

# 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>	7.46	24.85	34.49	29.13	4.08	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-08-2012</i>	7.45	25.48	33.93	29.06	4.08	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-14-2012</i>	31.43	24.38	29.97	14.17	0.05	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	58.92	10.89	13.13	16.37	0.70	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2011</i>	51.86	12.72	10.36	12.77	9.81	2.48
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-17-2011</i>	52.24	10.95	12.57	13.09	10.86	0.29

(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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