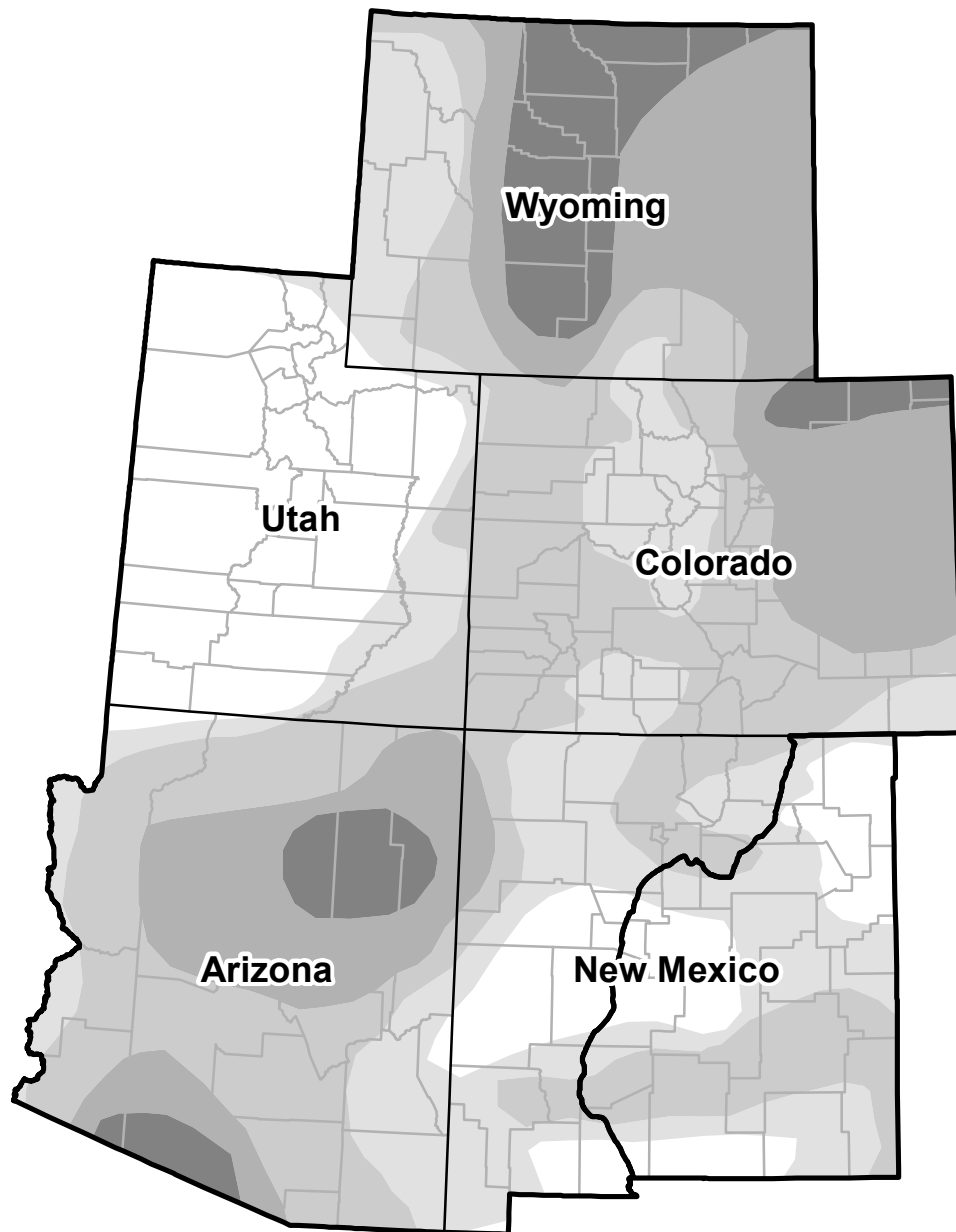


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	18.52	20.00	29.73	22.73	9.03	0.00
Last Week <i>08-22-2006</i>	17.87	17.74	32.64	22.44	9.32	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-30-2006</i>	18.16	20.89	20.35	18.19	18.06	4.35
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	33.36	42.39	24.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	45.89	26.74	19.85	7.52	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-30-2005</i>	44.93	27.46	18.55	9.06	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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