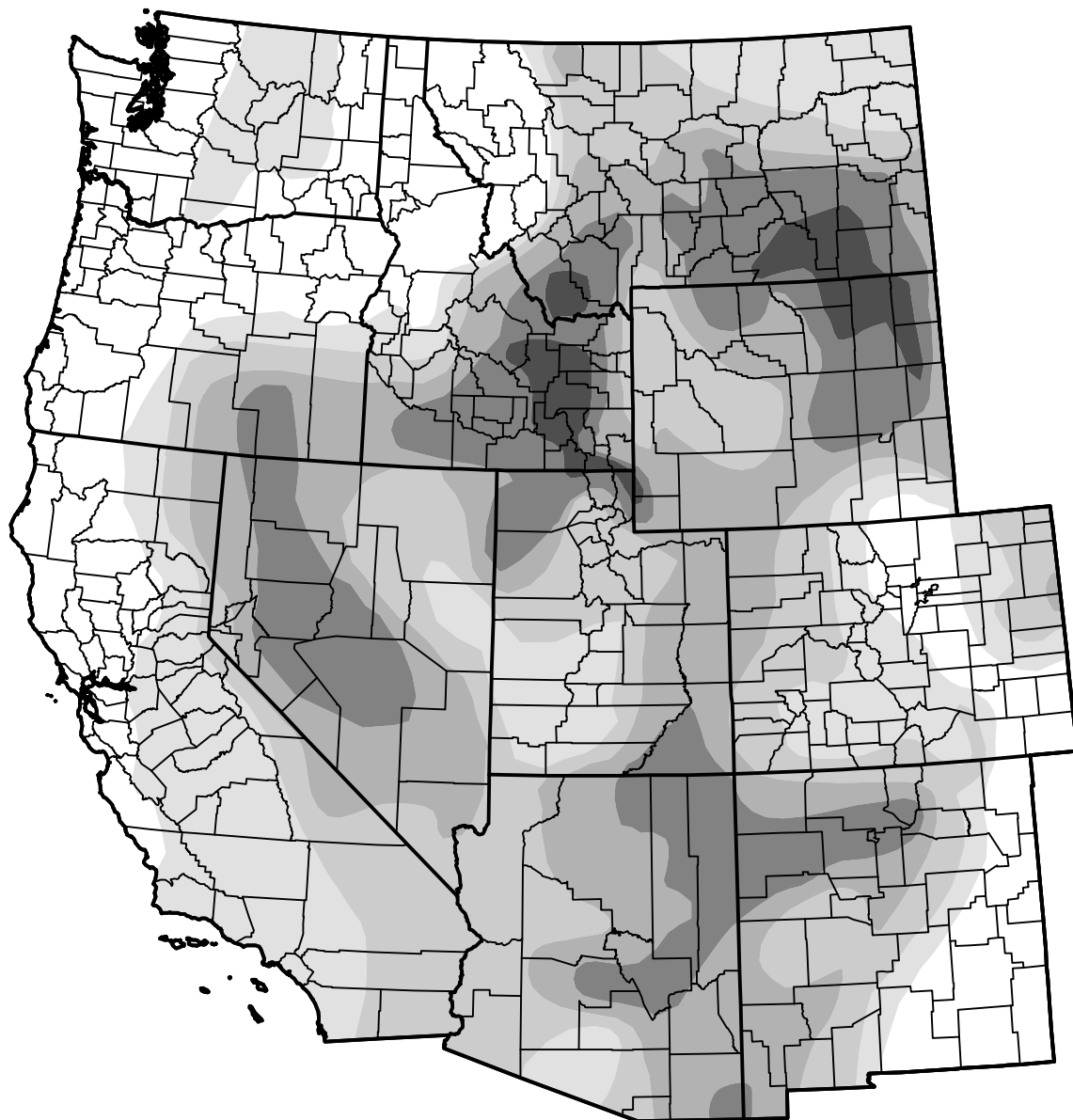


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	21.78	78.22	59.86	37.73	16.46	2.37
Last Week <i>11-30-2004</i>	22.02	77.98	59.86	38.30	16.46	2.37
3 Months Ago <i>09-07-2004</i>	17.01	82.99	69.40	51.78	26.77	3.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	14.51	85.49	78.10	64.14	32.80	8.62
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	18.76	81.24	68.03	50.40	24.23	2.36
One Year Ago <i>12-09-2003</i>	10.99	89.01	81.28	66.26	36.48	8.38

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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