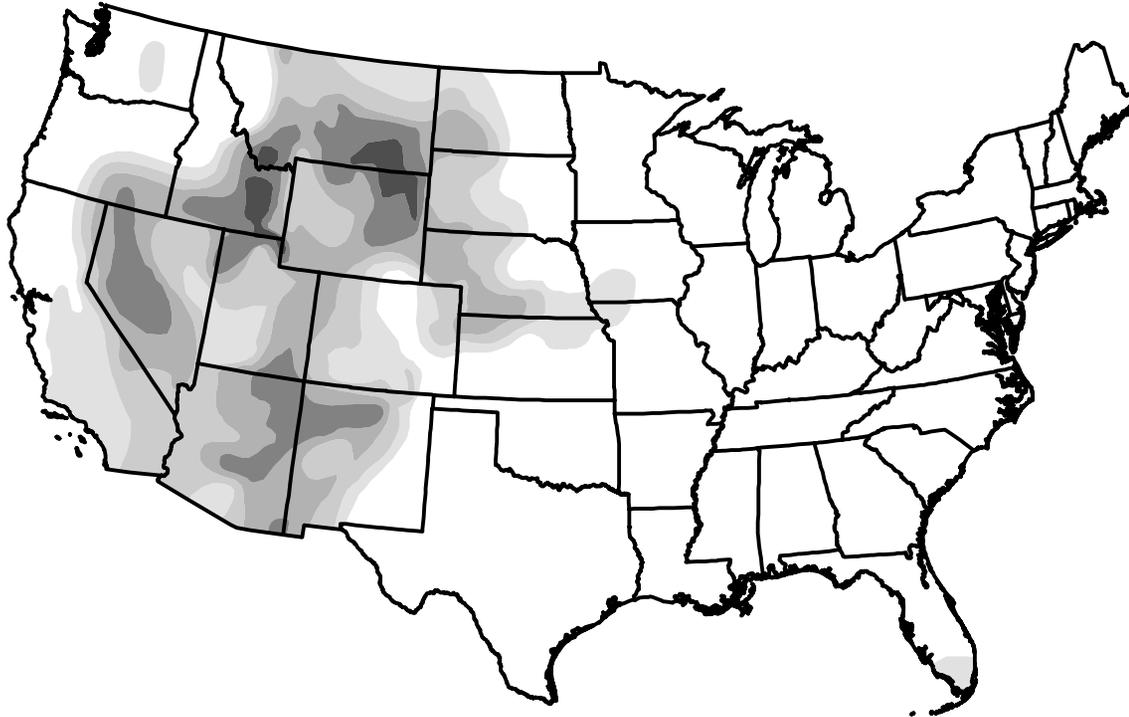


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**December 14, 2004**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	67.12	32.87	22.45	13.44	5.23	0.75
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-07-2004</i>	66.41	33.58	22.57	13.78	5.42	0.78
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-14-2004</i>	59.32	40.66	25.86	18.53	8.58	0.81
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2003</i>	50.81	49.17	38.33	28.22	13.35	2.84
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2004</i>	60.74	39.25	25.49	18.23	8.10	0.78
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-16-2003</i>	50.80	49.19	39.77	28.36	14.67	2.82

***Intensity:***



*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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