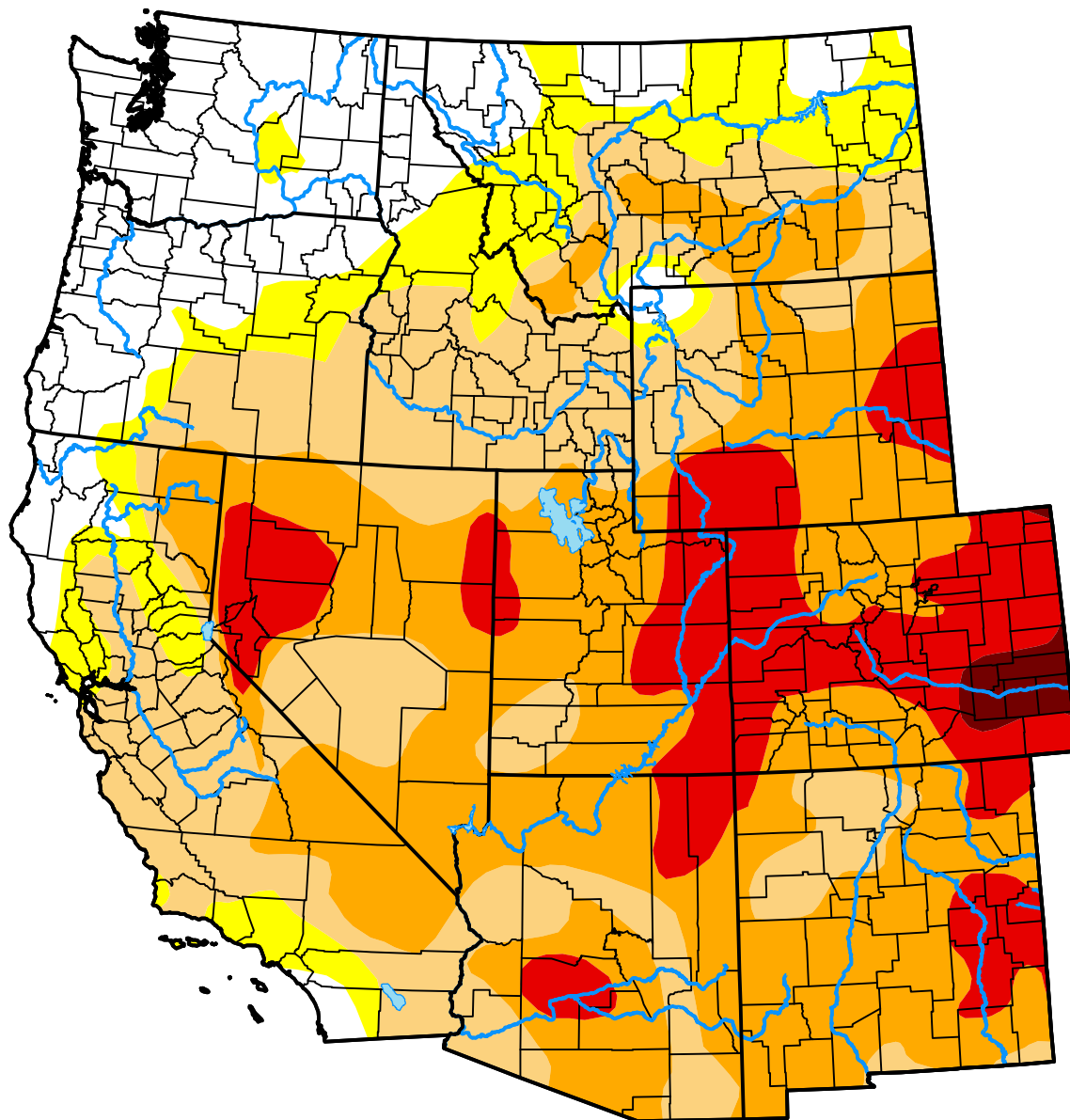


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	15.32	84.68	74.24	48.34	14.68	0.85
Last Week <i>08-14-2012</i>	16.88	83.12	69.22	50.43	16.95	0.81
3 Months Ago <i>05-22-2012</i>	30.25	69.75	52.87	30.72	4.66	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	50.20	49.80	28.05	11.84	2.67	0.78
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	66.72	33.28	19.04	14.99	9.30	3.81
One Year Ago <i>08-23-2011</i>	74.62	25.38	18.81	14.75	9.89	4.70

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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