

# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

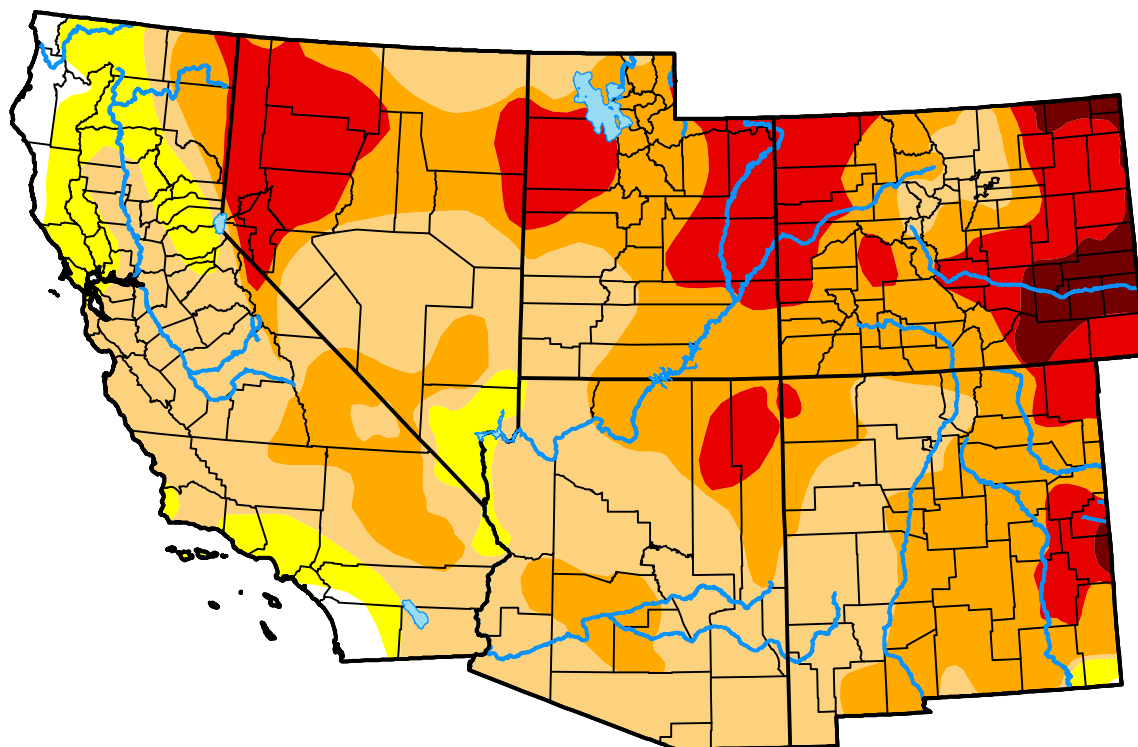
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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	1.55	98.45	91.46	53.46	19.21	2.22
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-16-2012</i>	1.51	98.49	91.61	53.47	18.00	2.22
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-24-2012</i>	2.66	97.34	91.52	71.70	26.39	0.42
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	34.66	65.34	44.90	20.25	4.56	1.33
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	2.72	97.28	92.90	55.44	19.65	2.65
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-25-2011</i>	57.04	42.96	31.34	25.11	14.51	4.91



## 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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