

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                        | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                         | 42.01 | 41.11 | 11.66 | 5.21  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-09-2010</i>                  | 38.26 | 43.82 | 13.94 | 3.98  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-15-2009</i>               | 48.76 | 19.23 | 13.15 | 17.61 | 1.26 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-29-2009</i> | 47.48 | 20.51 | 13.15 | 17.61 | 1.26 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2009</i>    | 61.44 | 22.94 | 15.61 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-17-2009</i>               | 47.21 | 40.34 | 12.45 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

### 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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