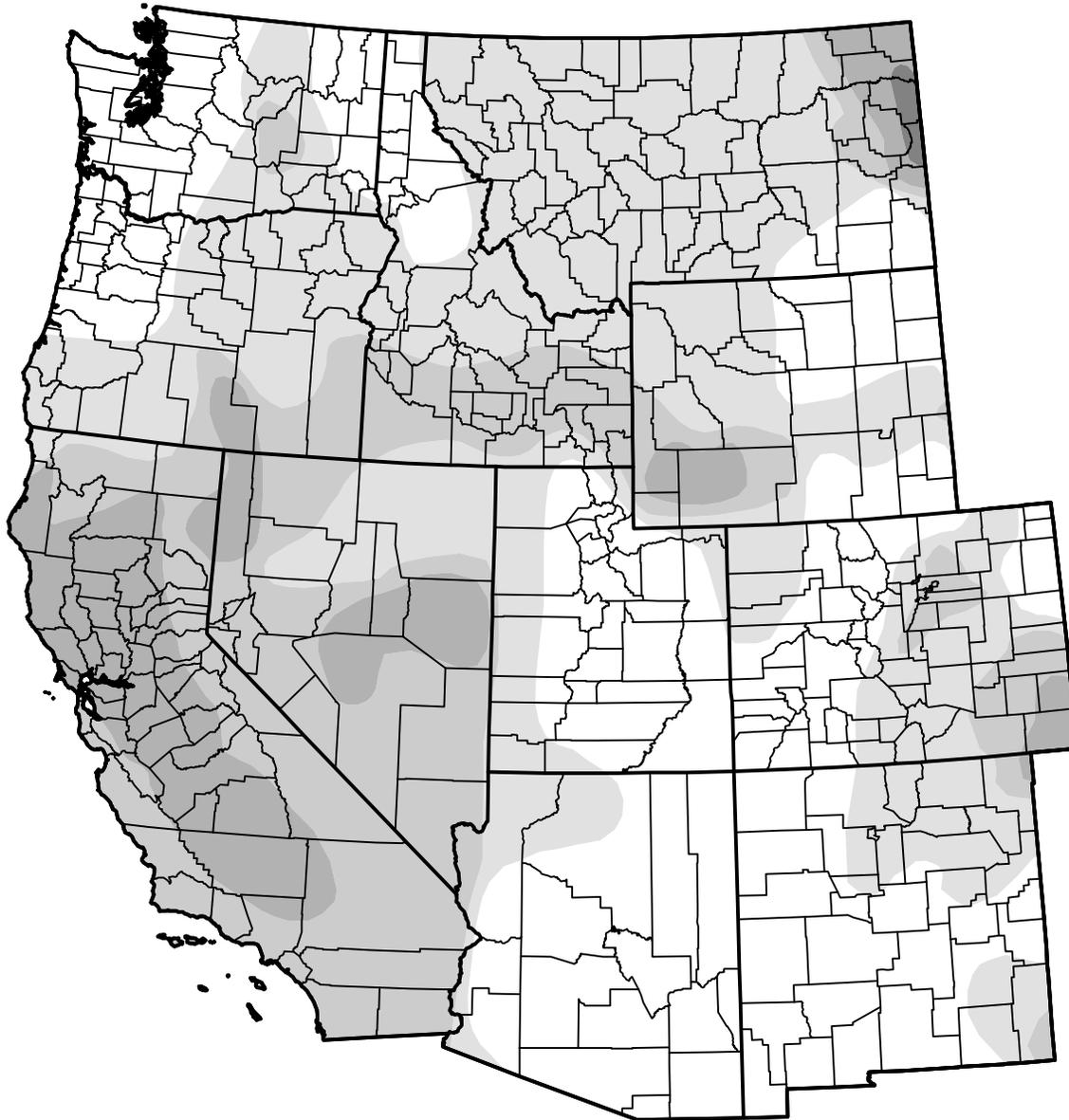


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## West

**August 26, 2008**  
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 28, 2008)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 34.68 | 65.32 | 29.92 | 9.88  | 0.22  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-19-2008</i>              | 34.68 | 65.32 | 29.82 | 9.66  | 0.24  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-27-2008</i>           | 45.87 | 54.13 | 26.15 | 4.74  | 0.13  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2008</i> | 26.30 | 73.70 | 54.70 | 33.05 | 2.73  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-25-2007</i>    | 20.33 | 79.67 | 63.00 | 45.42 | 12.36 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-28-2007</i>           | 20.85 | 79.15 | 63.91 | 50.00 | 12.84 | 0.00 |

***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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