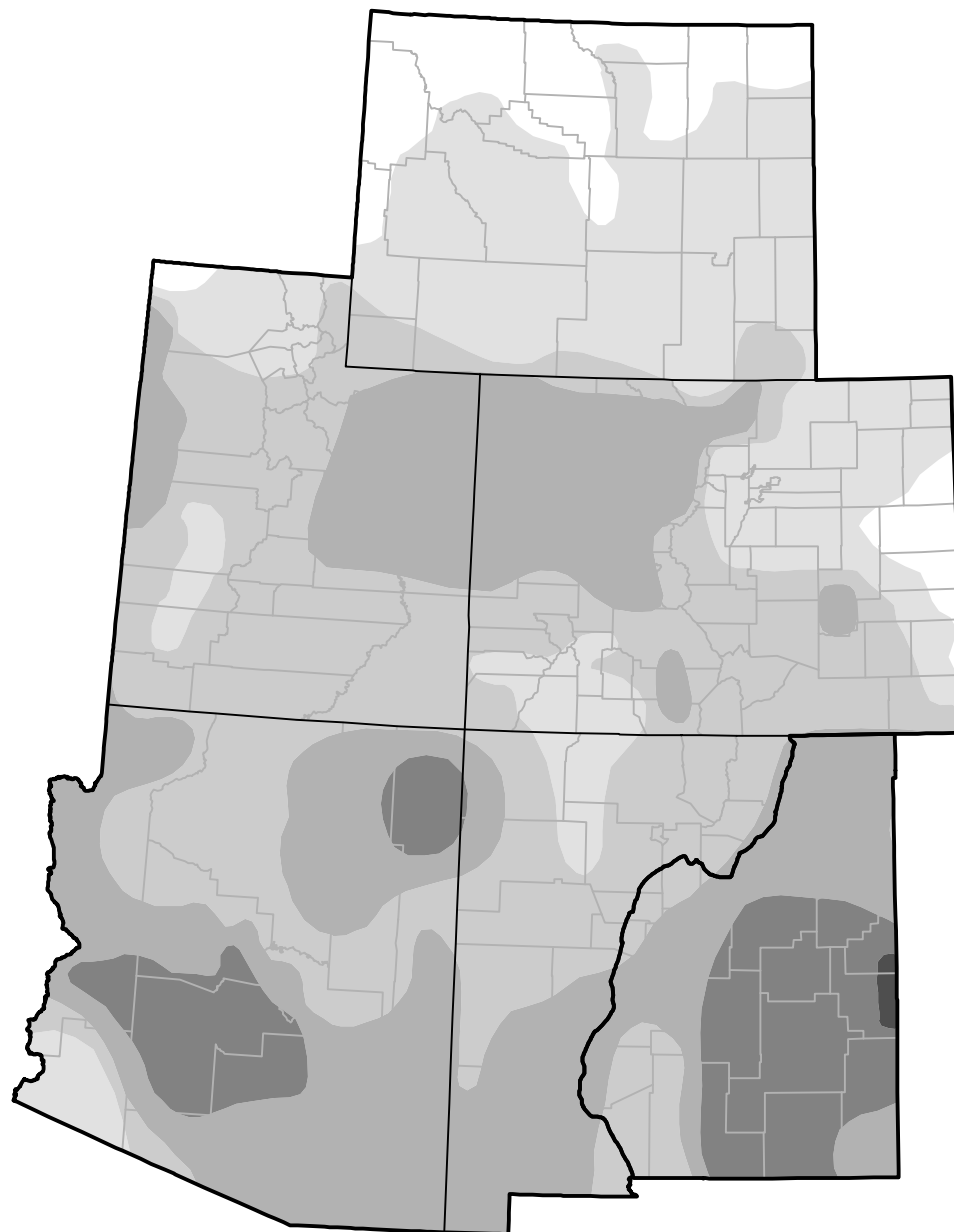


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	6.56	93.44	71.60	39.70	9.14	0.16
Last Week <i>05-10-2012</i>	6.55	93.45	71.05	40.80	9.90	0.81
3 Months Ago <i>02-16-2012</i>	27.63	72.37	50.84	23.26	5.81	1.89
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	51.79	48.21	38.59	26.88	6.05	1.76
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	45.58	54.42	43.23	34.04	21.12	8.65
One Year Ago <i>05-19-2011</i>	45.91	54.09	44.46	33.41	19.93	7.44

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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