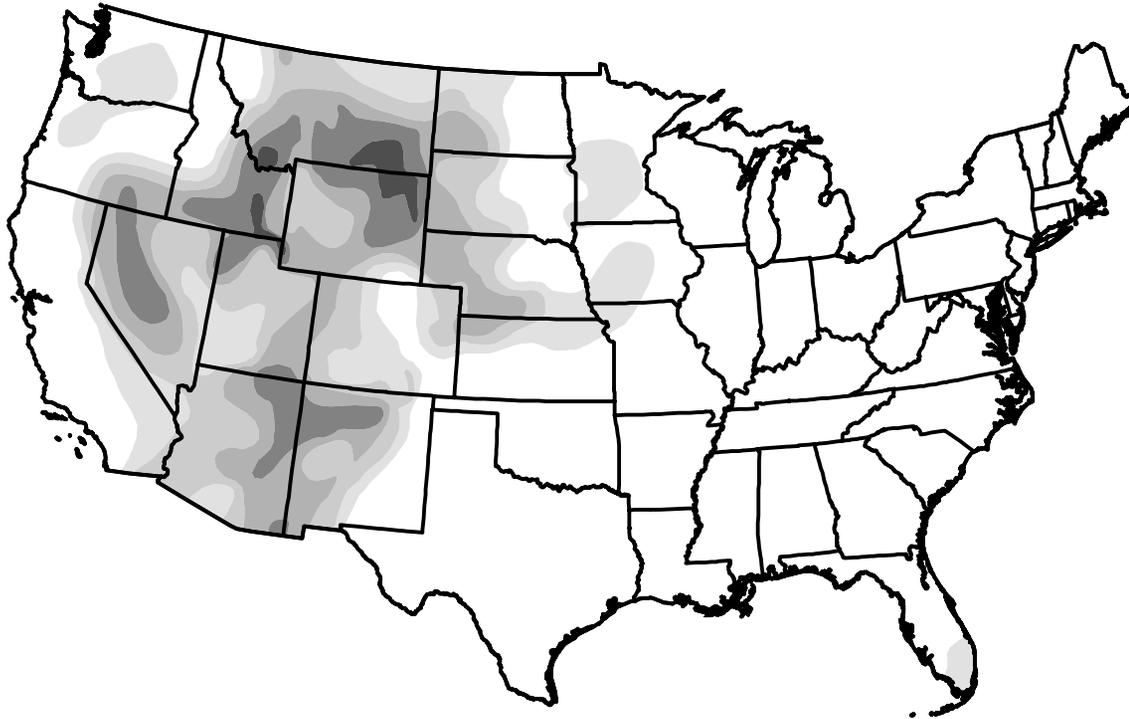


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	63.02	36.97	25.64	15.39	5.91	0.77
Last Week <i>12-28-2004</i>	61.23	38.76	27.10	16.51	6.53	0.92
3 Months Ago <i>10-05-2004</i>	51.57	48.42	32.25	21.58	9.41	0.93
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	63.02	36.97	25.64	15.39	5.91	0.77
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>01-06-2004</i>	42.22	57.77	45.97	32.54	16.24	3.71

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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