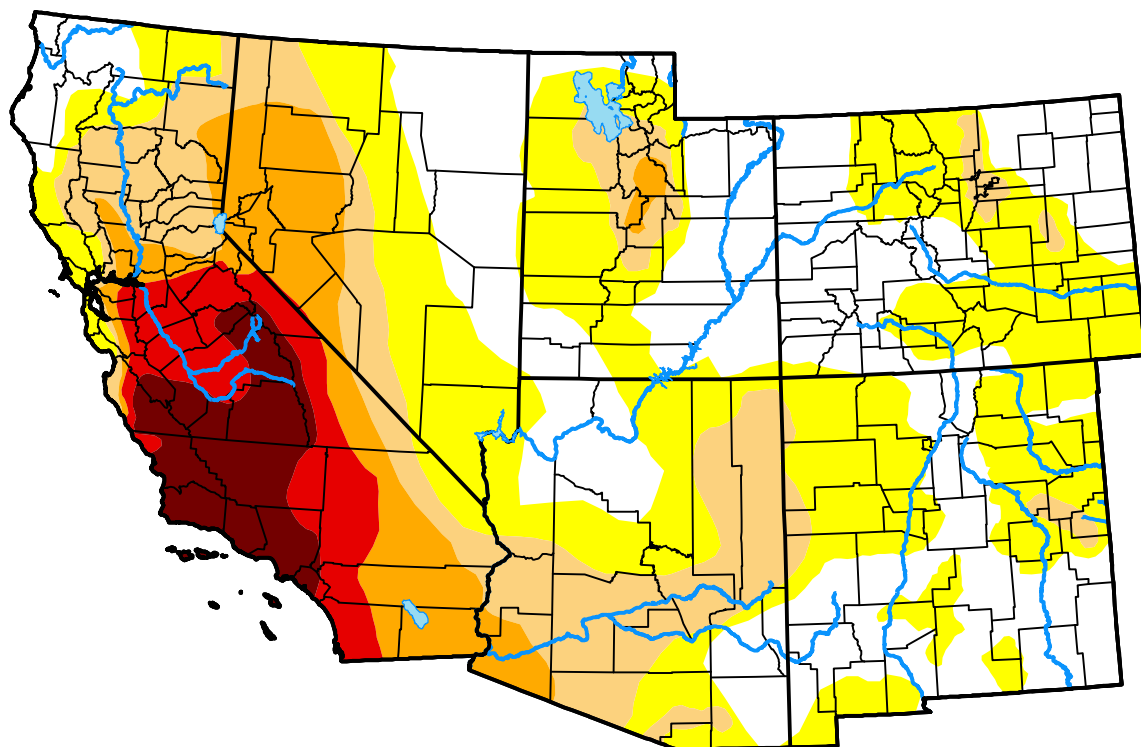


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	31.65	68.35	34.65	18.54	9.80	4.80
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-11-2016</i>	33.59	66.41	35.05	18.65	9.80	4.80
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-19-2016</i>	27.70	72.30	37.04	18.23	9.80	4.80
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2015</i>	31.79	68.21	48.49	33.36	20.81	11.72
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2016</i>	29.25	70.75	35.05	18.65	9.80	4.80
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-20-2015</i>	22.00	78.00	54.87	36.46	21.83	13.03

## 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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