

U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	20.96	5.11	12.37	27.86	26.88	6.81
Last Week <i>03-04-2004</i>	20.96	6.14	12.28	28.07	25.17	7.37
3 Months Ago <i>12-11-2003</i>	13.16	9.50	14.48	17.92	38.79	6.15
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	18.57	7.18	8.28	26.93	31.08	7.96
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	18.46	4.16	11.20	21.71	40.95	3.52
One Year Ago <i>03-13-2003</i>	12.09	12.60	20.42	21.50	33.32	0.07

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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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