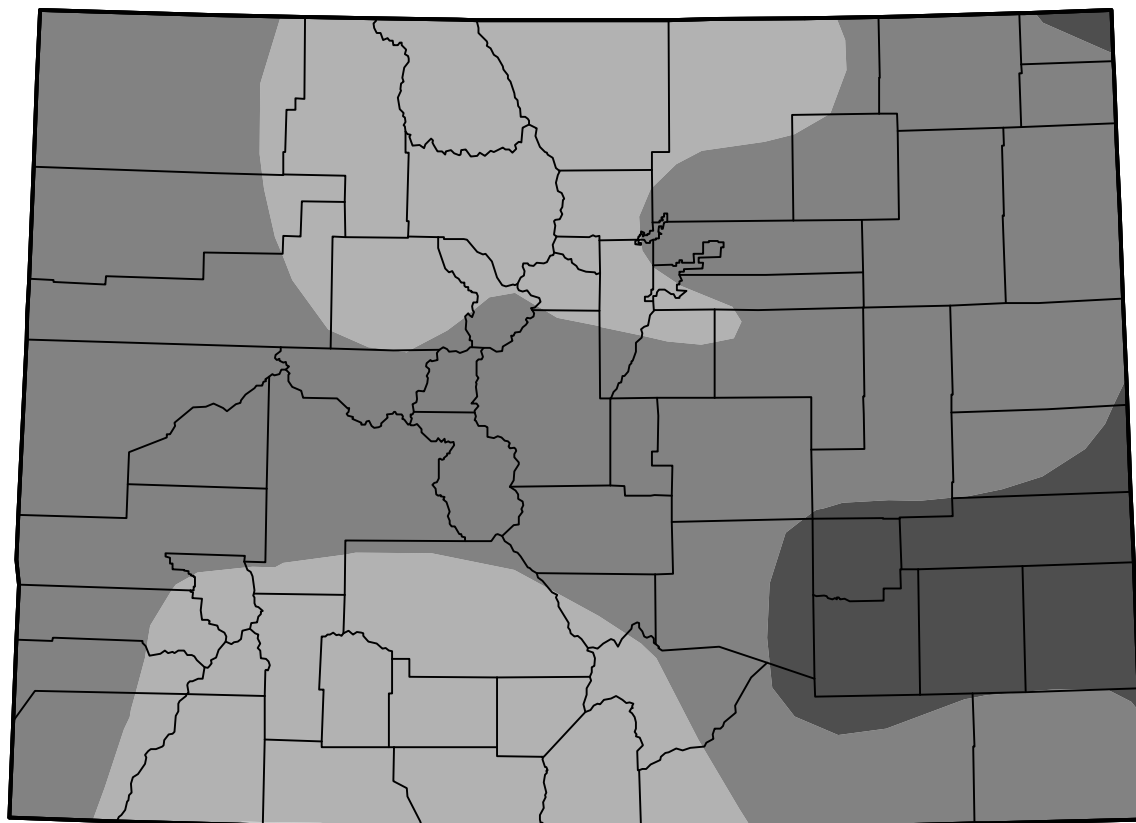


# U.S. Drought Monitor Colorado

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4  | D1-D4  | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.00  | 100.00 | 100.00 | 99.96 | 68.37 | 9.19 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-09-2012</i>              | 0.00  | 100.00 | 100.00 | 99.96 | 65.46 | 5.67 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-17-2012</i>           | 5.15  | 94.85  | 64.57  | 28.49 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 65.37 | 34.63  | 24.98  | 10.60 | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 60.62 | 39.38  | 27.69  | 19.99 | 7.88  | 0.56 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-18-2011</i>           | 61.06 | 38.94  | 30.11  | 24.84 | 18.43 | 1.23 |

**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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