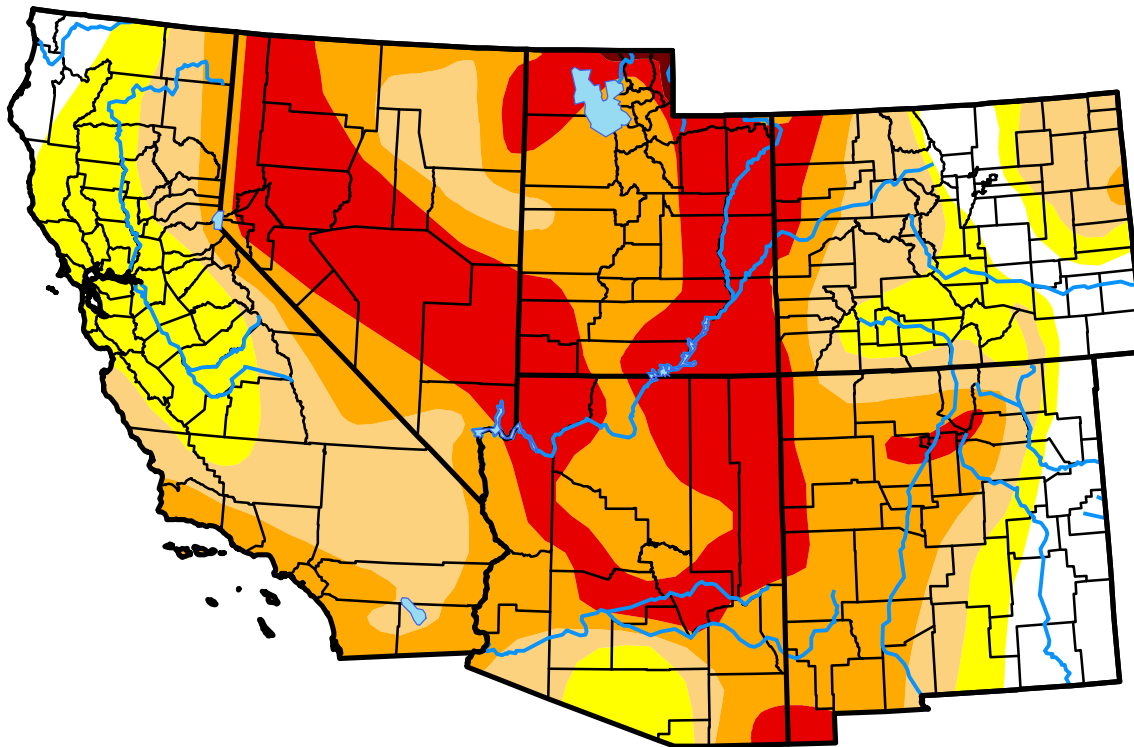


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	8.47	91.53	76.99	55.24	24.06	0.18
Last Week <i>09-28-2004</i>	7.43	92.57	77.08	55.25	24.06	0.18
3 Months Ago <i>07-06-2004</i>	3.38	96.62	82.21	54.92	22.34	0.24
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	15.48	84.52	75.05	66.28	36.72	6.84
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	7.43	92.57	77.08	55.25	24.06	0.18
One Year Ago <i>10-07-2003</i>	15.26	84.74	78.24	66.78	39.14	2.81

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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