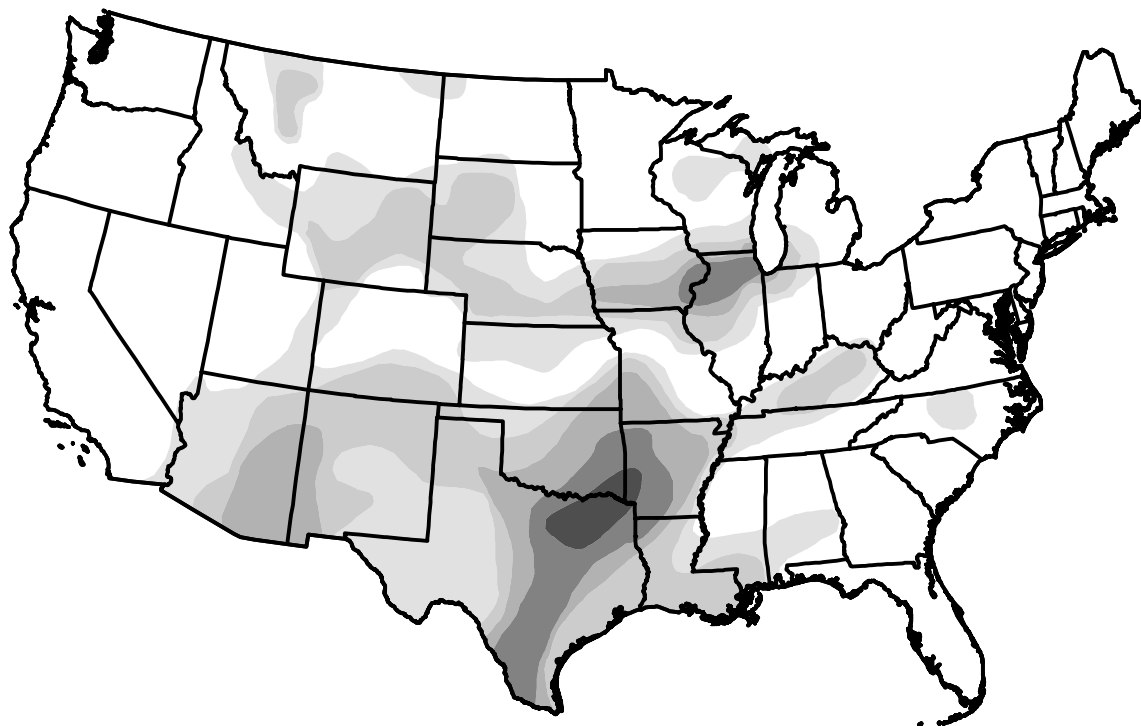


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	56.50	43.49	25.25	10.81	4.57	0.87
Last Week <i>01-17-2006</i>	54.33	45.67	25.49	8.55	3.74	0.76
3 Months Ago <i>10-25-2005</i>	53.45	46.54	20.22	5.30	1.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.05	42.95	21.29	7.49	2.95	0.61
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	54.15	45.84	23.72	7.19	0.75	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-25-2005</i>	60.82	39.17	24.65	13.51	5.00	0.72

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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