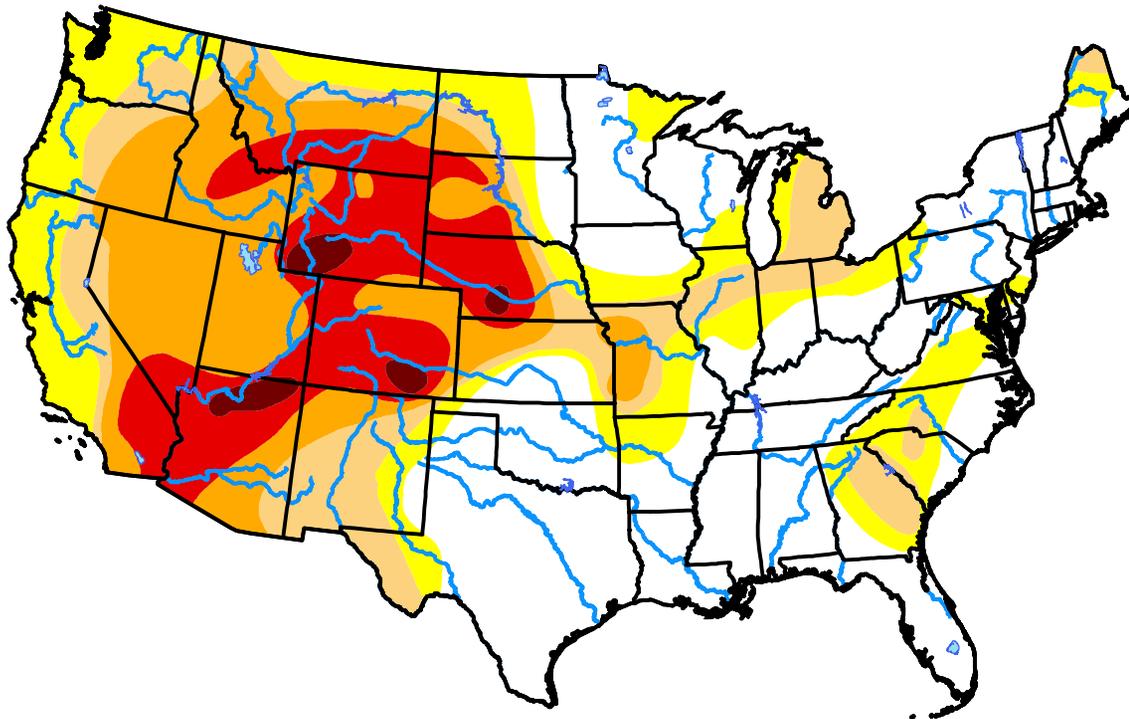


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**December 10, 2002**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	38.62	17.60	13.01	17.11	12.40	1.26
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-03-2002</i>	41.04	16.91	15.45	13.35	12.16	1.09
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-10-2002</i>	28.94	16.43	16.59	17.52	15.52	5.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2002</i>	46.53	16.82	13.93	13.95	8.75	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2002</i>	29.08	22.33	15.21	15.54	14.70	3.14
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-11-2001</i>	45.64	17.24	15.21	13.21	8.69	0.00

Intensity:



*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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