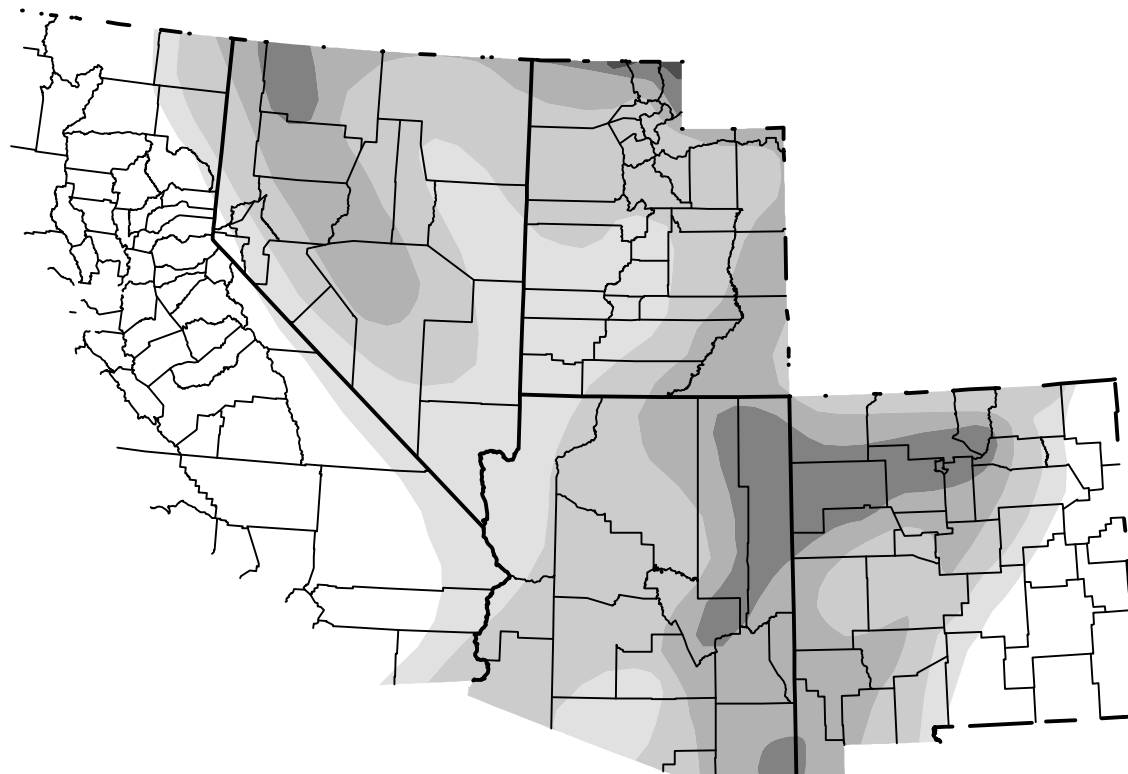


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	29.61	17.74	28.27	17.98	6.32	0.08
Last Week <i>01-06-2005</i>	25.51	15.17	26.52	21.06	11.64	0.11
3 Months Ago <i>10-14-2004</i>	7.30	12.74	19.99	31.70	28.06	0.21
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	25.51	15.17	26.52	21.06	11.64	0.11
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	5.68	14.09	18.68	34.46	26.89	0.21
One Year Ago <i>01-15-2004</i>	18.05	6.19	8.60	26.72	30.95	9.48

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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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