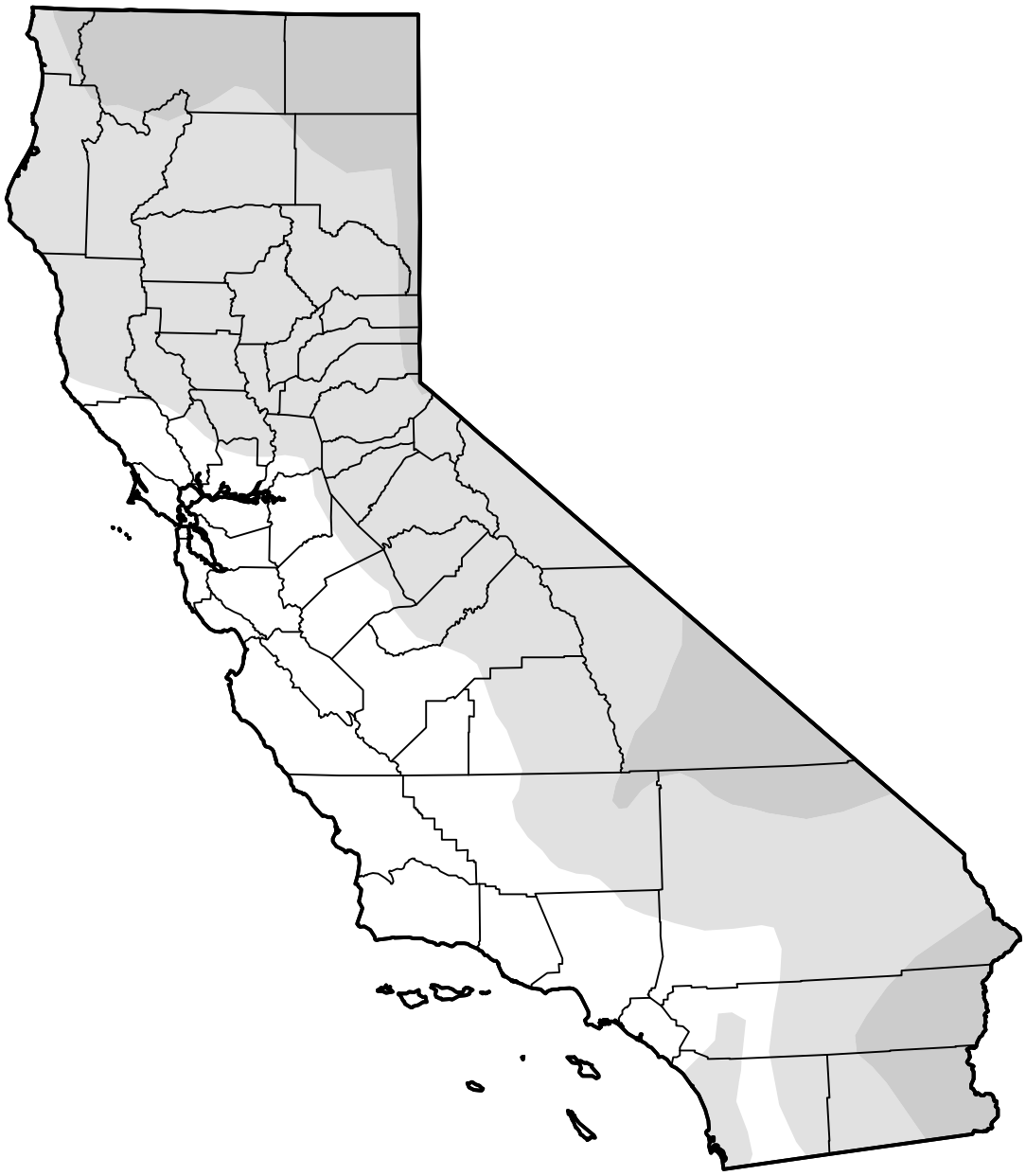
# *U.S. Drought Monitor*

# California



## October 27, 2026

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Current** | 27.88 | 72.12 | 18.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **Last Week** *10-20-2026* | 27.88 | 72.12 | 23.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **3 Months Ago** *07-28-2026* | 34.73 | 65.27 | 6.54 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Calendar Year** *01-06-2026* | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Water Year** *09-29-2026* | 27.88 | 72.12 | 23.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **One Year Ago** *10-28-2025* | 47.18 | 52.82 | 31.83 | 9.58 | 1.10 | 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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