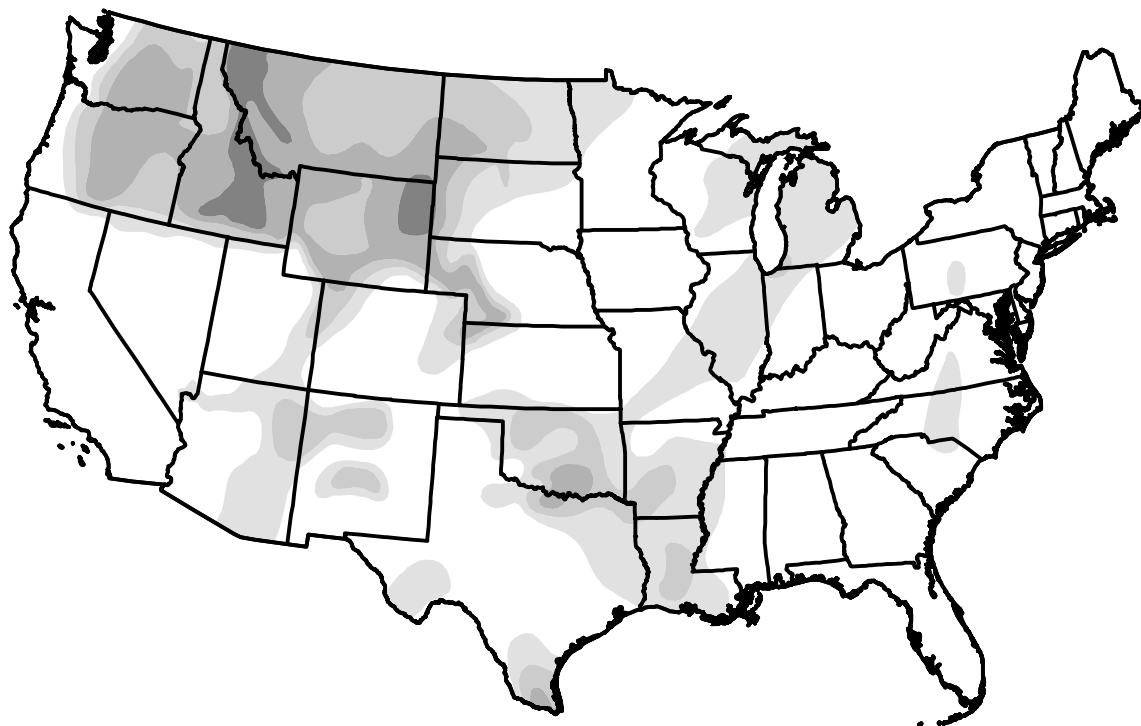


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 59.87 | 18.78 | 10.91 | 8.54  | 1.89  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-10-2005</i>              | 52.60 | 24.88 | 9.26  | 9.96  | 3.29  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-15-2005</i>           | 60.79 | 11.96 | 13.04 | 8.42  | 4.73  | 1.04 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 63.02 | 11.34 | 10.25 | 9.48  | 5.14  | 0.77 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 56.51 | 12.97 | 8.69  | 12.13 | 8.76  | 0.93 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-18-2004</i>           | 46.39 | 16.28 | 11.88 | 13.29 | 11.04 | 1.11 |

### 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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