

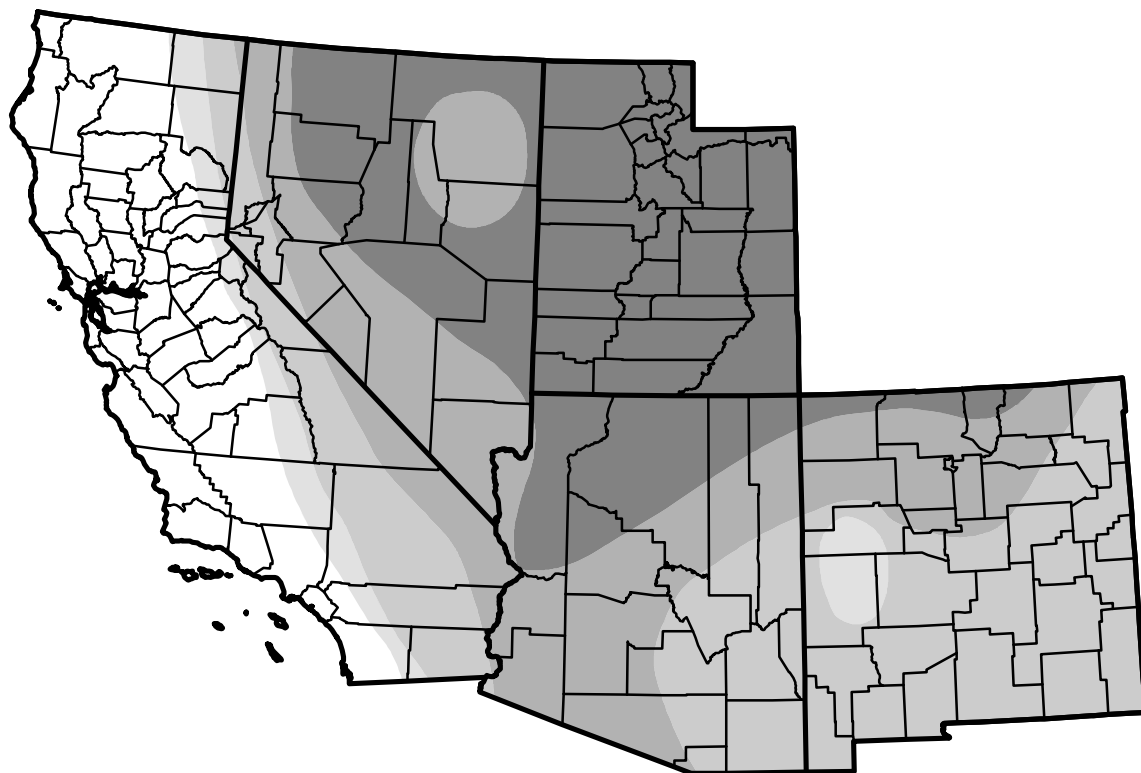
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	15.76	4.09	25.96	24.47	29.72	0.01
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-29-2003</i>	15.94	6.29	24.06	24.25	29.46	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-04-2003</i>	13.55	11.64	15.63	15.74	40.96	2.48
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	17.63	7.44	16.04	36.91	19.58	2.40
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	1.64	11.54	25.43	28.56	28.25	4.58
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-07-2002</i>	15.18	12.35	14.86	41.78	15.84	0.00



### Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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