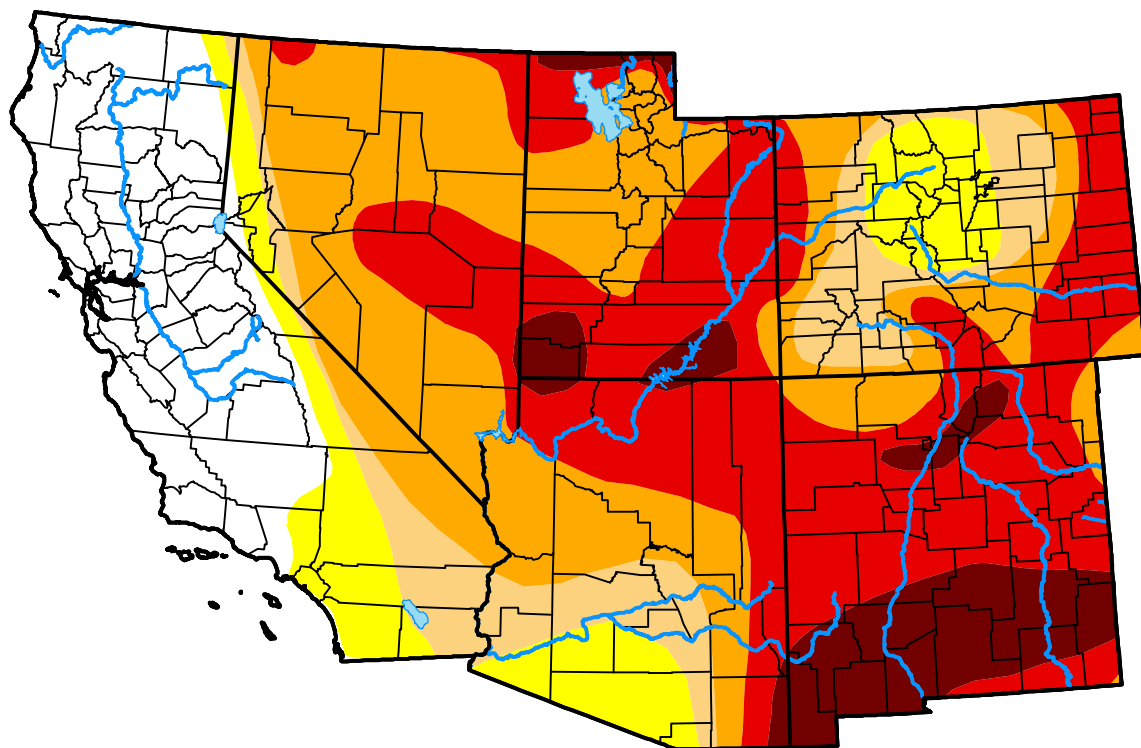


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.60	9.61	9.59	27.41	29.36	8.44
Last Week <i>02-10-2004</i>	15.60	10.23	8.99	27.13	29.61	8.44
3 Months Ago <i>11-18-2003</i>	10.17	11.50	14.72	22.34	36.37	4.90
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	15.48	9.47	8.77	29.56	29.89	6.84
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	15.51	6.66	12.05	25.42	37.34	3.02
One Year Ago <i>02-18-2003</i>	14.25	5.90	13.85	19.32	44.38	2.30

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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