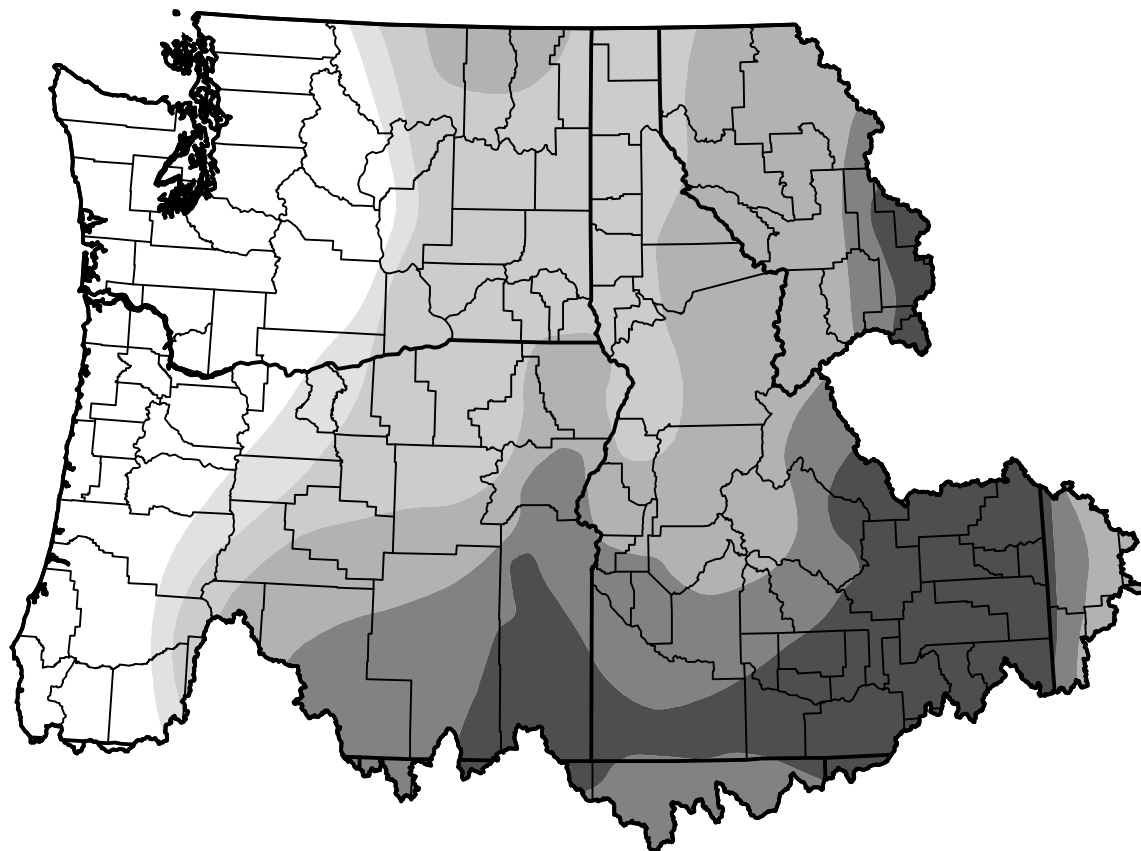


U.S. Drought Monitor

Pacific Northwest Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	23.27	4.11	19.78	22.18	15.33	15.33
Last Week <i>12-11-2003</i>	20.21	5.82	18.86	26.10	14.17	14.84
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2003</i>	0.51	16.78	26.77	15.82	30.66	9.46
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	14.88	25.35	13.76	42.11	3.89	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	0.56	16.71	26.84	15.54	31.56	8.78
One Year Ago <i>12-19-2002</i>	7.70	22.95	19.59	44.71	5.05	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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