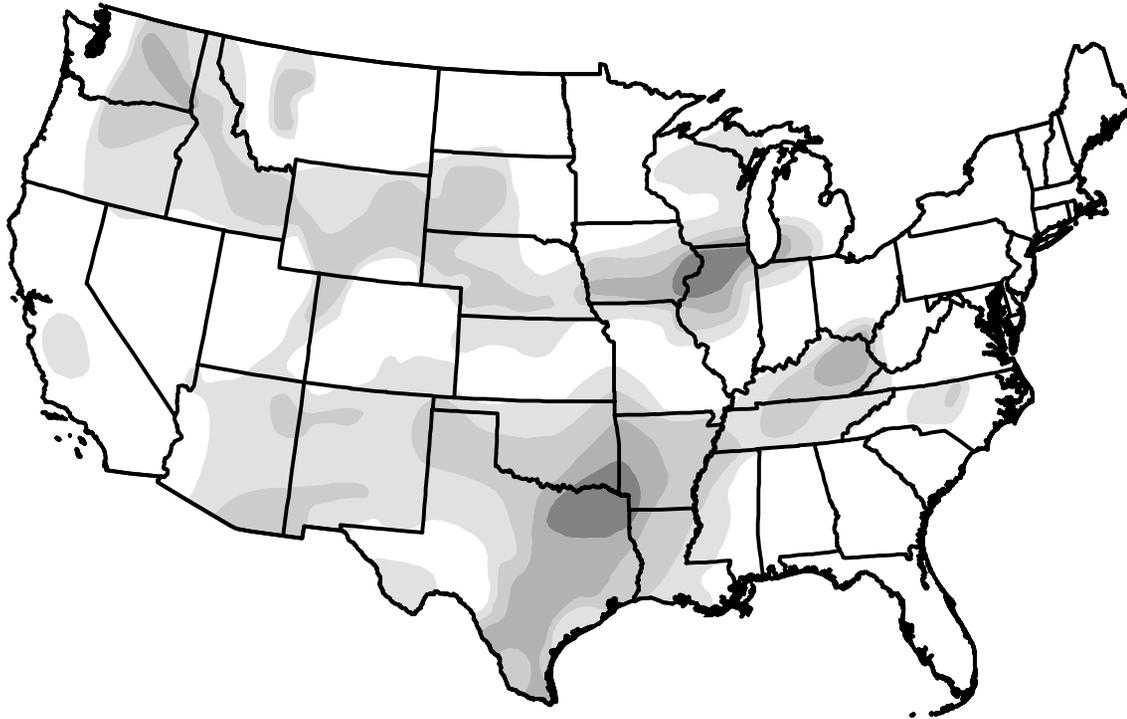


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**December 13, 2005**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 15, 2005)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 53.39 | 46.60 | 22.60 | 6.72  | 1.66  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-06-2005</i>              | 54.73 | 45.26 | 22.09 | 6.06  | 1.39  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-13-2005</i>           | 52.16 | 47.83 | 24.49 | 9.87  | 1.39  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 63.02 | 36.97 | 25.64 | 15.39 | 5.91  | 0.77 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 54.15 | 45.84 | 23.72 | 7.19  | 0.75  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-14-2004</i>           | 64.28 | 35.71 | 26.88 | 16.09 | 6.26  | 0.90 |

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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