

# ARIZONA SHORT-TERM DROUGHT STATUS REPORT

## FEBRUARY 2021

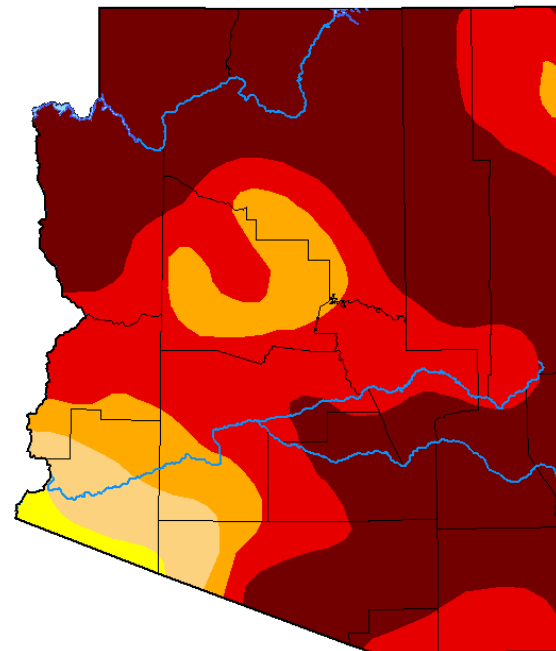
Precipitation across most of the state was 25% of average in February, while the White Mountains received near average precipitation.

Nighttime temperatures were near average across most of the state, helping preserve much of the higher elevation snowpack received in January. However, daytime temperatures were warmer than average everywhere except east central Arizona.

Drought conditions have remained consistent throughout the month, with 54% of the state in Exceptional Drought (D4) and 31% in Extreme Drought (D3). Severe Drought (D2), Moderate Drought (D1), and Abnormally Dry (D0) conditions have not increased in Yuma, western Pima, and southwestern Maricopa counties.

While La Niña conditions in the Pacific Ocean will weaken through the spring and eventually become neutral, drier than normal conditions will likely continue.

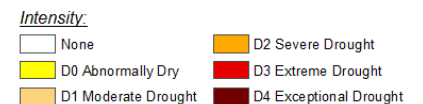
### U.S. Drought Monitor Arizona



**March 2, 2021**  
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.00	100.00	98.92	94.60	84.67	53.50
<b>Last Week</b> 02-23-2021	0.00	100.00	98.92	94.60	84.67	53.50
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 12-01-2020	0.00	100.00	100.00	98.35	92.82	76.81
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-29-2020	0.00	100.00	100.00	98.34	93.86	72.69
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-29-2020	0.00	100.00	100.00	93.97	69.95	3.37
<b>One Year Ago</b> 03-03-2020	70.34	29.66	21.89	14.02	0.00	0.00



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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