



Drought Information Statement for Western & Central Wyoming

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- This product will be updated by August 7th, 2026 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
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 - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/riw/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
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- Extreme (D3) conditions have extended into Fremont, Washakie, Hot Springs, Big Horn and Park counties. It persists in Johnson and Natrona, and portions of Sweetwater Lincoln, Sublette and Teton Counties
 - Severe (D2) conditions in all or portions of all other counties.



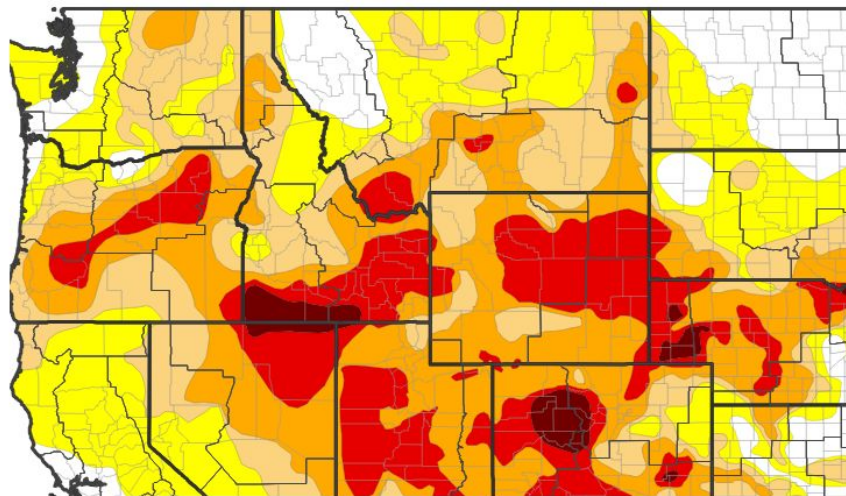
U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for Western & Central Wyoming

- Drought intensity and Extent

- **D4 (Exceptional Drought):** None occurring.
- **D3 (Extreme Drought):** Johnson, Natrona, Fremont, Big Horn, Hot Springs, Washakie counties. Portions of Sweetwater, Lincoln, and Park Counties
- **D2 (Severe Drought):** Fremont, Johnson, Hot Springs, and Washakie counties. Portions of all other counties
- **D1 (Moderate Drought):** Portions of Park, Teton, Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, Big Horn and Fremont counties.
- **D0: (Abnormally Dry):** None

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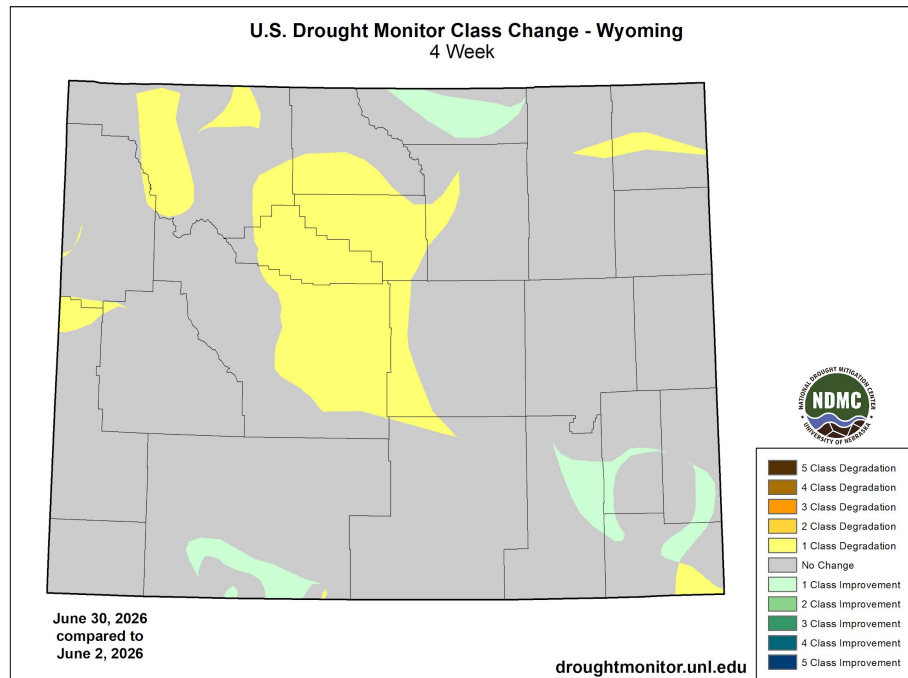


Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for Western & Central Wyoming

- **Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change**

- **Drought Worsened By Two Classes:** None
 - **Drought Worsened:** Portions of Lincoln, Park, Fremont, Washakie, Hot Springs, Big Horn, Johnson, and Natrona counties.
 - **No Change:** A large portion of the region.
 - **Drought Improved:** A small section of Sweetwater County
- June was another mainly dry month with a few localized heavier rain showers. This helped keep drought conditions unchanged across a large part of the state.



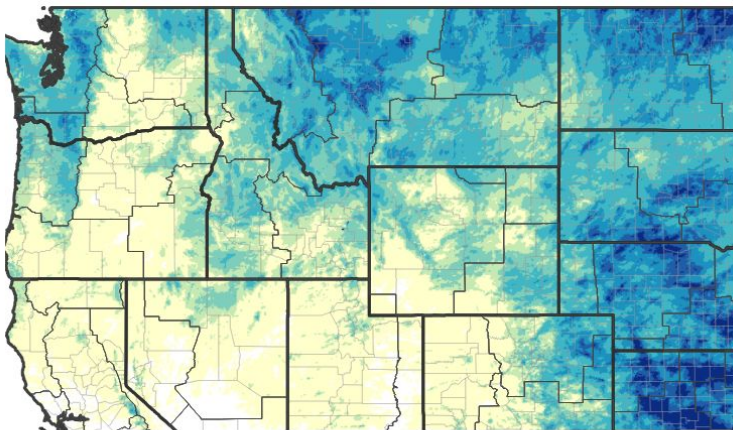


Precipitation

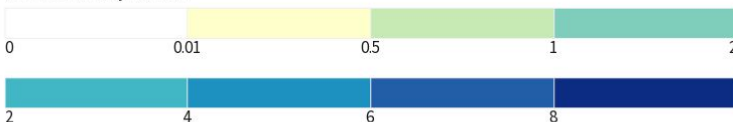
Small areas of above normal precipitation occurred across parts of east central Wyoming

Otherwise, many locations saw well below normal precipitation.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)



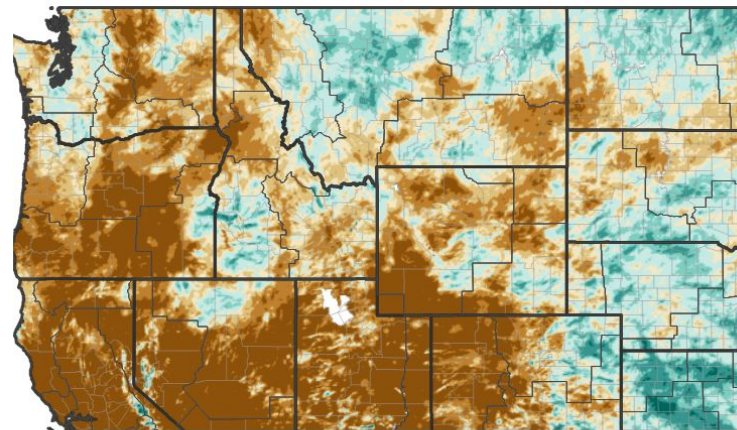
Inches of Precipitation



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30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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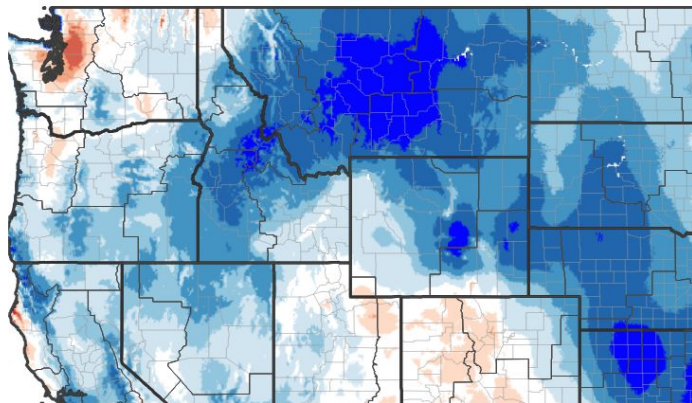


Temperature

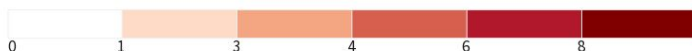
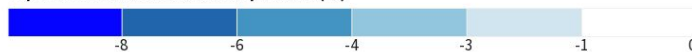
The 7-day anomaly through June 29th shows that Natrona County was 8-10 degrees below normal. Mainly, the state saw below normal temperatures.

The 30-day anomaly through June 29th shows temperatures very close to normal, with variations of just 1-3 degrees.

7-Day Temperature Anomaly



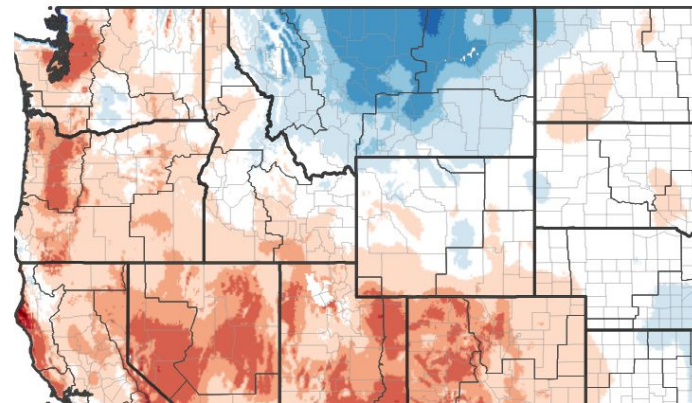
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



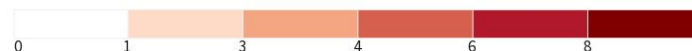
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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Lower water levels are expected across many bodies of waters with a low amount of precipitation. Reservoir levels will hold steady, however areas with minimal, localized rainfall could see diminishing levels.

Agricultural Impacts

- USDA Wyoming Crop Progress and Condition Reports can be found [here](#)

Fire Hazard Impacts

- Fire Hazards have been stable, but with the lack of significant precipitation the potential remains. August does show an increase in potential across the west and southwest. Dry and windy conditions will show increases to fire hazards. ([Most recent Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook](#))

Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information
- Clear debris from around structures to protect from potential wildfires

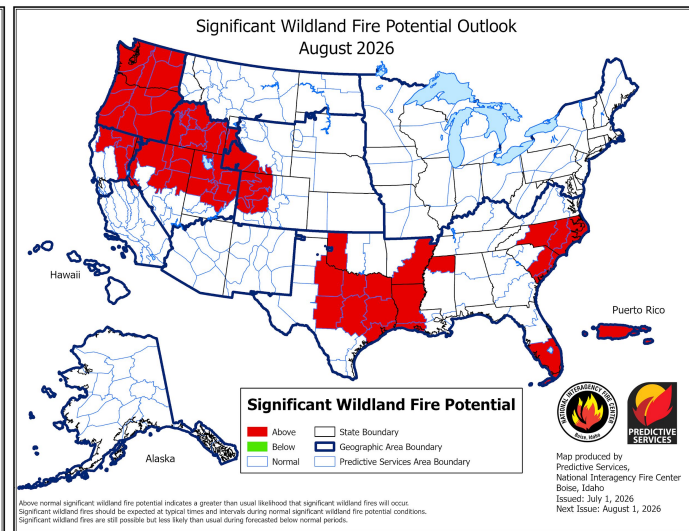
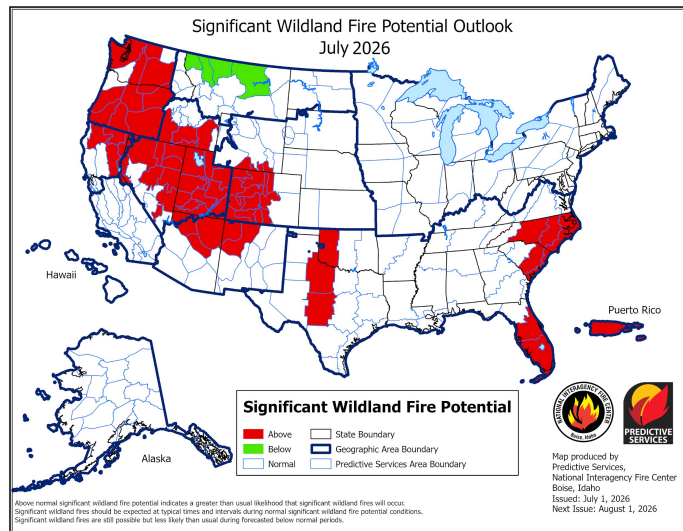




Fire Hazard Impacts

Link to [Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center](#).

- July is showing a small slice of Sweetwater County in the High potential category
- August is showing the west and southwest in the High potential category



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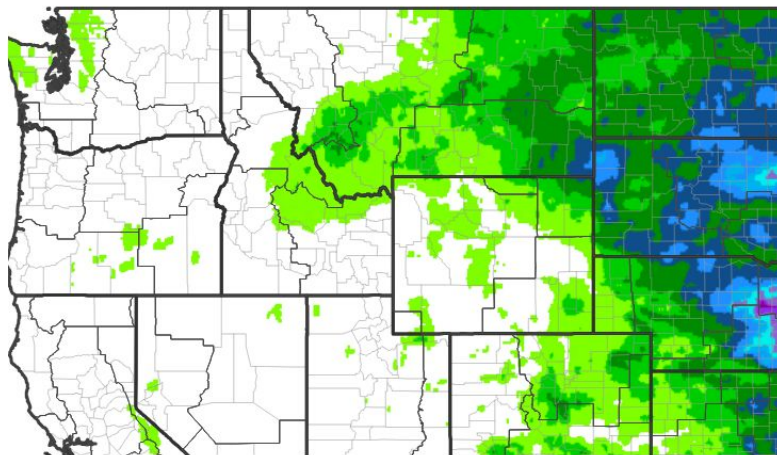


Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

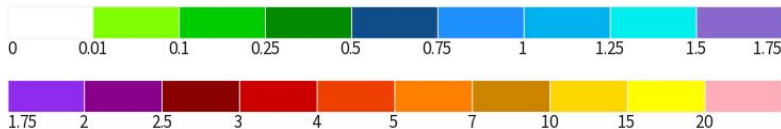
Precipitation Outlook Valid July 3rd-July 10th 2026

- No major systems are expected across the area.
- Small waves will bring isolated to scattered convective activity, but precipitation will be light.

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for July 3, 2026-July 10, 2026



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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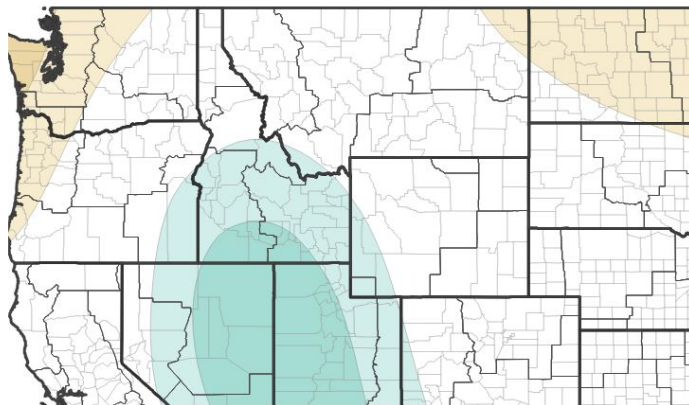


Long-Range Outlooks

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the [CPC homepage](#)

- Probability of precipitation is leaning to above normal across the southwest, with the rest of the state showing equal chances so climatology is the best forecast.
- Temperatures for the state indicate above normal values (33-60%). The highest values are across the western parts of the state.

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for July 1, 2026–July 31, 2026



Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



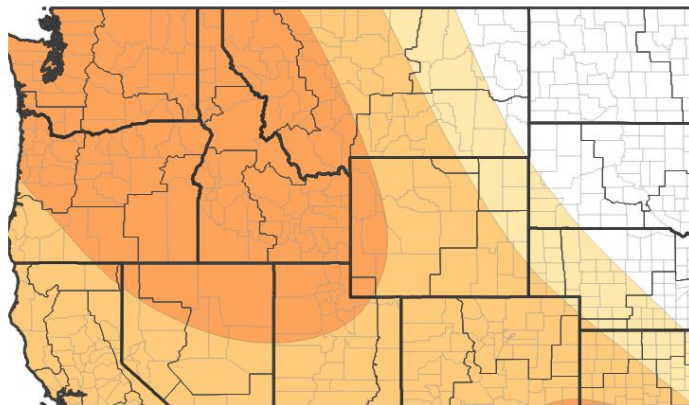
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Monthly Temperature Outlook for July 1, 2026–July 31, 2026



Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Near-Normal Temperatures



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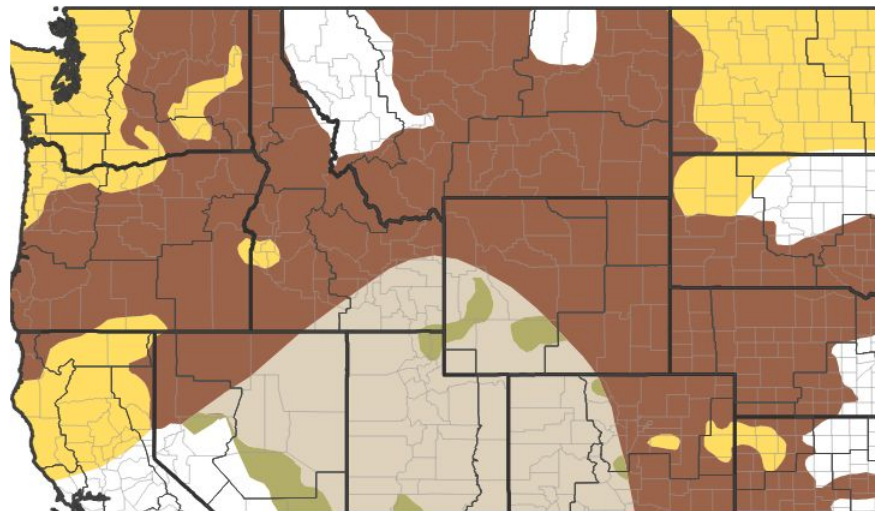
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Seasonal Outlook

- Drought conditions are expected to persist over the north and east
- Drought is expected to improve or even end across the southwest and west.

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for June 30,
2026–September 30, 2026



Drought Is Predicted To...



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Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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