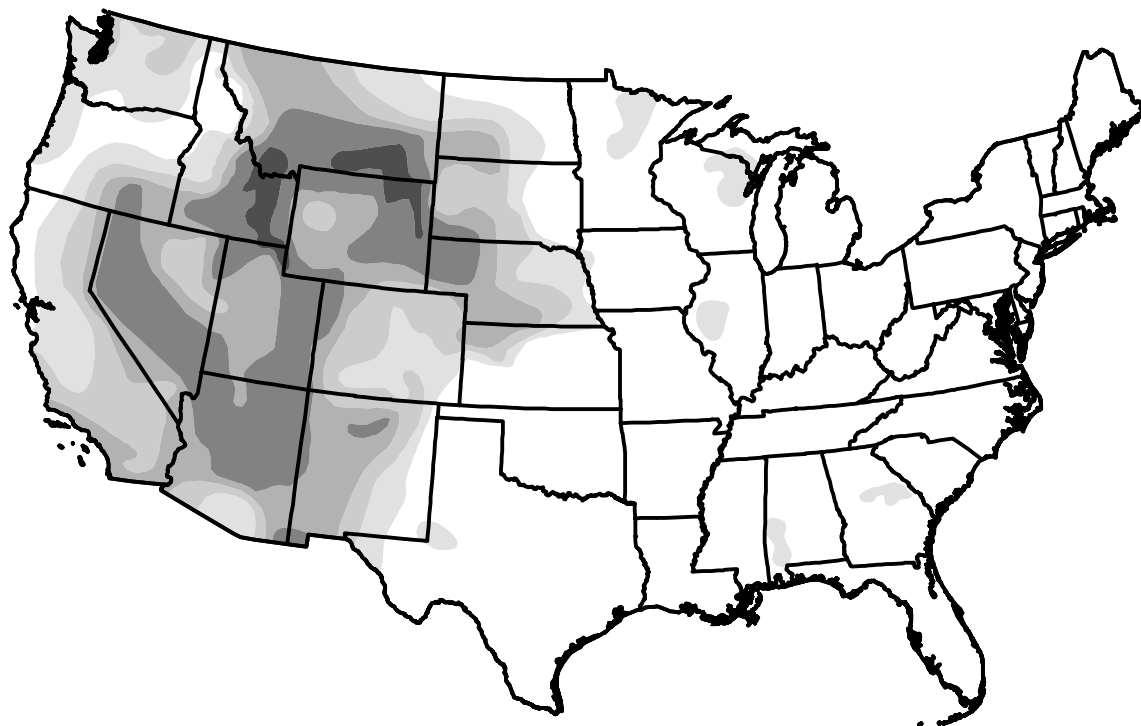


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	56.20	10.94	9.21	11.65	10.73	1.26
Last Week <i>08-10-2004</i>	54.02	13.02	9.13	12.47	10.09	1.26
3 Months Ago <i>05-18-2004</i>	46.39	16.28	11.88	13.29	11.04	1.11
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	43.82	10.37	12.02	17.80	12.58	3.40
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>08-19-2003</i>	35.22	15.26	15.41	16.72	15.26	2.12

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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