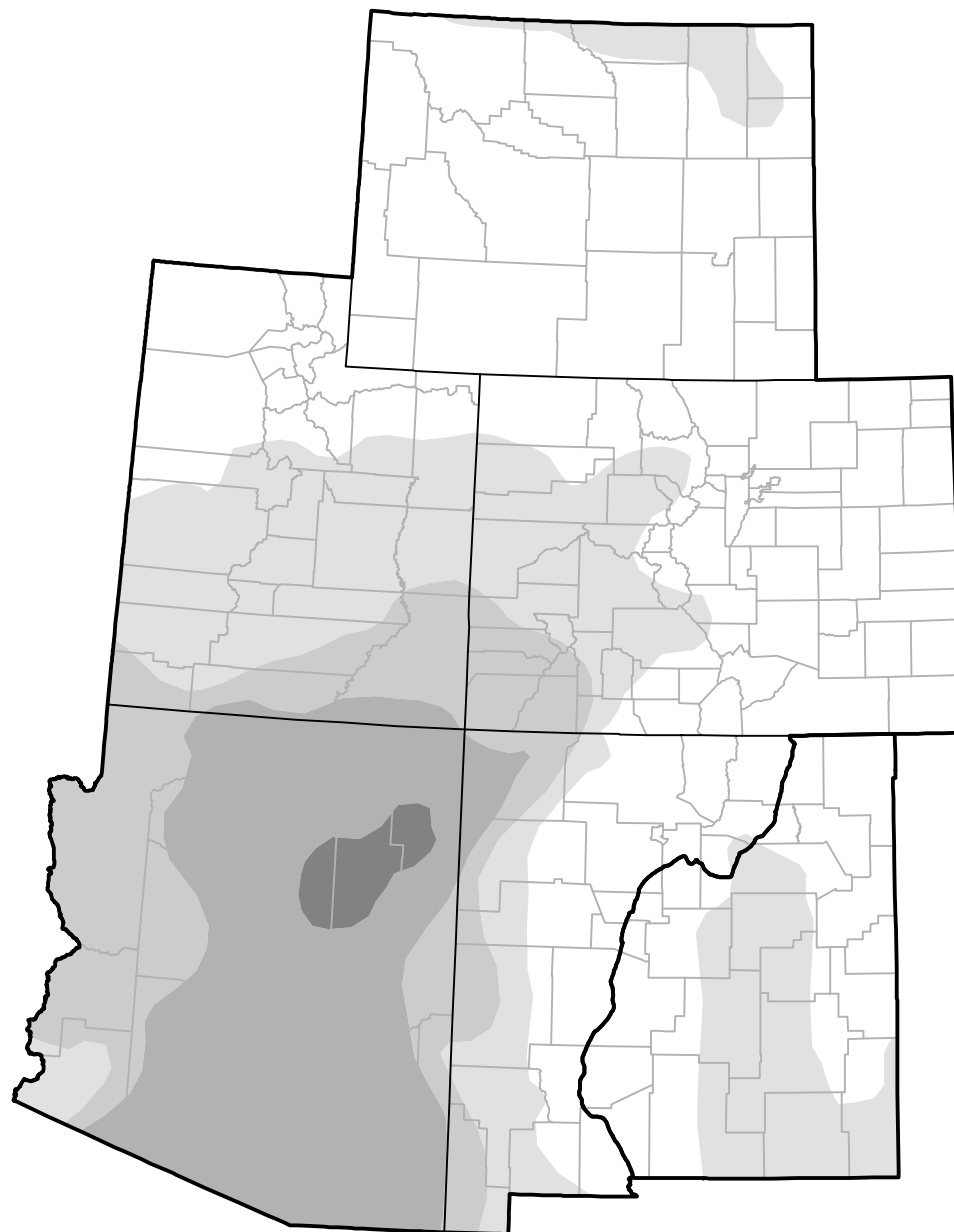


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	50.04	49.96	28.14	16.58	1.11	0.00
Last Week <i>12-17-2009</i>	50.04	49.96	28.14	16.58	1.11	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-24-2009</i>	61.73	38.27	12.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2009</i>	47.80	52.20	8.47	0.33	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2009</i>	61.73	38.27	13.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-24-2008</i>	40.78	59.22	9.26	0.33	0.00	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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