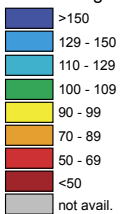
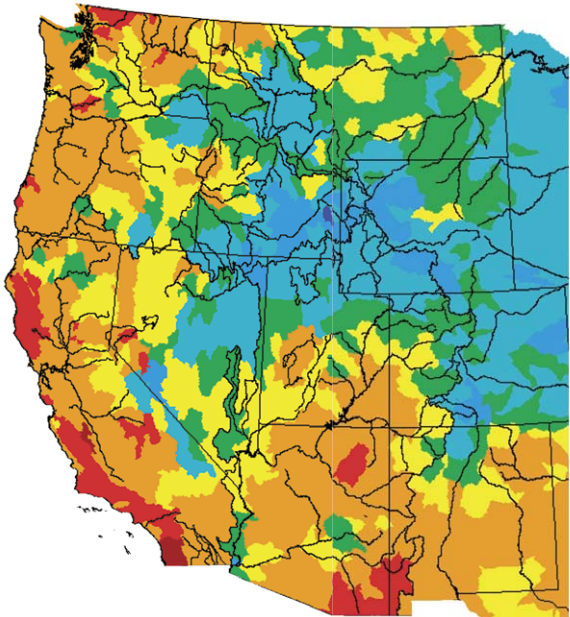


## Seasonal Precipitation, Oct. 2008 - July 2009

% of average\*

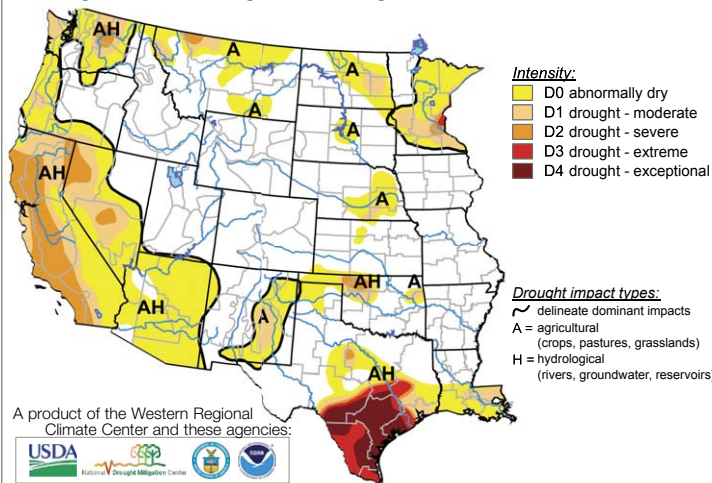


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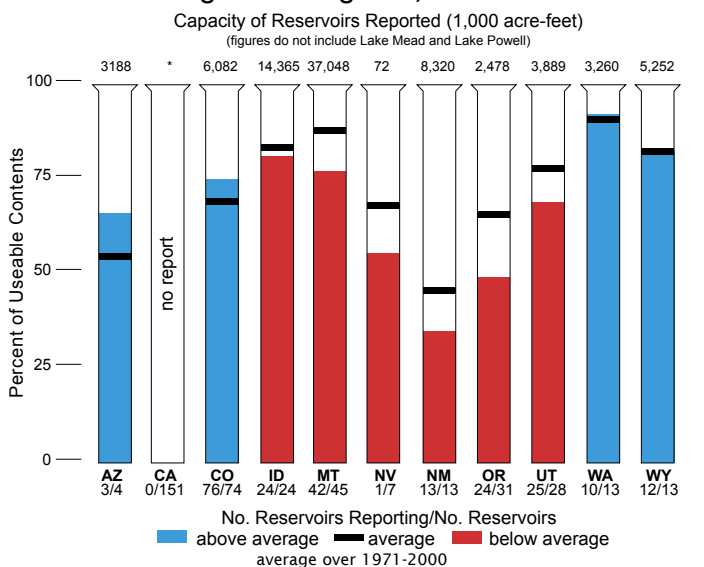
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www.cbtrfc.noaa.gov

## Drought Monitoring, as of August 4, 2009



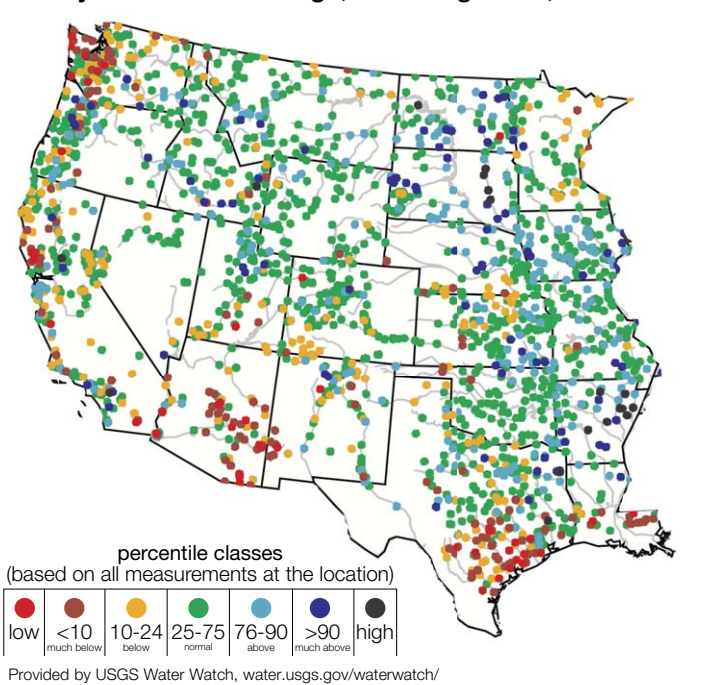
Prepared by Mark Svoboda, National Drought Mitigation Center.

## Reservoir Storage as of August 1, 2009



Data from USDA, National Resources Conservation Service, National Water and Climate Center  
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## 28-day streamflow average, as of August 11, 2009



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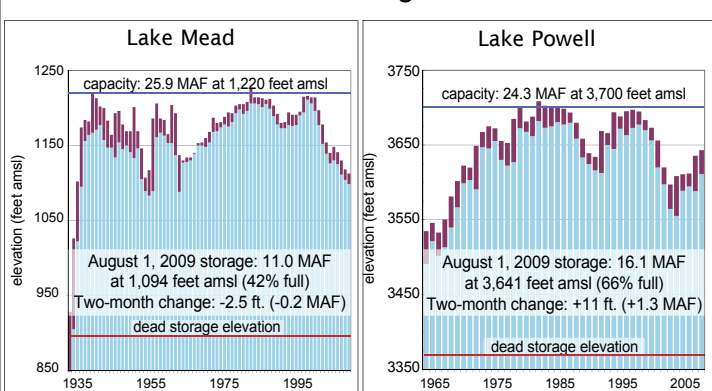
Severe drought continued in South Texas. Public water systems in Houston, Dallas, Austin, and San Antonio were among 230 statewide under mandatory restrictions.

El Nino circulation began developing in the tropical Pacific Ocean in June, creating uncertainty in summer monsoon forecasts across the Southwest but hope for greater rainfall in California this winter.

The first half of the monsoon season delivered near-normal precipitation to Arizona and New Mexico.

California is in its third drought year, the 12th driest 3-year period in the state's measured hydrologic record.

## Colorado River Reservoir Storage



MAF = million acre-feet; amsl = above mean sea level.  
Vertical red bars indicate elevation range for the year.

Data source: U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, www.usbr.gov/main/water