

Permits for the State of California

Q3 2025 Report



One of the many services that the California Film Commission offers is film & photography permitting for state-owned and operated locations which include 280 State Parks & Beaches, 145 Buildings & Facilities, as well as 257 state & federal highways.

During the third quarter of 2025, California state properties and highways hosted a total of 535 Shoot Days, a boost of 2.5% compared to Q3 2024's 522 Shoot Days. Television saw an increase of 16.1% with 65 Shoot Days compared to 56 days the year prior. Commercial productions totaled 69 Shoot Days in Q3 2025, down -29.6%, compared to 98 Shoot Days in the same period of 2024. Feature Film Shoot Days fell to 22, or -62.7%, compared to 59 in the previous year's Q3.

The Other category within this report, which includes Photography, Documentary, Music Video, Short Film & Student Film productions, had Shoot Days in Q3 2025 increase to 379 compared to 309 Shoot Days in Q3 2024, or 22.7% higher.

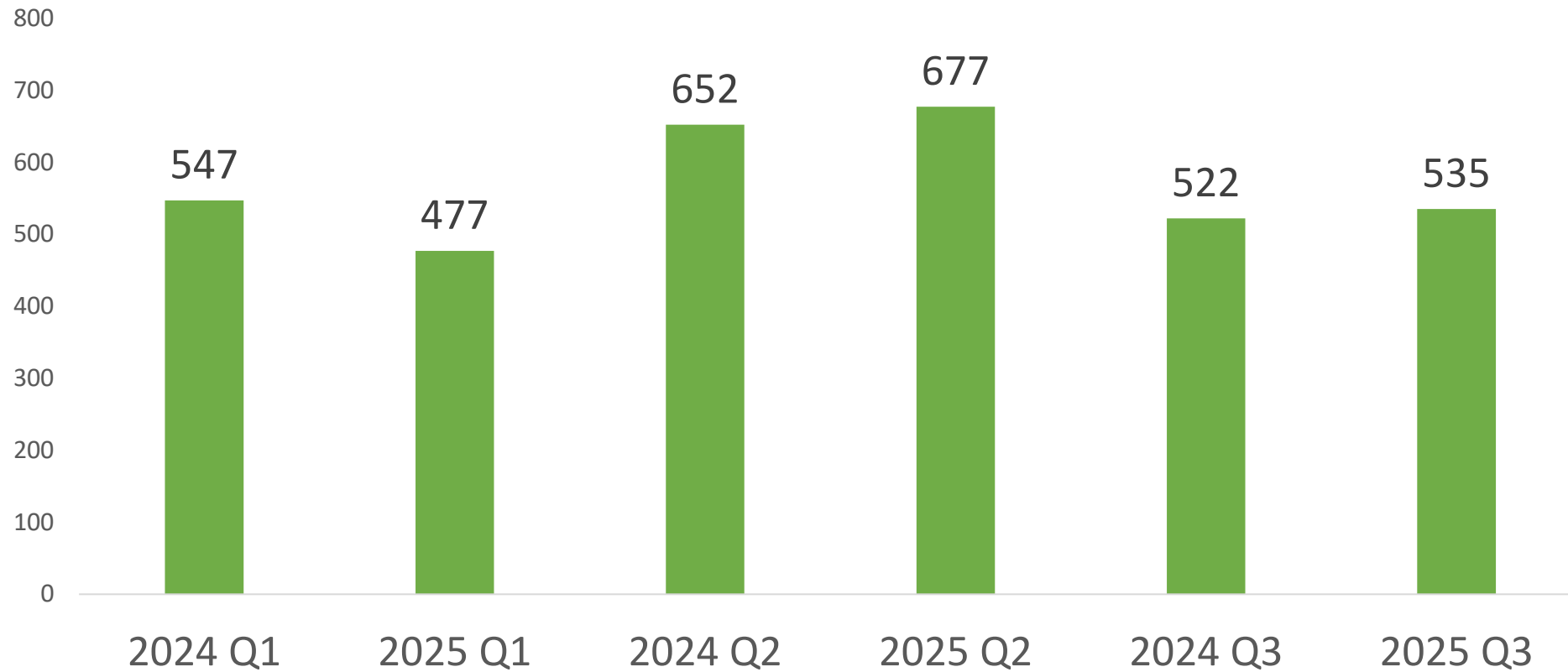
*Included in this report are 4 Year Averages to show clearer comparisons due to 2020's Covid-19 pandemic production shutdown.

2024–2025 Q3 Total Shoot Days on State Property

Vs. Q3 2024: +2.5%

Vs. 4 Year Average: +2.1%

Vs. 5 Year Average (includes 2020's pandemic shutdown): +9.3%

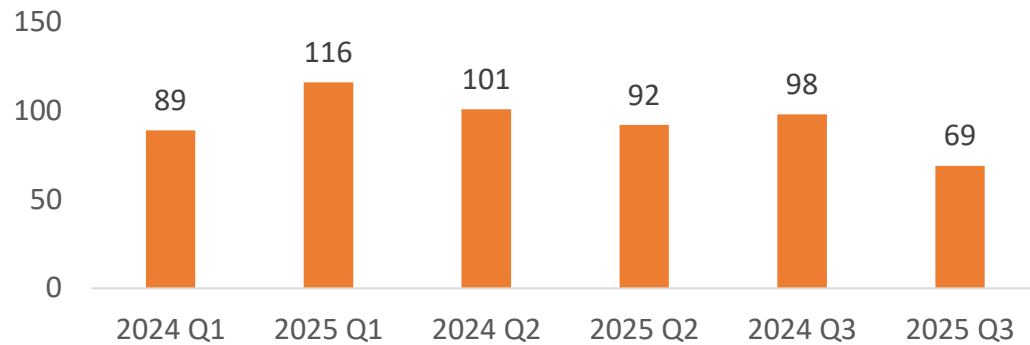


2024 – 2025 Q3 Commercial Shoot Days

Vs. Q3 2024: **-29.6%**

Vs. 4 Year Average: **-35.2%**

Vs. 5 Year Average (includes 2020's pandemic shutdown): **-32.5%**

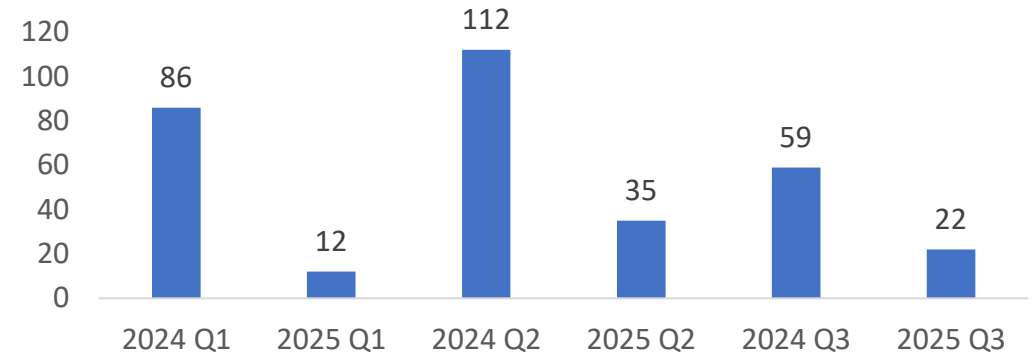


2024 – 2025 Q3 Feature Film Shoot Days

Vs. Q3 2024: **-62.7%**

Vs. 4 Year Average: **-37.6%**

Vs. 5 Year Average (includes 2020 pandemic shutdown): **-32.1%**

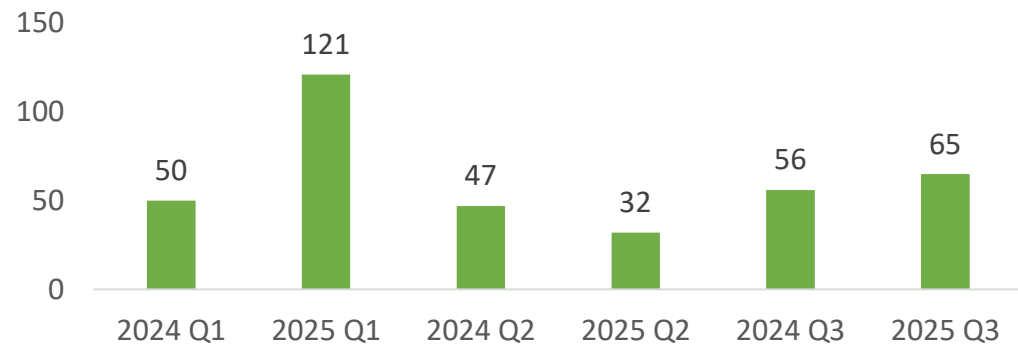


2024 – 2025 Q3 Television Shoot Days

Vs. Q3 2024: **+16.1%**

Vs. 4 Year Average: **-0.8%**

Vs. 5 Year Average (includes 2020 pandemic shutdown): **+16.9%**

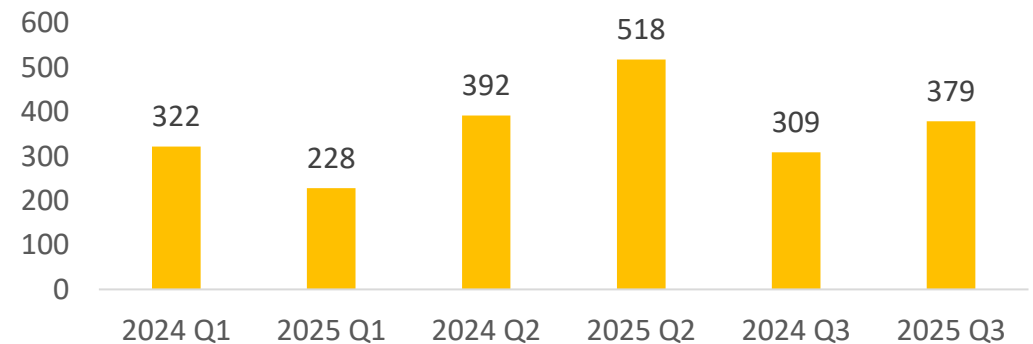


2024 – 2025 Q3 Other Shoot Photo Days

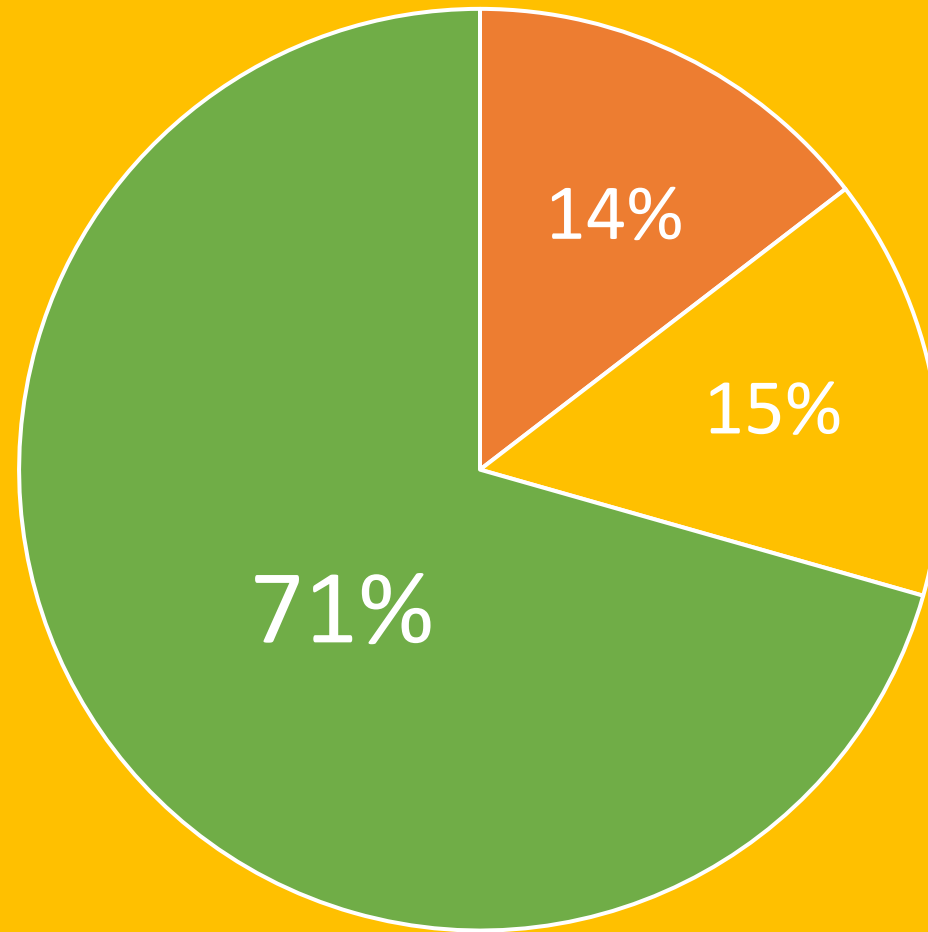
Vs. Q3 2024: **+22.7%**

Vs. 4 Year Average: **+19.7%**

Vs. 5 Year Average (includes 2020 pandemic shutdown): **+26.6%**

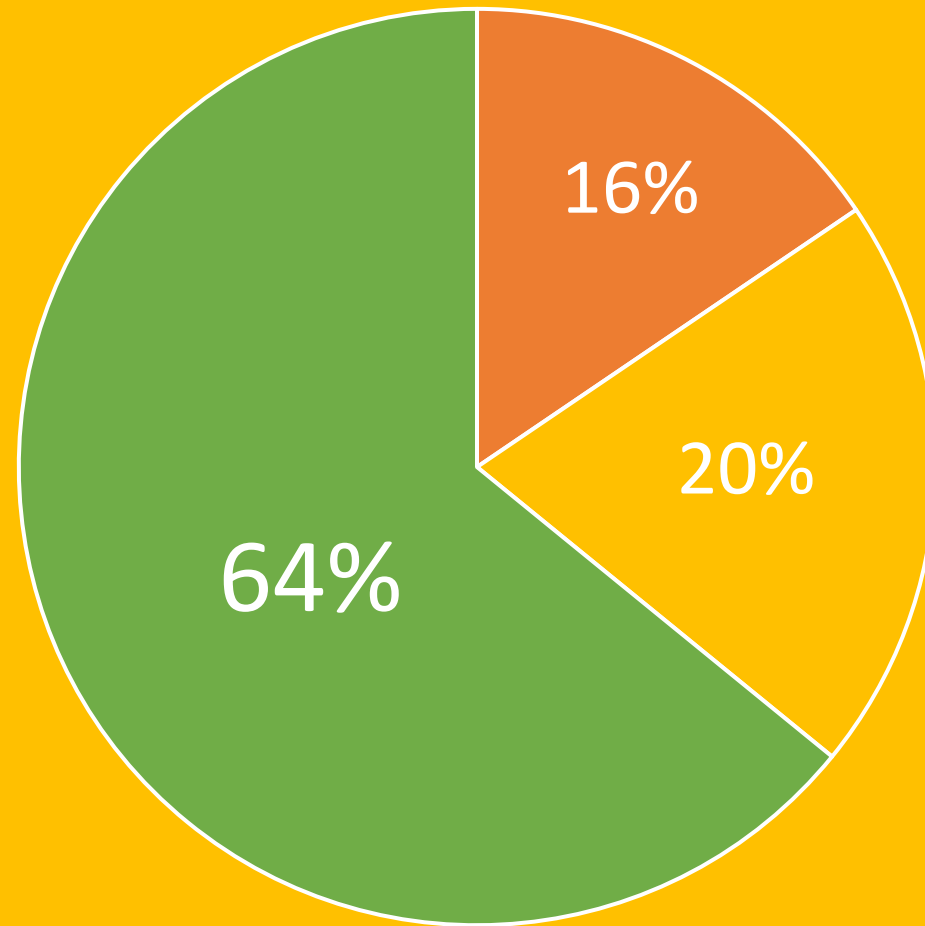


Permits Issued by Category in Q3 2025



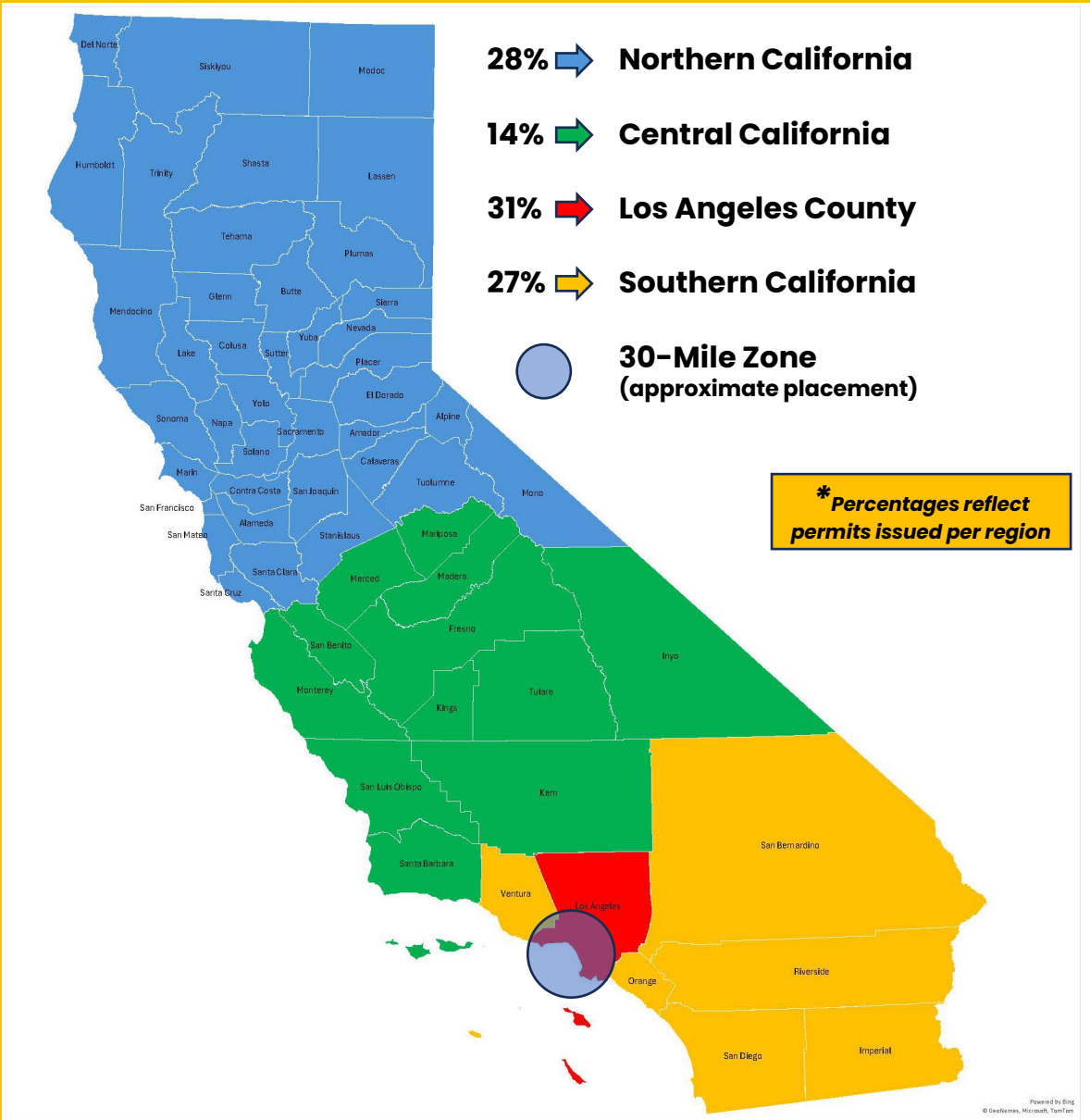
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Shoot Days by Category in Q3 2025



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Permits Issued by Region in Q3 2025



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