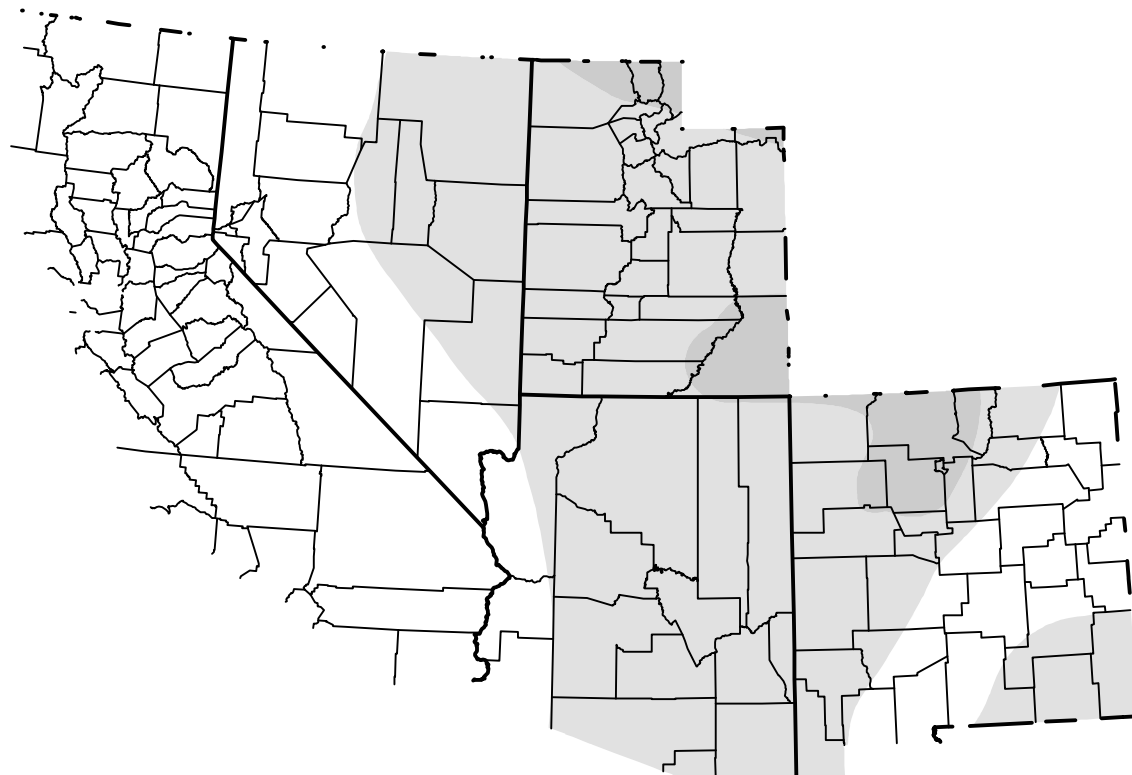


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	47.87	46.47	5.06	0.40	0.19	0.00
Last Week <i>07-13-2000</i>	55.67	36.73	7.01	0.40	0.19	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>04-20-2000</i>	76.47	12.96	7.25	3.31	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2000</i>	61.20	37.83	0.94	0.02	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year	-	-	-	-	-	-
One Year Ago	-	-	-	-	-	-

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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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