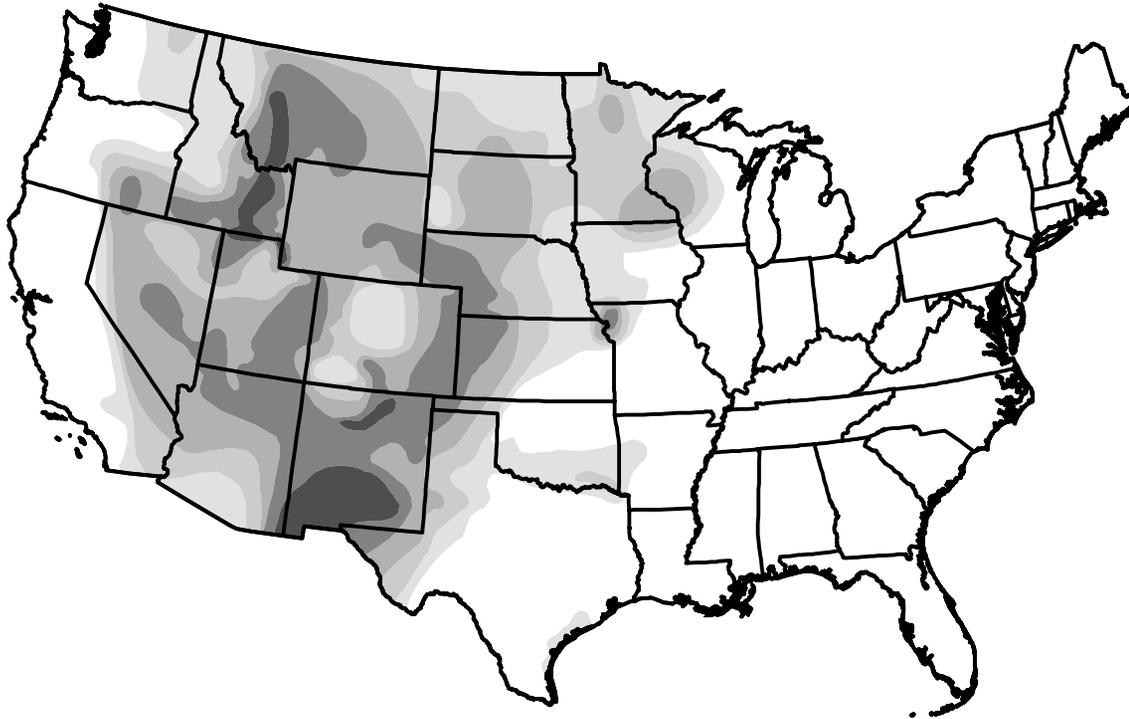


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**March 2, 2004**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	48.59	12.22	10.92	15.73	10.45	2.08
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-24-2004</i>	47.71	11.32	10.22	16.04	11.88	2.83
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-02-2003</i>	42.03	10.21	14.18	16.30	13.92	3.35
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2003</i>	43.82	10.37	12.02	17.80	12.58	3.40
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	38.57	13.05	15.26	16.24	14.78	2.09
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-04-2003</i>	38.81	16.43	12.22	12.63	17.90	2.00

***Intensity:***



*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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