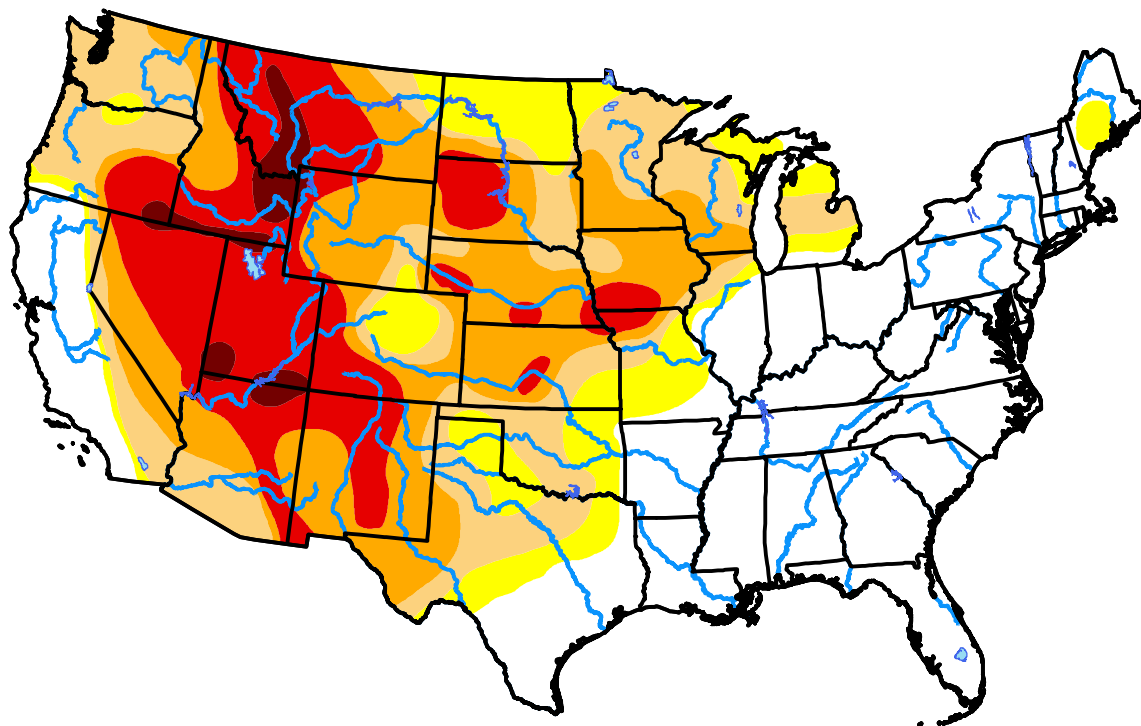


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	35.34	64.65	54.27	37.67	18.06	2.21
Last Week <i>09-02-2003</i>	35.75	64.24	52.40	34.38	17.11	1.93
3 Months Ago <i>06-10-2003</i>	46.63	53.36	39.21	23.85	10.24	1.02
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	44.95	55.04	41.24	30.33	14.25	1.28
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	29.08	70.92	48.59	33.38	17.84	3.14
One Year Ago <i>09-10-2002</i>	28.94	71.06	54.63	38.04	20.52	5.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate 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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