

# U.S. Drought Monitor

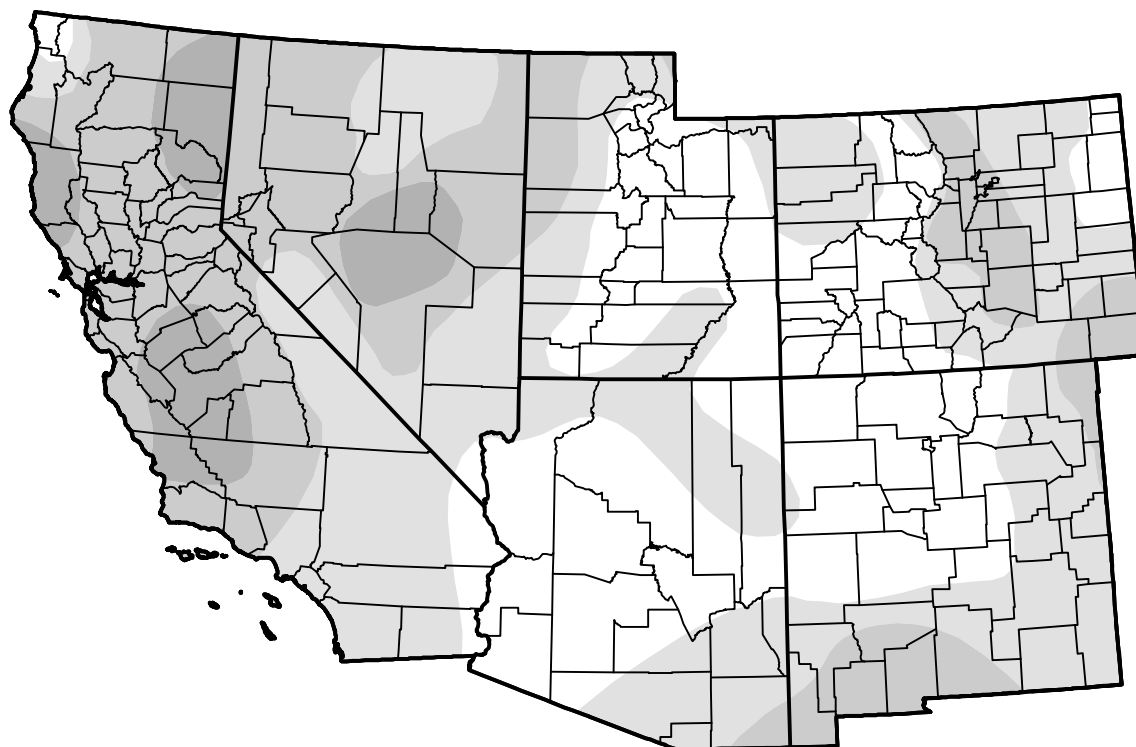
## Southwest

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	31.49	36.20	25.33	6.99	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-10-2009</i>	31.49	37.42	24.11	6.99	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-16-2008</i>	23.65	37.83	22.04	15.15	1.33	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	32.49	30.93	21.86	14.09	0.63	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	39.88	21.58	22.11	15.96	0.47	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-18-2008</i>	42.15	23.78	19.55	14.51	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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