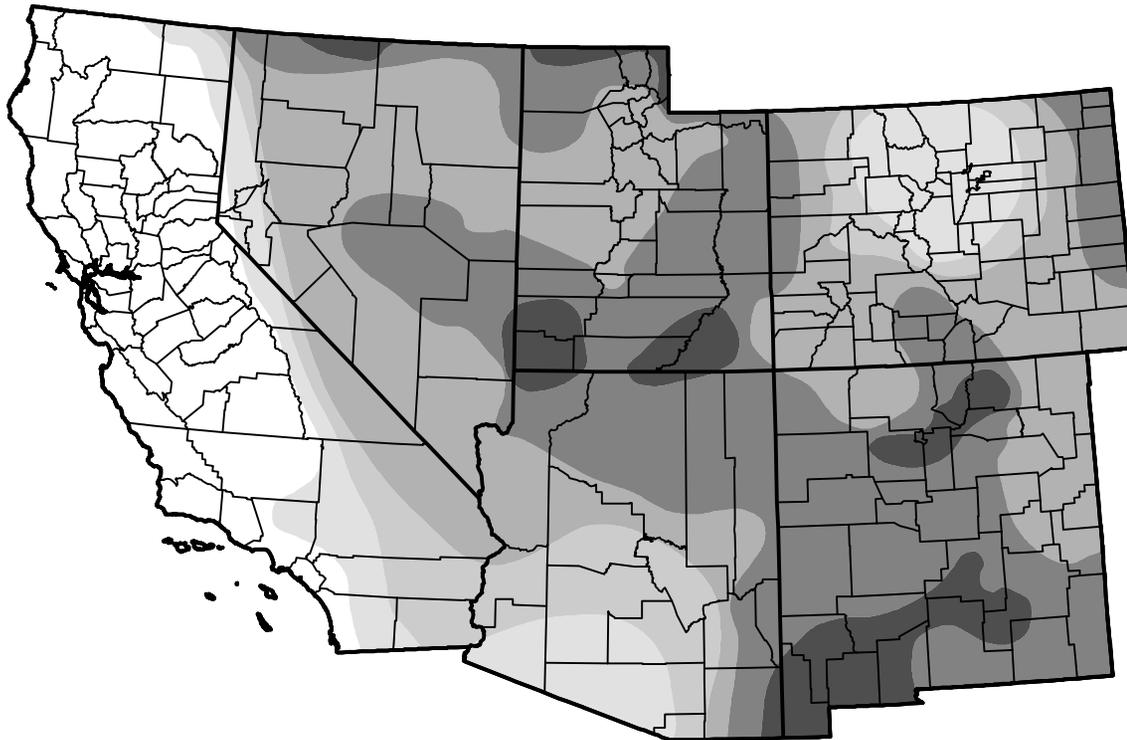


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

**December 30, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	15.48	9.47	8.77	29.56	29.89	6.84
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-23-2003</i>	10.91	9.80	13.65	22.95	35.58	7.11
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	15.51	6.66	12.05	25.42	37.34	3.02
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	14.98	6.37	13.73	35.31	26.51	3.10
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	15.51	6.66	12.05	25.42	37.34	3.02
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	14.98	6.37	13.73	35.31	26.51	3.10

***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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