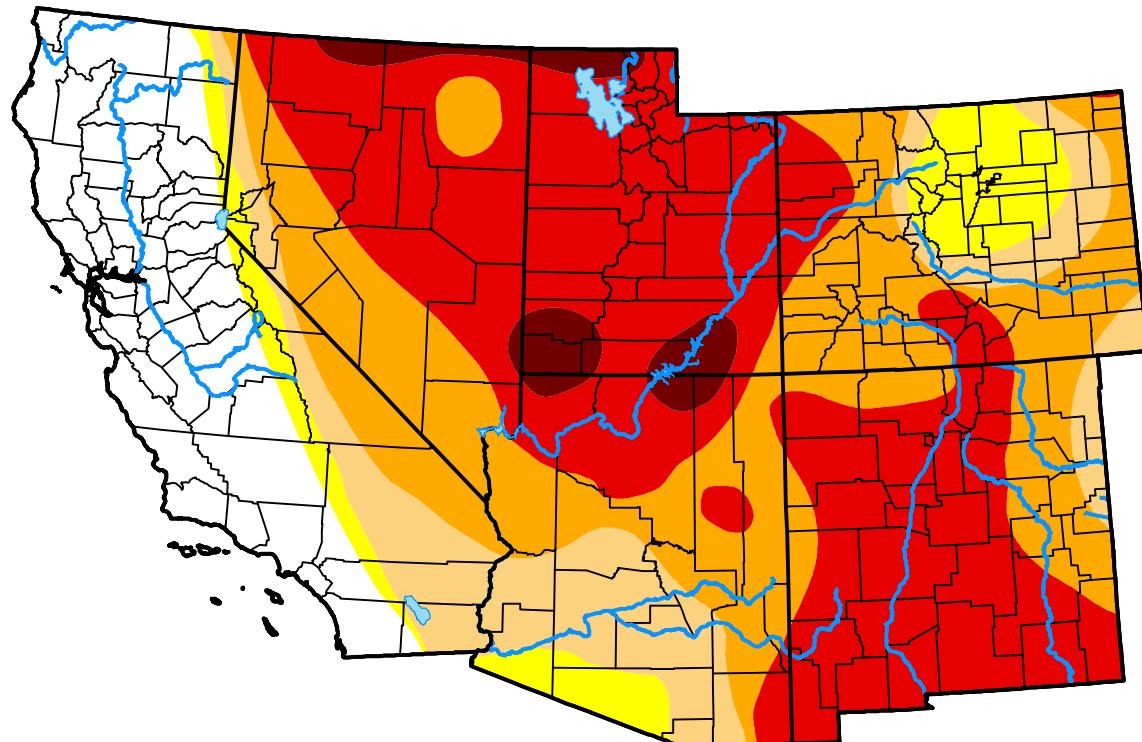


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southwest



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	15.51	84.49	77.83	65.78	40.36	3.02
Last Week 09-23-2003	15.26	84.74	79.61	67.38	40.77	2.96
3 Months Ago 07-01-2003	18.64	81.36	75.05	63.11	36.47	2.03
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2002	14.98	85.02	78.64	64.91	29.60	3.10
Start of Water Year 10-01-2002	1.40	98.60	88.79	67.17	39.95	7.67
One Year Ago 10-01-2002	1.40	98.60	88.79	67.17	39.95	7.67

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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