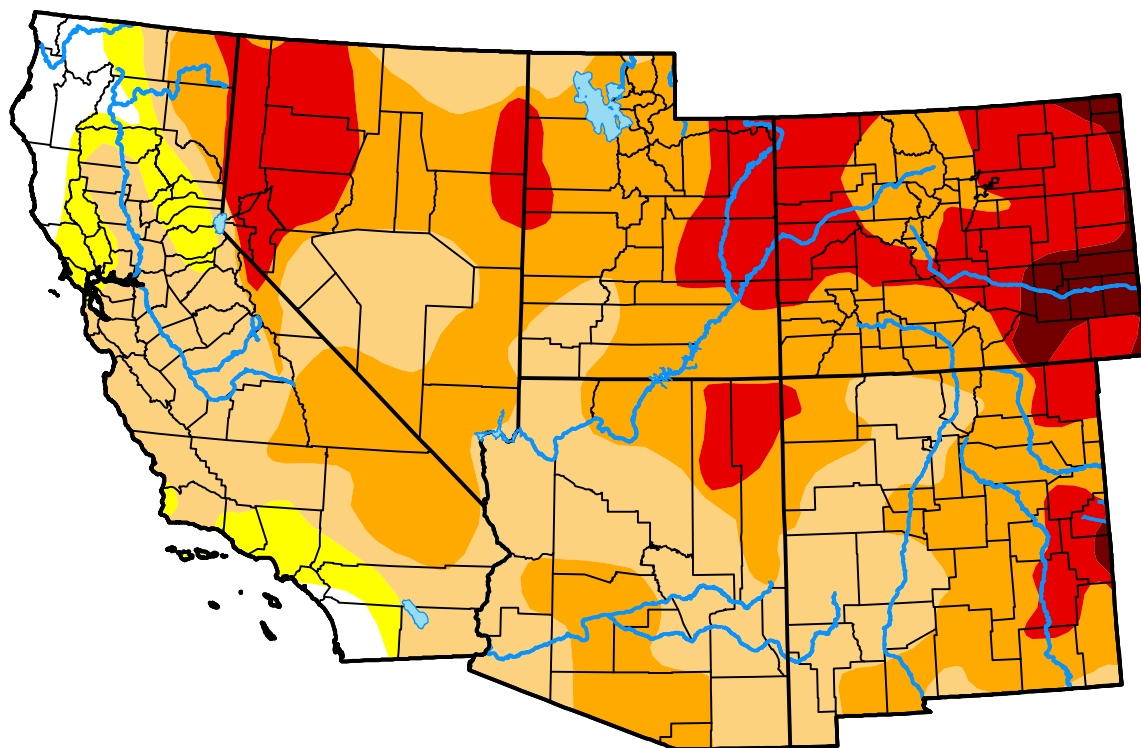


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 2.68  | 4.33  | 33.10 | 39.57 | 18.14 | 2.18 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-28-2012</i>              | 2.68  | 4.29  | 33.06 | 38.10 | 19.91 | 1.96 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-05-2012</i>           | 3.78  | 12.15 | 31.24 | 44.38 | 8.45  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 34.66 | 20.43 | 24.65 | 15.69 | 3.23  | 1.33 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 55.16 | 12.27 | 6.93  | 9.73  | 9.39  | 6.52 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-06-2011</i>           | 49.23 | 17.07 | 8.13  | 8.45  | 9.89  | 7.23 |

## 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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