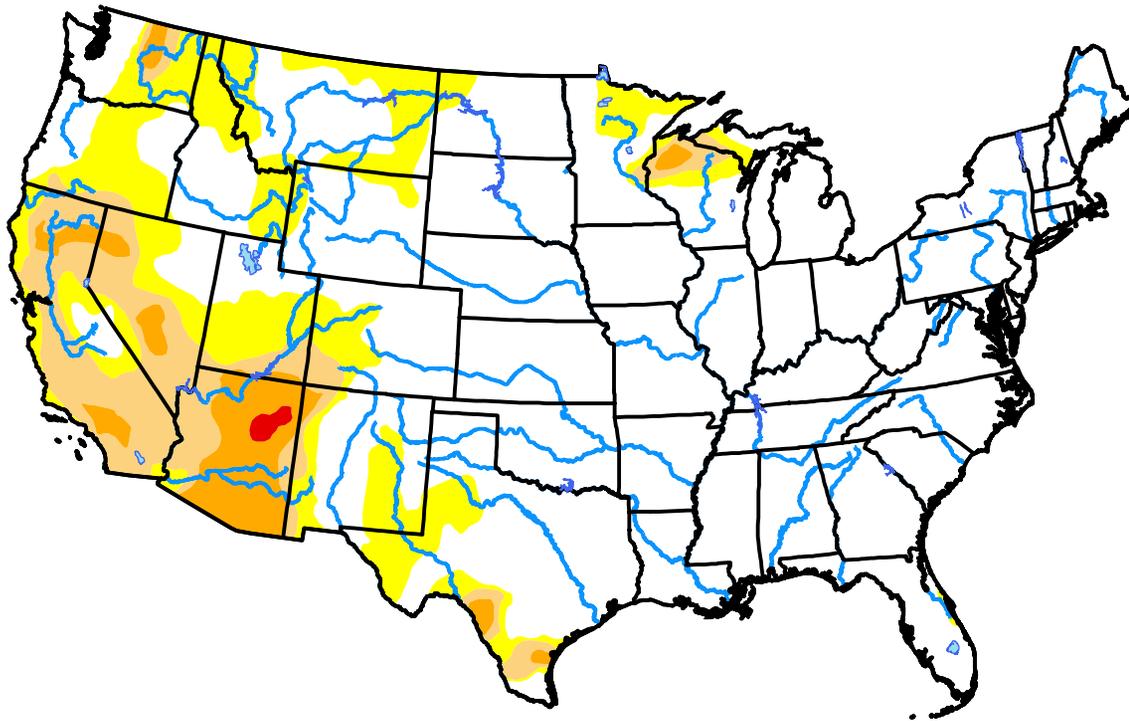


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

December 29, 2009
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	72.07	15.52	8.16	4.05	0.19	0.00
Last Week <i>12-22-2009</i>	72.79	14.69	8.27	4.05	0.19	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-29-2009</i>	63.98	21.03	8.80	4.88	1.02	0.28
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	22.60	13.02	4.94	0.87	0.37
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i>	63.98	21.03	8.80	4.88	1.02	0.28
One Year Ago <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	22.60	13.02	4.94	0.87	0.37

Intensity:



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