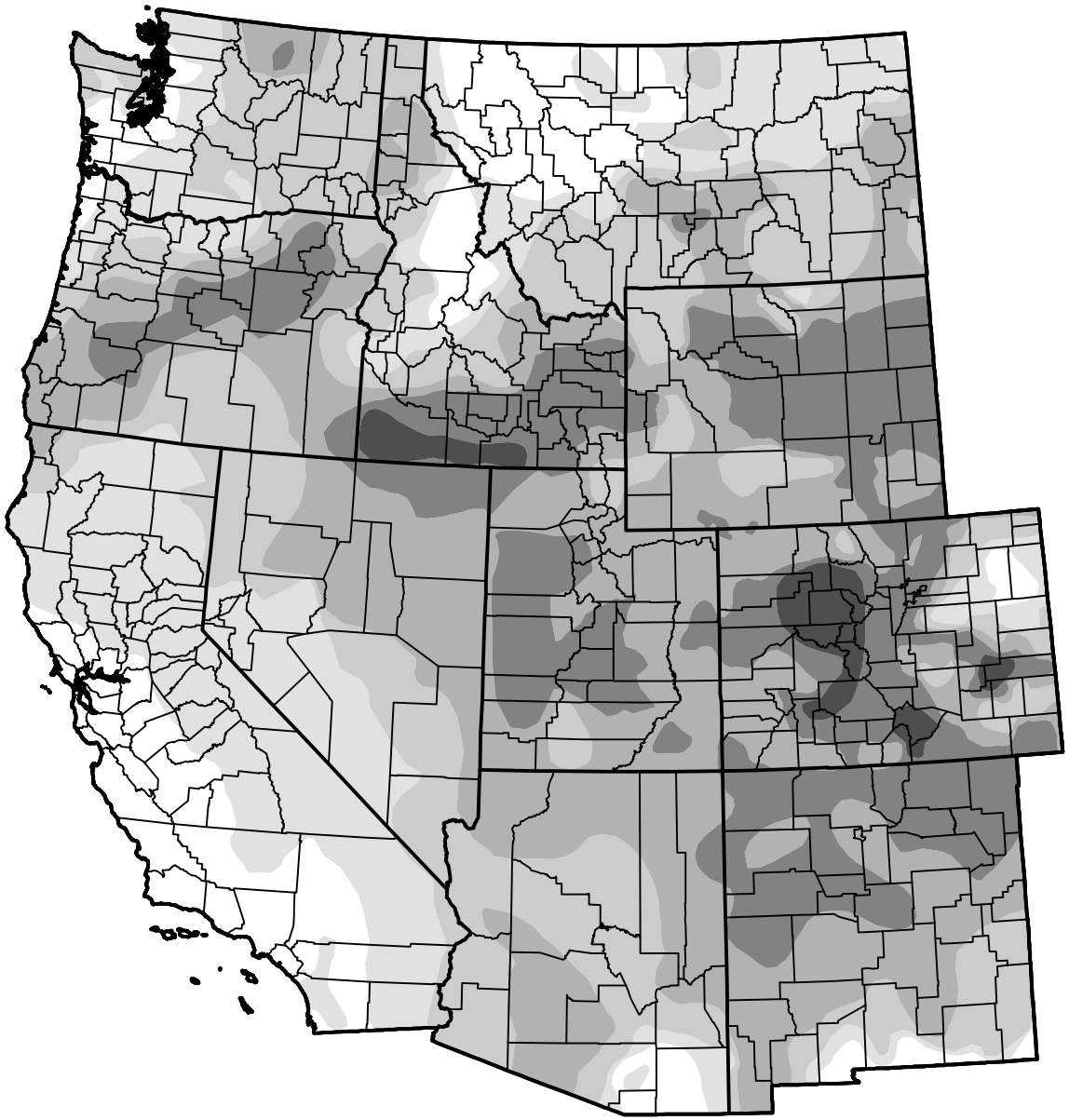
U.S. Drought Monitor

Western U.S.



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	10.16	89.84	71.49	48.68	19.73	1.77
Last Week *07-21-2026*	10.93	89.07	71.29	50.71	20.52	1.89
3 Months Ago *04-28-2026*	8.45	91.55	70.31	43.79	15.58	2.18
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	40.61	59.39	36.26	14.36	1.16	0.06
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	18.15	81.85	64.82	44.12	12.00	0.69
One Year Ago *07-29-2025*	12.86	87.14	67.29	42.00	13.11	0.99

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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