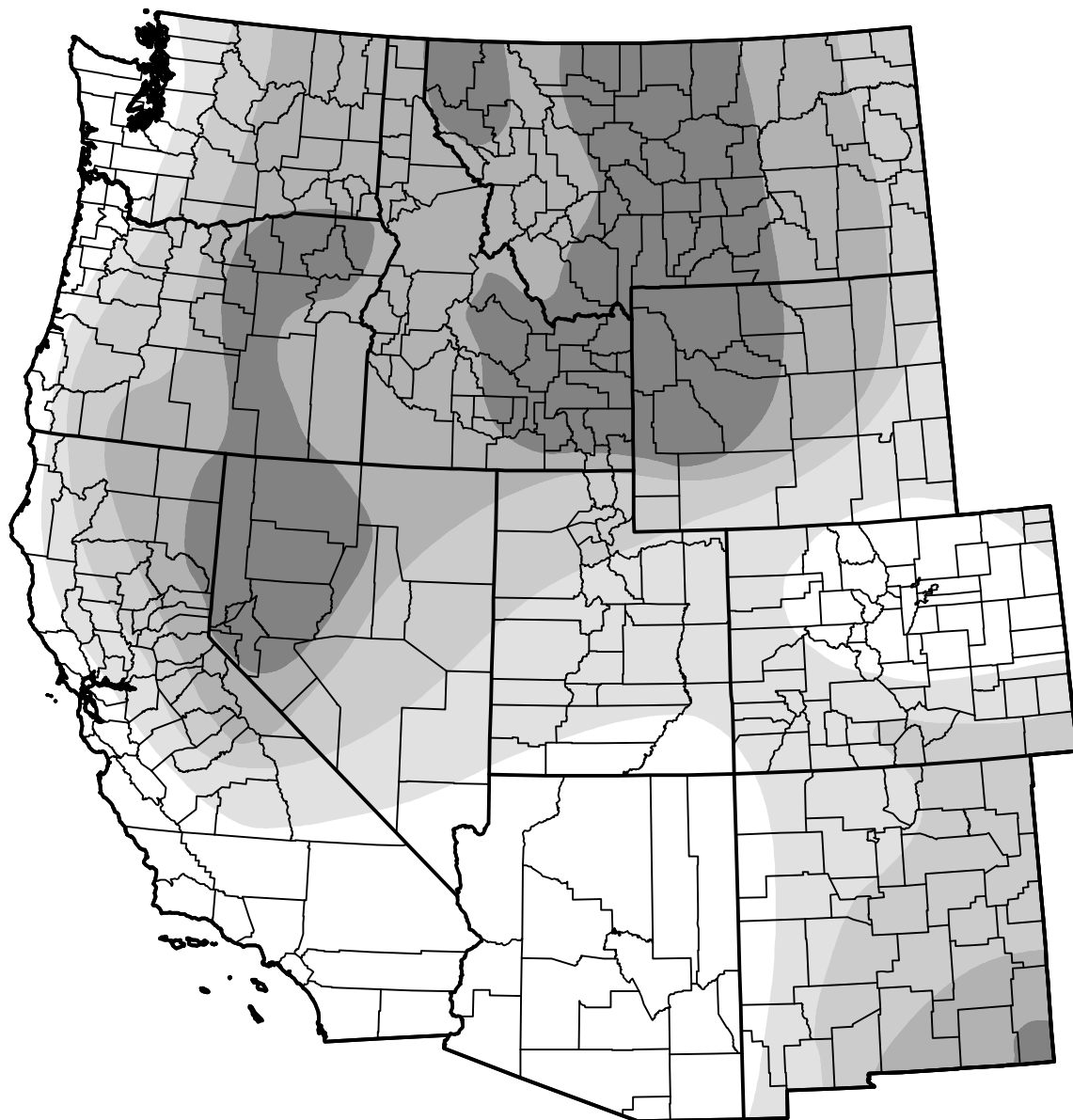


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	25.85	18.50	16.55	22.31	16.79	0.00
Last Week <i>12-11-2001</i>	24.54	20.20	15.54	21.10	18.61	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2001</i>	27.73	15.67	12.51	20.34	23.75	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2001</i>	78.09	14.82	4.37	2.53	0.20	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2001</i>	27.96	15.44	12.51	20.29	23.80	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-19-2000</i>	80.33	12.03	5.04	2.39	0.20	0.00

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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