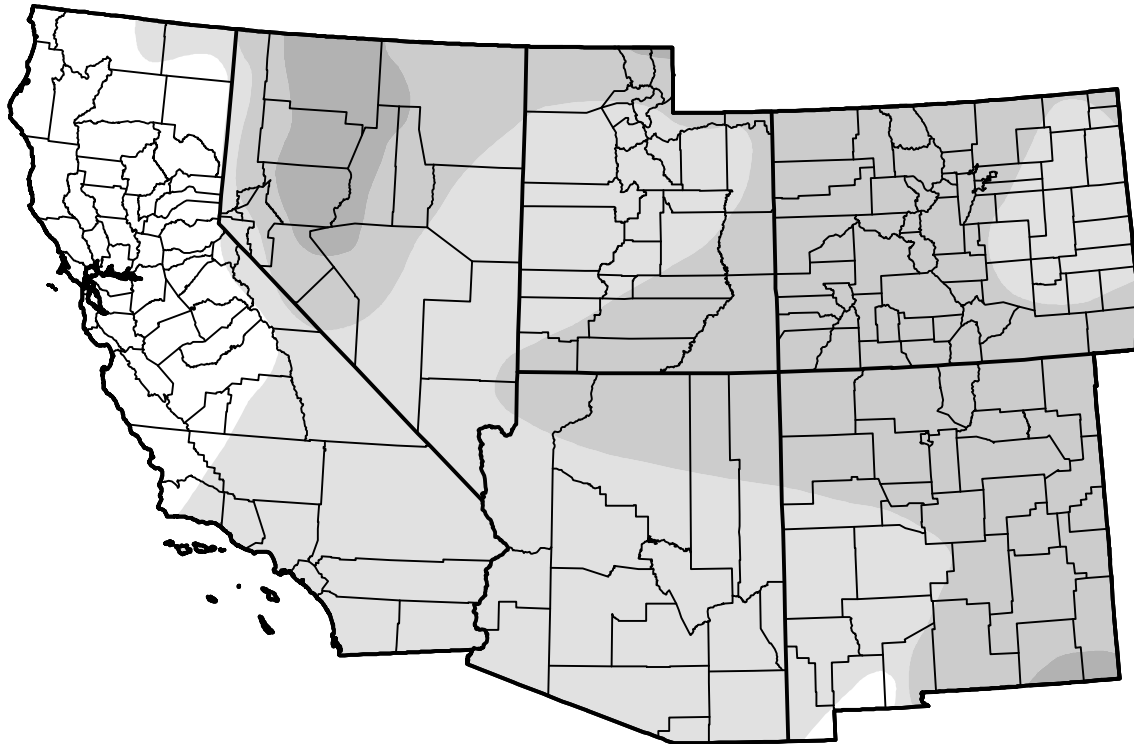


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	12.43	44.21	39.45	3.91	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-26-2002</i>	12.44	43.85	39.37	4.33	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-04-2001</i>	38.78	28.27	16.81	8.65	7.49	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	45.05	25.51	17.55	7.85	4.04	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2001</i>	45.89	20.76	14.23	7.71	11.41	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-06-2001</i>	83.55	15.26	1.18	0.00	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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