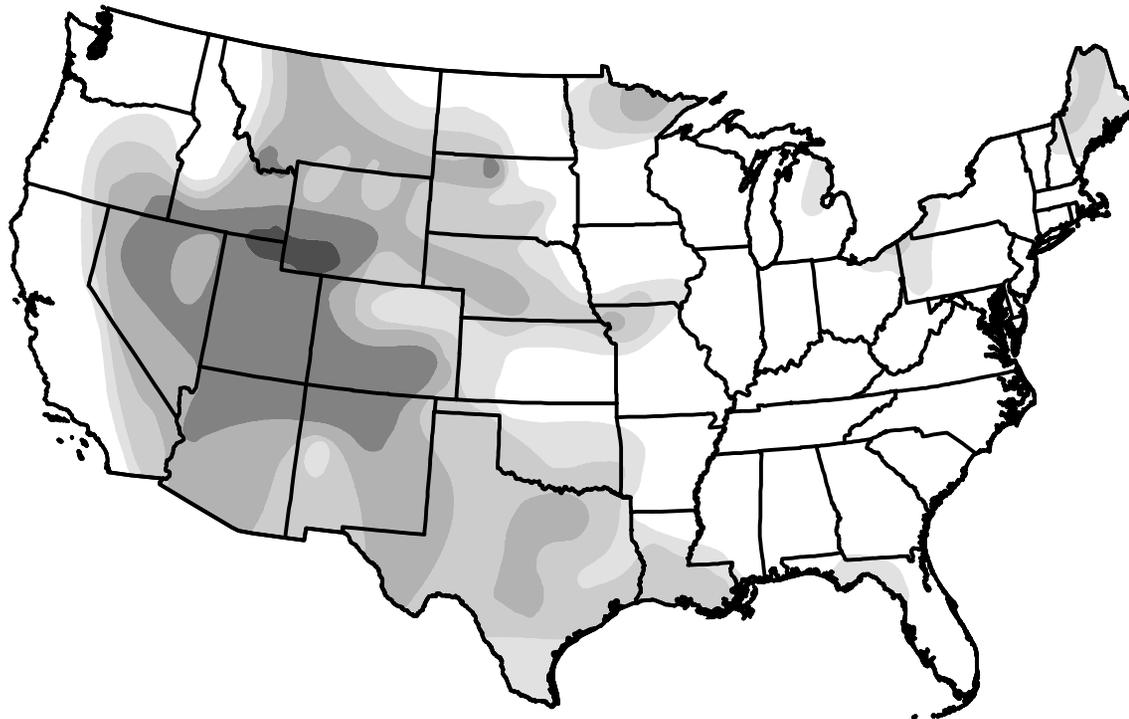


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**May 20, 2003**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	45.97	11.36	17.18	15.34	9.55	0.60
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-13-2003</i>	43.77	14.31	20.68	10.85	9.76	0.62
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-18-2003</i>	38.14	17.60	12.33	11.81	18.03	2.09
<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>05-21-2002</i>	40.43	15.22	13.94	13.53	16.26	0.61

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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