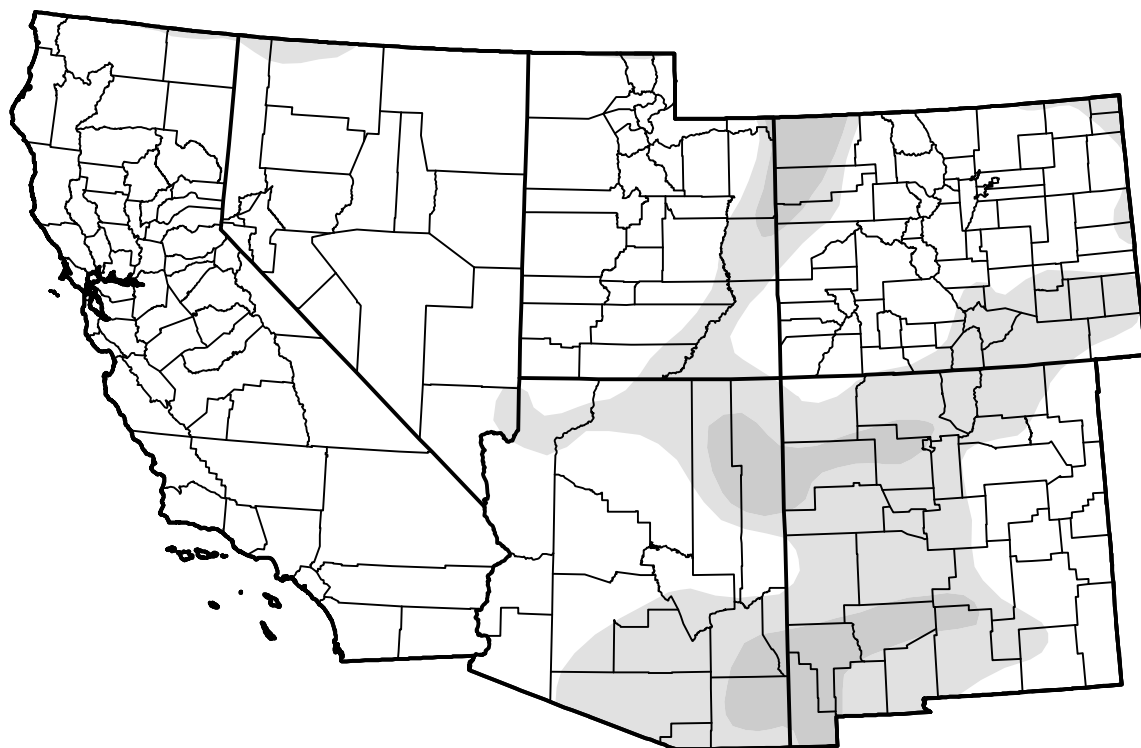


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	73.14	21.08	5.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-11-2005</i>	73.13	20.84	6.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-19-2005</i>	71.71	20.44	7.67	0.18	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	24.71	18.44	27.42	19.34	10.00	0.09
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	72.54	20.44	6.87	0.16	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-19-2004</i>	10.72	14.29	21.80	28.13	24.88	0.18

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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