

# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

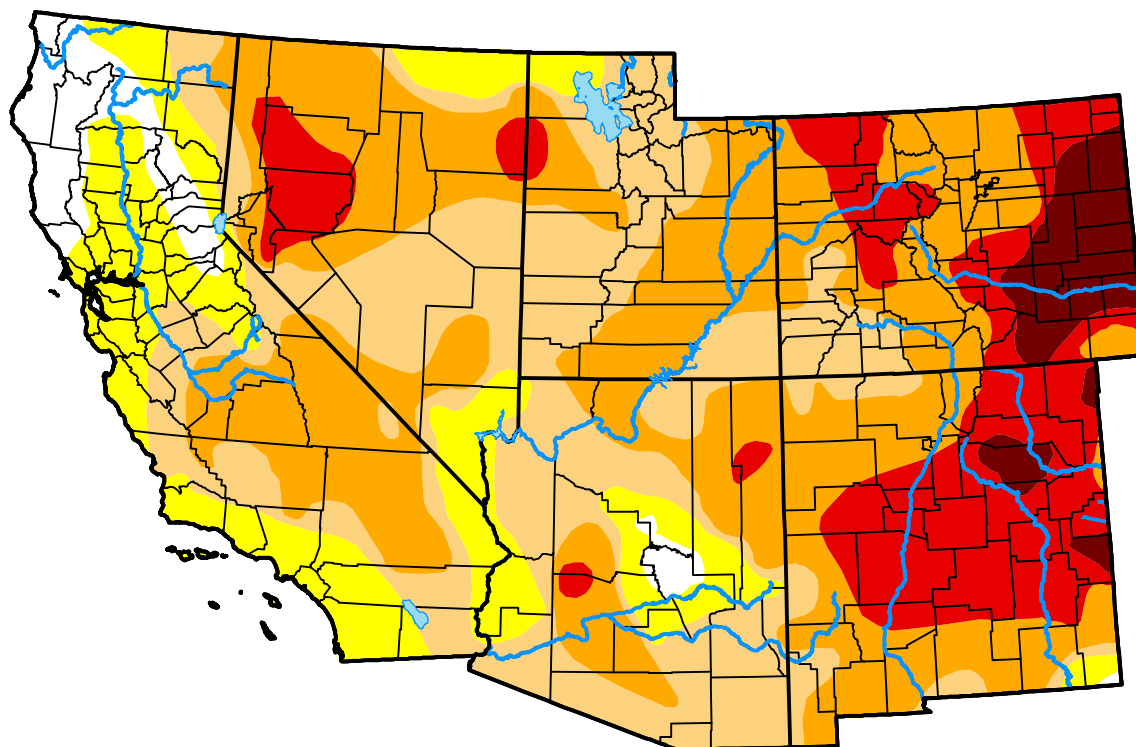
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                        | None | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                         | 4.11 | 13.93 | 27.92 | 35.61 | 14.51 | 3.93 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-05-2013</i>                  | 0.04 | 17.24 | 27.35 | 36.94 | 14.50 | 3.93 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-11-2012</i>               | 7.07 | 3.88  | 26.65 | 40.69 | 19.51 | 2.20 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2013</i> | 7.24 | 4.44  | 28.14 | 39.89 | 18.09 | 2.20 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2012</i>    | 2.72 | 4.37  | 37.46 | 35.79 | 16.99 | 2.65 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-13-2012</i>               | 8.05 | 15.02 | 35.70 | 35.43 | 4.20  | 1.60 |



## 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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