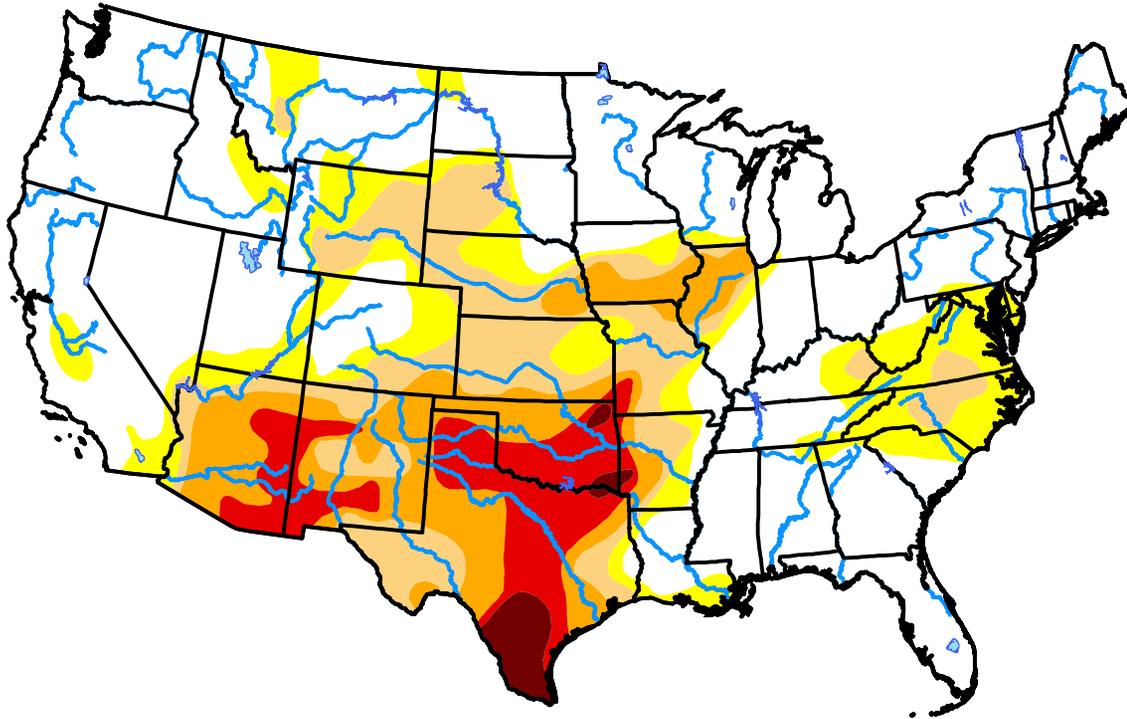


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.04	14.65	13.10	10.12	6.71	1.36
Last Week <i>03-07-2006</i>	52.29	16.14	13.53	9.72	7.09	1.22
3 Months Ago <i>12-13-2005</i>	53.39	24.01	15.87	5.06	1.66	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>03-15-2005</i>	59.69	13.49	9.24	10.88	5.12	1.57

Intensity:



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