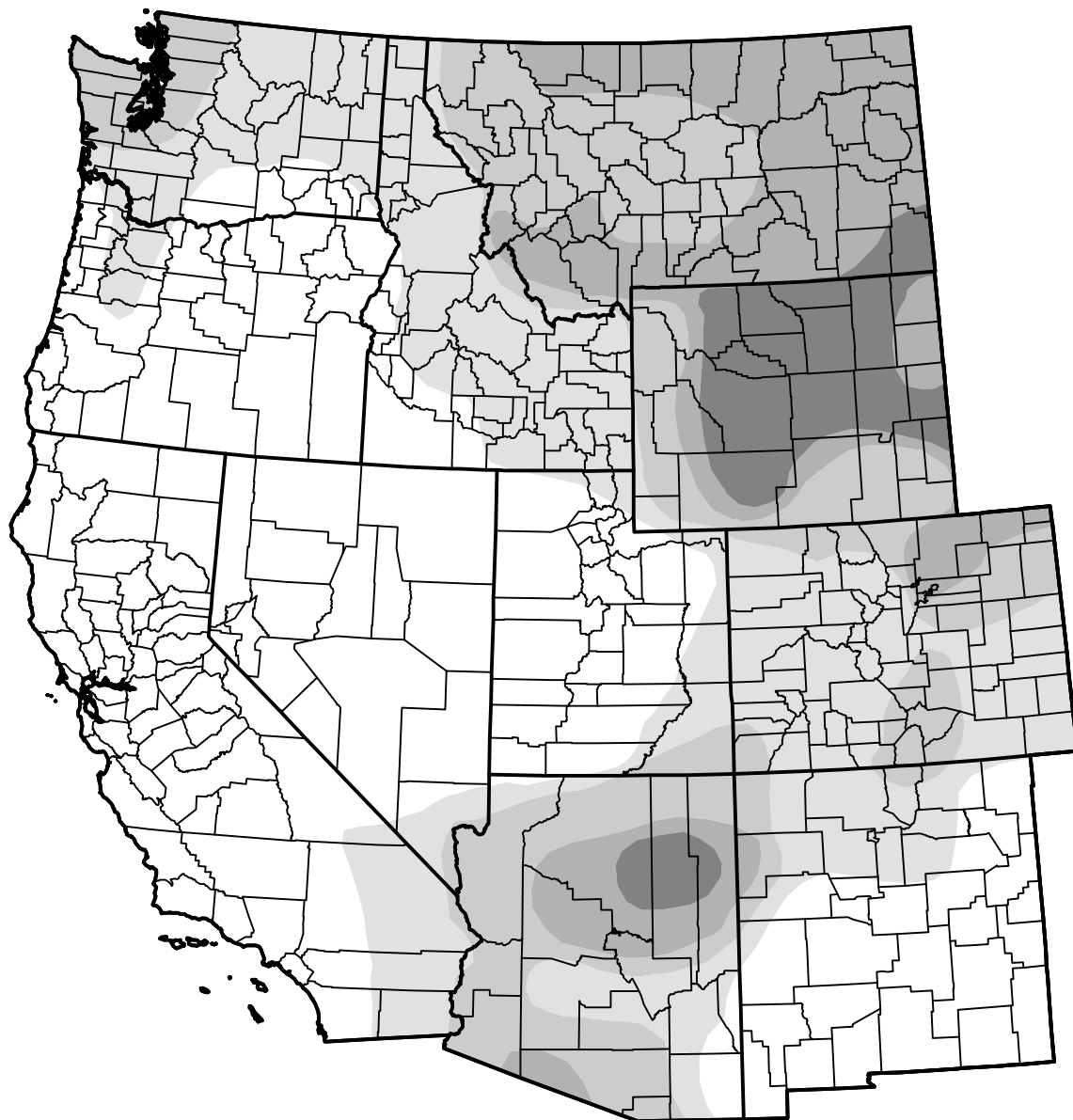


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	43.46	56.54	33.53	16.86	5.24	0.00
Last Week <i>09-26-2006</i>	43.42	56.58	32.86	16.39	4.86	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-04-2006</i>	59.11	40.89	34.48	23.65	11.58	1.64
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.59	42.41	14.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	43.42	56.58	32.86	16.39	4.86	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-04-2005</i>	46.61	53.39	29.80	10.88	0.77	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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