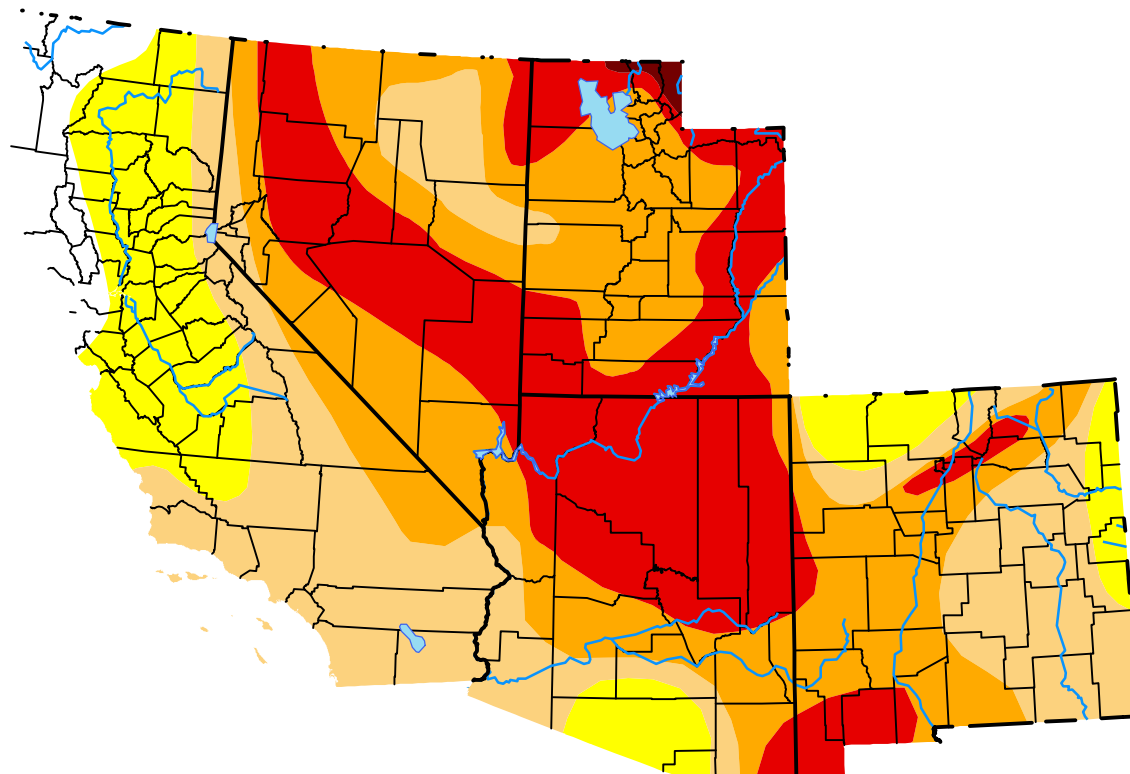


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.95	95.05	81.28	55.74	25.77	0.28
Last Week <i>06-24-2004</i>	5.83	94.17	82.20	55.96	25.96	0.28
3 Months Ago <i>04-01-2004</i>	17.74	82.26	73.92	62.05	35.75	6.81
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	18.57	81.43	74.25	65.97	39.04	7.96
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	18.46	81.54	77.38	66.18	44.47	3.52
One Year Ago <i>07-03-2003</i>	17.10	82.90	77.02	64.46	36.89	2.23

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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