

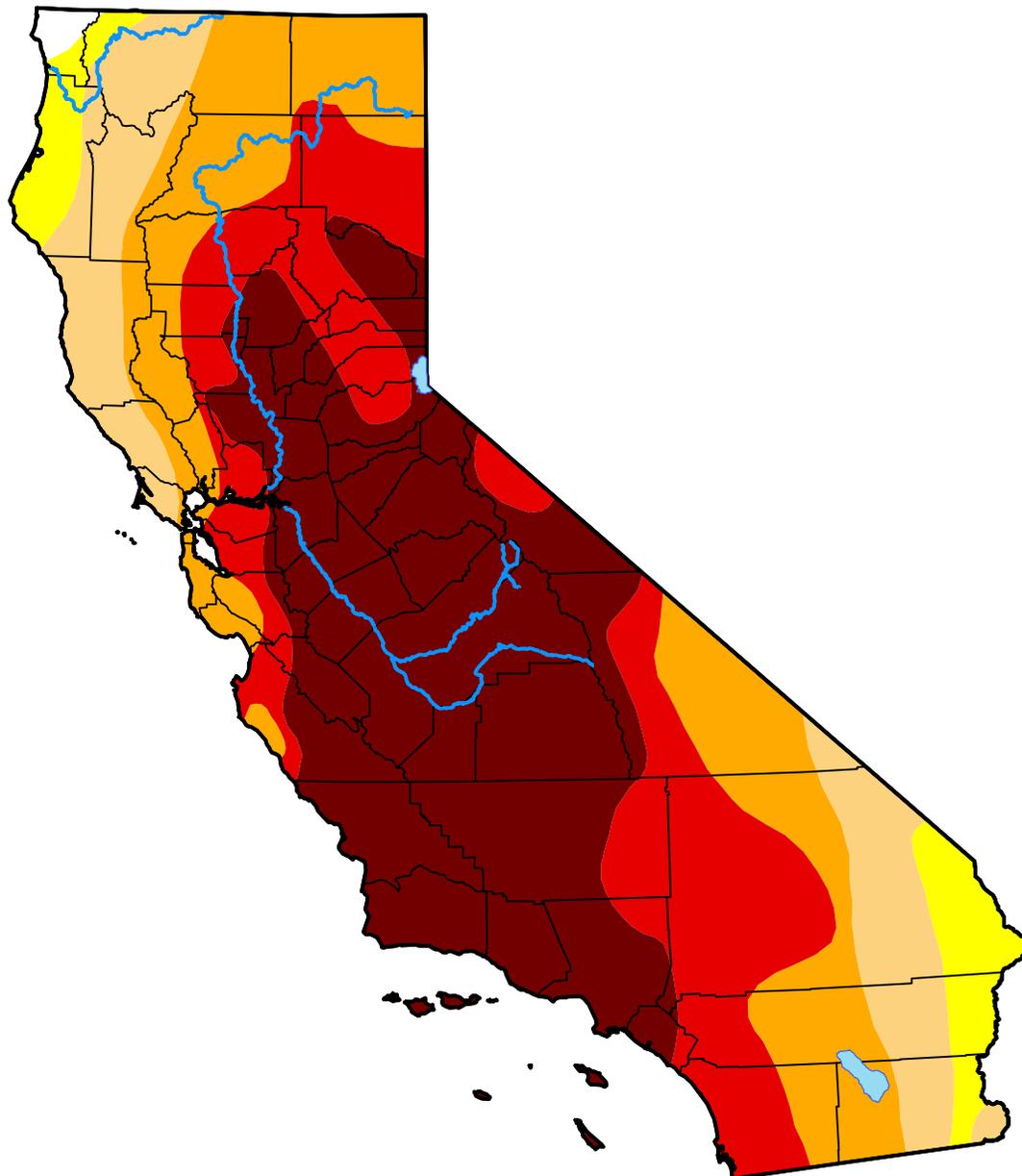
# U.S. Drought Monitor California

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.43	5.19	12.56	20.96	22.38	38.48
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-18-2016</i>	0.29	5.01	12.87	20.42	22.93	38.48
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-25-2015</i>	0.14	2.53	5.07	21.71	25.71	44.84
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2015</i>	0.00	2.67	9.78	18.49	24.22	44.84
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2015</i>	0.14	2.53	4.97	21.29	25.08	46.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-26-2015</i>	0.16	1.75	4.66	25.98	27.54	39.92



***Intensity:***

- None
- 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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