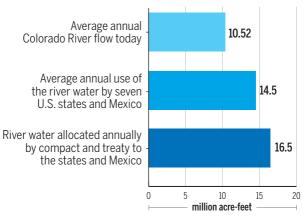
Overallocated

Before the current drought began in 2000, the Colorado River was carrying far less water annually than what was allocated to the seven river basin states and Mexico by past agreements. So even if climate change wasn't reducing flows, demand for the water would still far outstrip supply.



SOURCES: U.S. Bureau of Reclamation; Brad Udall, Colorado State University; researcher John Fleck.