

ARIZONA SHORT-TERM DROUGHT STATUS REPORT

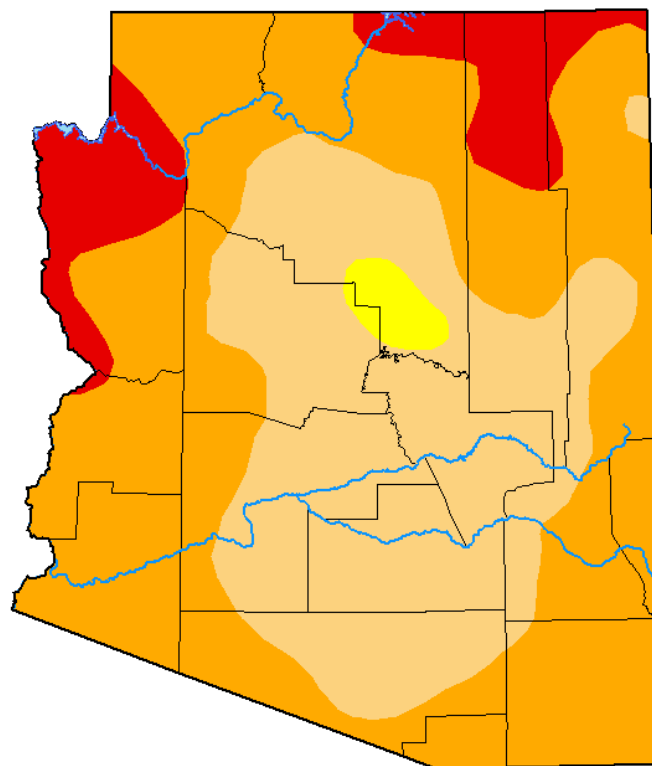
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April was overall a warm and very dry month. While Phoenix did not reach 100°F, Tucson and several locations along the Colorado River did reach 100°F in April. Two systems brought trace amounts of precipitation to areas in Coconino County. However, the majority of the state received no measurable precipitation in April, making it the 6th driest April on record.

Extreme (D3) drought expanded in Mohave County and remained in sections of northeastern counties, now covering 10% of the state. The majority of the state remained in Severe (D2) drought (52%) or Moderate (D1) drought (36%). The only area of the state remaining Abnormally dry (D0) is along a small portion of the Mogollon Rim (2%).

Weak La Niña conditions will persist into at least the summer months. There is a very slight increase in the odds that monsoon rainfall will be above normal in the southern half of the state.

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	98.48	62.22	10.26	0.00
Last Week 04-26-2022	0.00	100.00	98.48	62.22	6.28	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-01-2022	0.00	100.00	56.71	25.80	5.08	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	0.00	100.00	55.74	26.15	5.08	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-28-2021	0.00	100.00	80.38	40.02	13.69	0.00
One Year Ago 05-04-2021	0.00	100.00	99.02	94.62	86.56	57.79

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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