

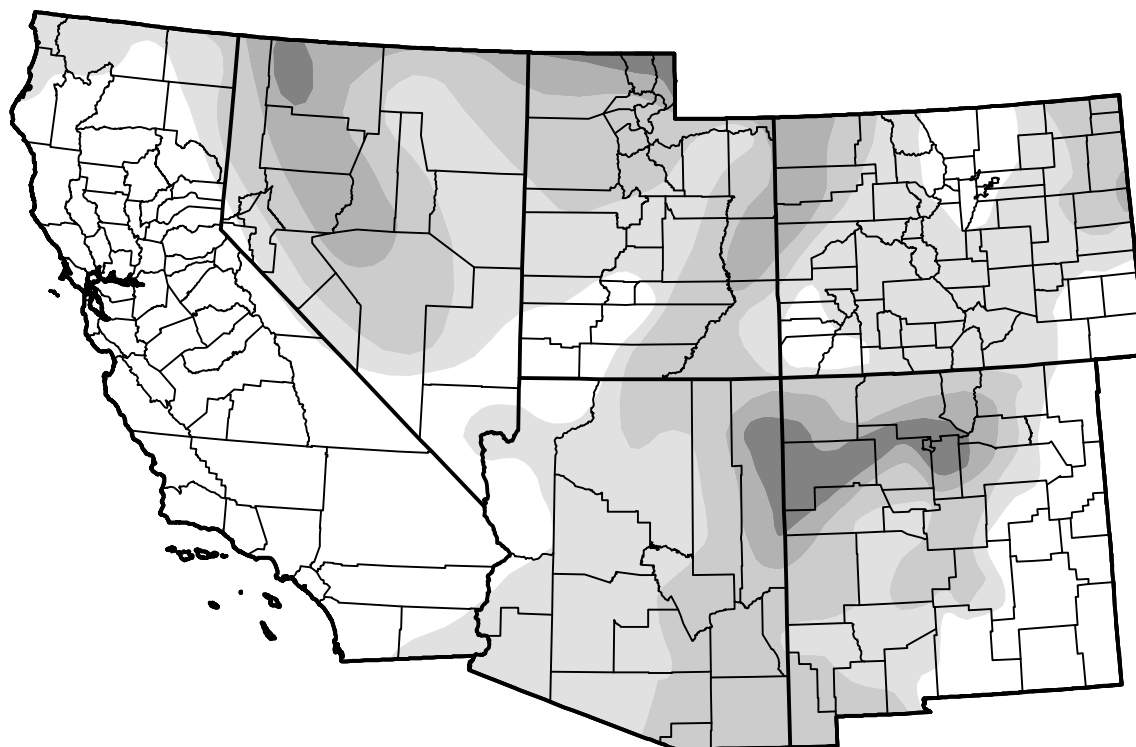
# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 34.32 | 30.98 | 23.93 | 8.14  | 2.62  | 0.01 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-15-2005</i>              | 34.68 | 29.71 | 23.80 | 9.19  | 2.62  | 0.01 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-23-2004</i>           | 14.41 | 17.14 | 27.74 | 22.90 | 17.73 | 0.09 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 24.71 | 18.44 | 27.42 | 19.34 | 10.00 | 0.09 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 7.43  | 15.49 | 21.83 | 31.19 | 23.87 | 0.18 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-24-2004</i>           | 16.31 | 8.89  | 9.59  | 27.41 | 29.36 | 8.44 |



## 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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