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California's Climate Disclosure Mandates: CARB's Preliminary List of Companies

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has published a preliminary list of 4,160 U.S. companies that will be required to comply with the state's new climate disclosure laws, SB 253 and SB 261.

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Implications for all U.S. Listed Companies

National Reach: California's laws apply to most large U.S. companies—even those headquartered elsewhere—if they do business in the state.

Operational Challenge: The Scope 3 requirement is the most burdensome, forcing companies to account for emissions across supply chains and partners.

Transparency: Investors, regulators, and the public will gain new visibility into climate-related financial risks and corporate adaptation strategies.

List Not Exhaustive: Companies not included on the preliminary list remain responsible for reporting if they meet the thresholds.

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SB 253 - Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting

Applies to companies with > \$1 billion in annual revenues doing business in California.

Requires annual disclosure of:

- Scope 1 emissions starting 2026
- Scope 2 emissions starting 2026,
- Scope 3 emissions from 2027.

Scope 3 covers emissions across the value chain (supply chain, procurement, business travel, commuting, waste, and water use).

SB 261 – Climate Financial Risk Reporting

Applies to companies with > \$500 million in annual revenues doing business in California.

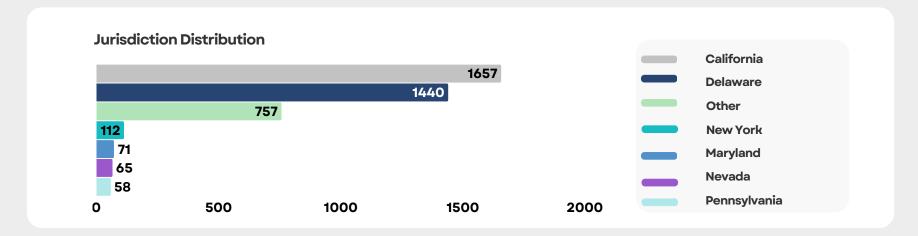
Requires **biennial** disclosure of climate-related financial risks and strategies to mitigate/adapt, such as:

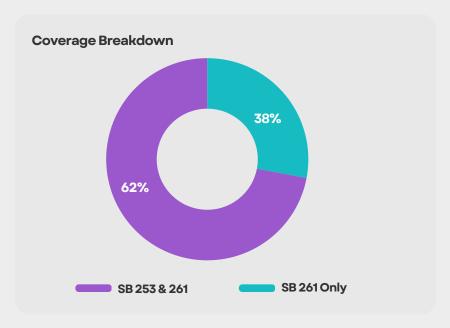
- weather-related damages
- transition costs
- supply chain disruptions.

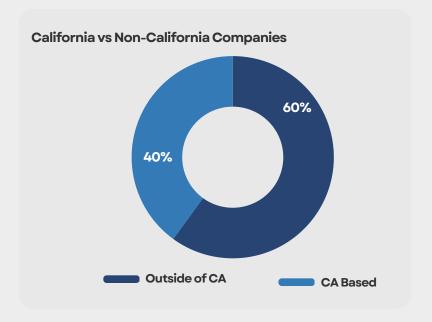
First reports are due January 1, 2026.

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Notable Inclusions

Alphabet

Meta

Nike

Nvidia

Walt Disney

Notable Exclusions

Apple

Microsoft

Tesla

Visa

Uber

