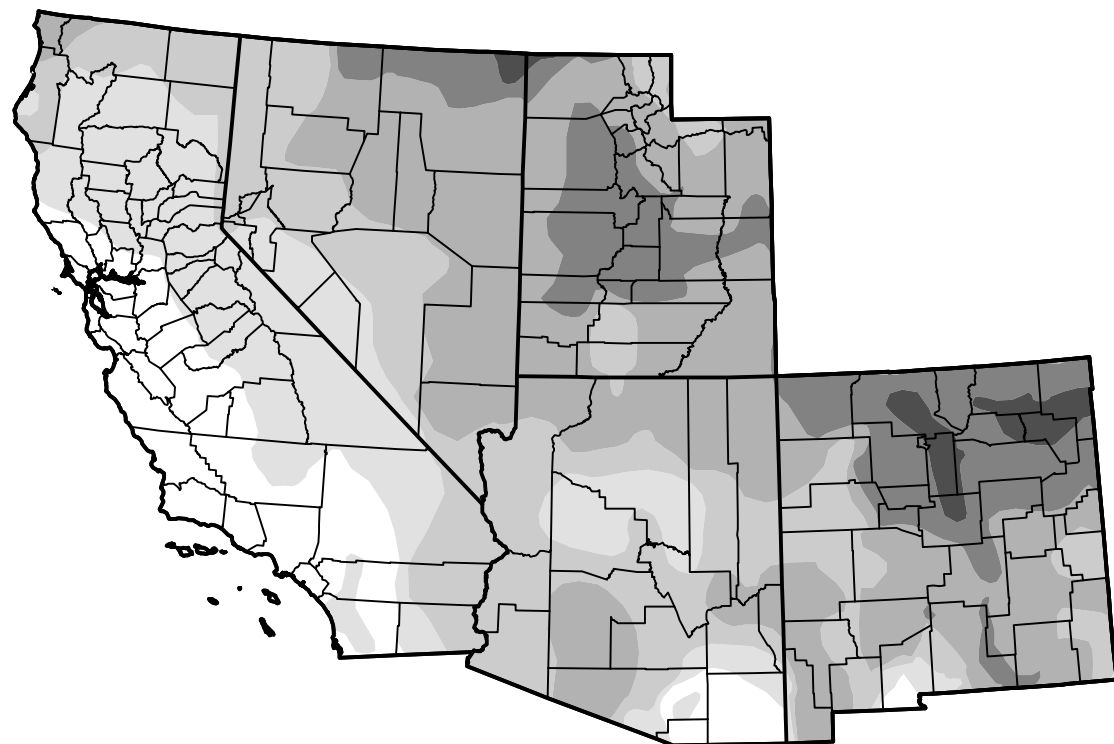


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 11.62 | 88.38 | 70.46 | 46.43 | 14.34 | 1.76 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-01-2026</i>              | 11.58 | 88.42 | 70.46 | 44.40 | 14.49 | 1.76 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-09-2026</i>           | 12.43 | 87.57 | 67.59 | 50.72 | 14.51 | 0.34 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-06-2026</i> | 42.93 | 57.07 | 42.18 | 20.03 | 1.24  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2025</i>    | 11.81 | 88.19 | 72.96 | 49.39 | 11.73 | 0.78 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-09-2025</i>           | 10.39 | 89.61 | 70.87 | 54.06 | 15.32 | 1.21 |

*Note: Statistics do not include areas represented by points.*

### 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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