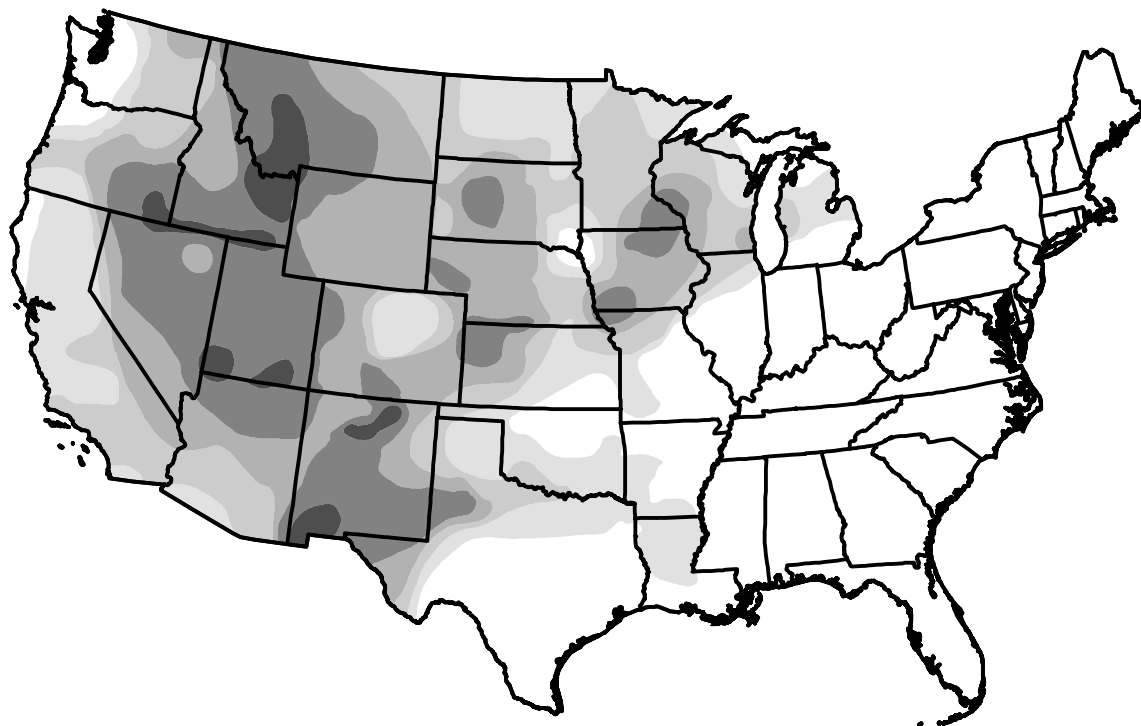


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	37.12	14.14	13.67	16.78	15.74	2.54
Last Week <i>10-21-2003</i>	38.89	14.49	12.06	17.28	15.24	2.04
3 Months Ago <i>07-29-2003</i>	44.95	7.95	18.20	13.79	12.96	2.15
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>10-29-2002</i>	39.02	14.16	17.13	14.57	13.76	1.35

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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