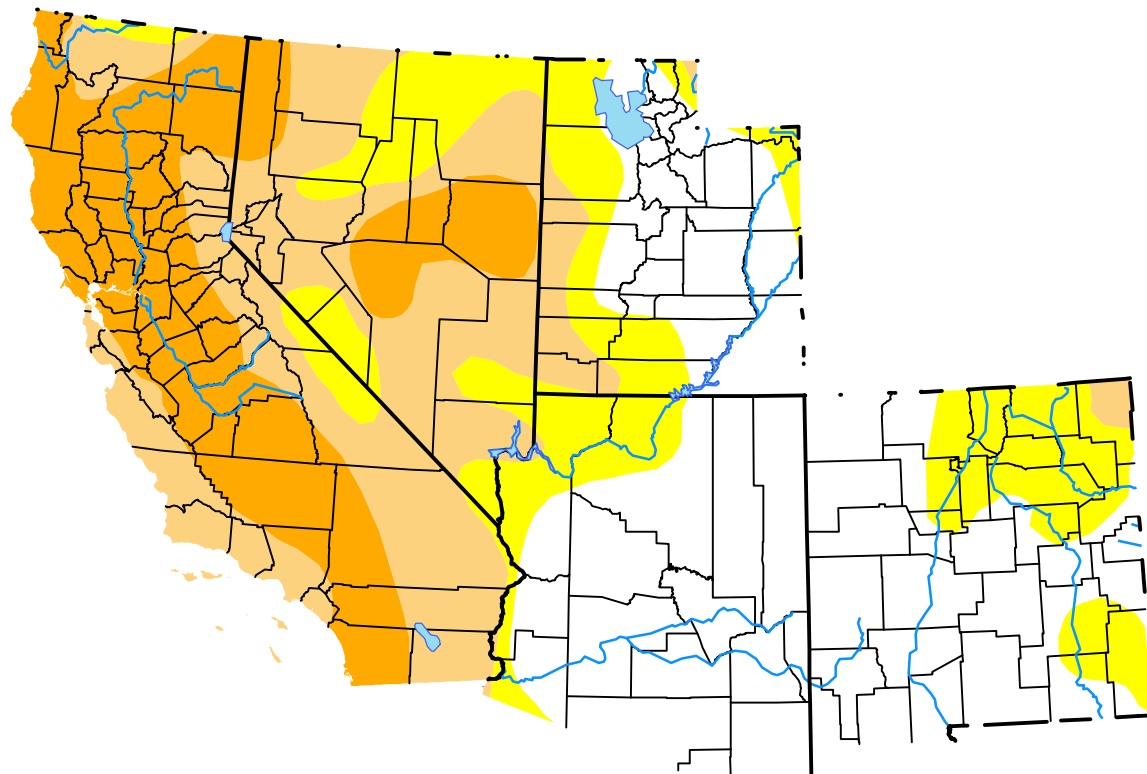


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	38.93	61.07	42.34	18.86	0.13	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-02-2008</i>	38.93	61.07	43.48	18.91	0.65	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-10-2008</i>	22.18	77.82	53.57	14.90	2.89	0.08
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	79.14	63.29	45.33	5.44	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-02-2008</i>	38.93	61.07	43.48	18.91	0.65	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-11-2007</i>	21.32	78.68	68.84	51.13	16.01	0.00

### Intensity:



*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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