

# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

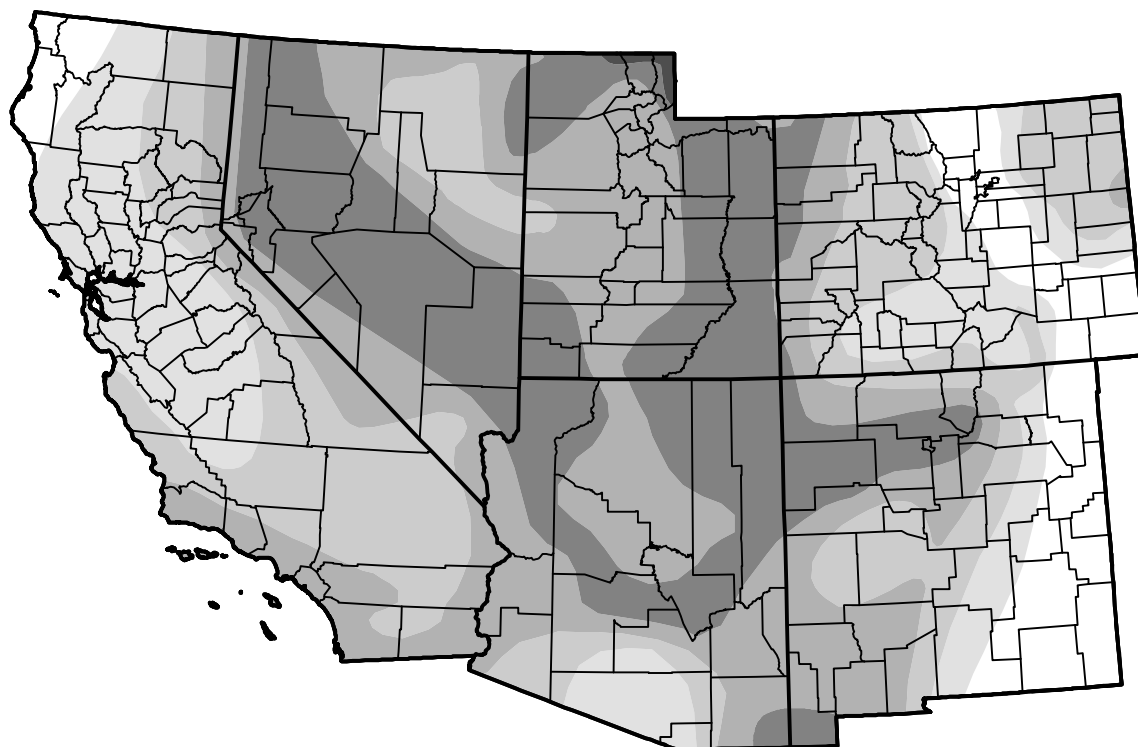
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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 8.99  | 91.01 | 76.40 | 53.89 | 25.07 | 0.18 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-05-2004</i>              | 8.47  | 91.53 | 76.99 | 55.24 | 24.06 | 0.18 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-13-2004</i>           | 3.38  | 96.62 | 82.94 | 58.54 | 22.56 | 0.24 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2003</i> | 15.48 | 84.52 | 75.05 | 66.28 | 36.72 | 6.84 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 7.43  | 92.57 | 77.08 | 55.25 | 24.06 | 0.18 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-14-2003</i>           | 6.44  | 93.56 | 77.67 | 66.30 | 41.71 | 2.79 |



## 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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