

U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

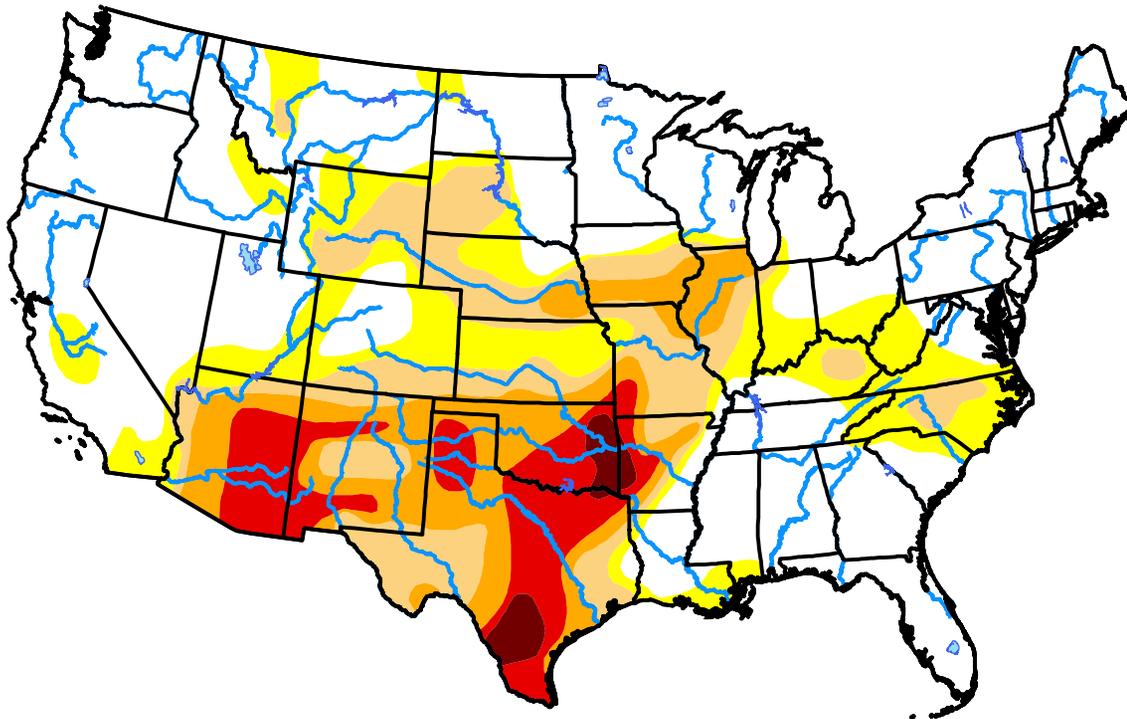
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Current | 52.29 | 16.14 | 13.53 | 9.72 | 7.09 | 1.22 |
| Last Week <i>02-28-2006</i> | 54.31 | 15.58 | 13.68 | 9.27 | 5.93 | 1.22 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>12-06-2005</i> | 54.73 | 23.17 | 16.03 | 4.67 | 1.39 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i> | 57.05 | 21.66 | 13.81 | 4.53 | 2.34 | 0.61 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i> | 54.15 | 22.12 | 16.53 | 6.44 | 0.75 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>03-08-2005</i> | 59.94 | 13.29 | 9.97 | 11.23 | 4.22 | 1.33 |



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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