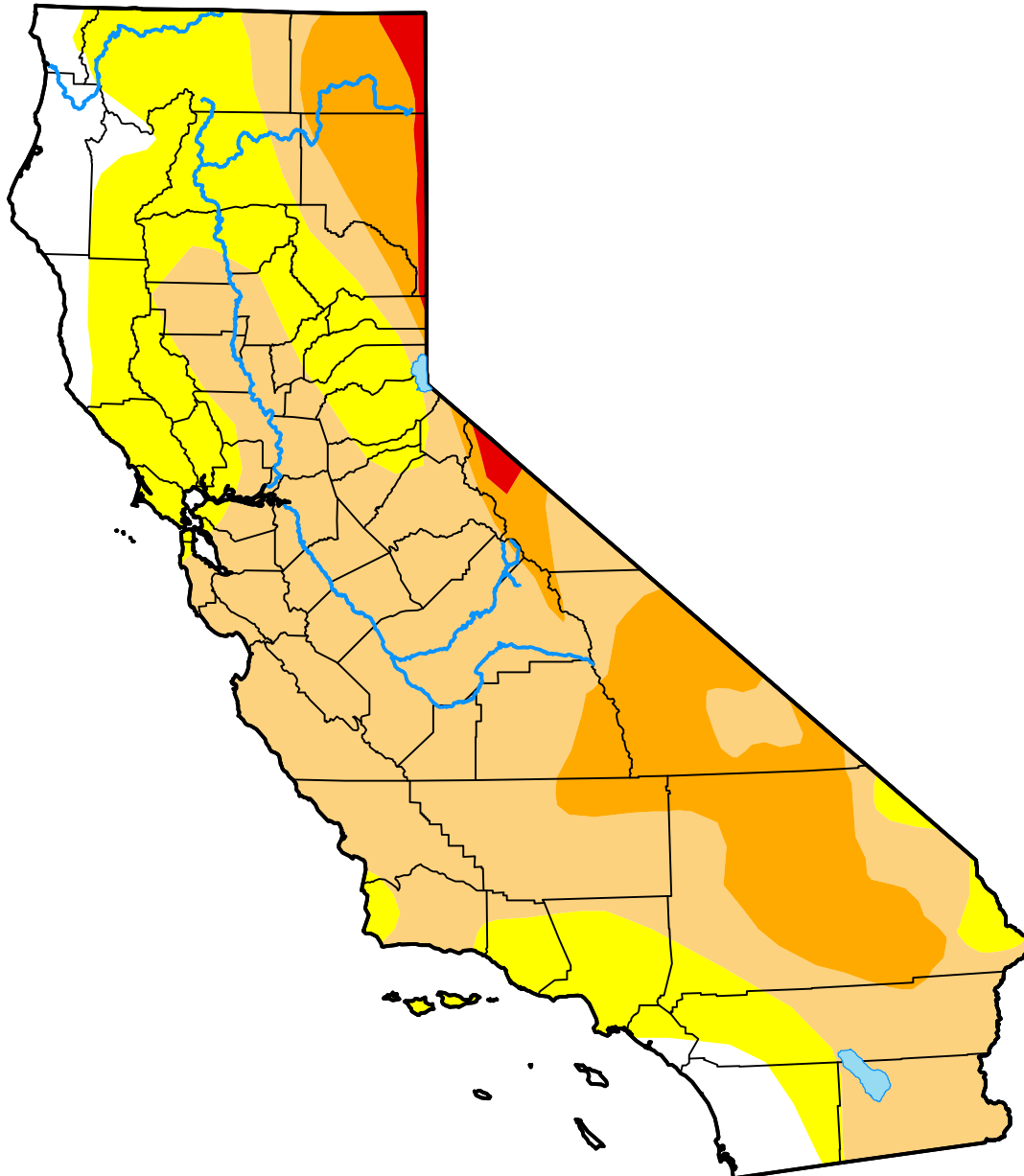


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA California Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	6.64	24.89	49.38	17.95	1.14	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-09-2012</i>	6.64	23.78	47.60	20.83	1.14	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-17-2012</i>	15.88	24.38	36.81	22.92	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	29.91	23.75	46.34	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	11.95	18.64	47.14	21.12	1.14	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-18-2011</i>	89.25	10.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	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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