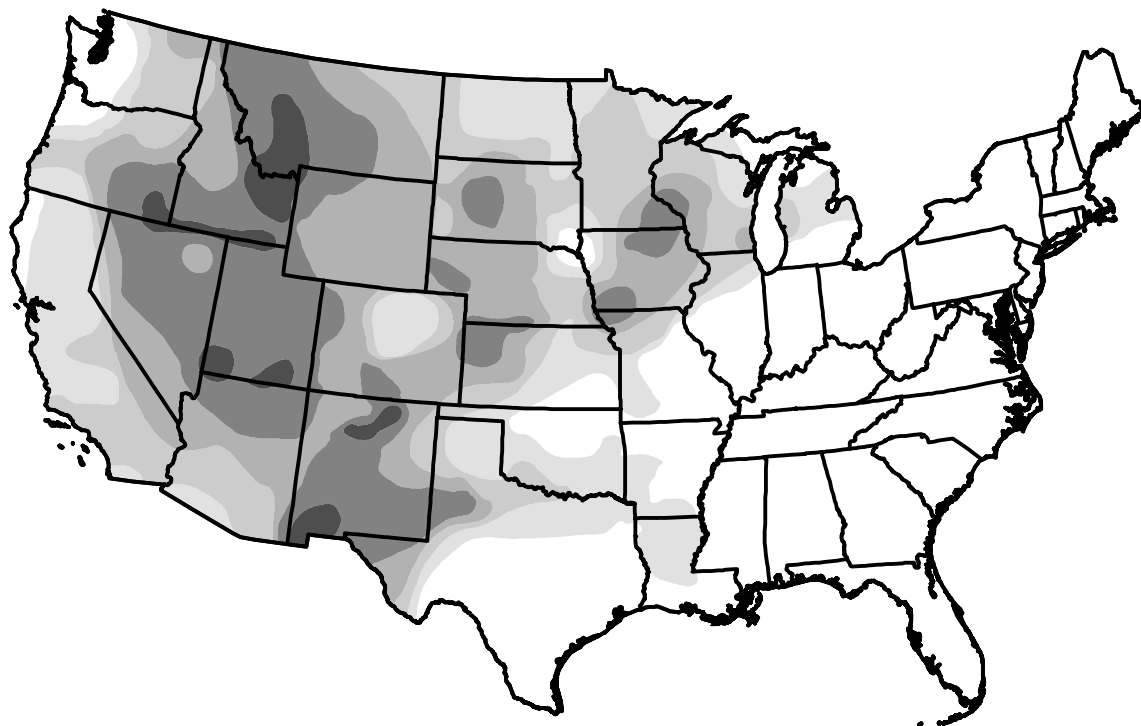


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.12	62.87	48.73	35.06	18.28	2.54
Last Week <i>10-21-2003</i>	38.89	61.10	46.61	34.55	17.28	2.04
3 Months Ago <i>07-29-2003</i>	44.95	55.04	47.09	28.89	15.11	2.15
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>09-30-2003</i>	38.57	61.42	48.37	33.11	16.87	2.09
One Year Ago <i>10-29-2002</i>	39.02	60.97	46.81	29.68	15.11	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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