

# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 20.03 | 79.97 | 67.65 | 49.00 | 15.87 | 0.16 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>07-10-2012              | 20.09 | 79.91 | 64.91 | 46.78 | 15.87 | 0.48 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>04-17-2012           | 32.80 | 67.20 | 46.92 | 24.14 | 3.77  | 0.91 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2012 | 50.20 | 49.80 | 28.05 | 11.84 | 2.67  | 0.78 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2011    | 66.72 | 33.28 | 19.04 | 14.99 | 9.30  | 3.81 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>07-19-2011           | 74.71 | 25.29 | 19.01 | 15.52 | 11.03 | 5.59 |

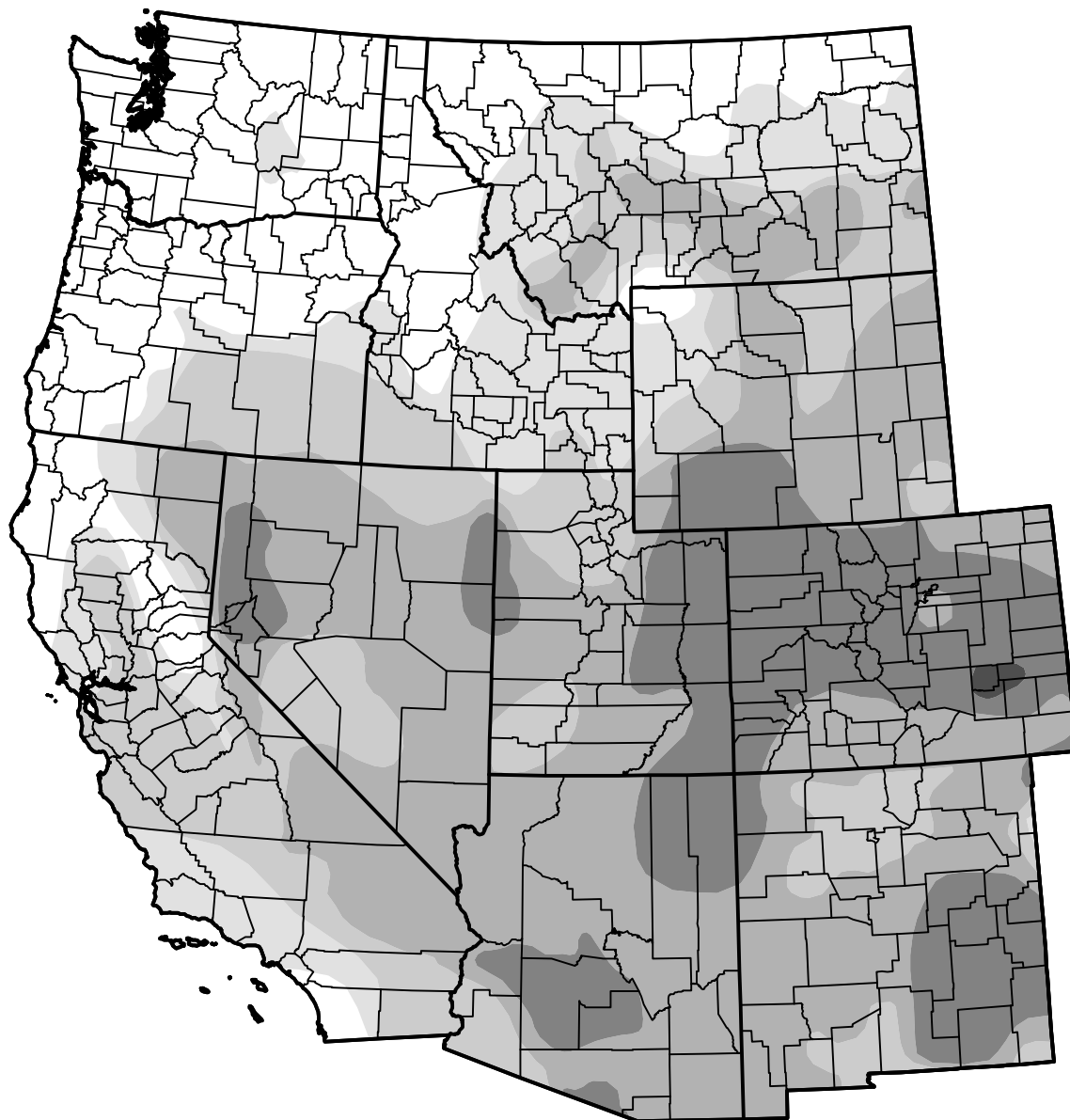
## Intensity:

|                                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  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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