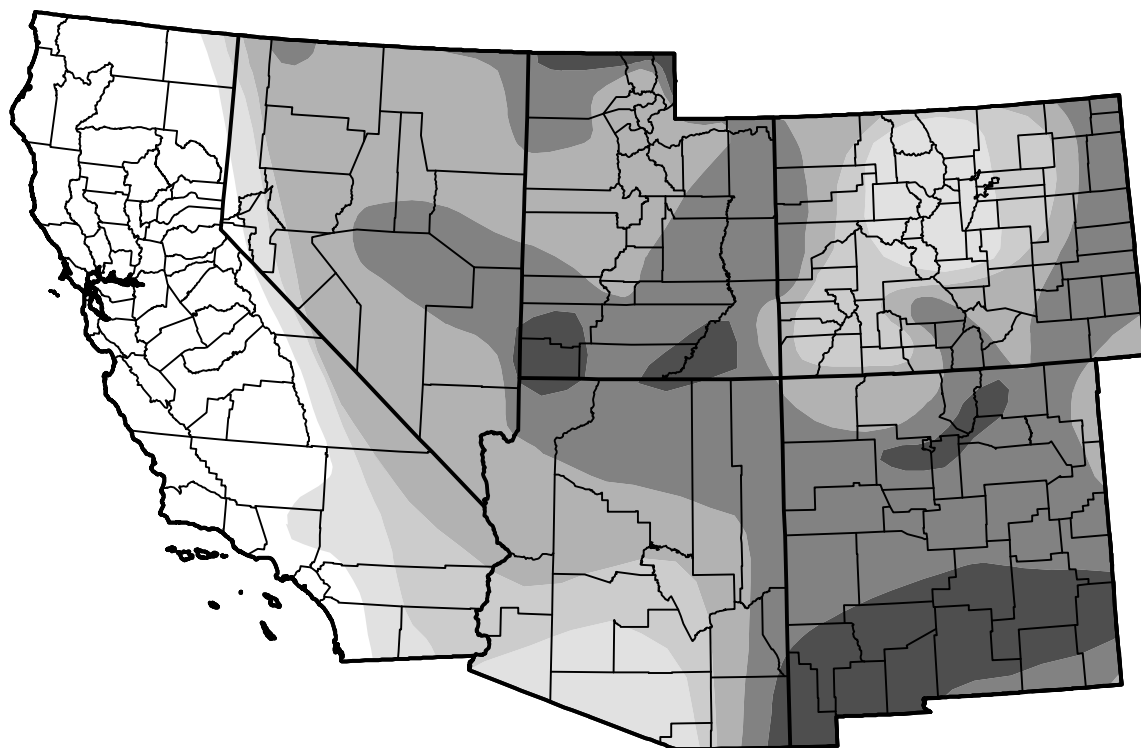


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	16.31	8.89	9.59	27.41	29.36	8.44
Last Week <i>02-17-2004</i>	15.60	9.61	9.59	27.41	29.36	8.44
3 Months Ago <i>11-25-2003</i>	10.54	11.57	14.60	21.75	36.54	5.01
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	15.48	9.47	8.77	29.56	29.89	6.84
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>02-25-2003</i>	14.44	6.12	14.49	18.50	44.13	2.32

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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