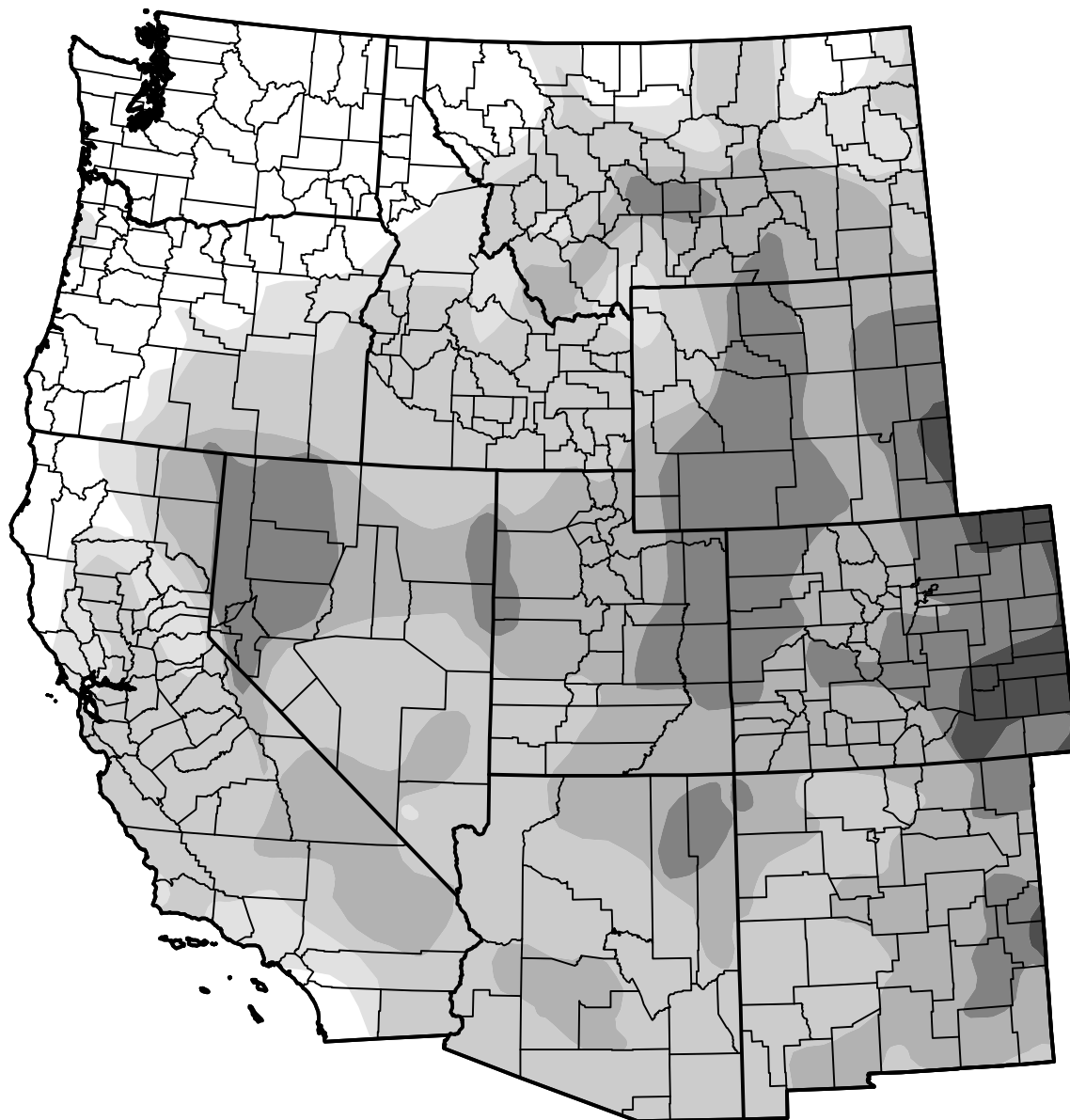


U.S. Drought Monitor West

September 18, 2012
(Released Thursday, Sep. 20, 2012)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.26	7.85	33.26	26.78	15.08	1.77
Last Week <i>09-11-2012</i>	15.09	8.09	32.09	27.66	15.37	1.71
3 Months Ago <i>06-19-2012</i>	26.24	15.43	20.93	29.52	7.88	0.00
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>09-20-2011</i>	73.65	7.31	4.05	5.69	5.49	3.81

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>

Author:

David Simeral
Western Regional Climate Center



droughtmonitor.unl.edu