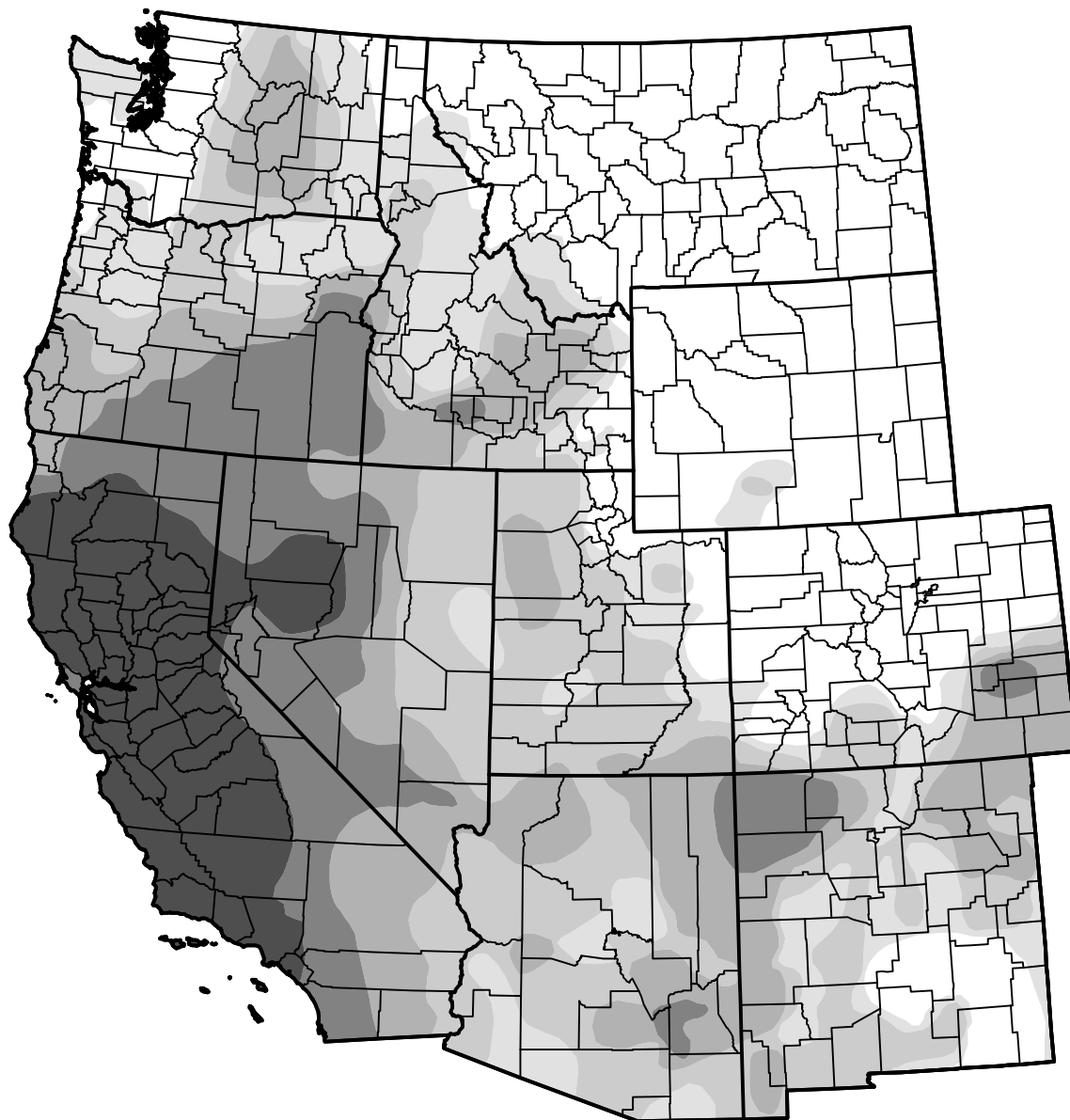


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 31.18 | 68.82 | 56.42 | 35.96 | 20.00 | 8.90 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-16-2014</i>              | 29.74 | 70.26 | 57.24 | 38.69 | 19.88 | 8.90 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-24-2014</i>           | 30.81 | 69.19 | 60.20 | 47.31 | 20.35 | 5.64 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i> | 22.20 | 77.80 | 51.44 | 31.11 | 7.75  | 0.63 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2013</i>    | 25.25 | 74.75 | 58.96 | 34.18 | 5.57  | 0.63 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-24-2013</i>           | 18.70 | 81.30 | 65.30 | 38.58 | 7.47  | 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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