

U.S. Drought Monitor

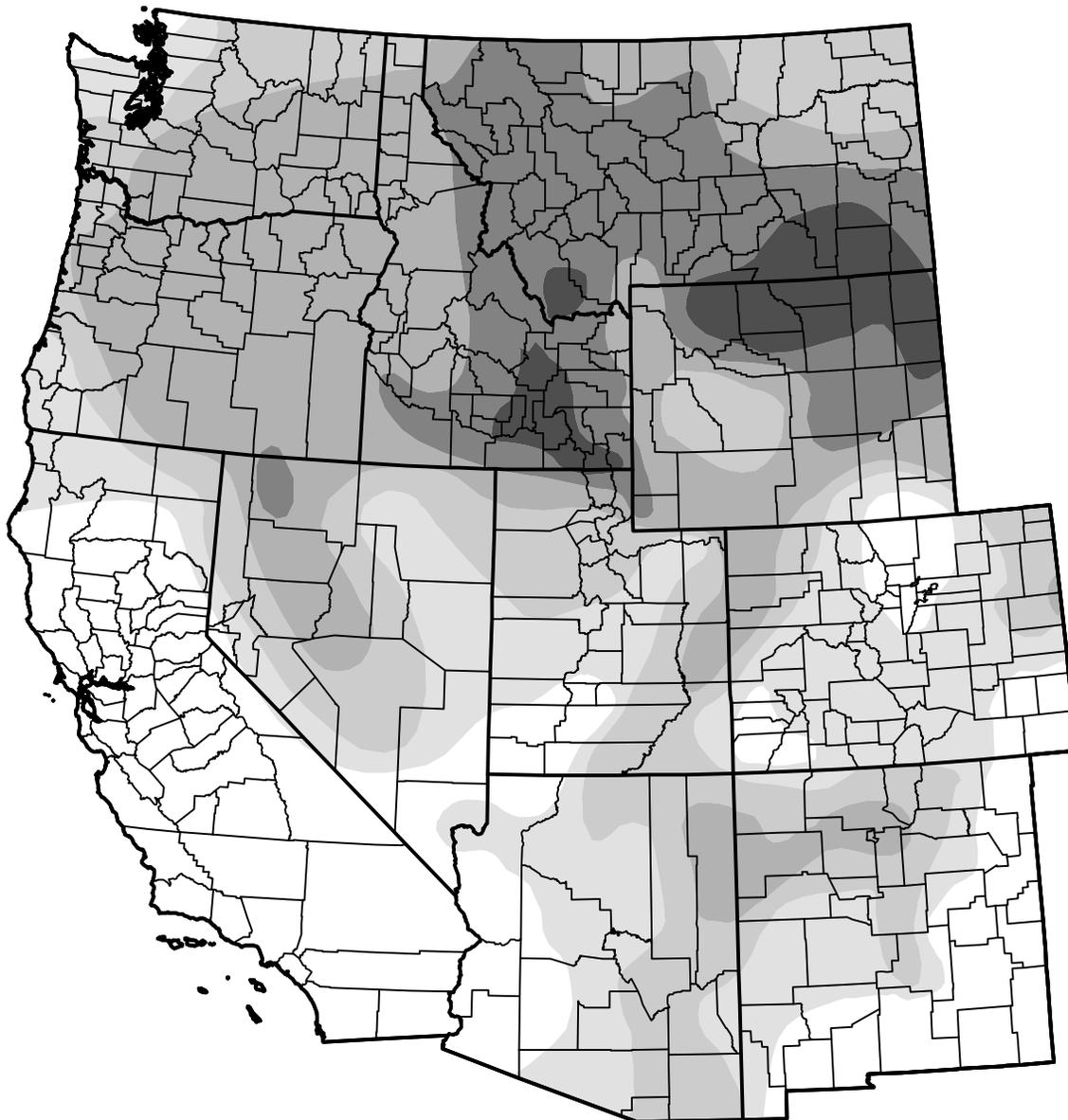
West

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 22.74 | 19.29 | 18.91 | 22.90 | 12.23 | 3.93 |
| Last Week <i>03-08-2005</i> | 23.02 | 19.14 | 20.76 | 23.78 | 9.96 | 3.34 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>12-14-2004</i> | 24.84 | 15.69 | 22.75 | 20.86 | 13.59 | 2.27 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i> | 26.17 | 17.65 | 21.90 | 19.31 | 13.03 | 1.94 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i> | 18.76 | 13.22 | 17.63 | 26.16 | 21.87 | 2.36 |
| One Year Ago <i>03-16-2004</i> | 18.53 | 12.63 | 11.68 | 29.65 | 22.63 | 4.88 |



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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