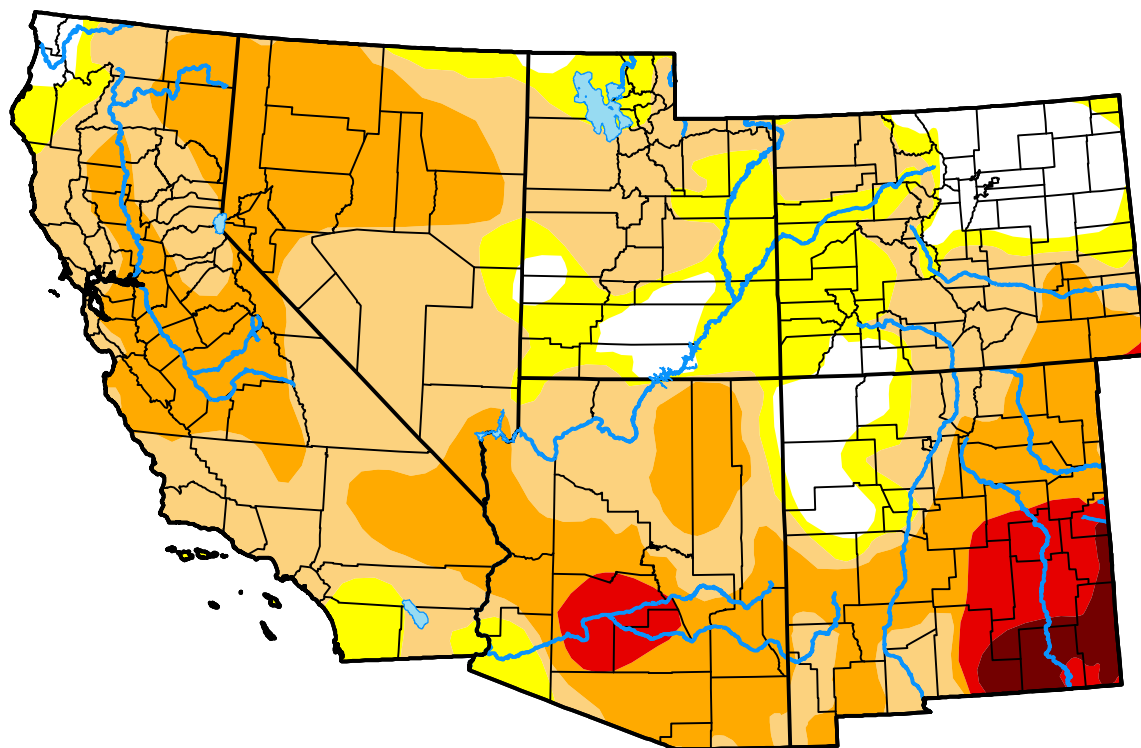


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	8.61	91.39	76.41	38.72	5.81	1.60
Last Week <i>03-13-2012</i>	8.05	91.95	76.94	41.24	5.81	1.60
3 Months Ago <i>12-20-2011</i>	50.99	49.01	29.08	20.91	7.12	3.12
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	34.66	65.34	44.90	20.25	4.56	1.33
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	55.16	44.84	32.58	25.65	15.91	6.52
One Year Ago <i>03-22-2011</i>	60.10	39.90	30.26	16.29	2.77	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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