districts	28
Memorial Districts	27
Drainage Districts	23
Transit Districts	15
Levee Districts	14
Harbor & Port Districts	13
Library Districts	13
Water Conservation Districts	13
Airport Districts	10
Citrus Pest Control Districts	10
Water Storage Districts	8
Garbage Disposal Districts	8
Pest Control Districts	6
Municipal Improvement Districts	5
Municipal Utility Districts	5
Police Protection Districts	3
Sanitation & Flood Control Districts	2
Water Replenishment Districts	2
Sewer District	1
Bridge & Highway District	1
Joint Highway District	1
Metropolitan Water District	1
Separation of Grade District	1
Toll Tunnel Authority	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	3,294