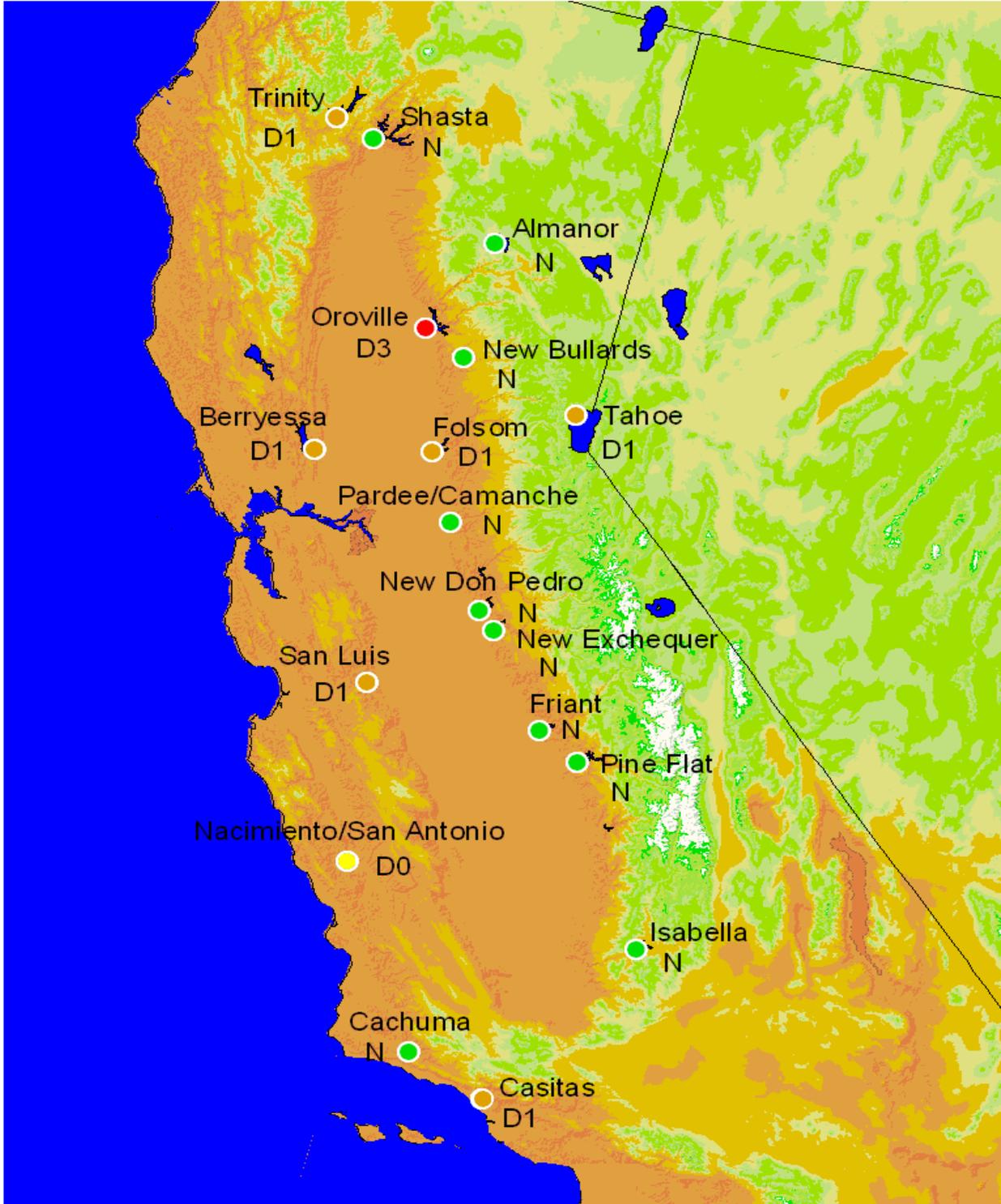


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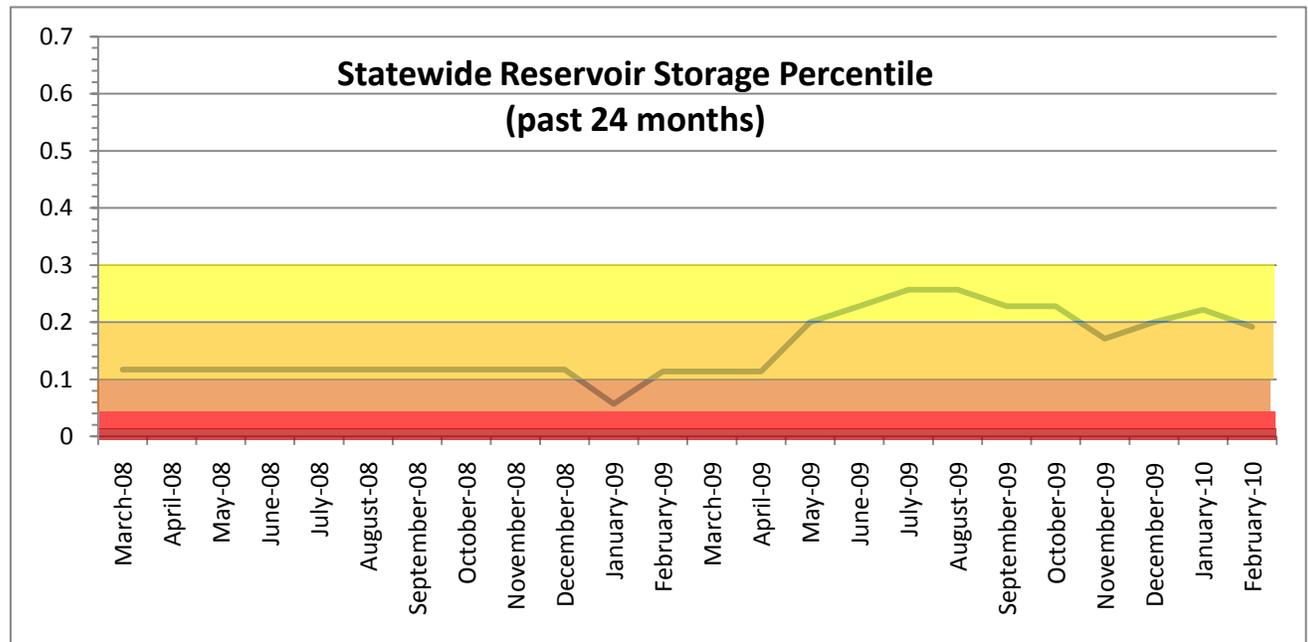
CALIFORNIA RESERVOIRS - DROUGHT STATUS

Drought Status based on End-of-February Reservoir Storage Levels



Percentile	Drought Monitor Category	
0.00 - 0.02	D4	Drought - Exceptional
0.02 - 0.05	D3	Drought - Extreme
0.05 - 0.10	D2	Drought - Severe
0.10 - 0.20	D1	Drought - Moderate
0.20 - 0.30	D0	Abnormally Dry
0.30 +		Normal

As of Feb 28, 2010			End of Month Storage Percentiles			
<u>Total Capacity (ac-ft)</u>	<u>Storage (ac-ft)</u>	<u>Reservoir</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>
2,477,700	1,173,093	Trinity	0.065	0.065	0.106	0.127
4,552,000	3,380,147	Shasta	0.072	0.109	0.125	0.321
1,143,000	844000*	Almanor *	0.545	0.636	0.733	0.733
3,537,600	1,385,645	Oroville	0.050	0.050	0.048	0.048
966,103	615,691	New Bullards Bar	0.564	0.512	0.450	0.425
732,000	24,300	Tahoe**	0.140	0.140	0.137	0.137
977,000	418,632	Folsom	0.188	0.150	0.111	0.166
1,600,000	1,150,000	Berryessa **	0.173	0.173	0.191	0.170
614,070	472,787	Camanche/Pardee	0.380	0.357	0.441	0.534
2,030,000	1,547,620	New Don Pedro	0.485	0.485	0.472	0.527
1,024,600	498,822	New Exchequer	0.452	0.428	0.348	0.372
520,000	305,297	Friant	0.363	0.181	0.196	0.357
1,000,000	504,494	Pine Flat	0.339	0.358	0.388	0.444
568,000	144,538	Isabella	0.243	0.268	0.261	0.333
2,039,000	1,439,270	San Luis	0.150	0.225	0.170	0.146
190,500	166,379	Cachuma	0.326	0.326	0.320	0.340
254,000	198,900	Casitas	0.179	0.179	0.175	0.175
707,900	365,851	Nacimiento/San Ant.	0.173	0.182	0.243	0.219
24,933,473	14,635,466	Statewide (selected)	0.171	0.200	0.222	0.194



Notes:

Data is preliminary and subject to change. The end-of-month storage values are collected from the California Dept. of Water Resources' RES and STORAGE reports, and other sources. See:

<http://cdec.water.ca.gov/cgi-progs/reservoirs/RES>

<http://cdec.water.ca.gov/cgi-progs/reservoirs/STORAGE>

Reservoir Storage percentiles are based on different periods of record, depending on when the reservoir was filled and data availability:

<u>Reservoir</u>	<u>Period of Record (POR)</u>
Trinity	1/1/1963 - Present
Shasta	1/1/1954 - Present
Almanor	1/1/1965 - Present
Oroville	1/1/1969 - Present
New Bullards Bar	1/1/1970 - Present
Tahoe	1/1/1959 - Present
Folsom	1/1/1956 - Present
Berryessa	1/1/1963 - Present
Camanche/Pardee	1/1/1967 - Present
New Don Pedro	1/1/1974 - Present
New Exchequer	1/1/1968 - Present
Friant	1/1/1954 - Present
Pine Flat	1/1/1956 - Present
Isabella	1/1/1968 - Present
San Luis	1/1/1969 - Present
Cachuma	1/1/1960 - Present
Casitas	1/1/1970 - Present
Nacimiento/San Antonio	1/1/1966 - Present
"Statewide"	1/1/1974 - Present

Some reservoirs, like New Melones, did not have a long enough period of record to be included.

Camanche and Pardee reservoirs are operated in tandem and so they are combined as one reservoir.

Nacimiento and San Antonio reservoirs are operated jointly and so they are combined as one reservoir.

The "Statewide" number accounts for more than 64% of California's total water storage in reservoirs. It is computed from an unweighted sum of all the reservoirs listed above.

* Storage is an estimate based on Feb 18th storage.

** Storage is an estimate based on Feb 21st storage.

*** Lake Tahoe often drops below the level of the natural rim (as many as 10 times in 50 years for some months). When Lake Tahoe is below the natural rim the stage elevation of the Lake is used to compute a negative storage and a corresponding percentile.