

# U.S. Drought Monitor

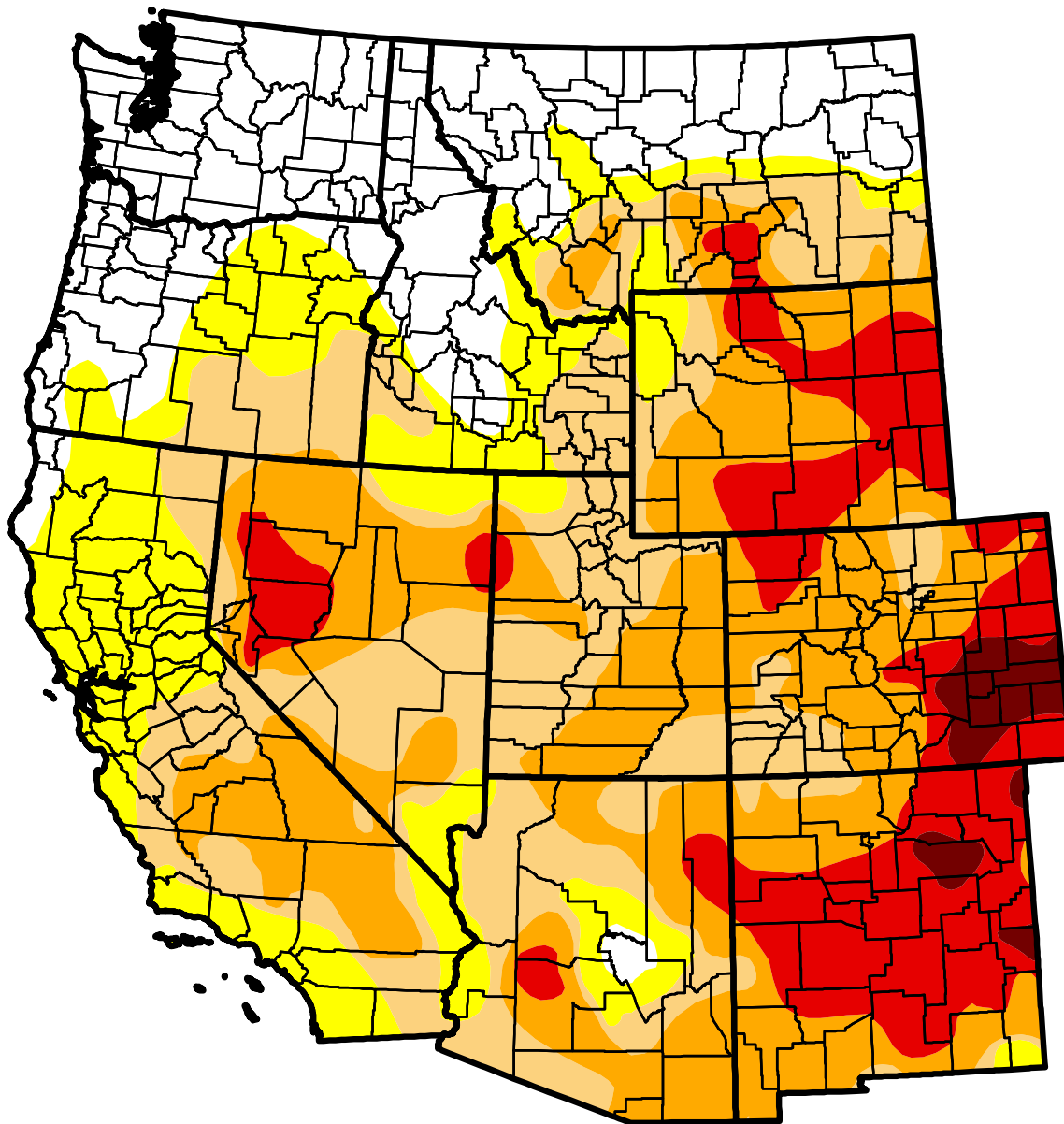
## West

**April 16, 2013**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	19.84	80.16	63.67	41.05	14.73	1.64
<b>Last Week</b> <i>4/9/2013</i>	19.71	80.29	63.56	41.59	16.73	2.41
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>1/15/2013</i>	24.75	75.25	68.24	44.51	17.27	2.15
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>1/1/2013</i>	24.39	75.61	69.31	45.04	18.01	2.15
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>9/25/2012</i>	15.12	84.88	77.15	43.65	16.85	1.77
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>4/17/2012</i>	60.78	39.22	16.39	6.16	0.00	0.00



**Intensity:**

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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