U.S. Drought Monitor

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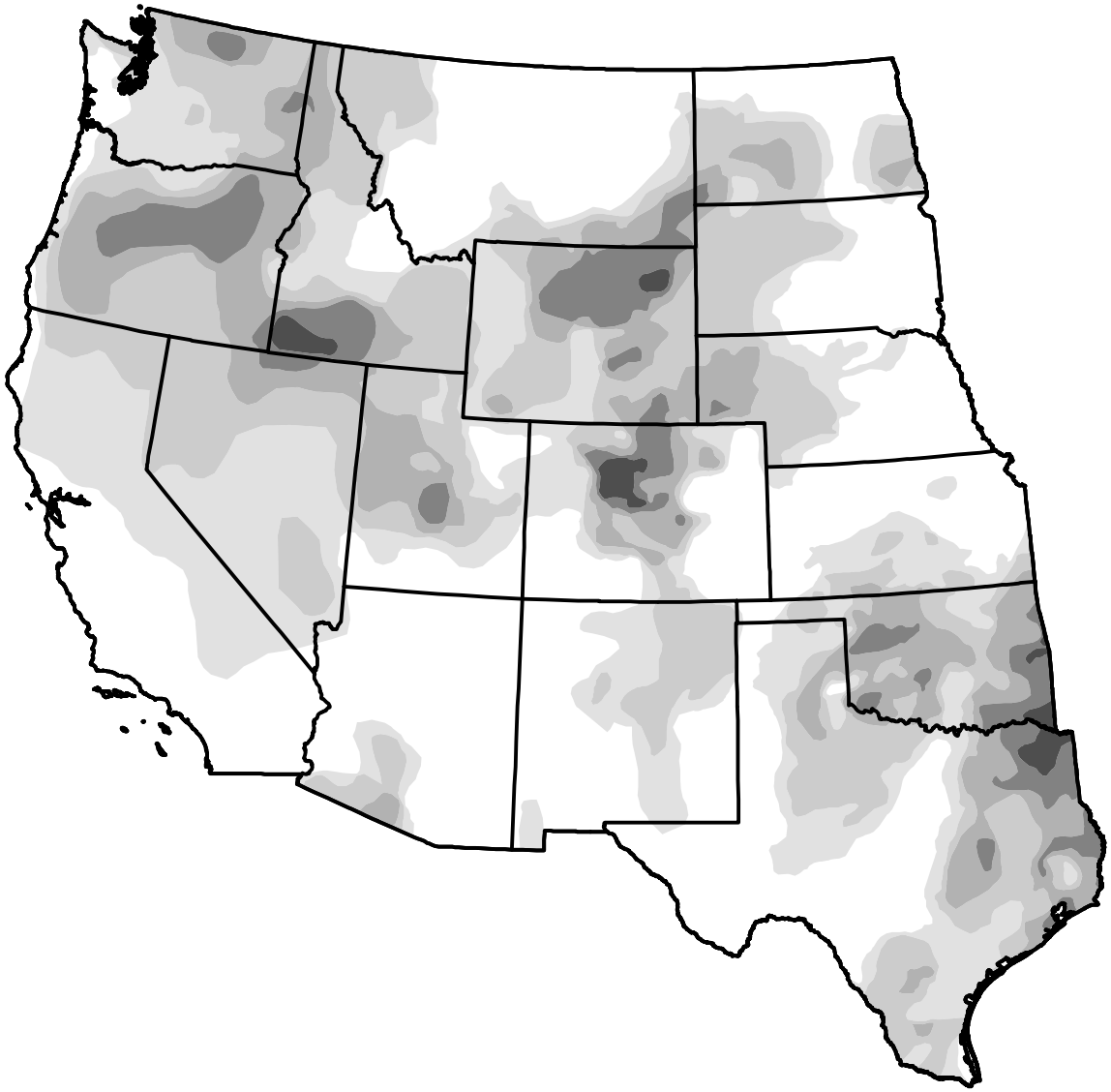

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	37.31	21.31	23.48	11.90	5.20	0.80
Last Week *11-10-2026*	30.65	25.69	23.51	14.19	5.24	0.71
3 Months Ago *08-18-2026*	10.33	21.59	26.20	25.69	14.05	2.15
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	38.34	24.35	22.77	12.17	2.28	0.09
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	12.19	16.52	27.88	27.79	13.21	2.42
One Year Ago *11-18-2025*	33.03	18.87	26.02	18.43	3.64	0.02

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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