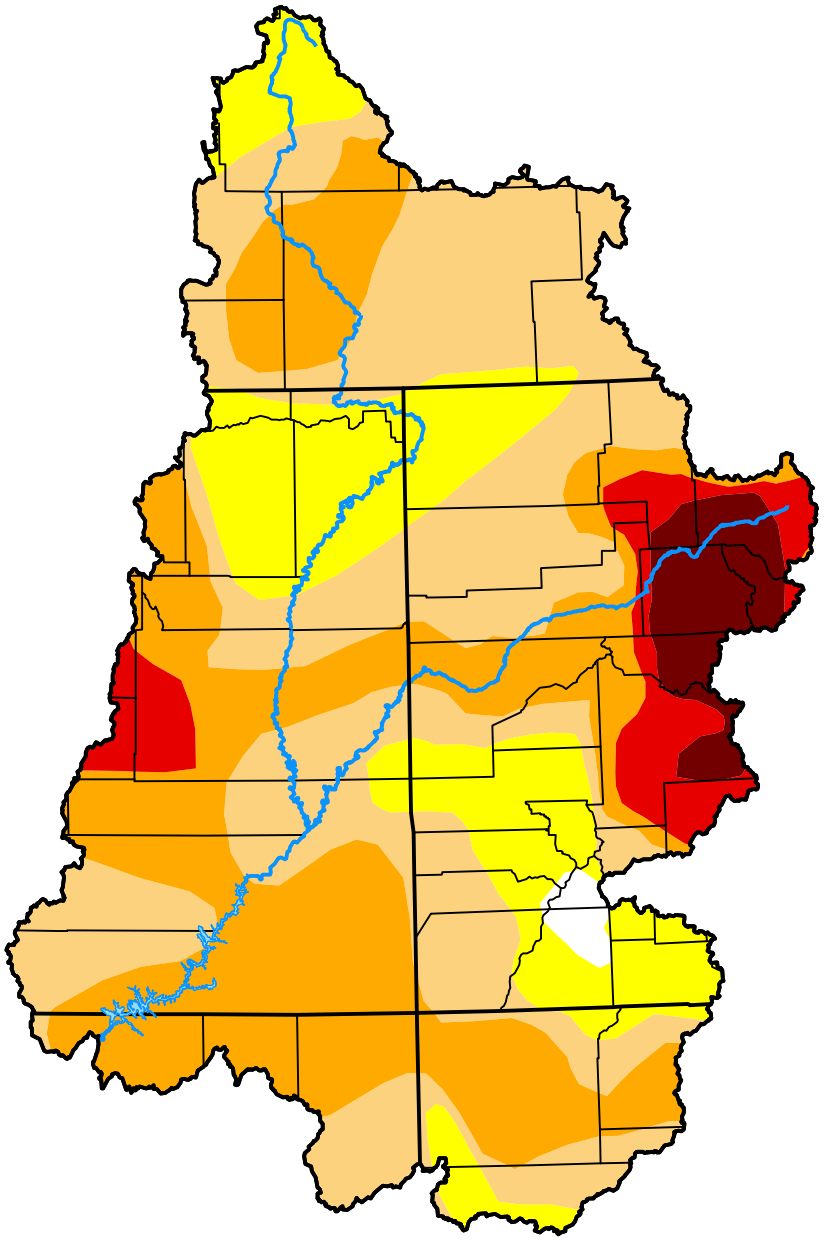
U.S. Drought Monitor

Upper Colorado Watershed



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.78	19.40	38.28	31.93	5.55	4.07
Last Week *10-13-2026*	0.00	4.44	33.81	43.72	13.19	4.83
3 Months Ago *07-21-2026*	0.00	0.00	6.76	56.11	29.36	7.78
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	0.00	19.78	37.52	37.28	4.82	0.60
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	0.00	2.82	28.78	47.72	15.45	5.24
One Year Ago *10-21-2025*	3.38	10.84	28.93	45.31	11.54	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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