

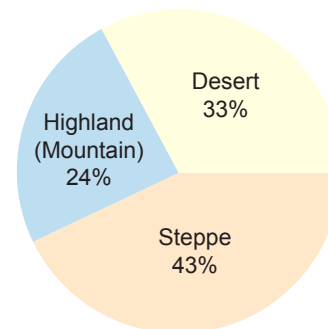
### Utah's Climate

Utah has three distinct climates: steppe, desert, and highland (mountain),

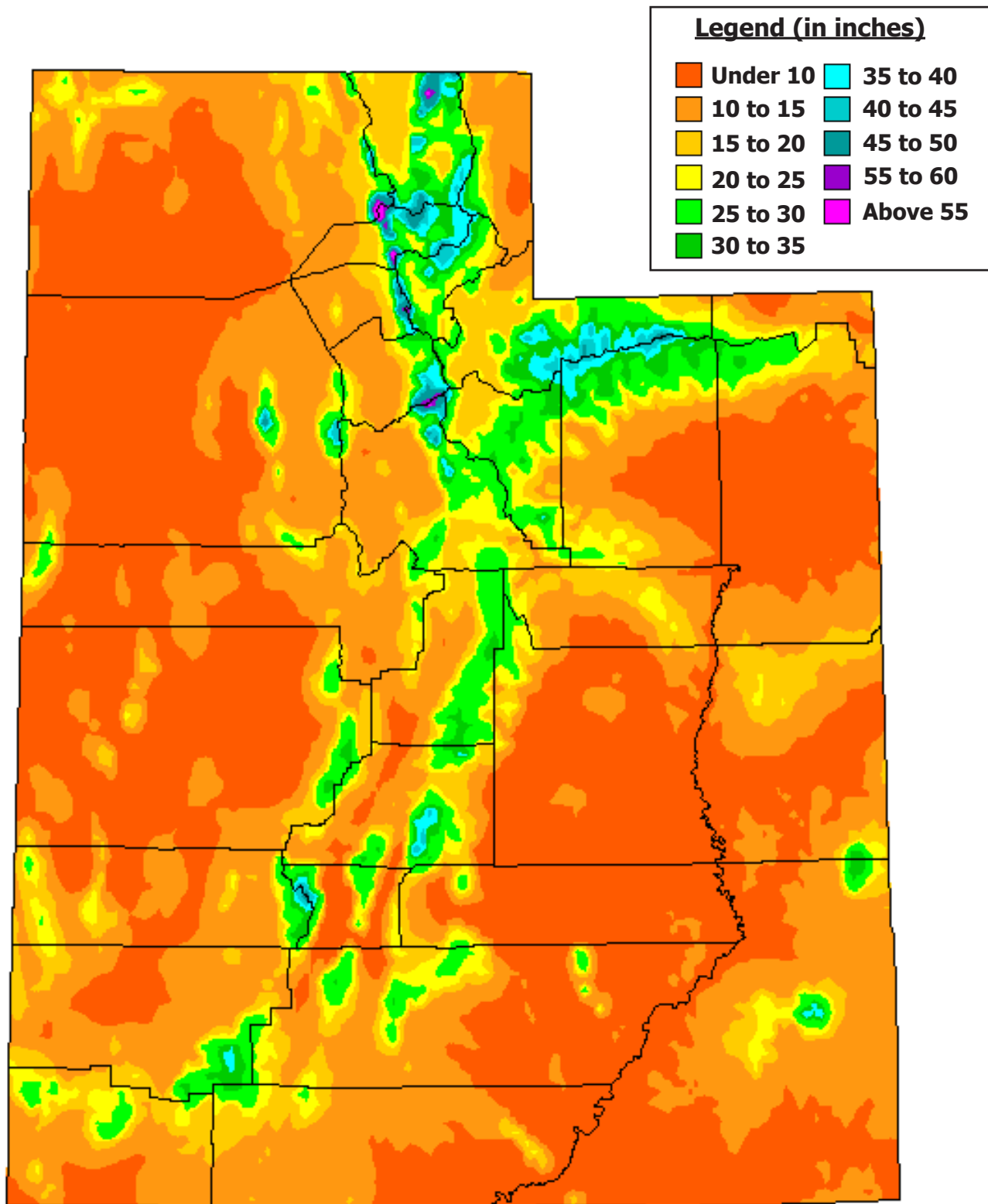
Steppe climates occur between the desert and the highlands. Most of Utah's people live in this part of the state.

Utah deserts occur in two major regions: the Great Basin to the west and the Plateau Region.

Highland, or mountain, climates are the least common in Utah.



# Utah Precipitation



This is a map of annual precipitation averaged over the period 1961 - 1990. Station observations were collected from the NOAA Cooperative and USDA-NRCS Snotel networks, plus other state and local networks.

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