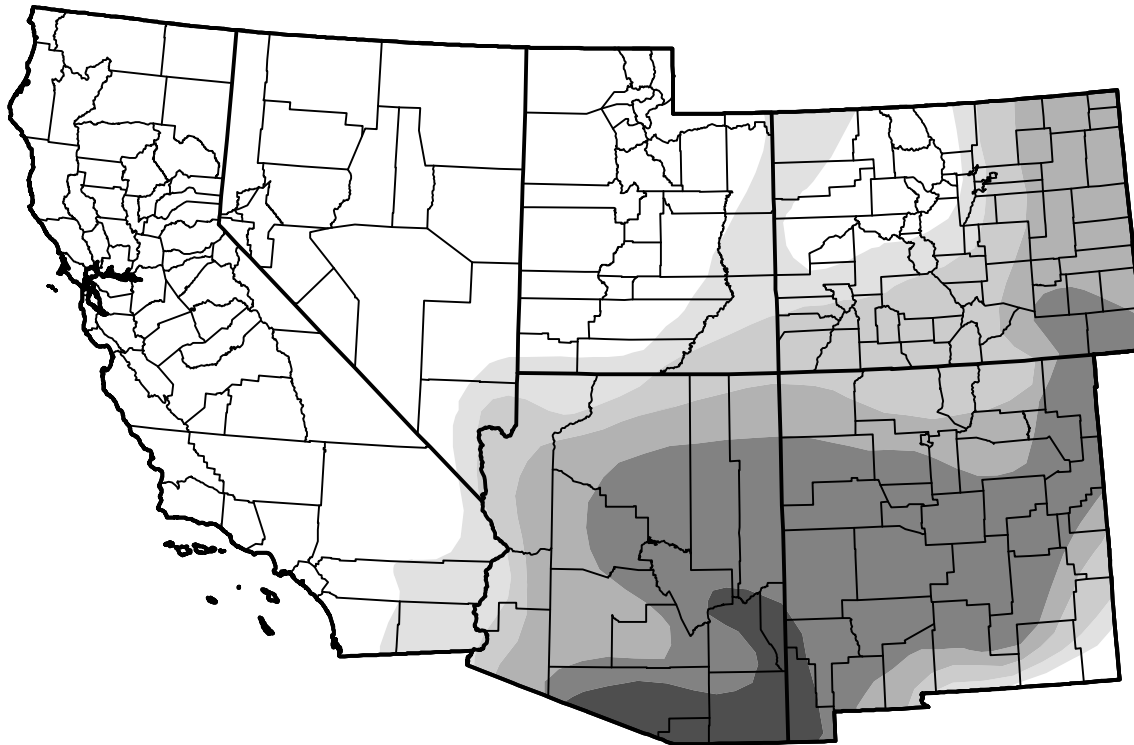


# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	49.15	8.66	9.61	12.28	17.42	2.88
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-16-2006</i>	49.59	9.32	9.27	12.51	16.43	2.88
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-21-2006</i>	47.87	16.38	15.68	13.64	6.43	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.97	30.48	11.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	72.54	20.44	6.87	0.16	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-24-2005</i>	75.85	17.40	6.56	0.19	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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