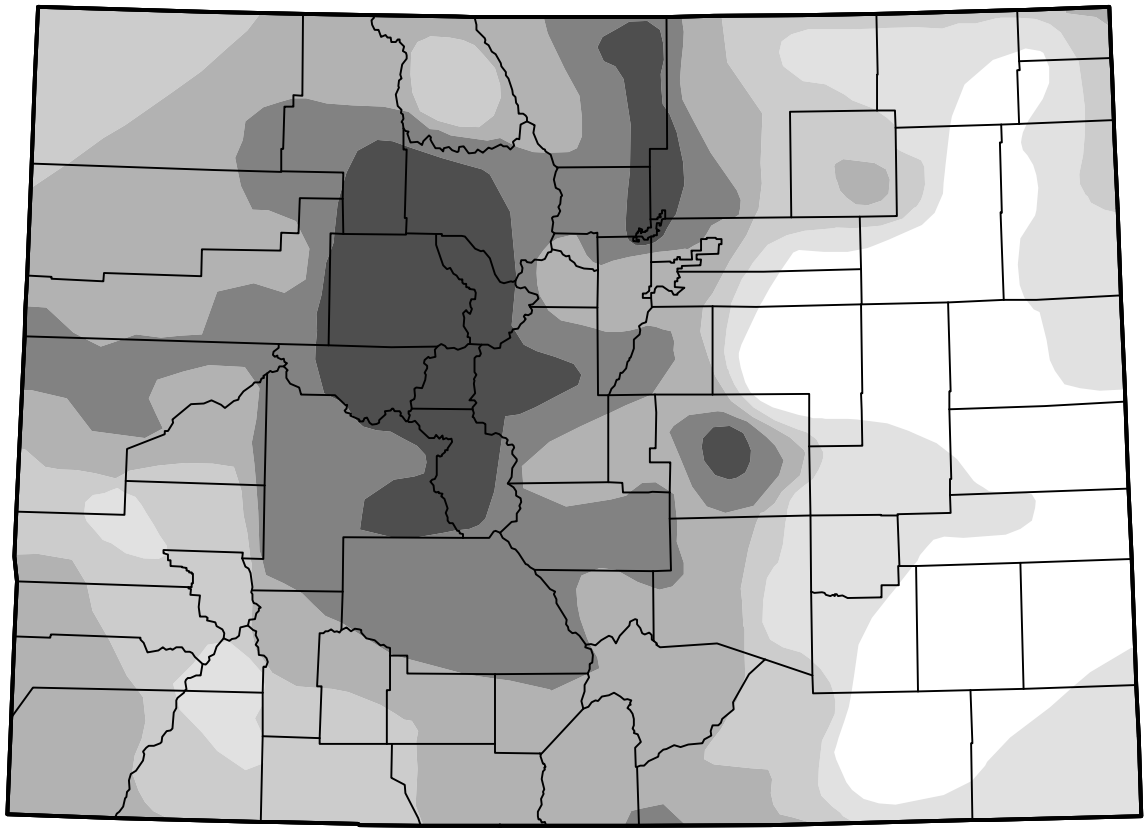
U.S. Drought Monitor
Colorado



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.62	13.56	16.77	27.88	17.69	8.47
Last Week *10-06-2026*	15.62	12.91	16.28	22.25	24.47	8.47
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	2.86	6.85	10.43	34.16	33.52	12.17
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	25.96	27.81	30.46	11.42	3.68	0.67
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	45.82	8.99	9.30	21.55	14.34	0.00
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	49.29	14.87	18.51	16.03	1.30	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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