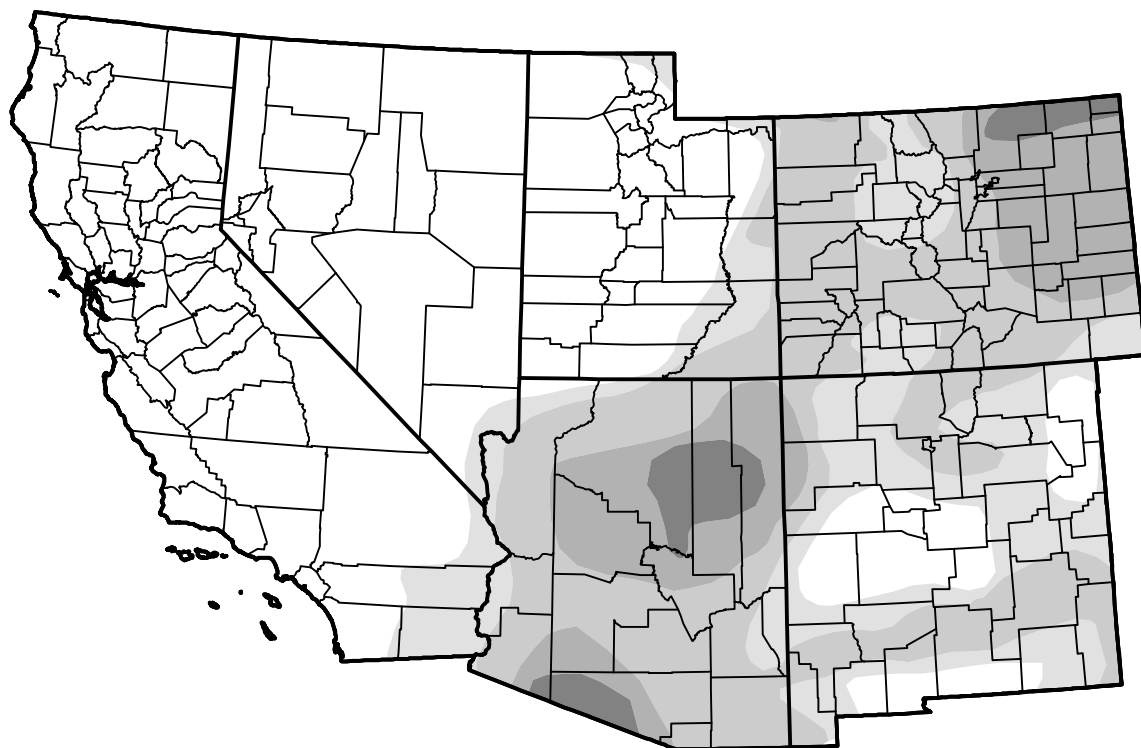


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.24	48.76	33.57	11.66	2.56	0.00
Last Week <i>08-15-2006</i>	47.89	52.11	37.60	14.95	3.13	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-23-2006</i>	49.15	50.85	42.19	32.58	20.30	2.88
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.97	42.03	11.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	72.54	27.46	7.02	0.16	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-23-2005</i>	72.39	27.61	7.11	0.16	0.00	0.00

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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