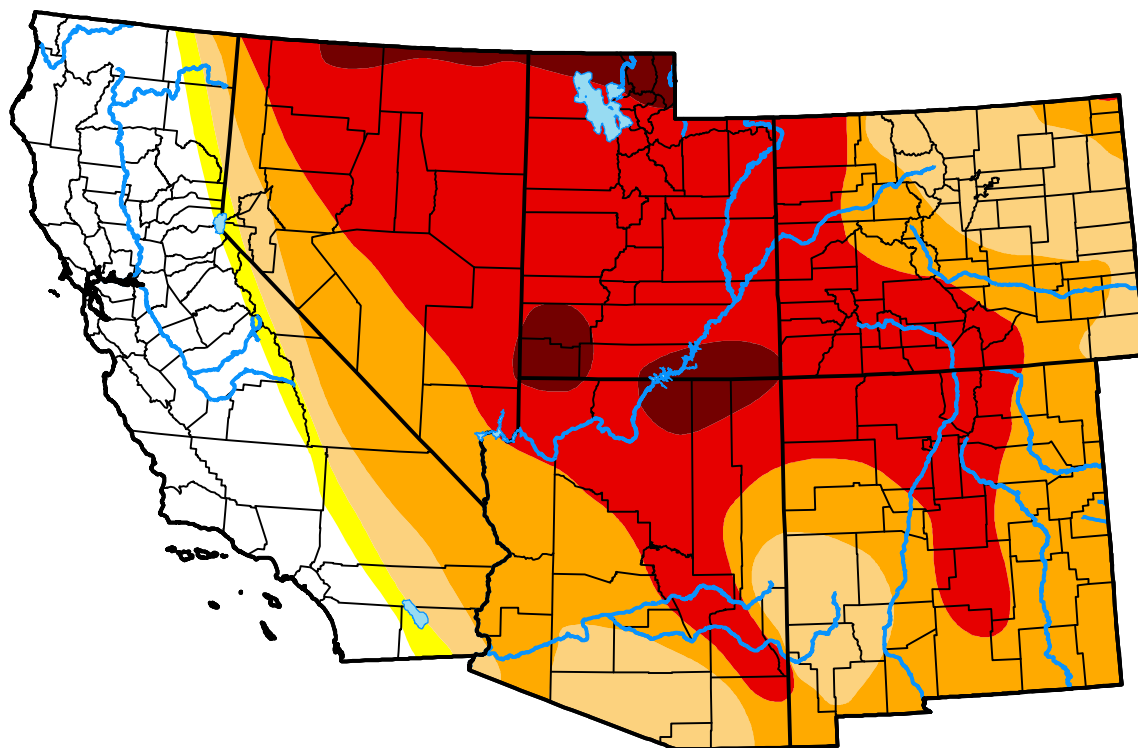


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.24	2.20	14.30	27.80	36.64	3.82
Last Week <i>08-12-2003</i>	14.58	2.74	15.56	25.96	37.53	3.64
3 Months Ago <i>05-20-2003</i>	14.63	6.01	13.83	30.57	34.31	0.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	14.98	6.37	13.73	35.31	26.51	3.10
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	1.40	9.81	21.62	27.23	32.28	7.67
One Year Ago <i>08-20-2002</i>	1.14	10.42	20.57	20.98	35.51	11.39

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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