

# U.S. Drought Monitor

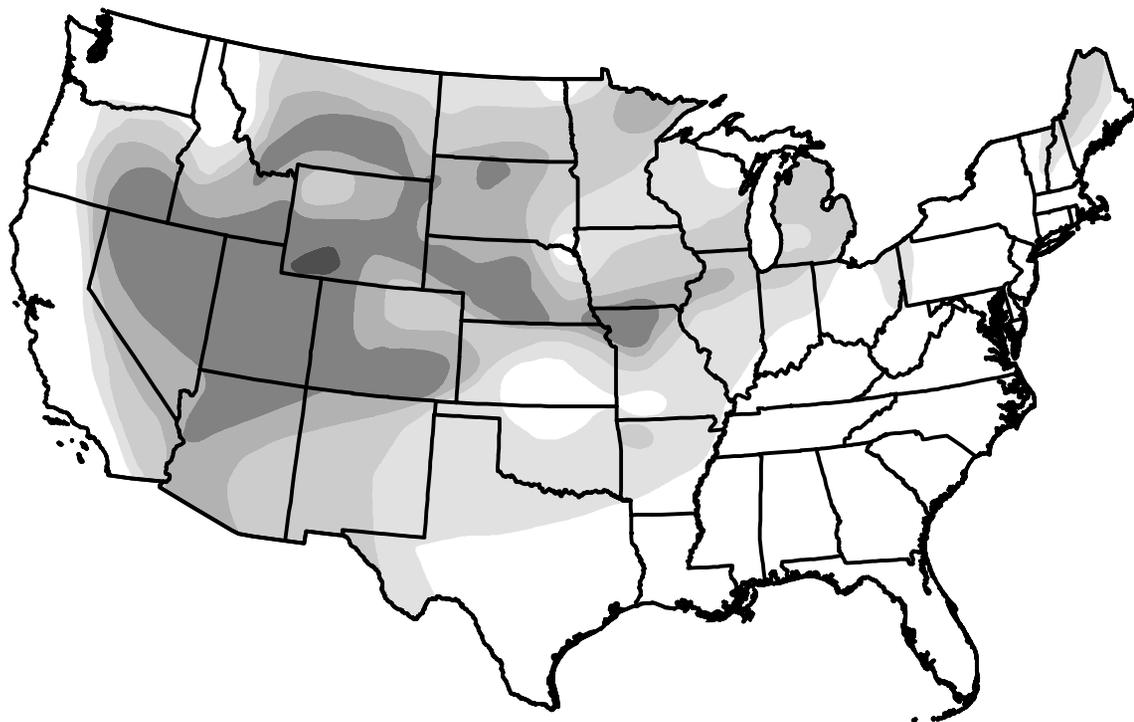
## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	38.79	17.87	16.08	12.77	14.25	0.23
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-08-2003</i>	41.98	15.19	15.64	12.39	14.52	0.26
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-14-2003</i>	42.21	13.78	11.83	13.81	15.79	2.58
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2002</i>	44.95	13.80	10.92	16.07	12.97	1.28
<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>04-16-2002</i>	39.49	17.29	15.78	20.68	6.75	0.00



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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