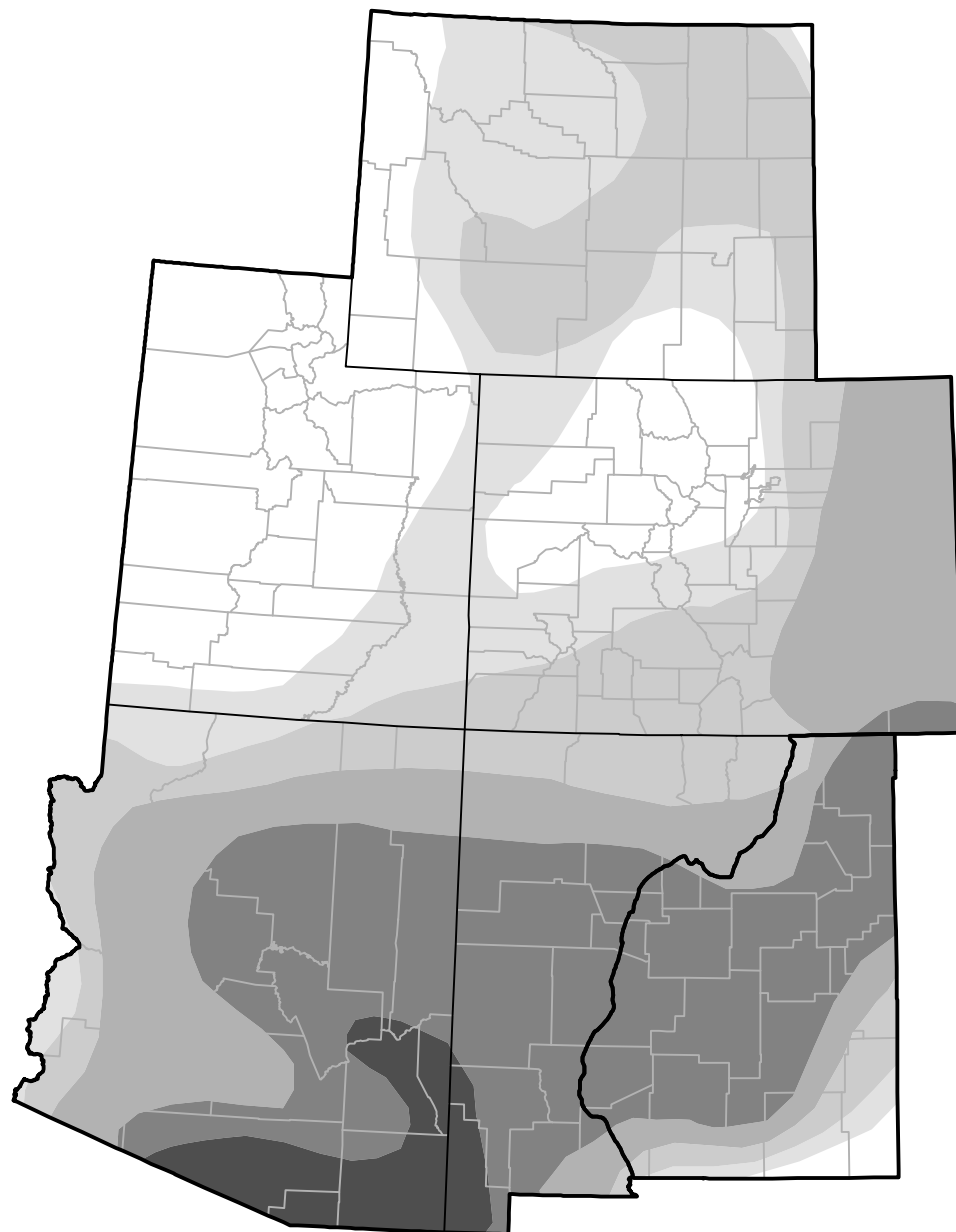


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	21.81	78.19	61.83	42.23	25.63	3.82
Last Week <i>05-11-2006</i>	21.77	78.23	61.71	41.23	25.47	3.37
3 Months Ago <i>02-16-2006</i>	21.86	78.14	54.53	21.72	8.53	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	29.68	70.32	23.63	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	47.93	52.07	24.63	6.61	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-19-2005</i>	53.05	46.95	25.44	11.55	2.10	0.00

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate 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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