

# U.S. Drought Monitor California Watershed

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 73.99 | 26.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-08-2011</i>              | 81.17 | 18.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-15-2011</i>           | 89.23 | 10.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-06-2011</i> | 98.66 | 1.34  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 91.81 | 8.19  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-16-2010</i>           | 79.61 | 19.25 | 1.14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

**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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