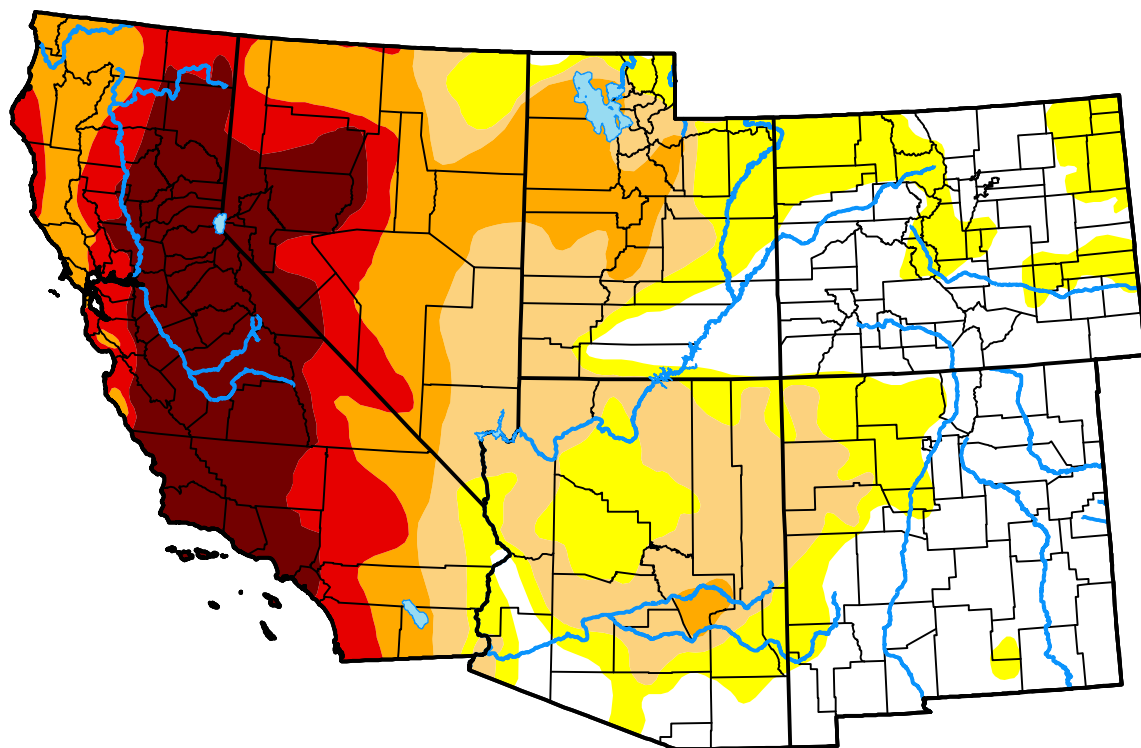


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 28.06 | 71.94 | 53.76 | 36.27 | 21.83 | 13.03 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-20-2015</i>              | 22.00 | 78.00 | 54.87 | 36.46 | 21.83 | 13.03 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-28-2015</i>           | 26.03 | 73.97 | 61.00 | 38.61 | 22.57 | 12.26 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 14.92 | 85.08 | 73.38 | 46.75 | 26.77 | 9.24  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>    | 23.90 | 76.10 | 56.71 | 37.02 | 22.19 | 13.03 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-28-2014</i>           | 15.80 | 84.20 | 73.62 | 47.34 | 27.28 | 15.22 |

**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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