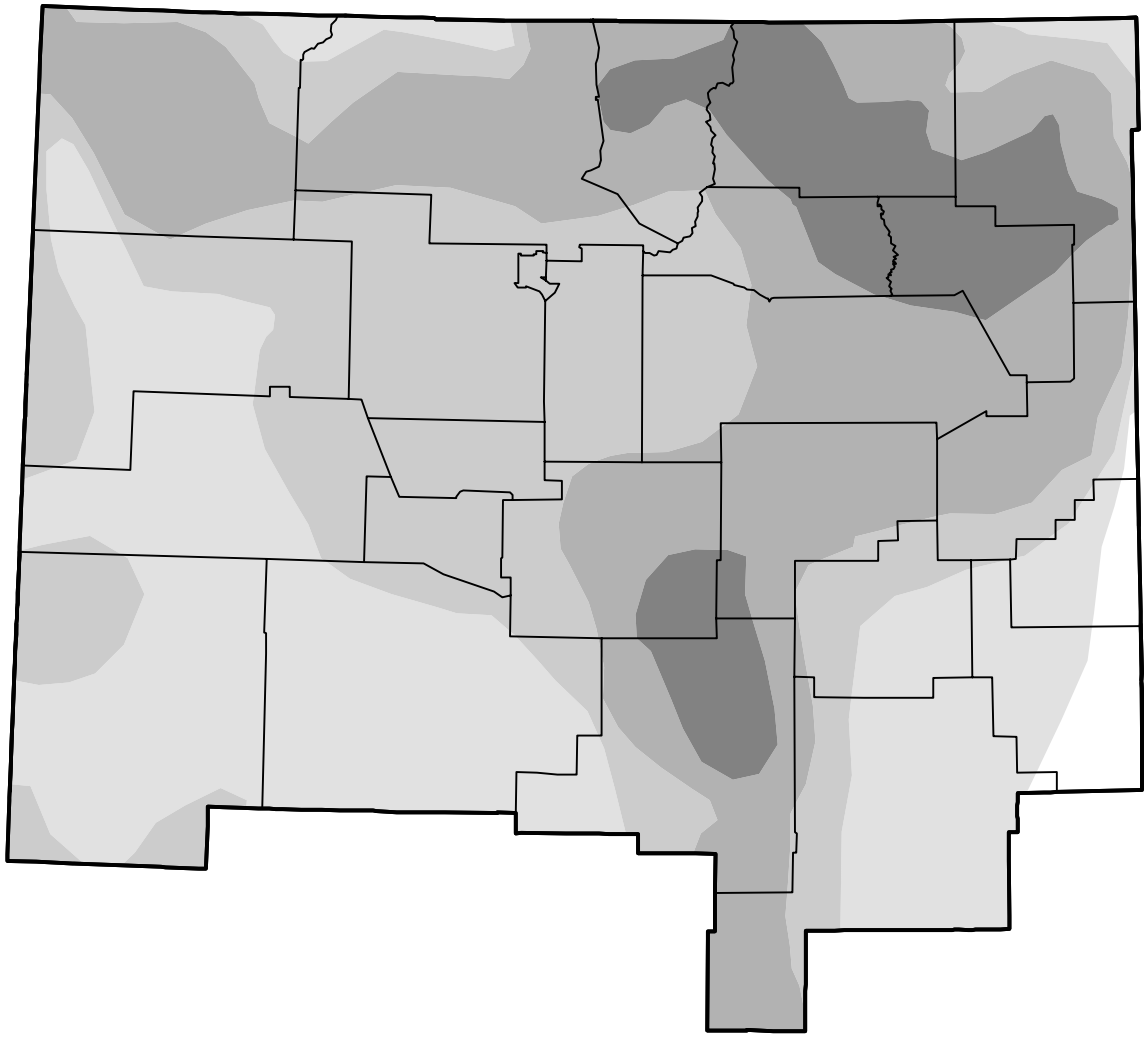
U.S. Drought Monitor

Albuquerque, NM WFO



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.99	28.81	30.36	29.23	9.61	0.00
Last Week *10-13-2026*	0.00	18.53	28.90	41.10	11.48	0.00
3 Months Ago *07-21-2026*	0.00	0.00	7.17	42.46	50.37	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	0.01	38.98	22.58	35.20	3.23	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	0.00	8.44	32.61	36.88	22.07	0.00
One Year Ago *10-21-2025*	25.23	15.35	22.16	30.86	6.40	0.00

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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