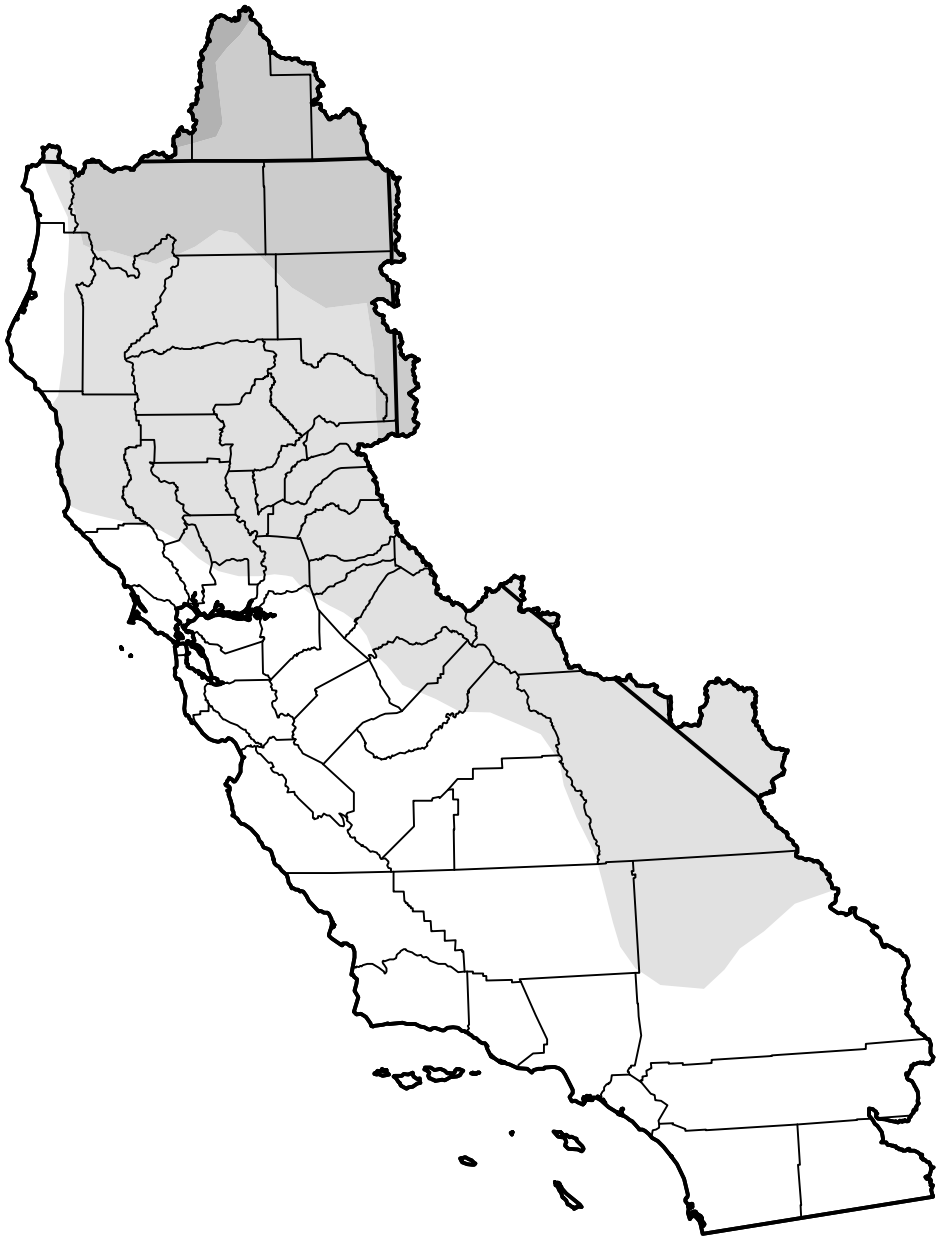
U.S. Drought Monitor

California Watershed



November 17, 2026

(Released Thursday, Nov. 19, 2026)

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	48.94	38.55	11.76	0.75	0.00	0.00
Last Week *11-10-2026*	27.44	59.78	12.03	0.75	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago *08-18-2026*	34.20	55.73	8.15	1.62	0.31	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	99.59	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	27.44	47.01	24.78	0.77	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago *11-18-2025*	71.97	14.05	12.70	0.84	0.44	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

Author:

Jonathan Case

NASA/MSFC/UAH

droughtmonitor.unl.edu