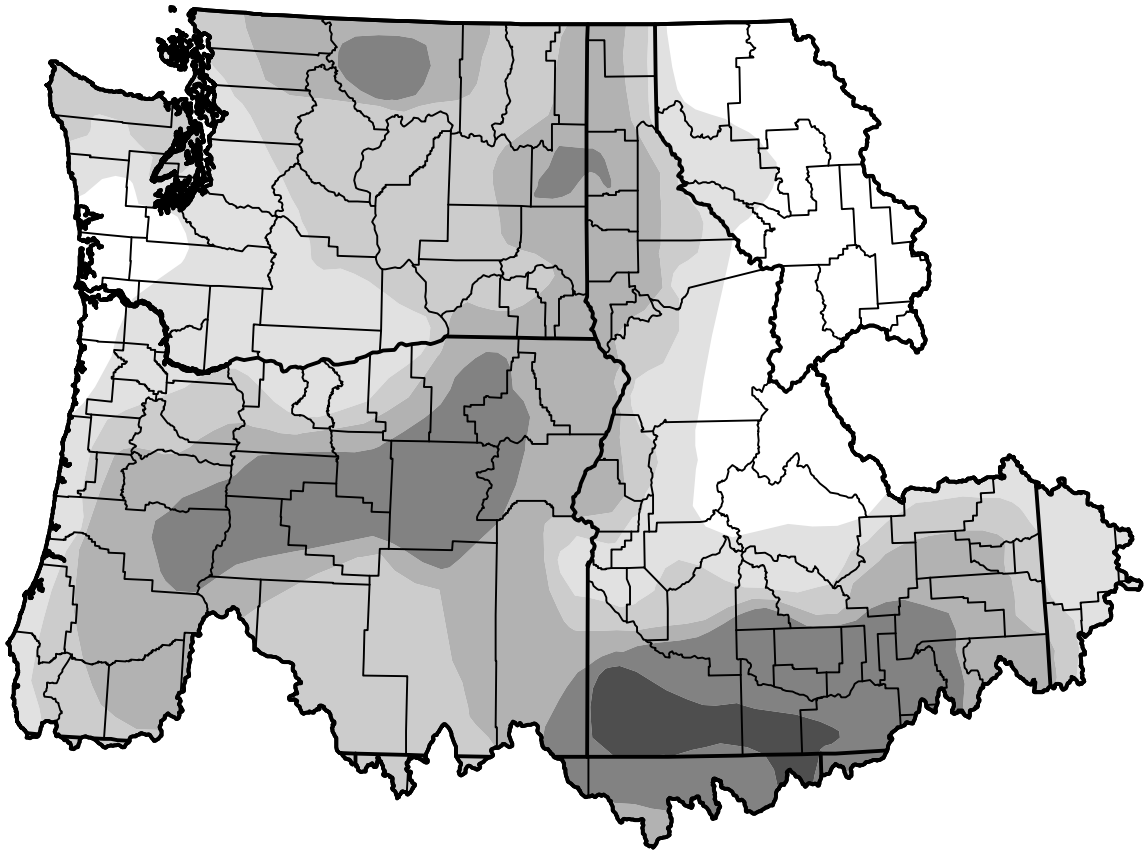
U.S. Drought Monitor

Northwest RFC



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	14.40	85.60	66.36	41.85	17.37	2.24
Last Week *10-06-2026*	13.85	86.15	67.05	43.03	19.30	2.24
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	11.21	88.79	72.55	40.23	19.04	3.56
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	38.20	61.80	28.61	2.90	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	10.05	89.95	80.78	53.71	15.24	1.28
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	15.16	84.84	75.11	50.64	15.24	1.28

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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