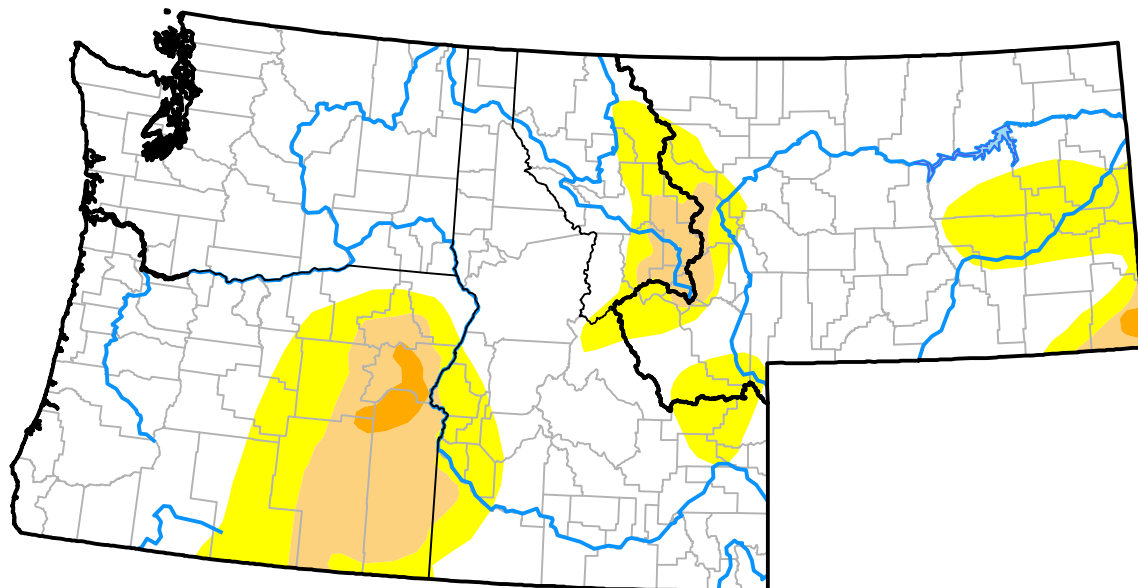


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Pacific Northwest RDEWS

**December 20, 2016**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 22, 2016)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 76.53 | 23.47 | 9.90  | 0.93  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-15-2016</i>              | 75.88 | 24.12 | 9.90  | 0.93  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-22-2016</i>           | 3.39  | 96.61 | 30.69 | 5.43  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2015</i> | 23.46 | 76.54 | 63.69 | 40.21 | 16.31 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2016</i>    | 3.39  | 96.61 | 28.73 | 5.43  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-24-2015</i>           | 18.23 | 81.77 | 69.24 | 50.49 | 19.72 | 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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