

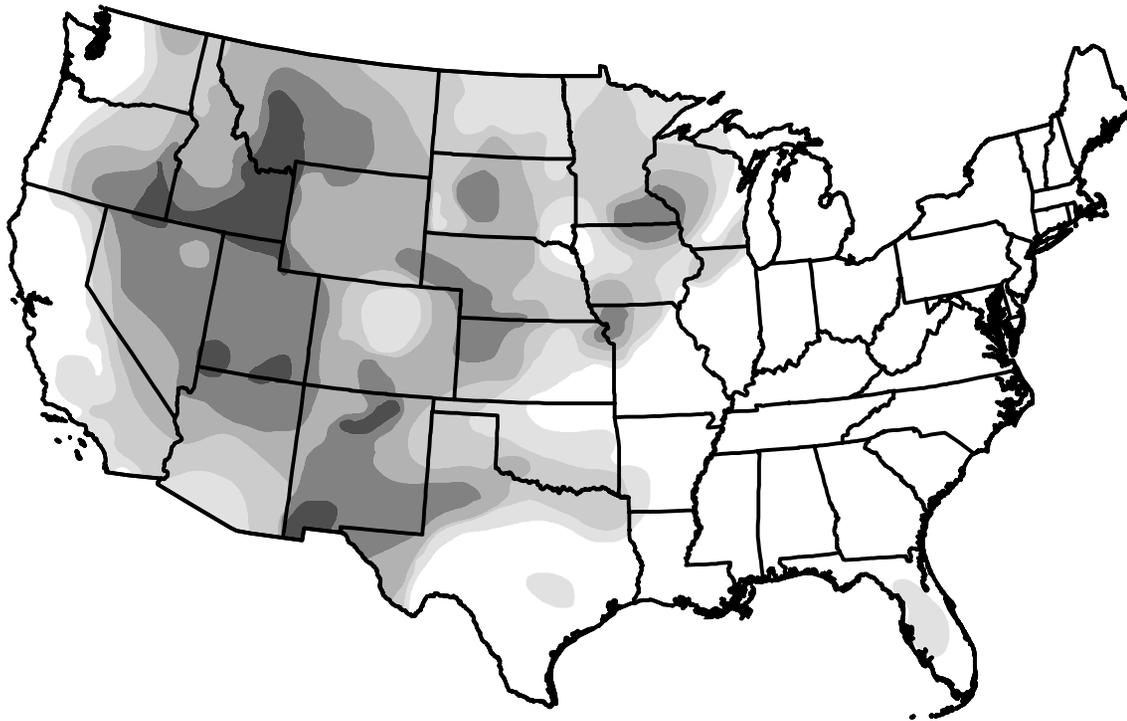
U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

December 9, 2003
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 41.41 | 10.70 | 14.13 | 16.57 | 13.88 | 3.30 |
| Last Week <i>12-02-2003</i> | 42.03 | 10.21 | 14.18 | 16.30 | 13.92 | 3.35 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2003</i> | 35.34 | 10.38 | 16.60 | 19.61 | 15.85 | 2.21 |
| 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>12-10-2002</i> | 38.62 | 17.60 | 13.01 | 17.11 | 12.40 | 1.26 |



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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