

Arizona Short-term Drought Status Report

July 2020

This month has been one of the hottest and driest July on record.

The minimal and late onset of the monsoon activity was largely restricted to southeastern Arizona and caused significant deterioration of drought conditions in central and eastern Arizona.

At the beginning of July 57% of the state was free of short-term drought, while currently, only 6% of the state (Yuma and southwestern La Paz counties) remains out of drought; 82% is either in Moderate (D1) or Severe Drought (D2).

Hotter and drier than normal weather conditions will likely continue through August. Climate models still indicate that La Niña may develop during the fall and winter.

