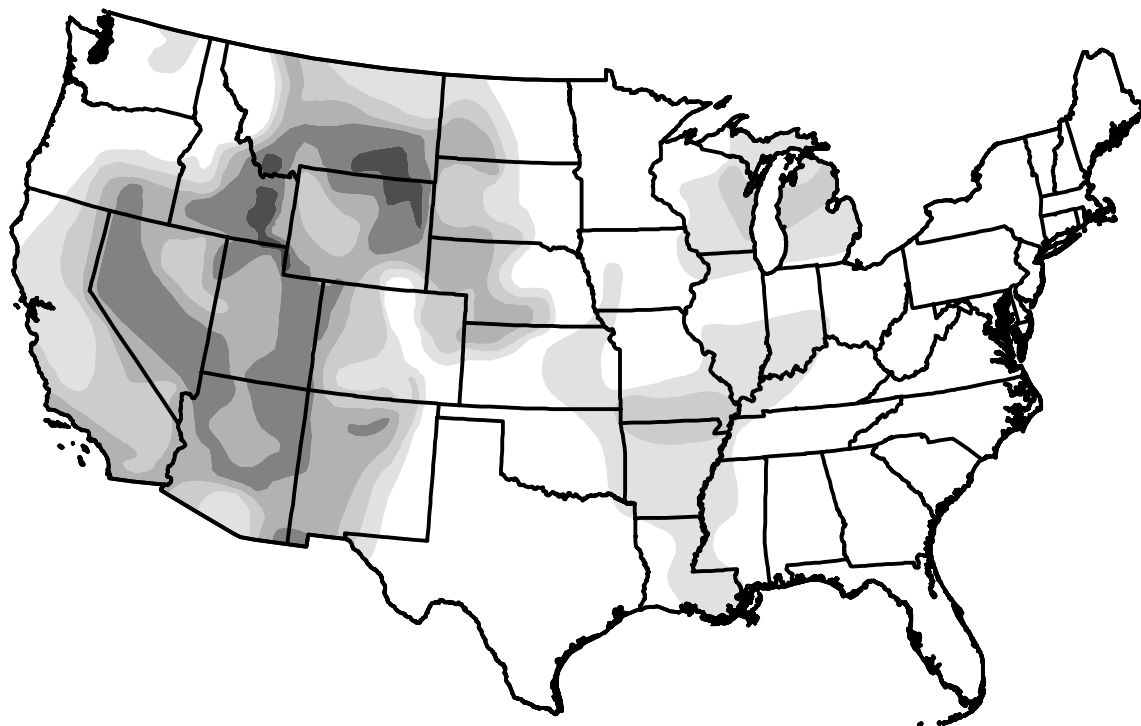


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.57	48.42	32.25	21.58	9.41	0.93
Last Week <i>09-28-2004</i>	56.51	43.48	30.51	21.82	9.69	0.93
3 Months Ago <i>07-06-2004</i>	54.45	45.54	33.74	23.45	10.57	1.20
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	43.82	56.17	45.80	33.78	15.99	3.40
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	56.51	43.48	30.51	21.82	9.69	0.93
One Year Ago <i>10-07-2003</i>	41.00	58.99	48.34	33.60	16.75	2.07

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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