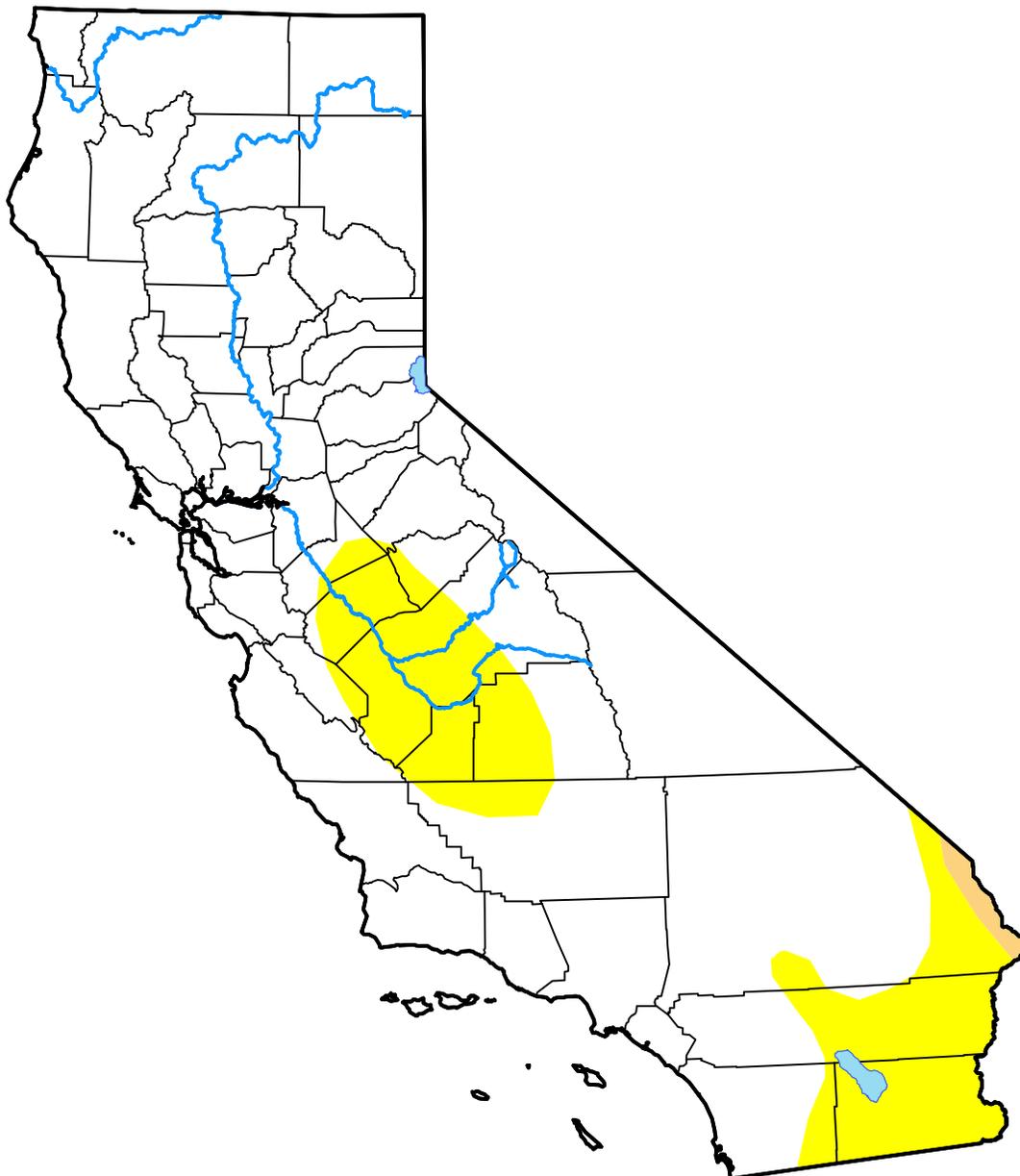


# U.S. Drought Monitor California

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	83.59	16.41	0.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-16-2006</i>	83.59	16.41	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-22-2005</i>	93.69	6.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	98.32	1.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2005</i>	99.58	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-24-2005</i>	87.97	12.03	3.00	0.21	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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