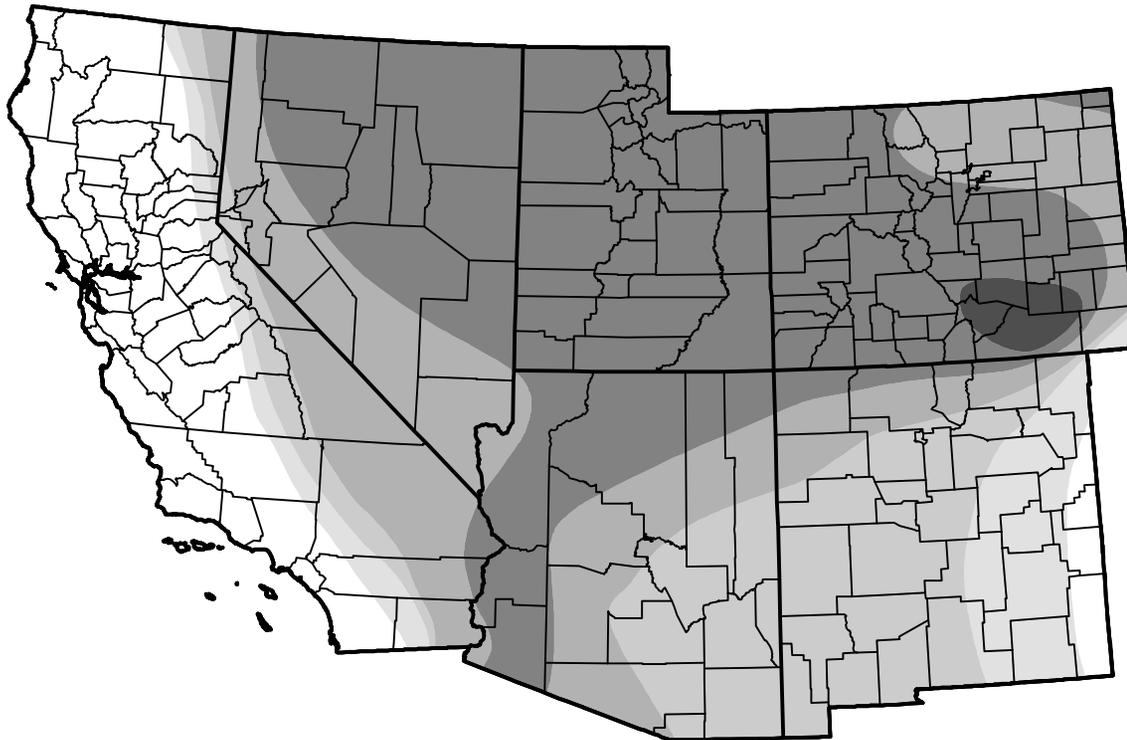


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	14.94	85.06	78.46	62.08	40.93	1.14
Last Week <i>02-25-2003</i>	14.44	85.56	79.44	64.95	46.45	2.32
3 Months Ago <i>12-03-2002</i>	1.29	98.71	80.57	54.15	29.24	2.95
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	14.98	85.02	78.64	64.91	29.60	3.10
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	1.40	98.60	88.79	67.17	39.95	7.67
One Year Ago <i>03-05-2002</i>	12.43	87.57	43.36	3.91	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



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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