

Drought Information Statement for Northeastern Wyoming and Western South Dakota Valid Month DD, YYYY

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- This product will be updated September 27, 2024 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements.
- Please visit https://www.weather.gov/unr/DroughtInformationStatement for previous statements.
- Please visit https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates for regional drought status updates.
- Extreme (D3) Drought to Abnormally Dry Conditions extend across all of northeastern Wyoming and most of western South Dakota.
- Hot temperatures continue to exacerbate drought conditions.





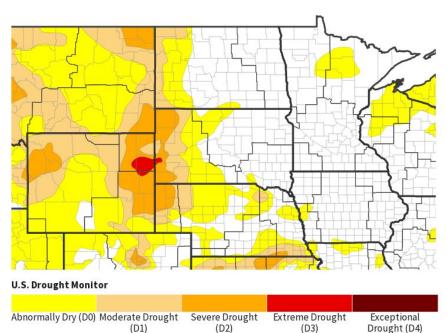


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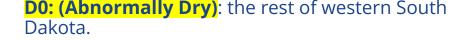
Link to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor for northeastern Wyoming and western South Dakota

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D4** (Exceptional Drought): None occurring.
 - D3 (Extreme Drought): Portions of Weston, far 0 southeastern Campbell, and far western Pennington Counties.
 - **D2 (Severe Drought)**: Portions of counties along the Wyoming/South Dakota border and South Dakota/Montana border.
 - **D1** (Moderate Drought):
 - Northeast Wyoming: Portions of Campbell & Crook Counties.
 - South Dakota: Portions of Perkins, Butte, Meade, Pennington, Lawrence, Custer, & Oglala Lakota Counties.
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry)**: the rest of western South

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Source(s): NDMC, NOAA, USDA; image courtesy of Drought.gov



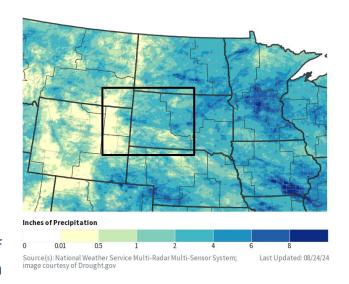
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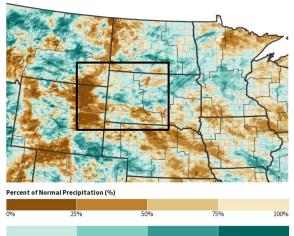
Precipitation: Last 30 Days

- Much of the area had below normal precipitation over the past 30 days.
- Portions of northeastern Wyoming were significantly below average over the past 30 days.
- The lack of precipitation over the past 30 days has begun to impact portions of south-central South Dakota as seen on the 30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation graphic to the right.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)



30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



150% 200% 300% Source(s): National Weather Service Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor System; Last Updated: 08/24/24 image courtesy of Drought.gov

Links: See/submit Condition Monitoring Observer Reports (CMOR) and view the Drought Impacts Reporter

Hydrologic Impacts

• Most streams and rivers are below normal to normal for this time of the year. Additional information from the USGS may be found here.

Agricultural Impacts

• USDA Crop Progress and Condition reports: <u>South Dakota</u> and <u>Wyoming</u>.

Fire Hazard Impacts

• Please visit <u>Great Plains Fire Information</u> for the latest fire restrictions.

Other Impacts

• Current 100- and 1000-hr fuels are very dry and herbaceous fuels continue to dry down and cure. Even with ample precipitation the warm-season grasses will struggle to come back.

Mitigation Actions

- Rapid City's annual mandatory water conservation measure continues through August 31.
- Gillette's water waste ordinance continues through October 1.



Drought Outlook

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the CPC homepage

 Drought conditions are expected to further develop or persist over all of northeastern Wyoming and portions of western South Dakota.

Links to the latest:

<u>Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook</u> Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook

1-Month Drought Outlook

