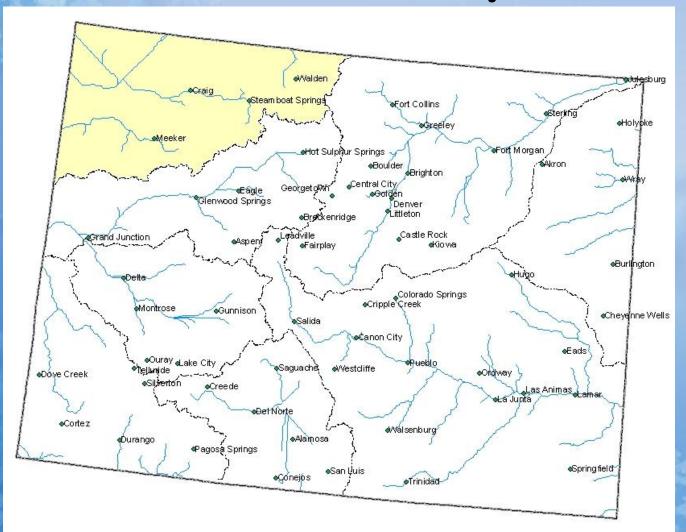
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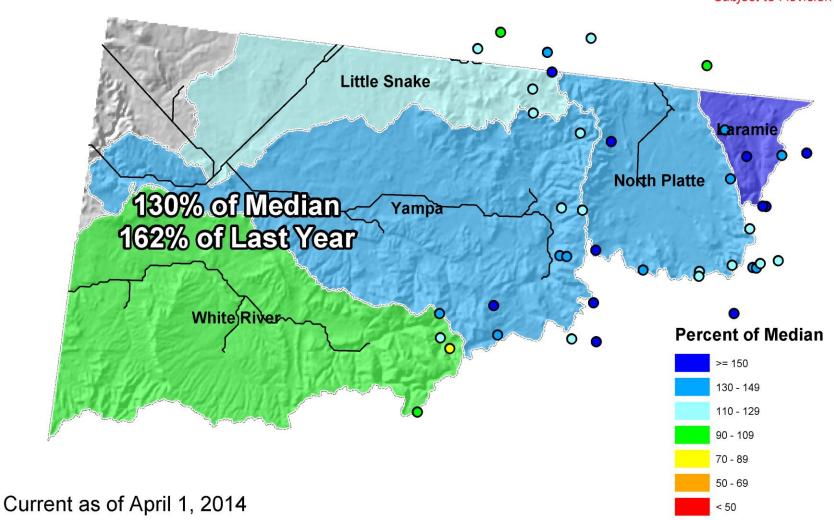
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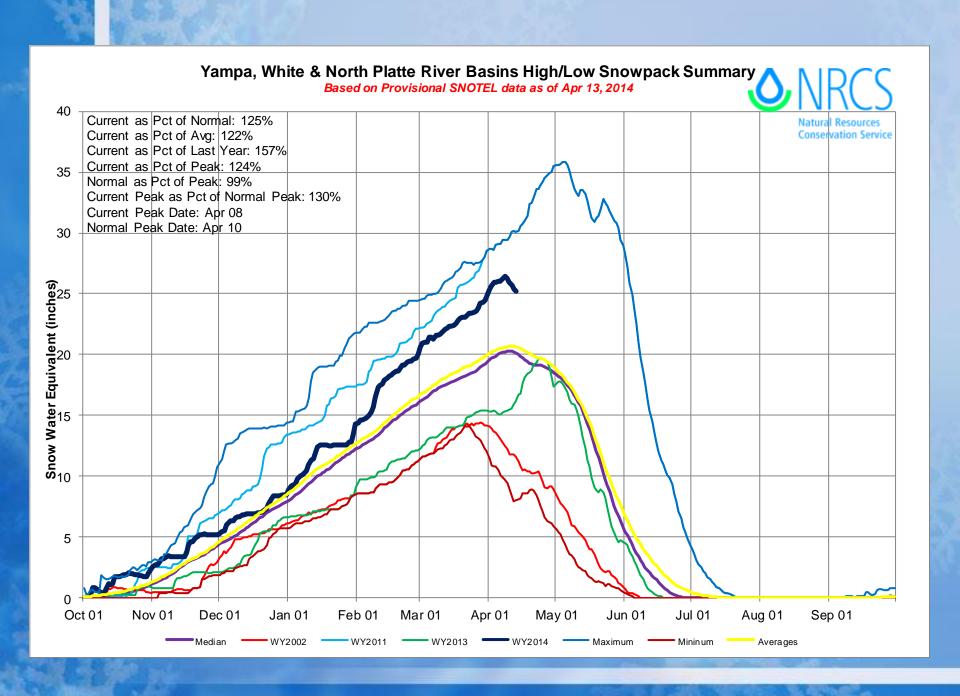


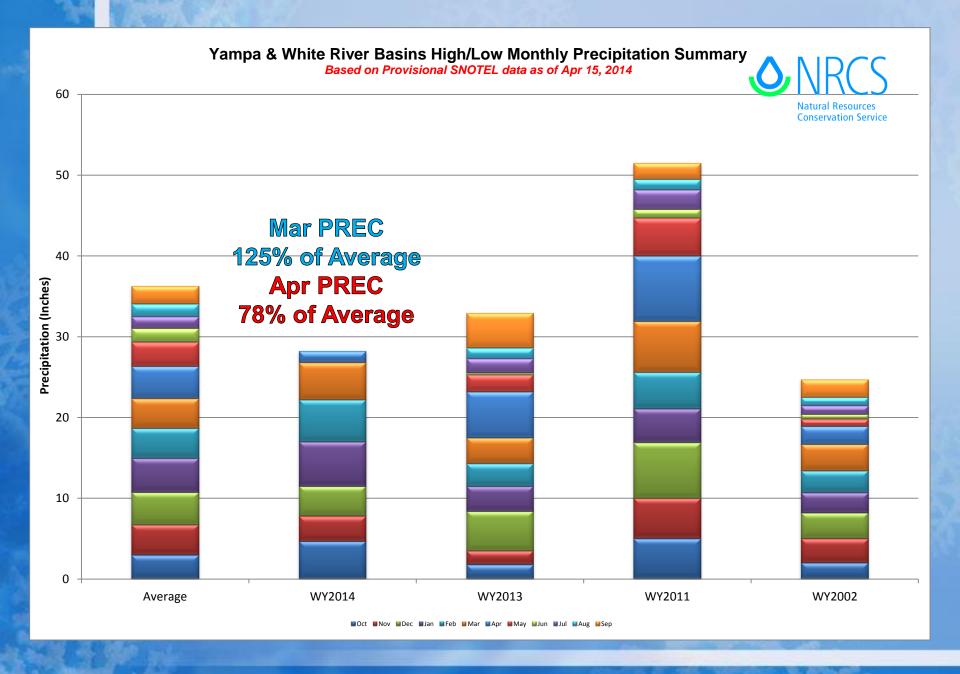
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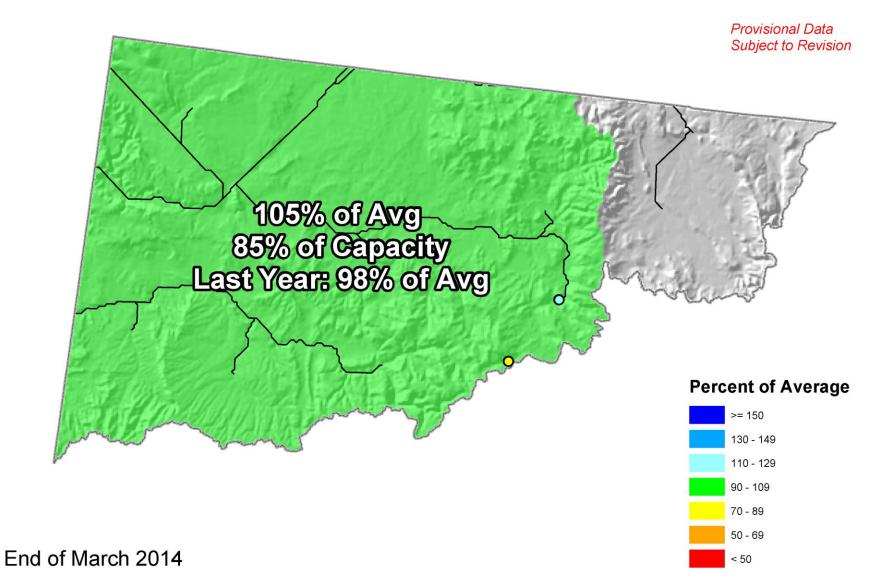


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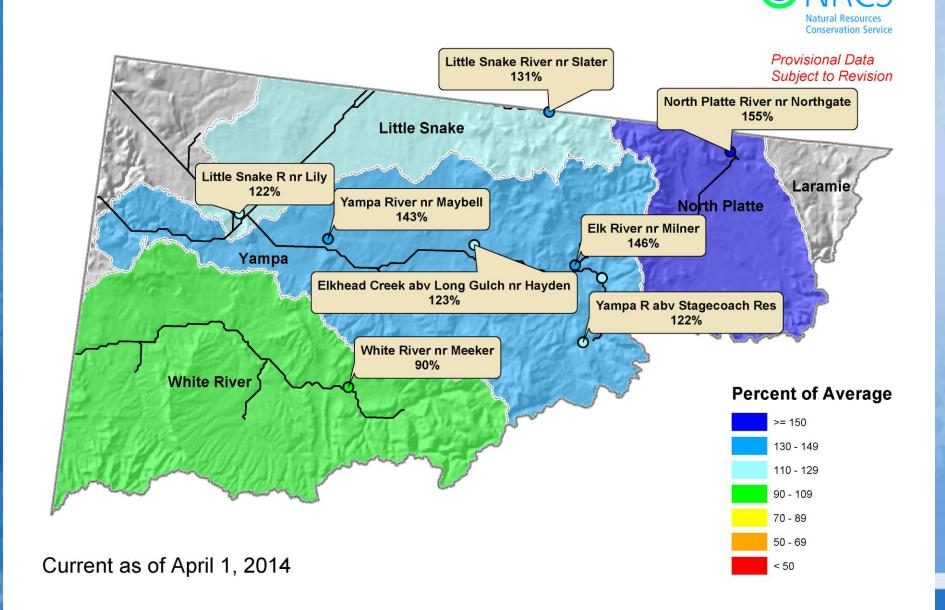
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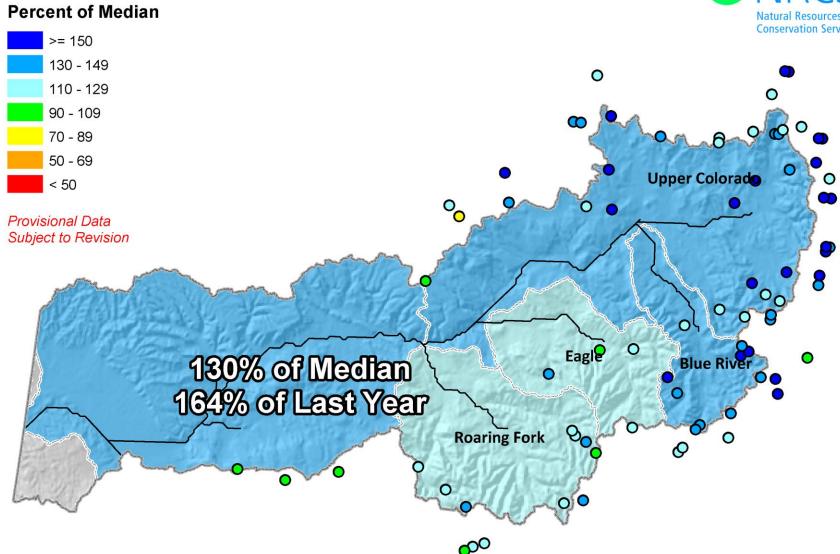


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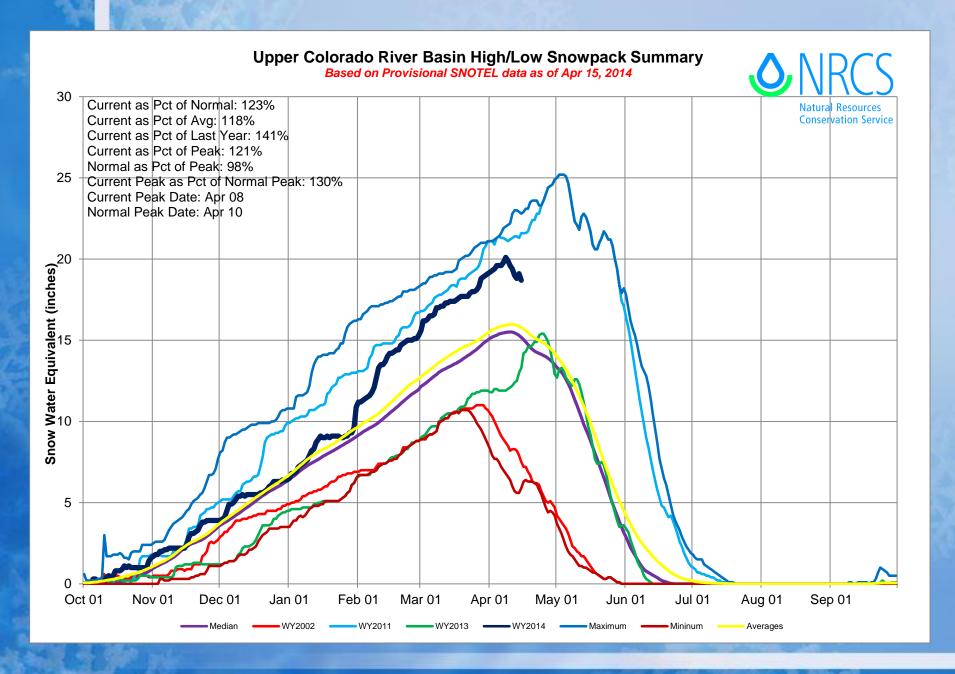


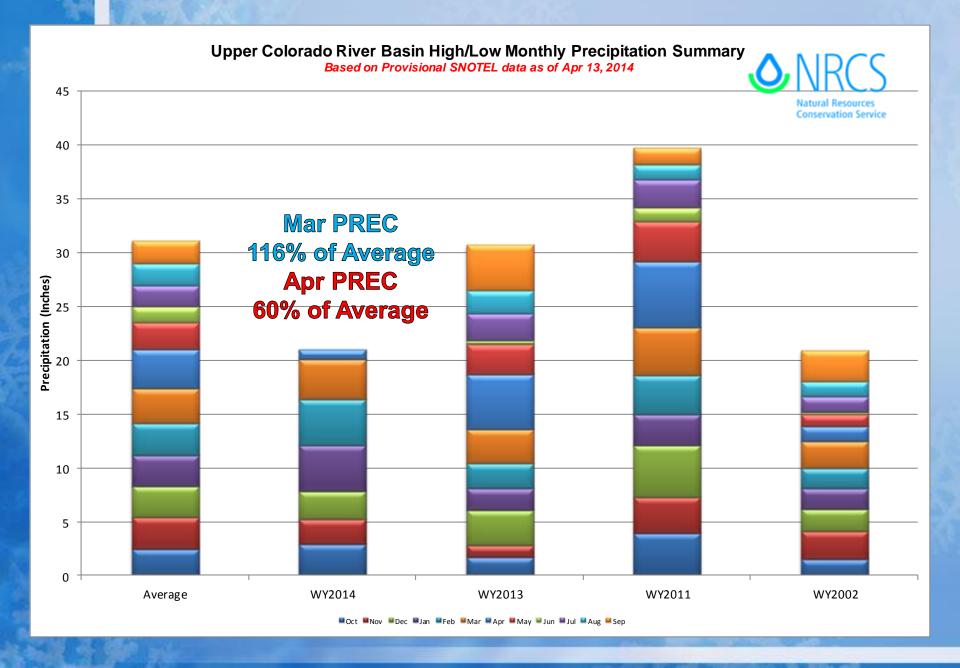
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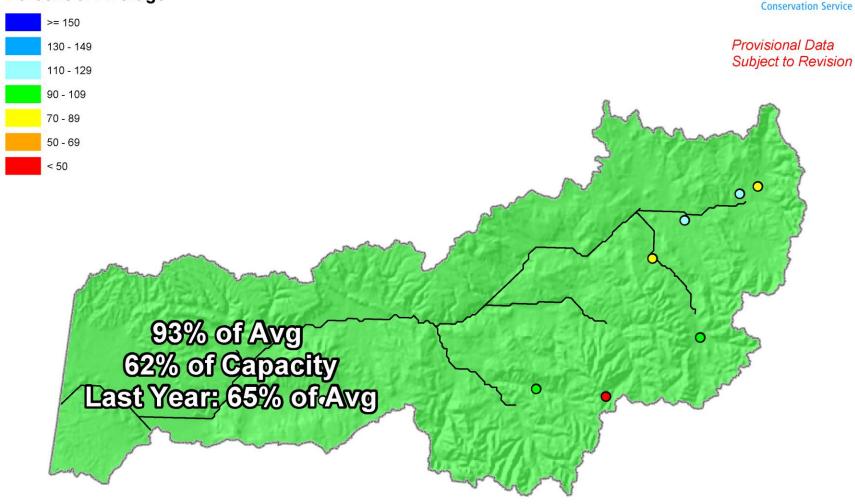
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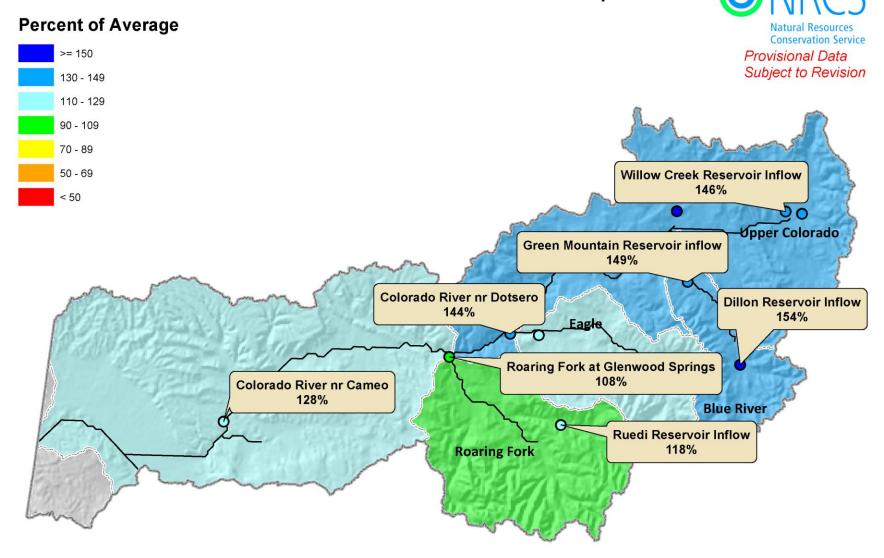
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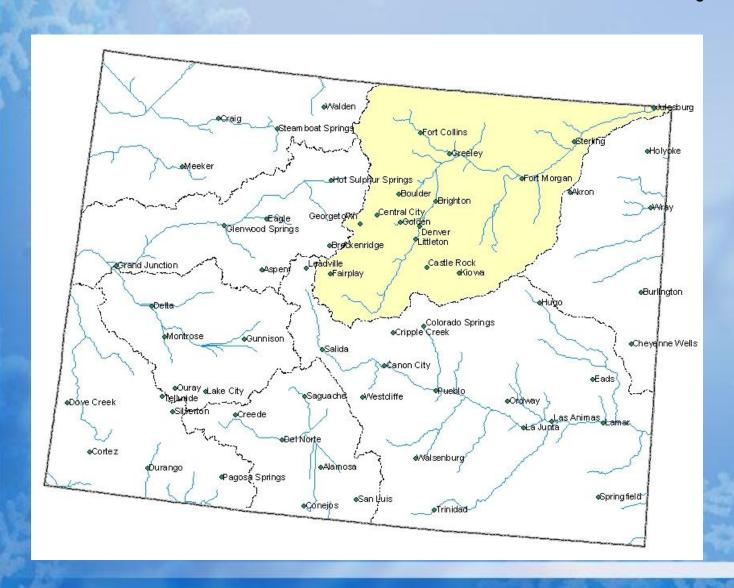
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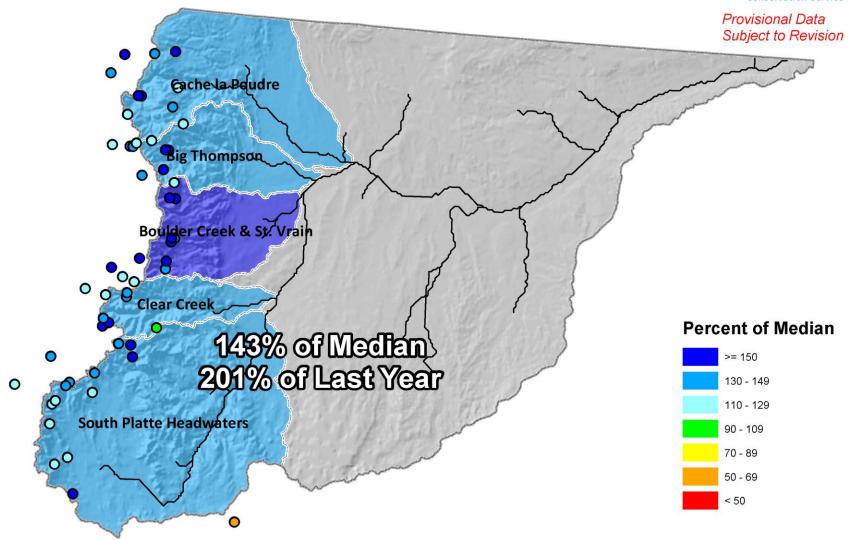


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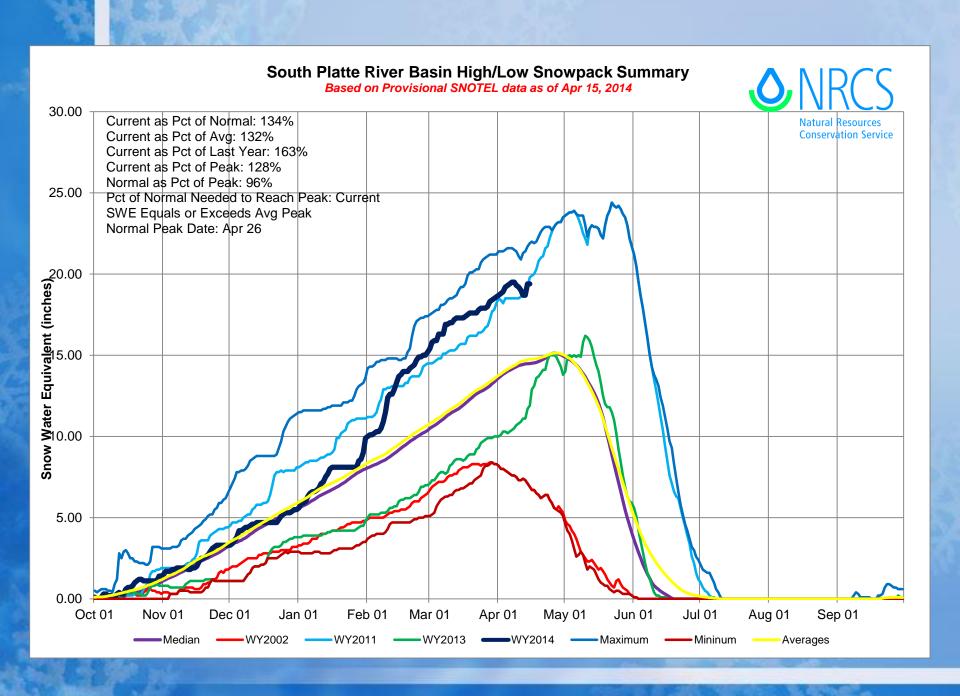


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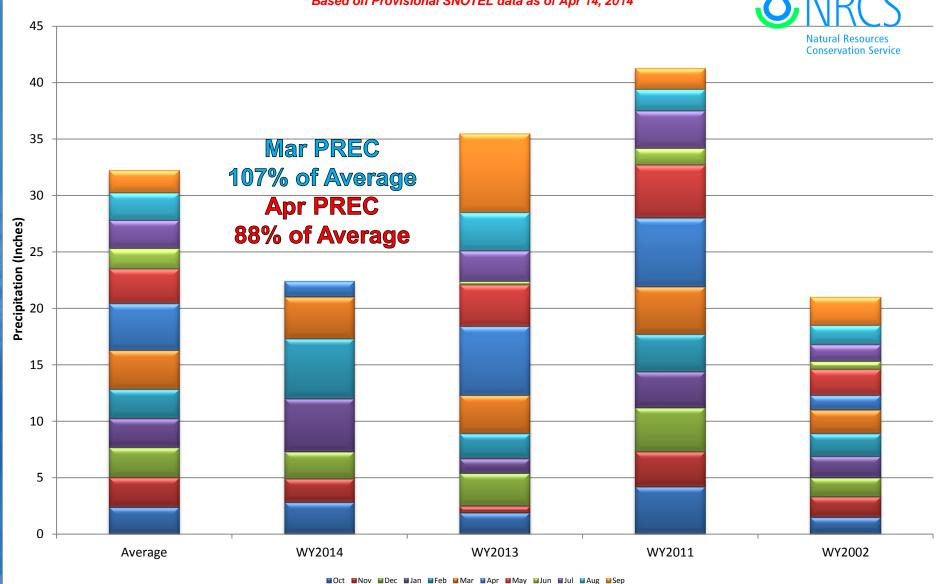


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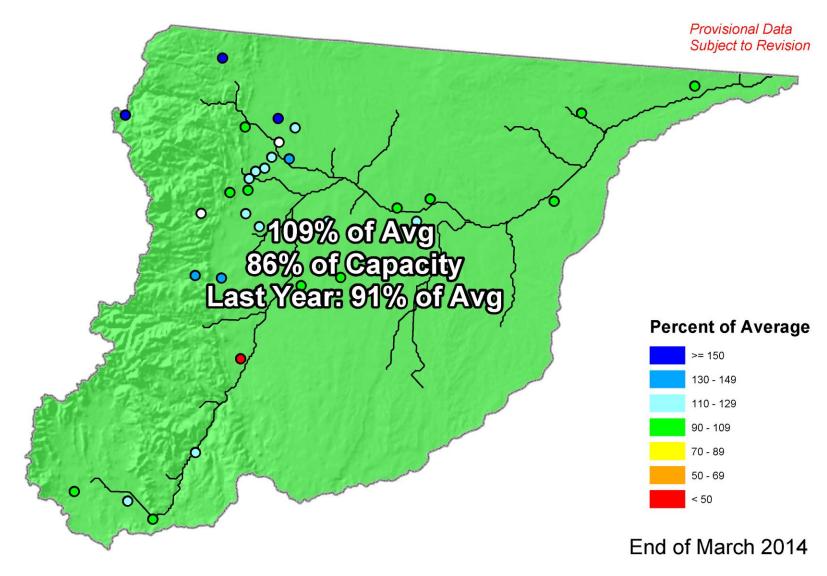
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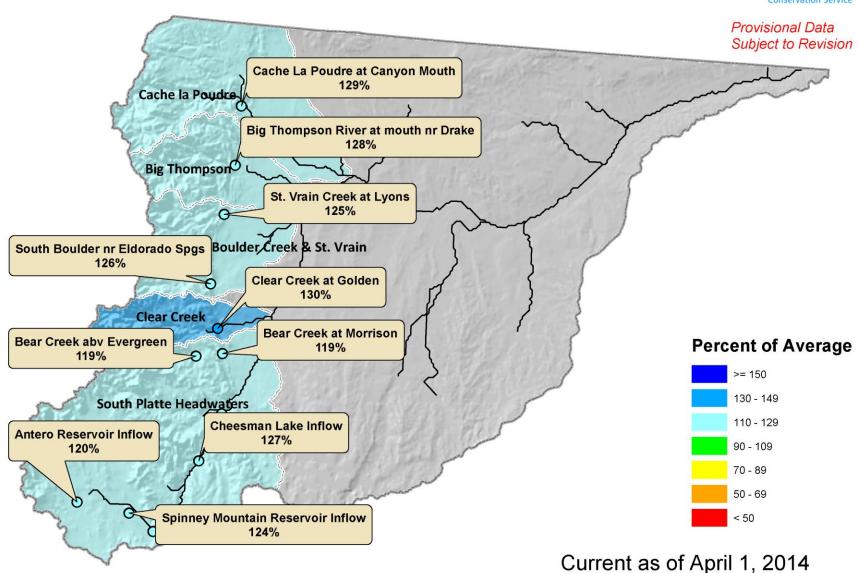
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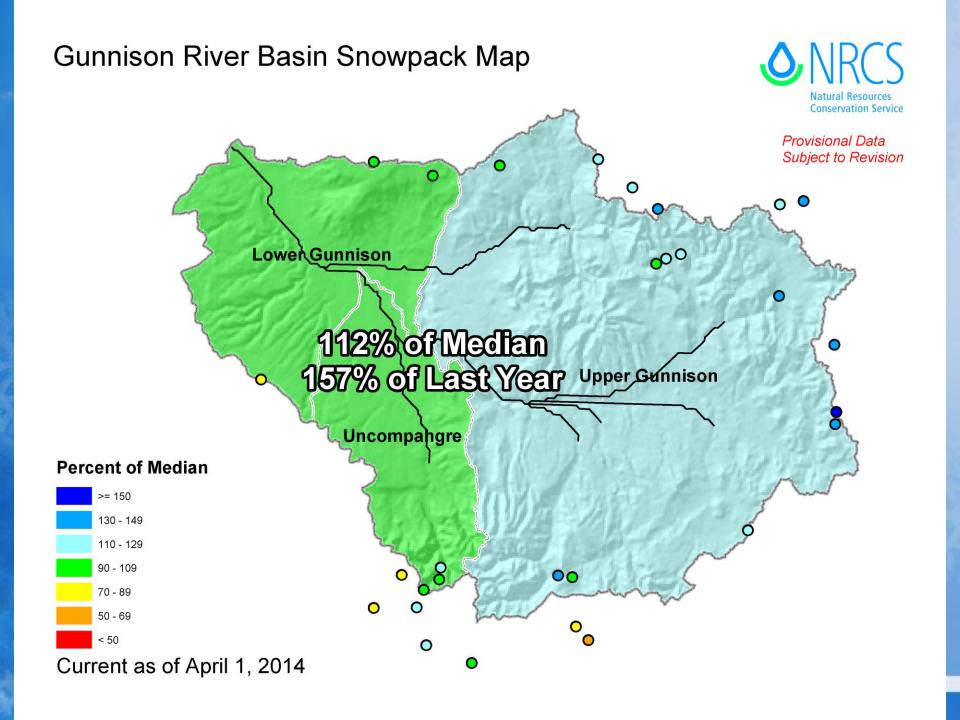
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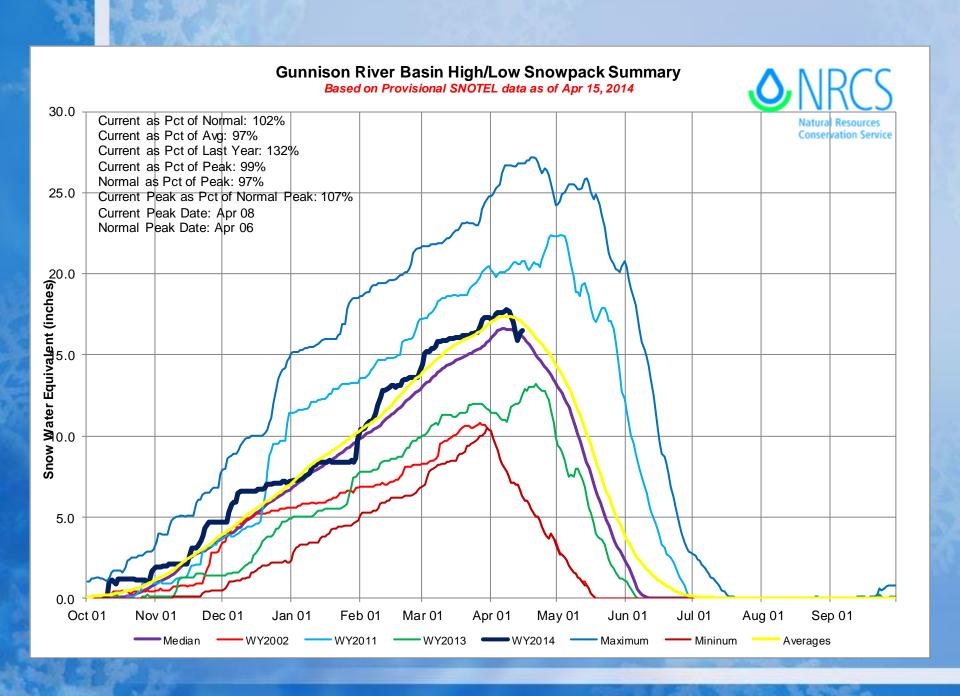


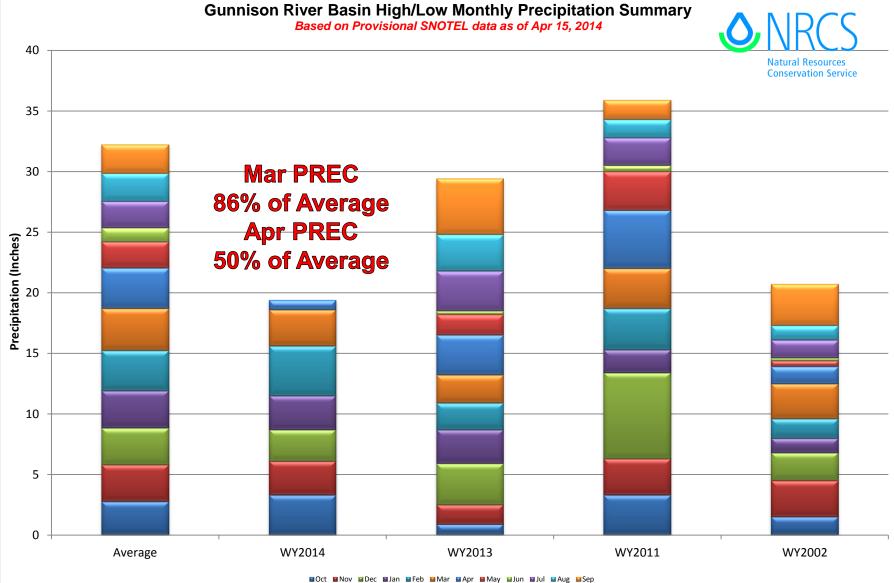


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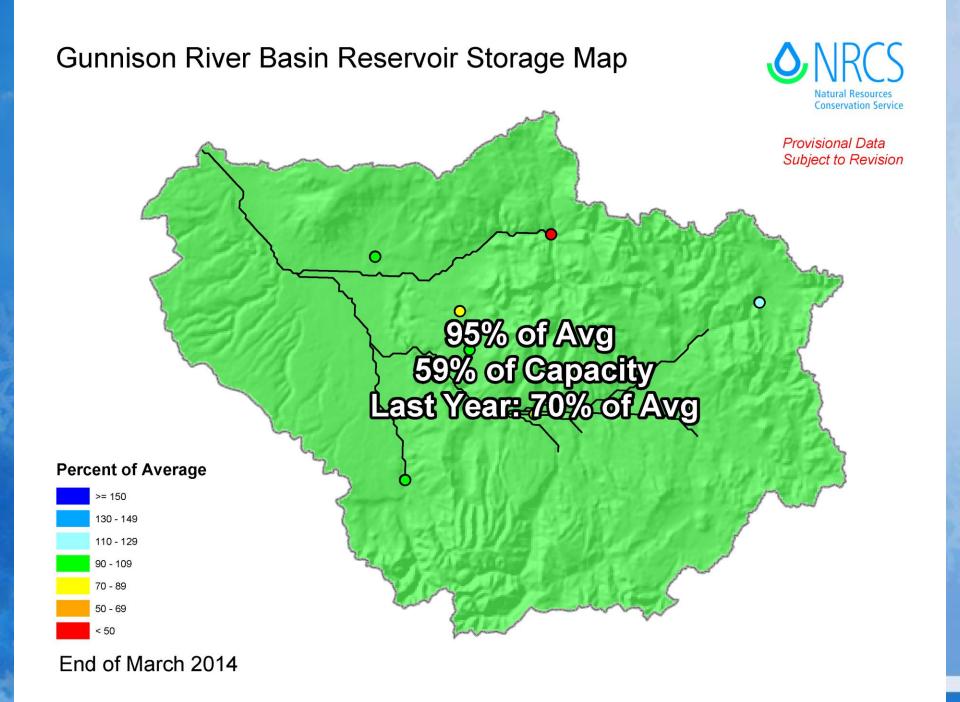




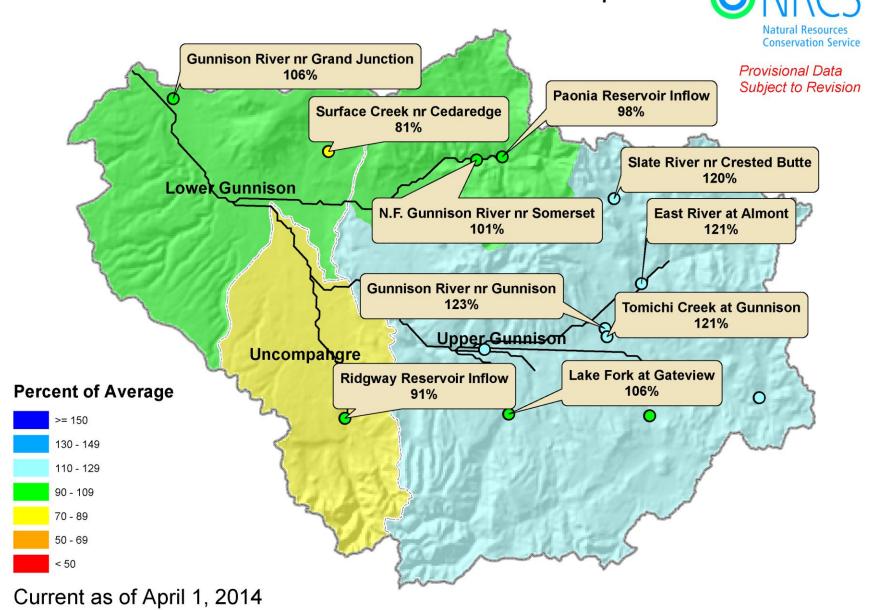




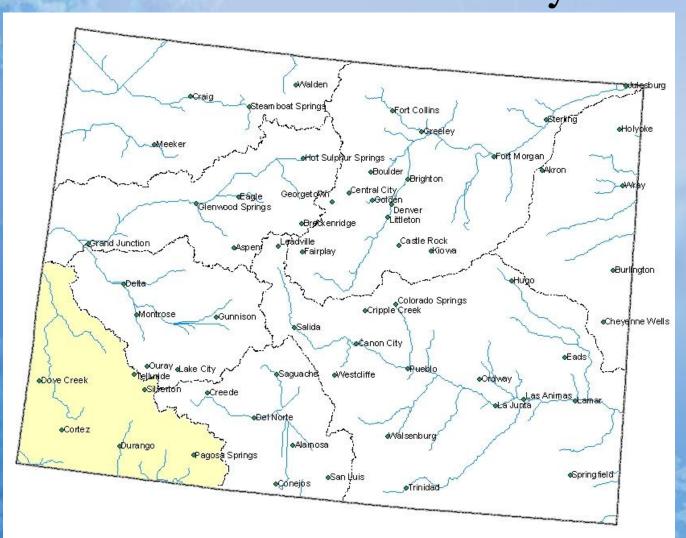
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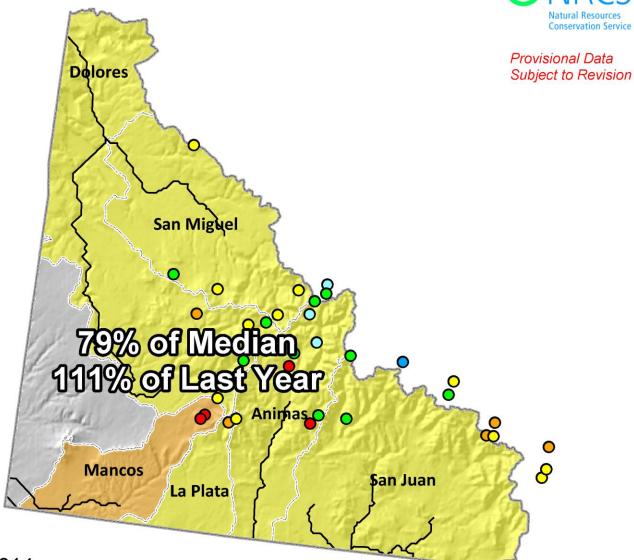


San Miguel, Dolores, Animas & San Juan River Basins Summary



San Miguel, Dolores, Animas and San Juan River Basins

Snowpack Map



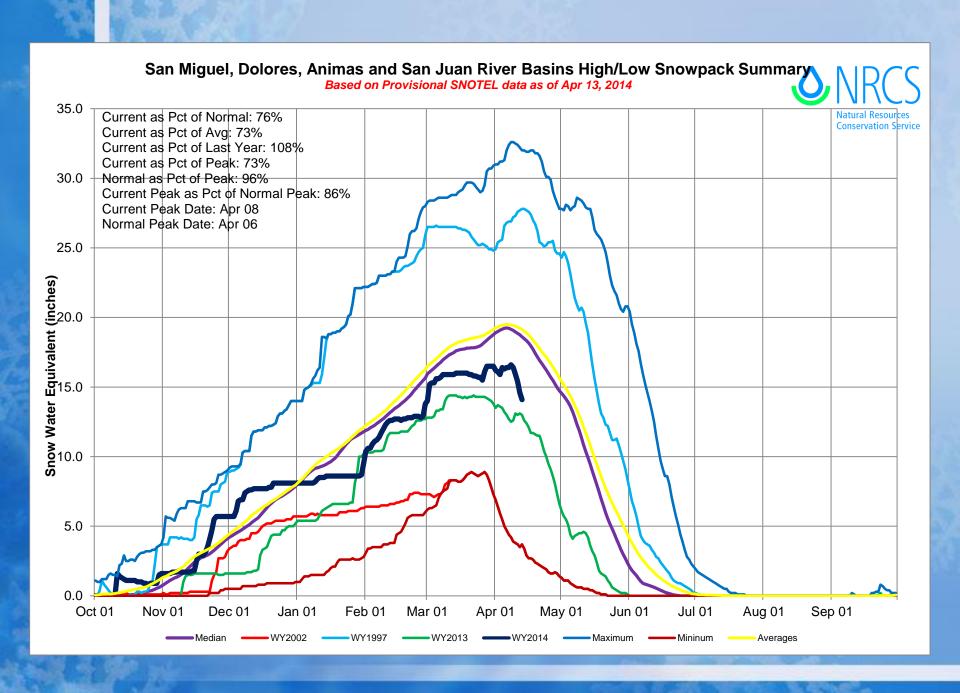
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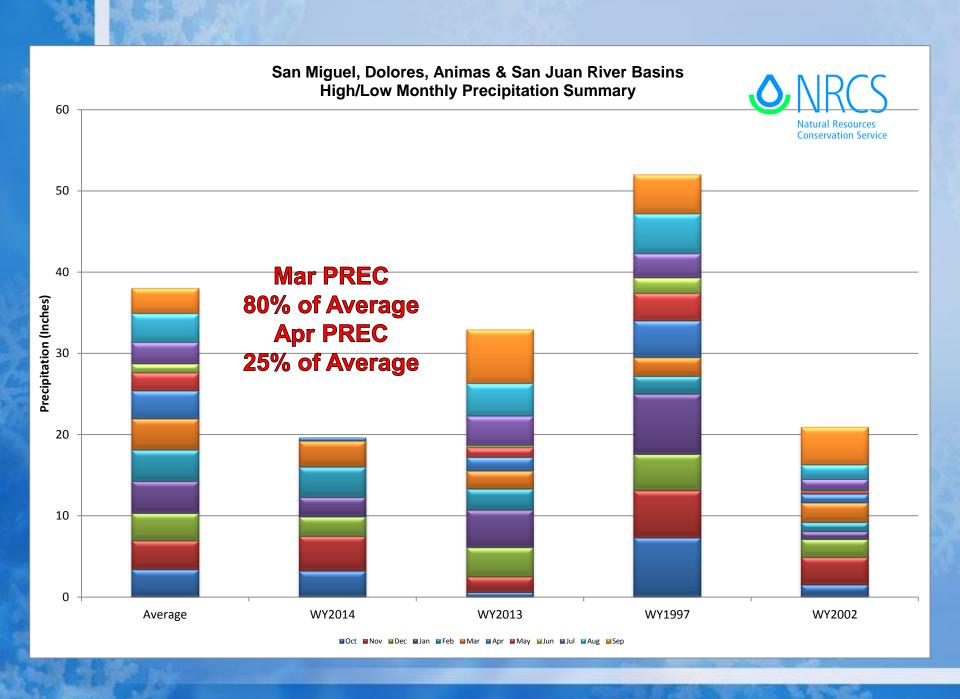
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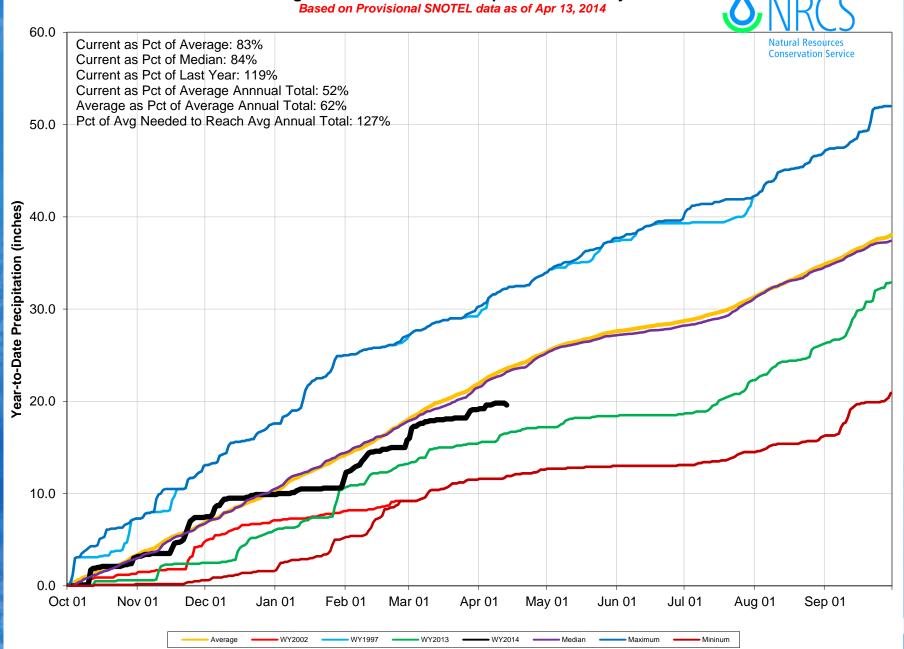
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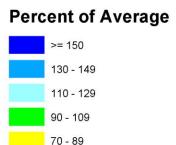


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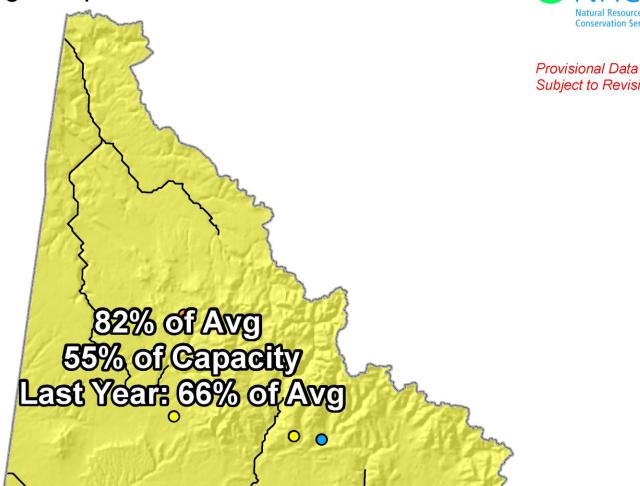


San Miguel, Dolores, Animas and San Juan River Basins

Reservoir Storage Map



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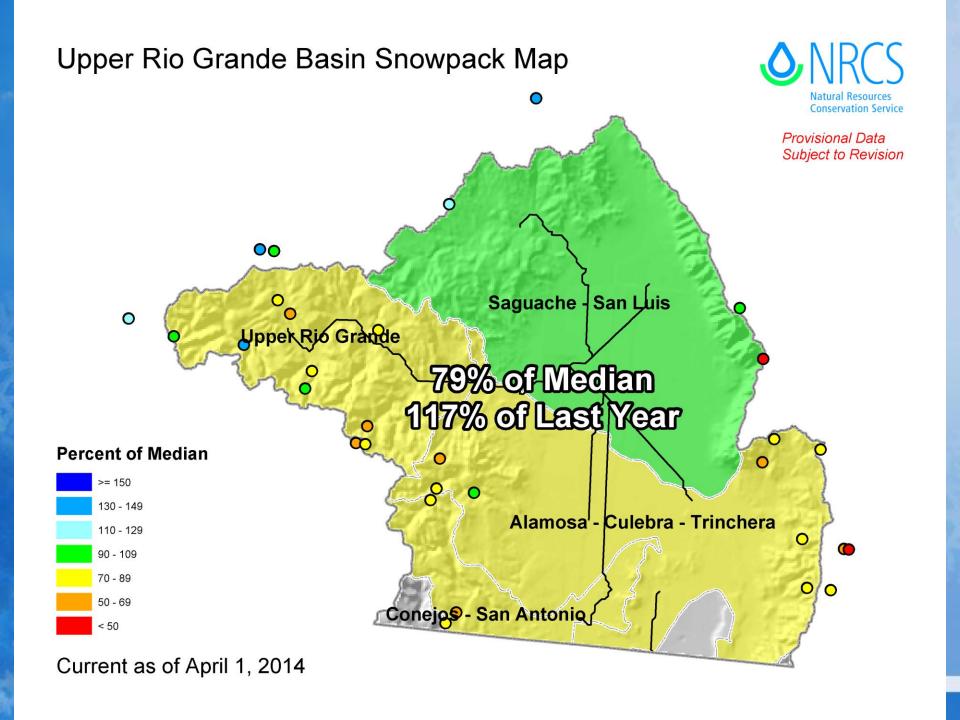
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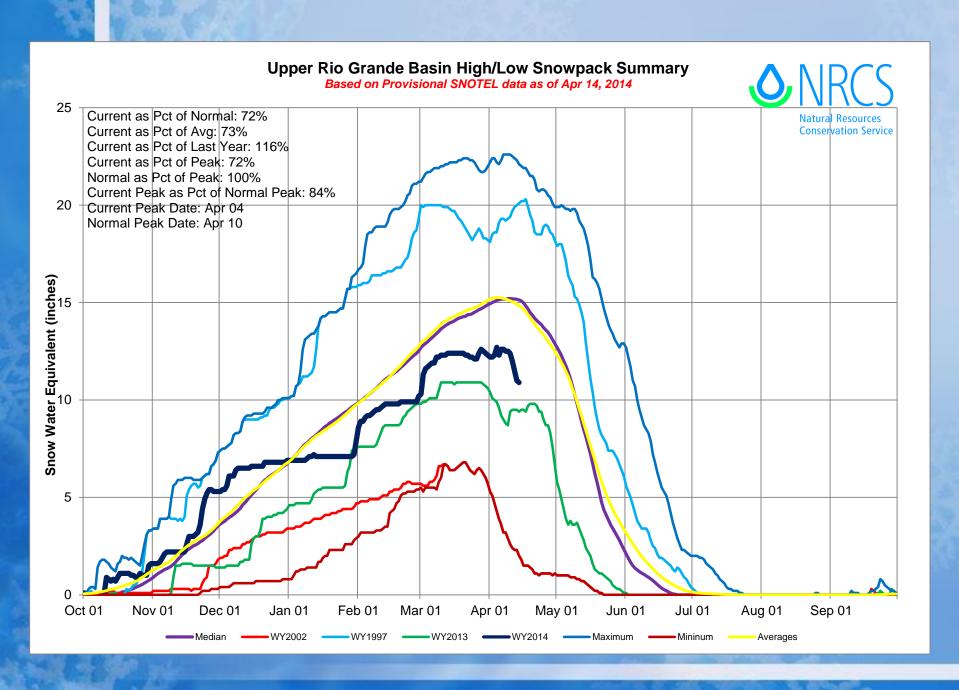
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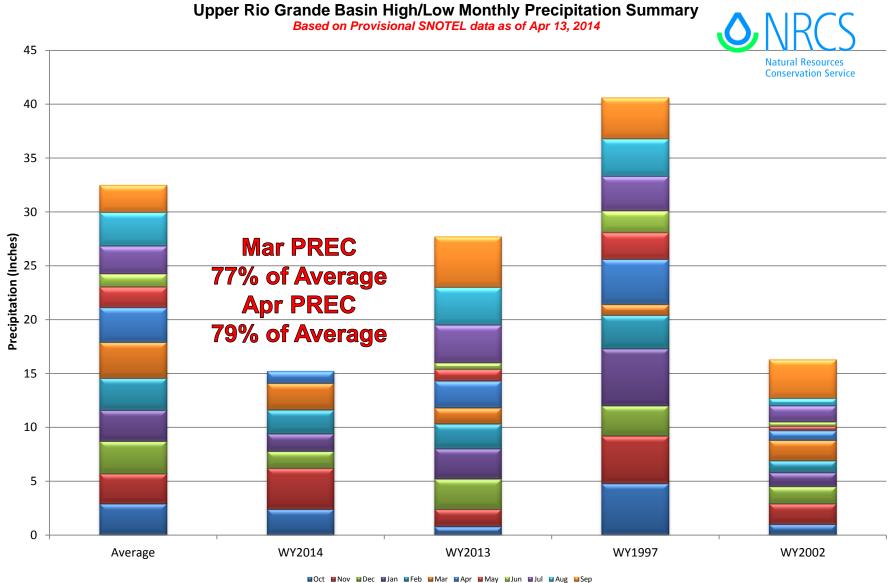
San Miguel, Dolores, Animas and San Juan River Basins Streamflow Forecast Map **Percent of Average** Provisional Data >= 150 Subject to Revision 130 - 149 110 - 129 90 - 109 70 - 89 50 - 69 < 50 San Miguel San Miguel River nr Placerville 104% McPhee Reservoir Inflow Dolores 83% Mancos River nr Mancos 62% Vallecito Reservoir Inflow **Dolores River at Dolores** 80% 85% Animas O La Plata Mancos San Juan River nr Carracus Animas River at Durango 65% 94% Piedra River nr Arboles San Juan 81% Current as of April 1, 2014

Upper Rio Grande Basin Summary









Upper Rio Grande Basin High/Low Year-to-Date Precipitation Summary Based on Provisional SNOTEL data as of Apr 13, 2014 50.0 Current as Pct of Average: 79% Current as Pct of Median: 79% Conservation Service Current as Pct of Last Year: 117% 45.0 -Current as Pct of Average Annnual Total: 47% Average as Pct of Average Annual Total: 59% Pct of Avg Needed to Reach Avg Annual Total: 131% 40.0 Year-to-Date Precipitation (inches)

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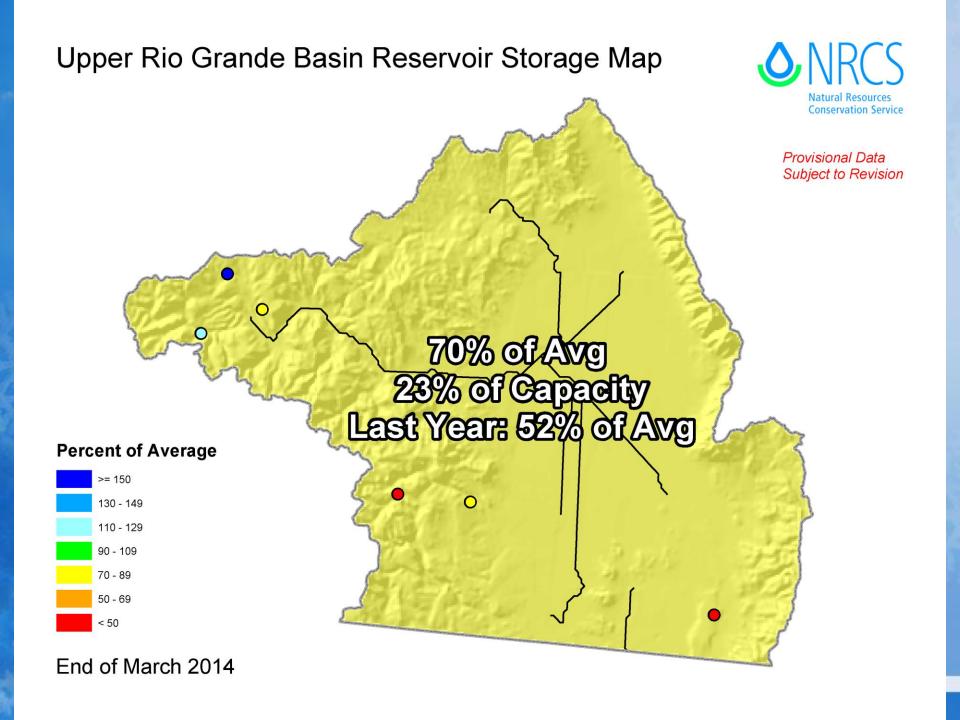
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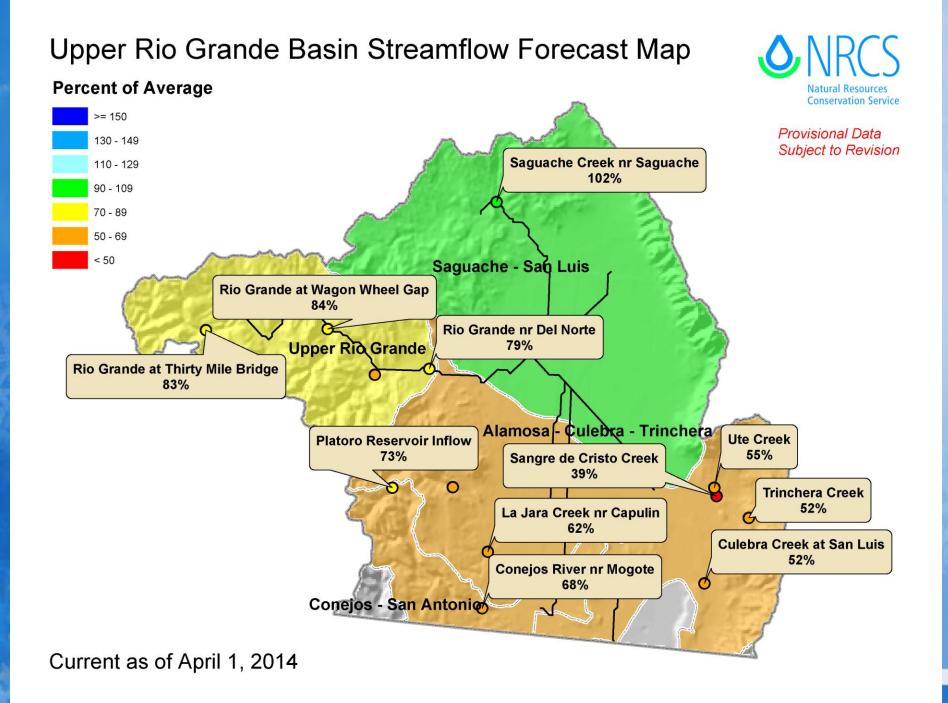
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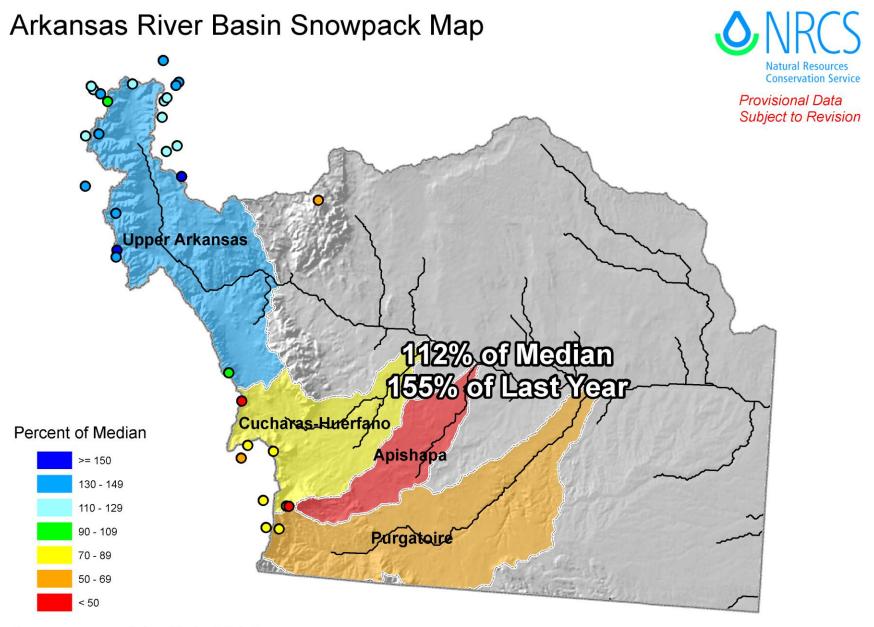
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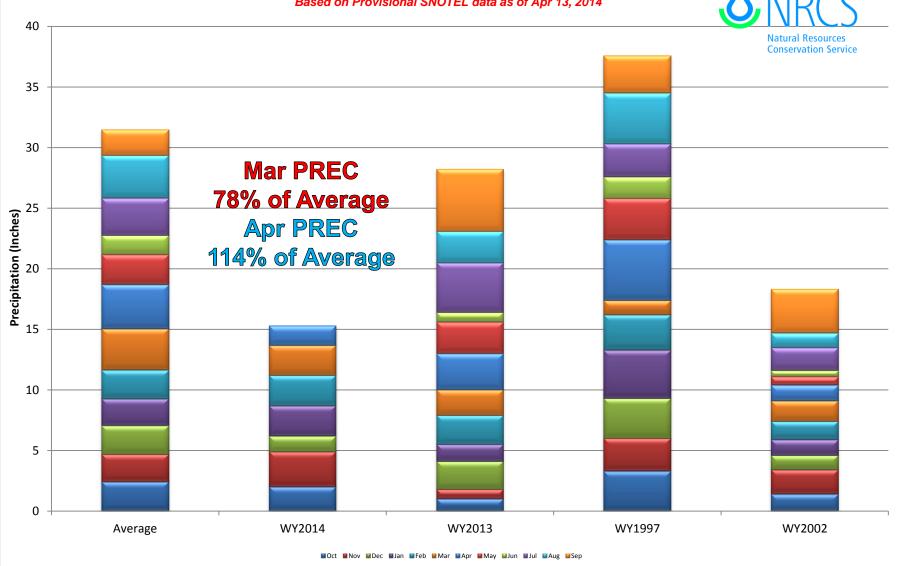




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Arkansas River Basin High/Low Snowpack Summary Based on Provisional SNOTEL data as of Apr 14, 2014 25 Current as Pct of Normal: 103% Current as Pct of Avg: 101% **Conservation Service** Current as Pct of Last Year: 157% Current as Pct of Peak: 103% Normal as Pct of Peak: 100% Current Peak as Pct of Normal Peak: 104% 20 Current Peak Date: Apr 08 Normal Peak Date: Apr 11 Snow Water Equivalent (inches) 5 Oct 01 Dec 01 Feb 01 May 01 Jun 01 Jul 01 Aug 01 Sep 01 Nov 01 Jan 01 Mar 01 Apr 01 **W**Y2002 Mininum Median WY1997 -WY2013 **W**Y2014 - Maximum Averages



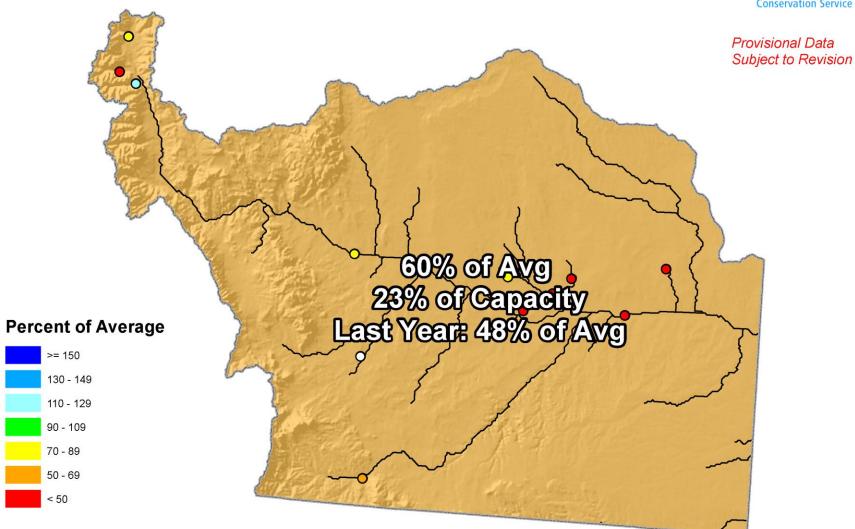


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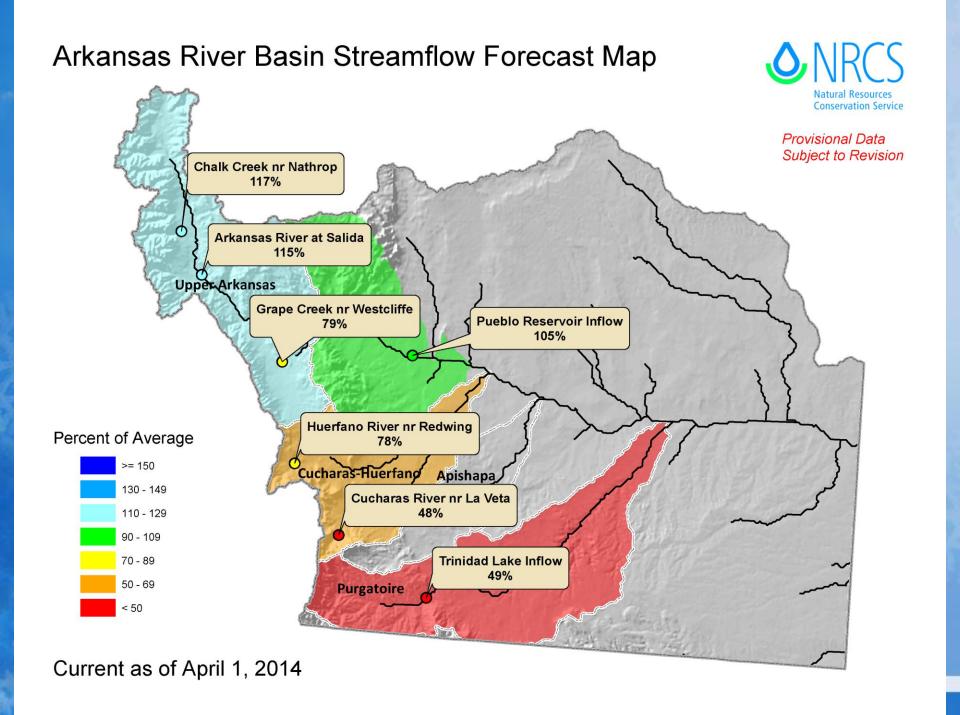
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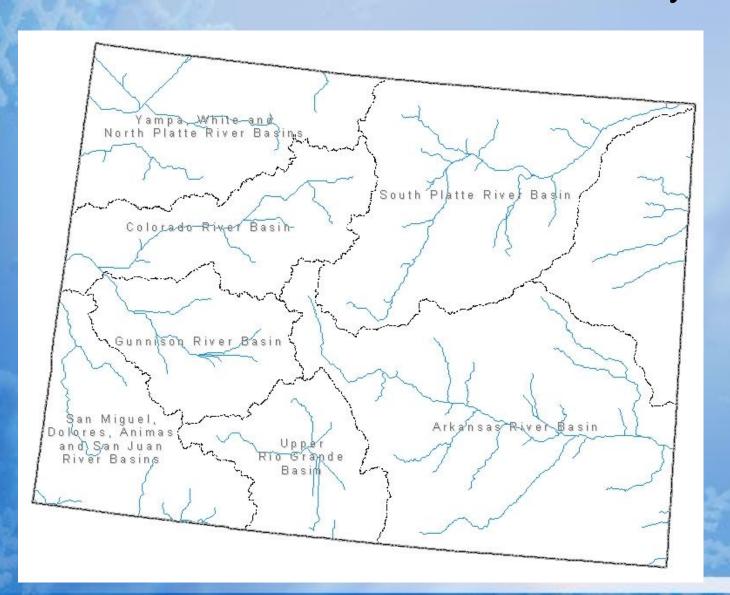




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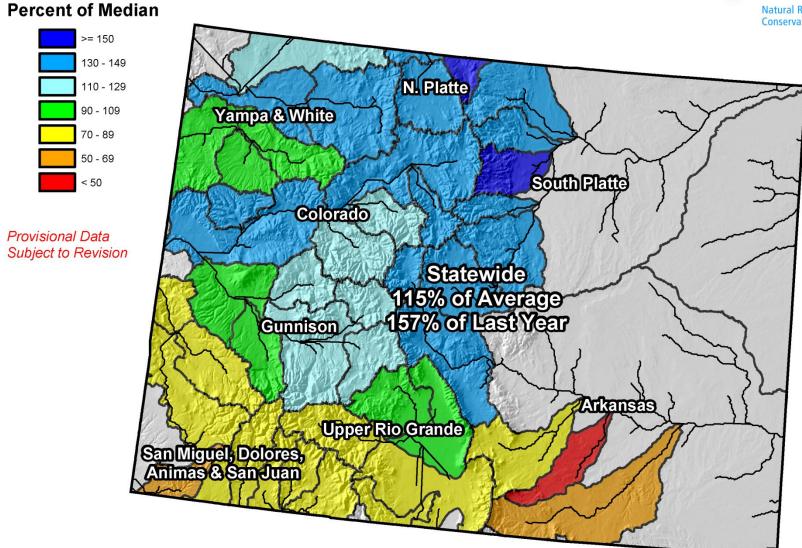


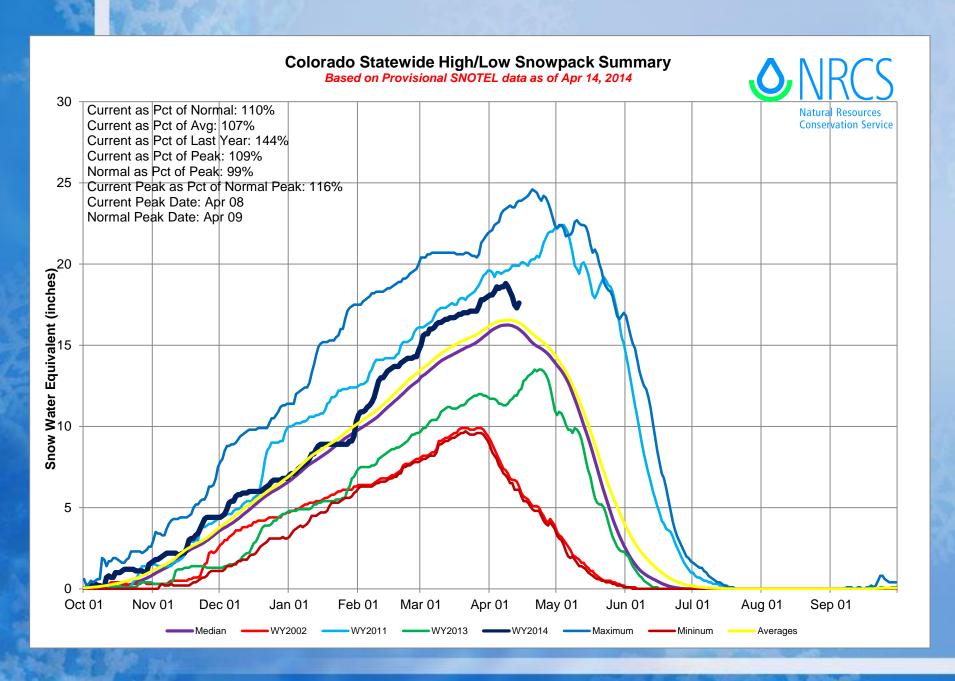
Colorado Statewide Summary



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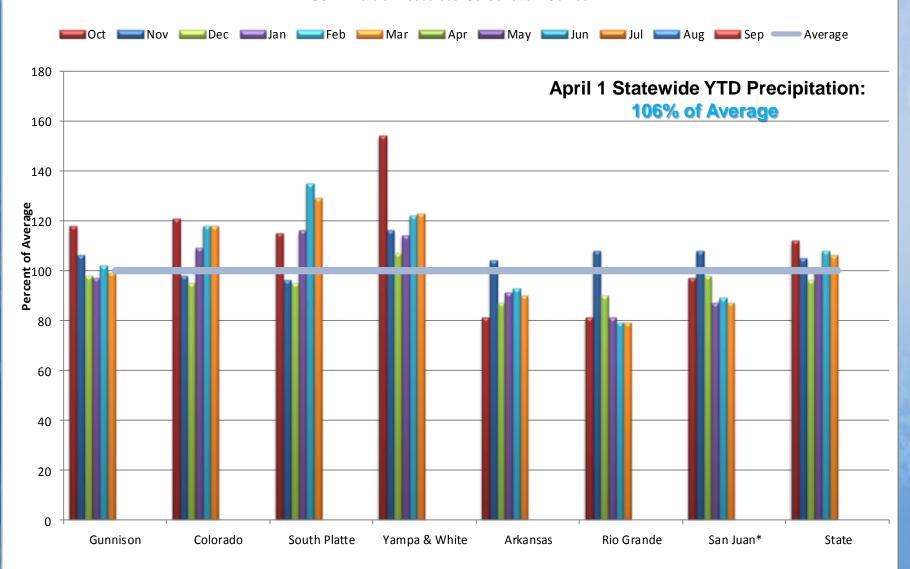






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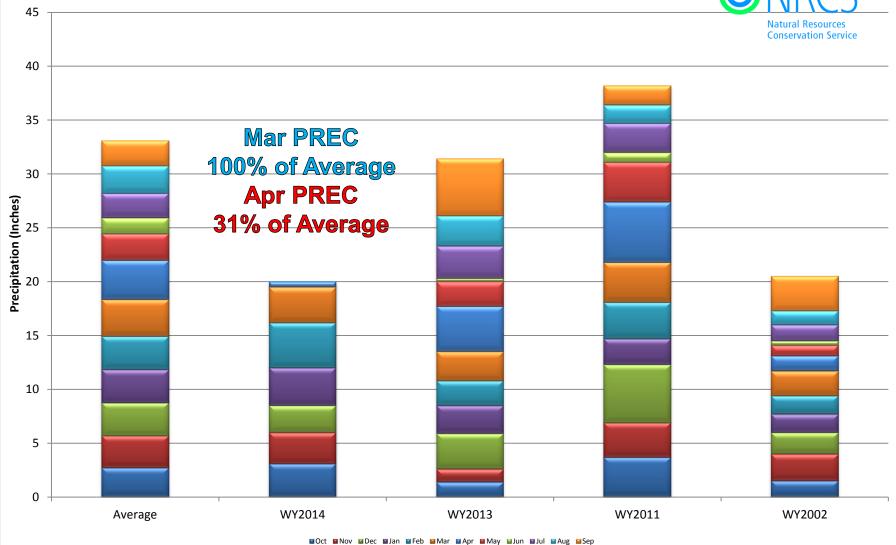
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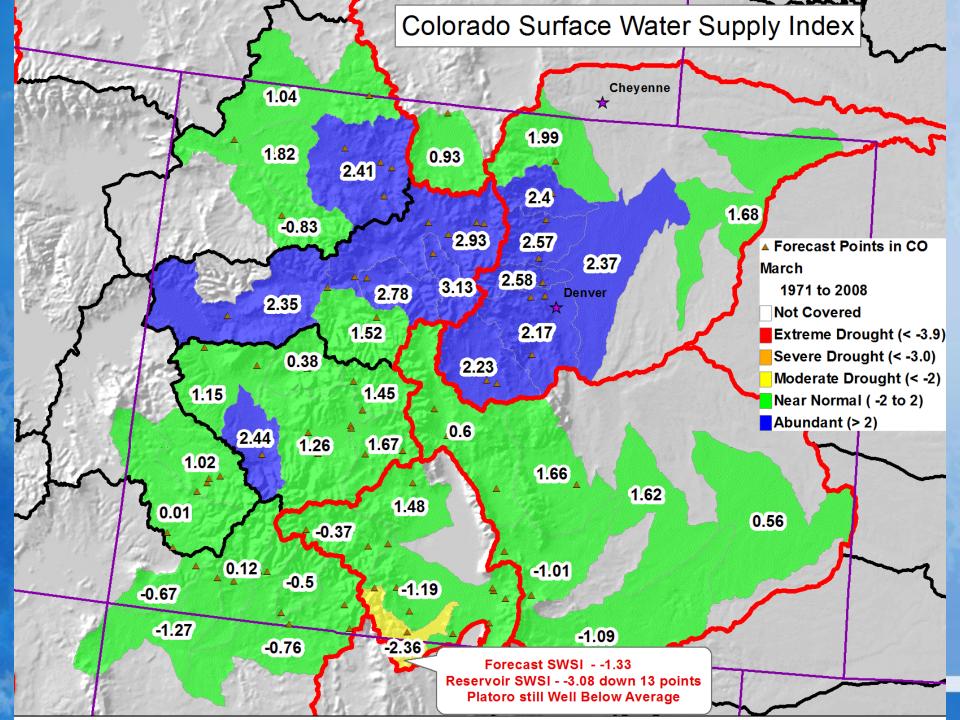
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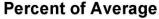
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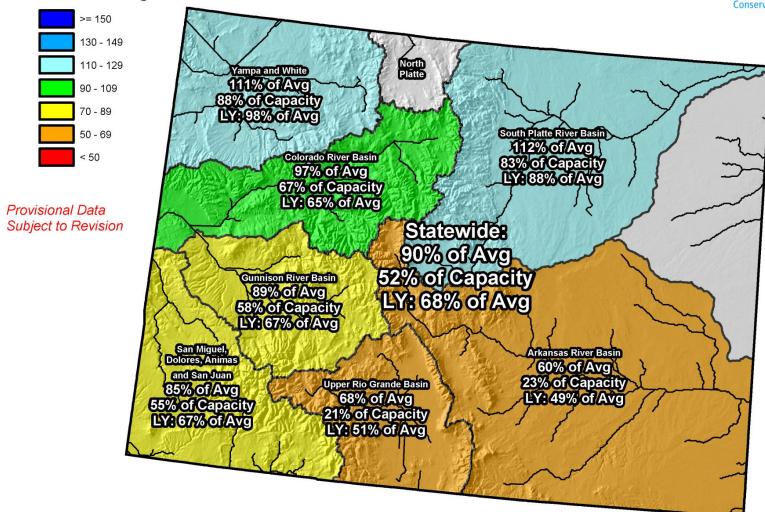
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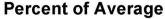


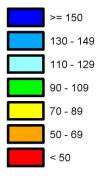


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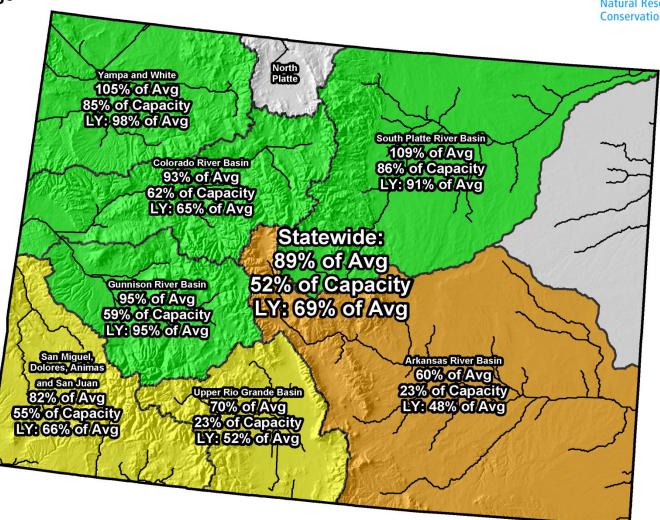
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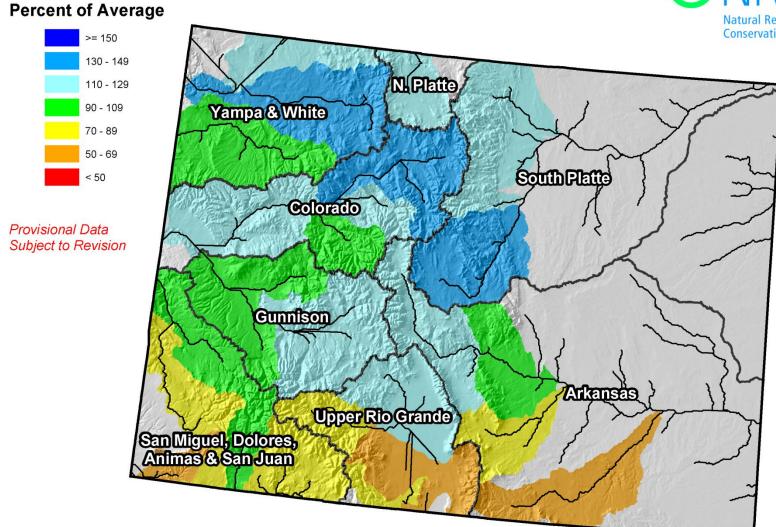


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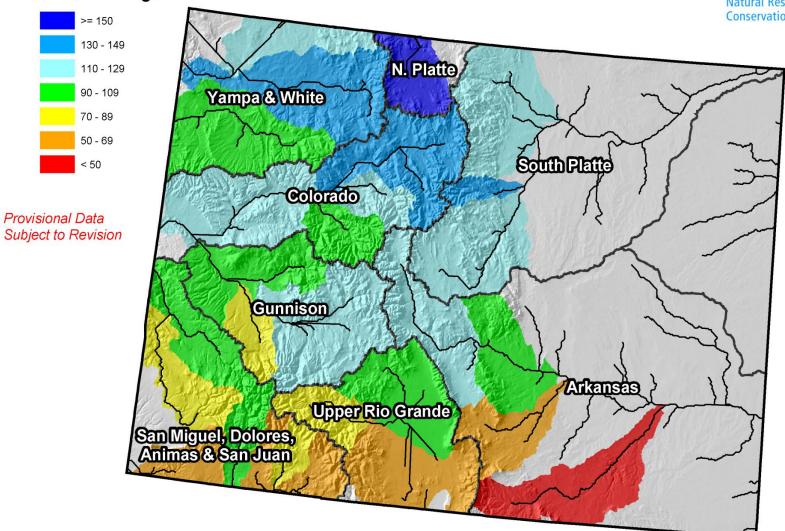


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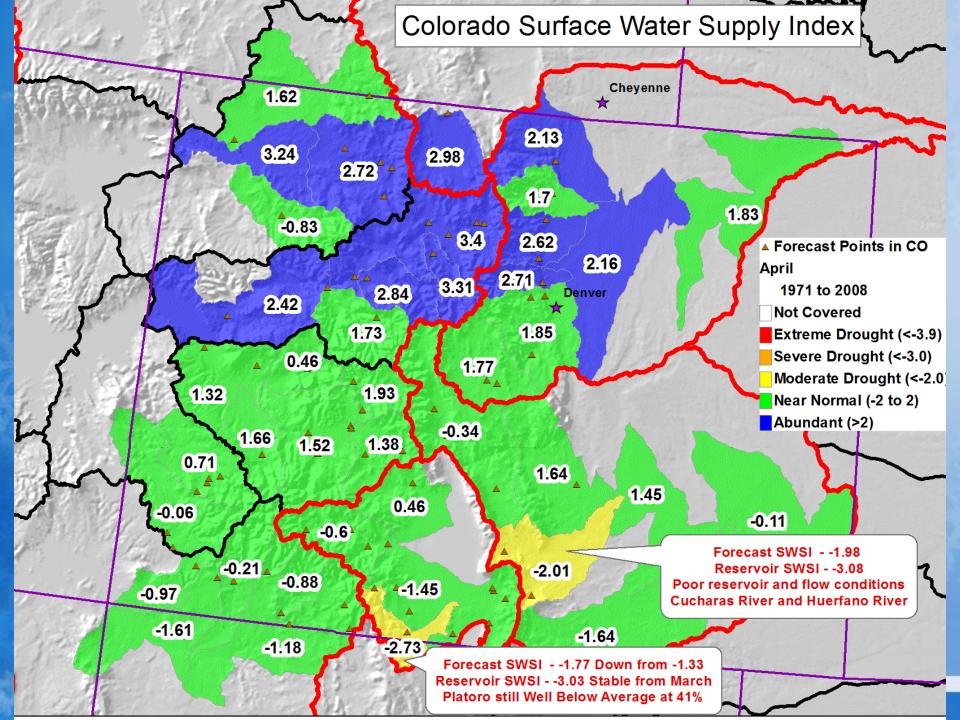
Colorado Streamflow Forecast Map







Current as of April 1, 2014



WY2014 Summary

- •OCT: The northern basins had well above average precipitation for the 2nd consecutive month. All basins received some good early season snow accumulation.
- •NOV: Basins flip flopped with the southern basins seeing above average precip and northern basins slightly below average. All basins still accumulating snow.
- •DEC: Things dried up in the southwest part of the state in early December. Snowpack totals were above to near normal across the state.
- •JAN: The northern basins continued to accumulate snow at near normal rates the first couple of weeks. Most of the state was pretty dry the latter half of the month until the very last week. Those storms boosted northern basins back to above normal and helped the southern basins as well.
- •FEB: February statewide precipitation was above normal. All basins benefited from a storm passing through at the end of the month.
- •MAR: March water supply conditions continued previous trends; the north being wet and the south being dry. Overall less precip than previous months.
- •APR: Seasonal streamflows expected to be high in the northern basins and low in the south. Below normal precipitation across all basins except the Arkansas so far this month.