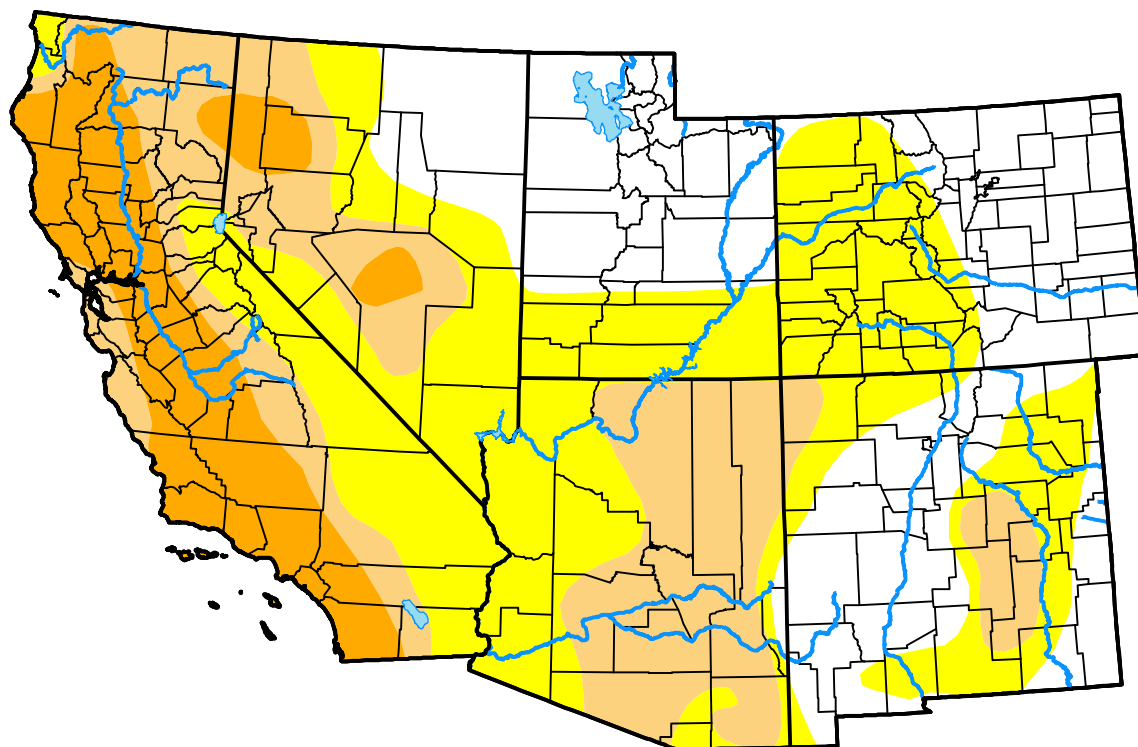


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 30.38 | 35.42 | 22.38 | 11.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-08-2009</i>              | 28.49 | 36.77 | 22.92 | 11.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-16-2009</i>           | 40.03 | 28.77 | 17.71 | 13.49 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 32.49 | 30.93 | 21.86 | 14.09 | 0.63 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 39.88 | 21.58 | 22.11 | 15.96 | 0.47 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-16-2008</i>           | 39.88 | 22.33 | 22.92 | 14.86 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

**Intensity:**

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