Early snow a confidence booster for resorts

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Compared to last year's dry winter it seems like Sierra Nevada skiers and snowboarders are practically swimming in snow, at least in the opening days of the winter of 2015-16.

But it's still too early to tell if a snowier winter will help California and Nevada winter resorts bounce back from their worst performance since 2001-02 in terms of skier visits.

The 2015-16 snow season is off to a good start. But it will take a lot to offset the low total of skier visits to west coast winter resorts during the drought winter of 2014-15.

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