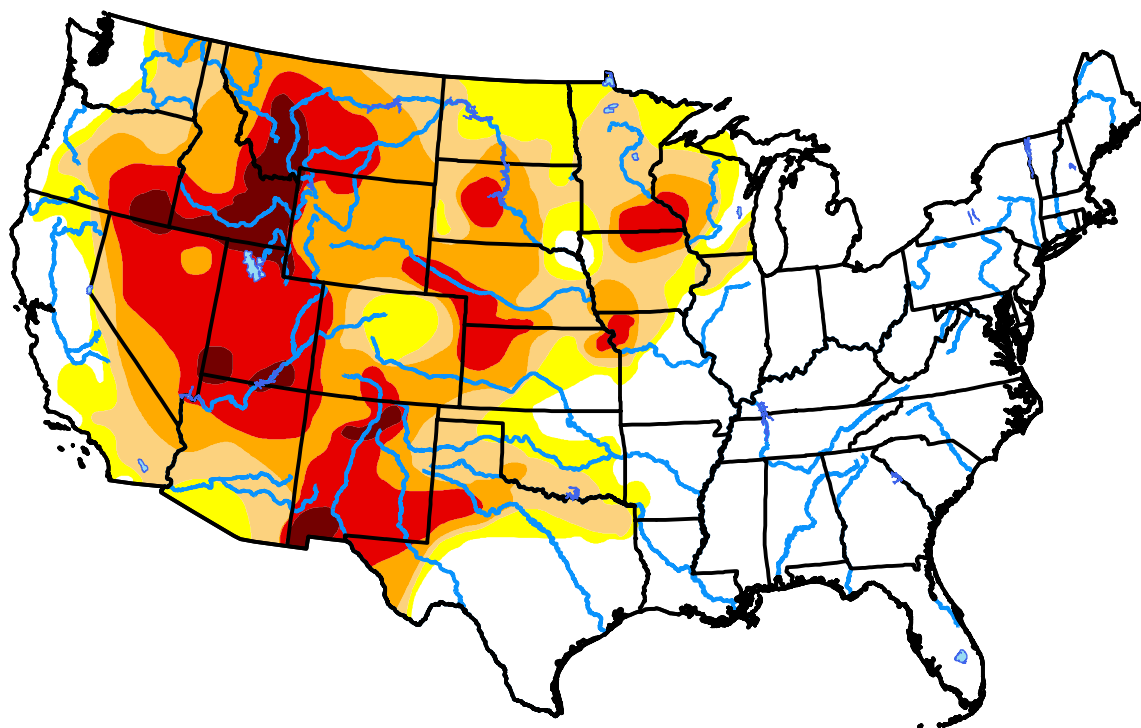


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	42.03	57.96	47.75	33.57	17.27	3.35
Last Week <i>11-25-2003</i>	41.22	58.78	47.93	33.55	17.65	3.29
3 Months Ago <i>09-02-2003</i>	35.75	64.24	52.40	34.38	17.11	1.93
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>12-03-2002</i>	41.04	58.95	42.04	26.59	13.25	1.09

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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