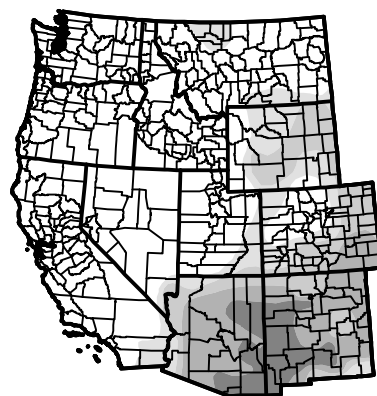
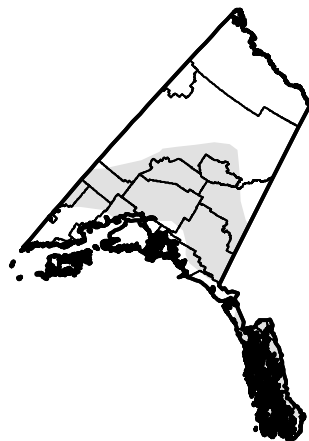


# U.S. Drought Monitor West Climate Region

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	65.71	34.29	17.90	11.19	3.89	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-11-2006</i>	65.82	34.18	17.74	10.65	3.31	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-17-2006</i>	66.96	33.04	12.47	1.47	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	68.42	31.58	9.65	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	59.42	40.58	20.63	7.77	0.64	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-19-2005</i>	59.04	40.96	31.01	20.34	9.17	2.43

***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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