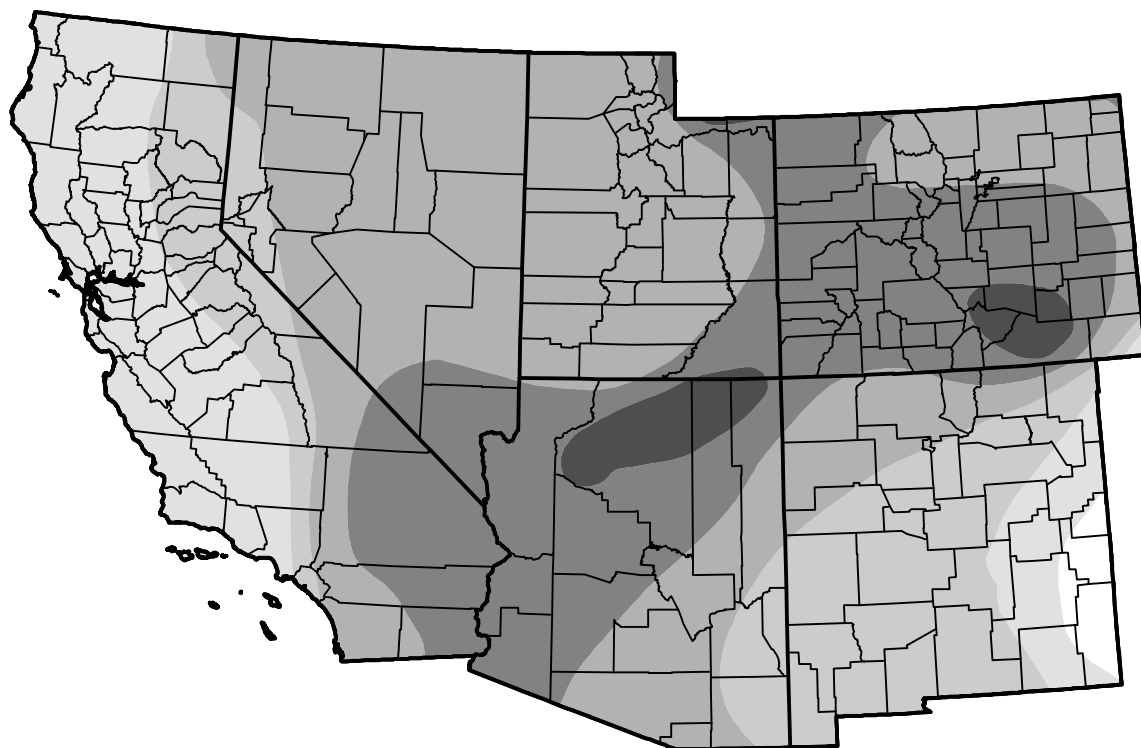


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.21	13.87	17.10	38.35	26.44	3.03
Last Week <i>12-03-2002</i>	1.29	18.14	26.42	24.91	26.28	2.95
3 Months Ago <i>09-10-2002</i>	1.16	9.11	16.18	30.01	31.91	11.62
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	45.05	25.51	17.55	7.85	4.04	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	1.40	9.81	21.62	27.23	32.28	7.67
One Year Ago <i>12-11-2001</i>	39.43	27.50	17.65	8.19	7.23	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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