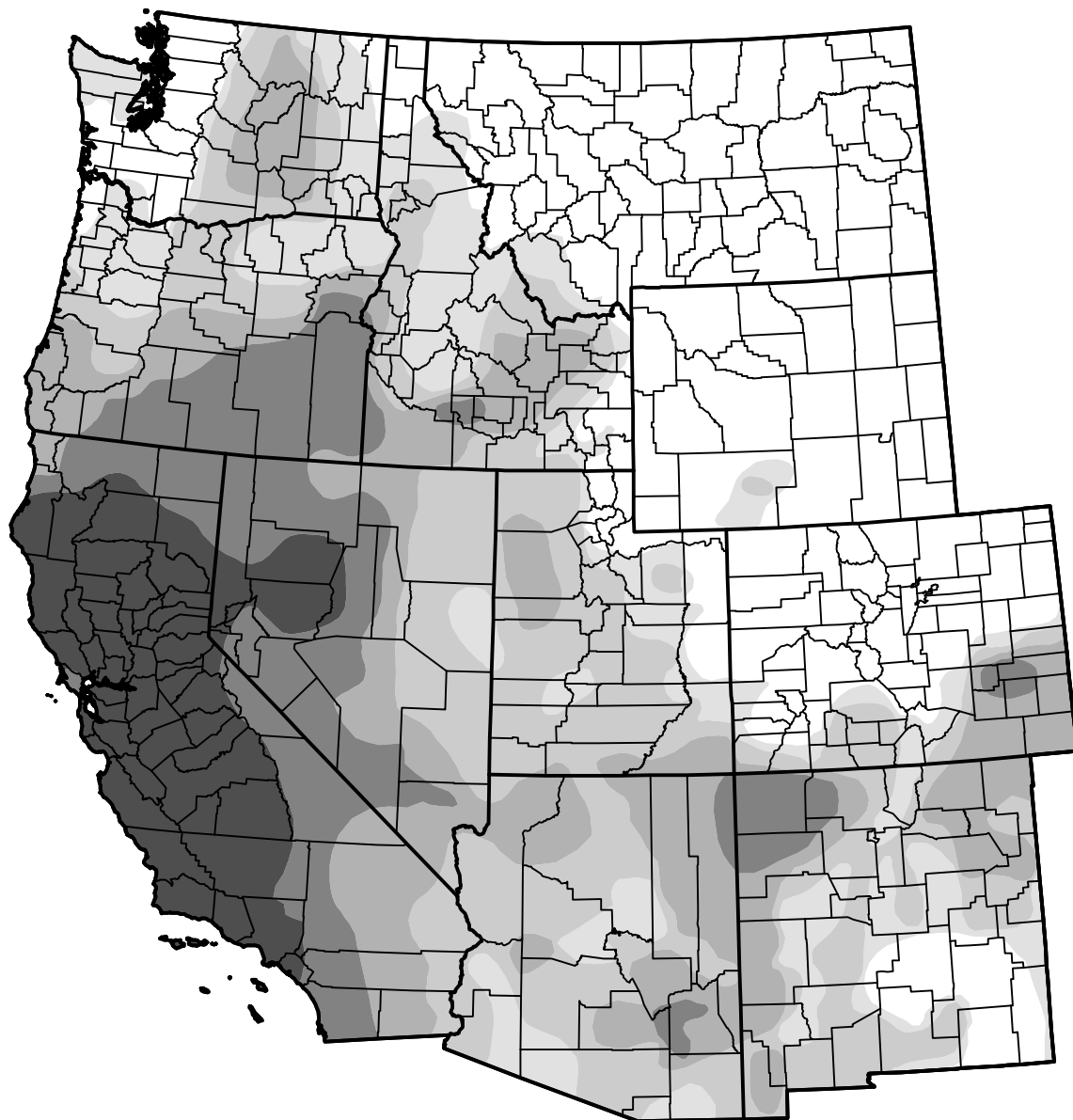


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

**September 23, 2014**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                        | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                         | 31.18 | 12.40 | 20.46 | 15.96 | 11.10 | 8.90 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-16-2014</i>                  | 29.74 | 13.02 | 18.55 | 18.81 | 10.98 | 8.90 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-24-2014</i>               | 30.81 | 8.99  | 12.88 | 26.97 | 14.71 | 5.64 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i> | 22.20 | 26.36 | 20.33 | 23.37 | 7.12  | 0.63 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2013</i>    | 25.25 | 15.79 | 24.77 | 28.61 | 4.94  | 0.63 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-24-2013</i>               | 18.70 | 16.00 | 26.72 | 31.11 | 6.84  | 0.63 |

**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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