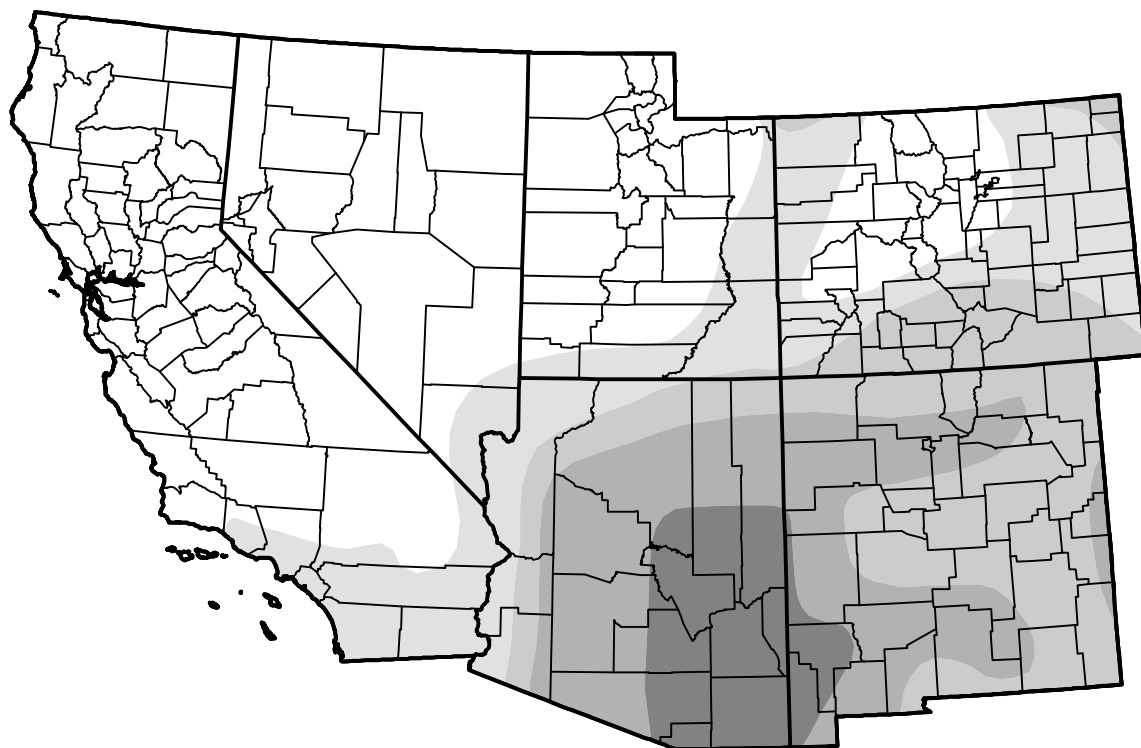


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	47.87	52.13	35.75	20.06	6.43	0.00
Last Week 02-14-2006	49.07	50.93	34.90	16.37	6.43	0.00
3 Months Ago 11-22-2005	69.08	30.92	5.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2006	57.97	42.03	11.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2005	72.54	27.46	7.02	0.16	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 02-22-2005	34.32	65.68	34.70	10.76	2.62	0.01

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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