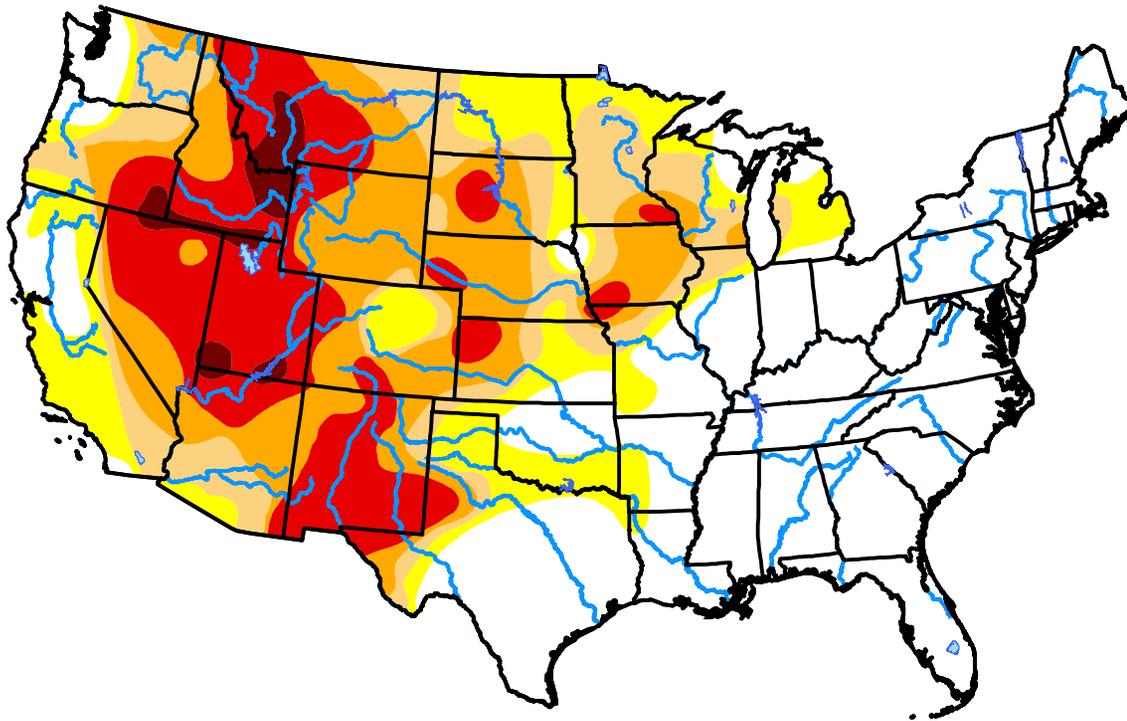


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	40.06	13.43	12.38	16.60	15.48	2.04
Last Week <i>10-07-2003</i>	41.00	10.65	14.74	16.85	14.68	2.07
3 Months Ago <i>07-15-2003</i>	46.27	21.84	8.13	11.24	11.70	0.81
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	44.95	13.80	10.92	16.07	12.97	1.28
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2003</i>	38.57	13.05	15.26	16.24	14.78	2.09
One Year Ago <i>10-15-2002</i>	32.30	17.89	18.56	15.39	14.52	1.34

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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