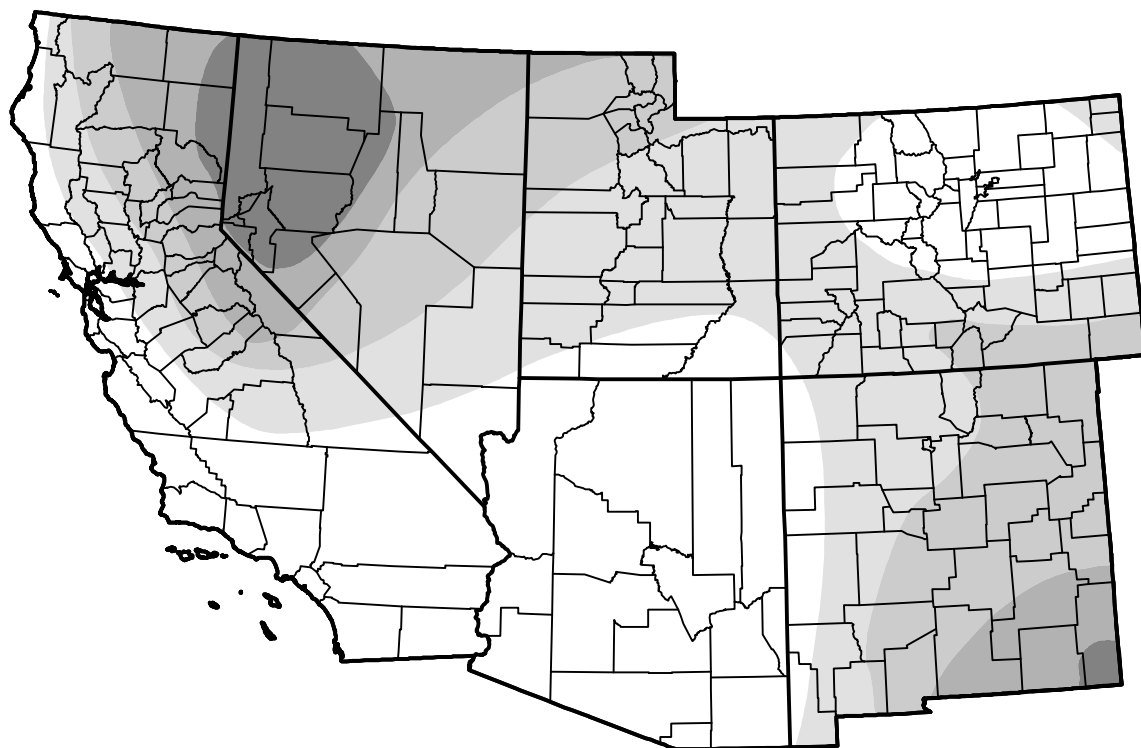


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	40.18	59.82	33.73	14.92	5.88	0.00
Last Week <i>12-11-2001</i>	39.43	60.57	33.06	15.41	7.23	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2001</i>	45.49	54.51	33.35	19.12	11.41	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2001</i>	85.70	14.30	1.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2001</i>	45.89	54.11	33.35	19.12	11.41	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-19-2000</i>	91.69	8.31	1.21	0.00	0.00	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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