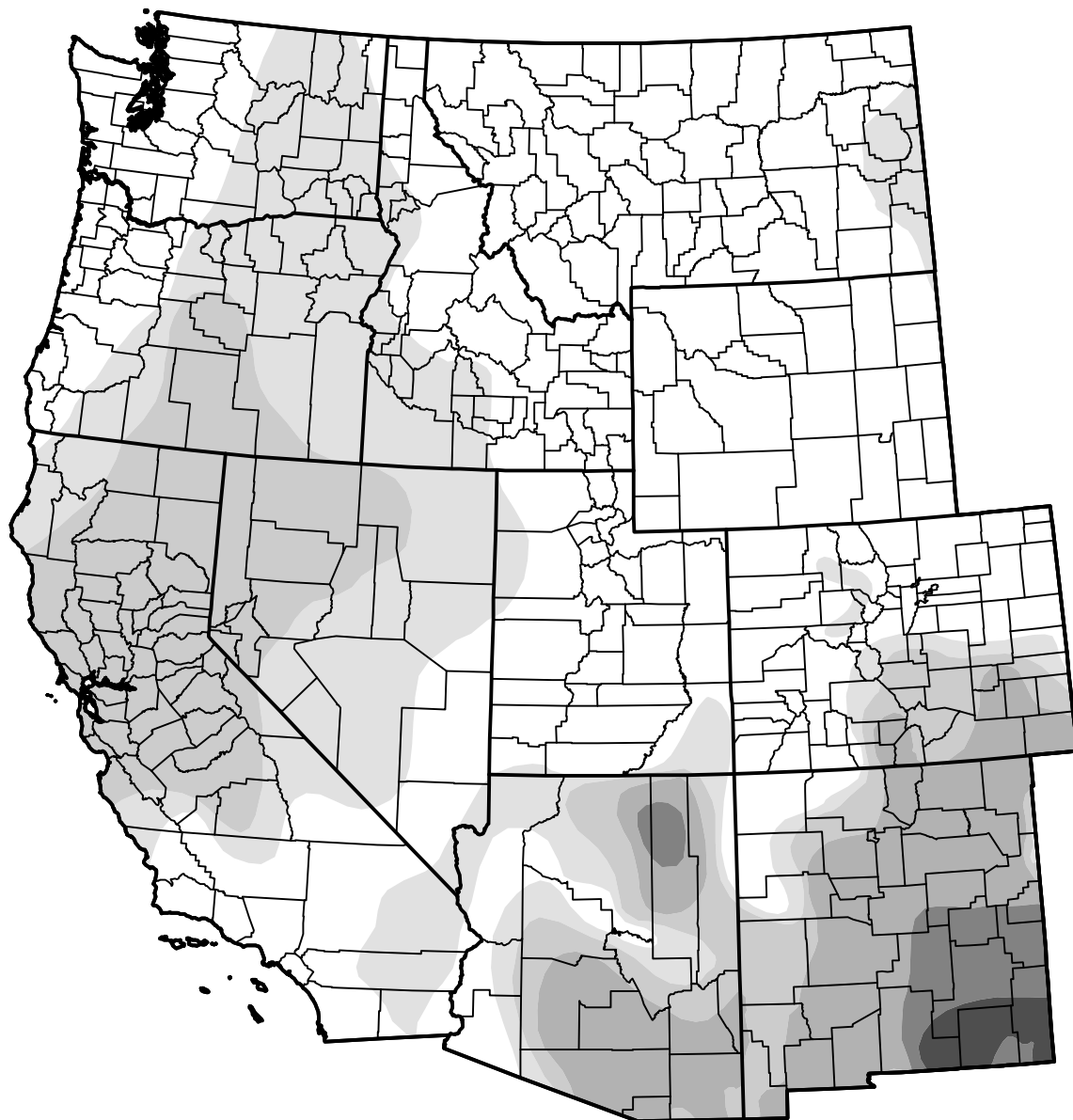


U.S. Drought Monitor West

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	50.20	21.75	16.21	9.17	1.89	0.78
Last Week <i>12-27-2011</i>	48.49	31.46	7.83	9.56	1.89	0.78
3 Months Ago <i>10-04-2011</i>	66.39	14.57	4.05	5.69	5.40	3.90
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	50.20	21.75	16.21	9.17	1.89	0.78
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	66.72	14.24	4.05	5.69	5.49	3.81
One Year Ago <i>01-04-2011</i>	74.72	13.59	10.80	0.89	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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