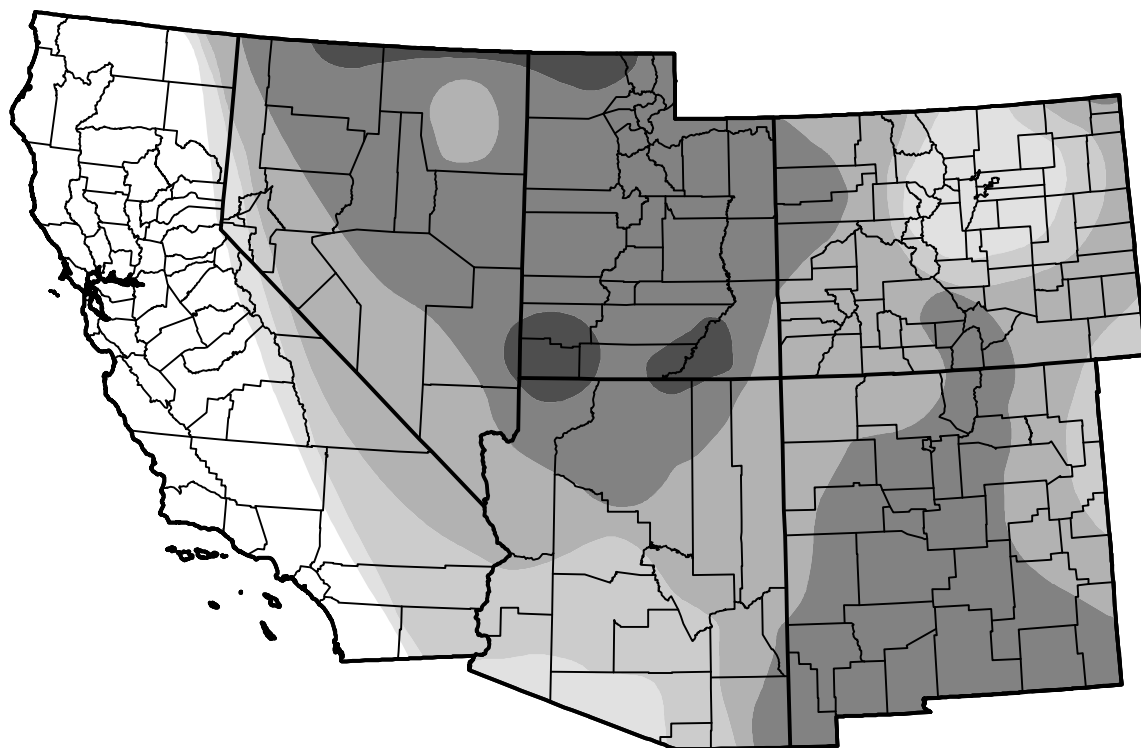


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.26	6.50	11.46	27.64	36.33	2.81
Last Week <i>09-30-2003</i>	15.51	6.66	12.05	25.42	37.34	3.02
3 Months Ago <i>07-08-2003</i>	17.62	7.18	11.83	25.95	35.29	2.14
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	14.98	6.37	13.73	35.31	26.51	3.10
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	15.51	6.66	12.05	25.42	37.34	3.02
One Year Ago <i>10-08-2002</i>	0.00	6.79	31.09	26.56	31.76	3.80

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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