

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

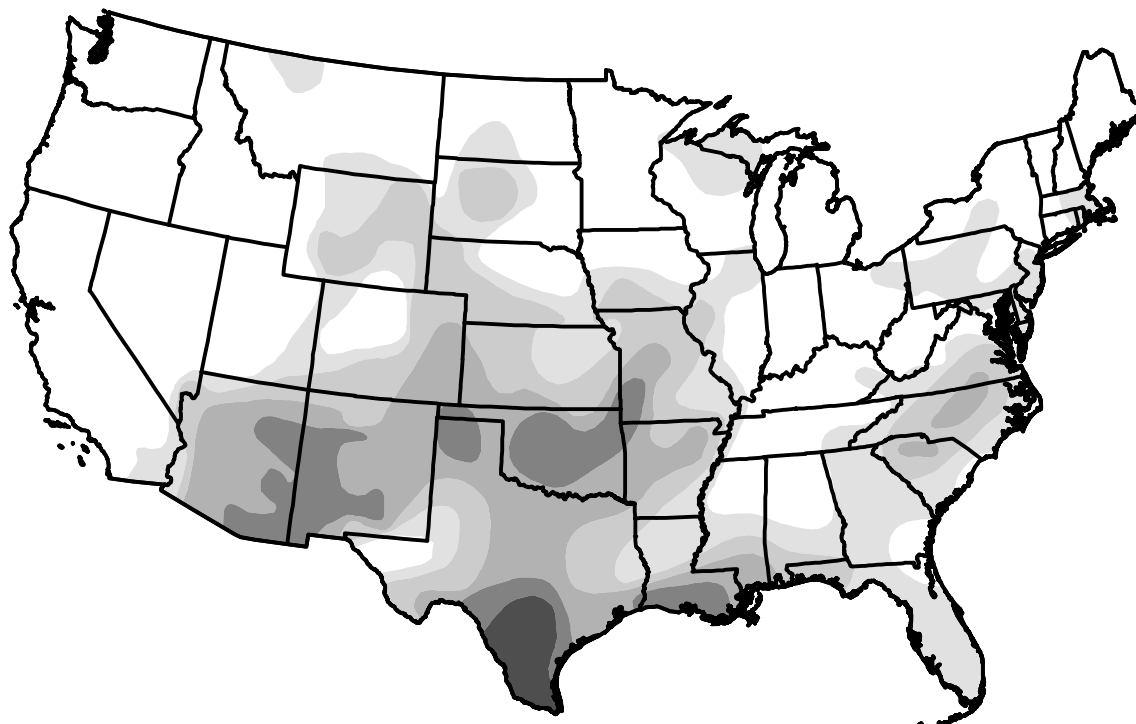
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 48.75 | 18.86 | 13.83 | 11.77 | 5.55 | 1.23 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-18-2006</i>              | 47.56 | 19.65 | 14.08 | 13.15 | 4.28 | 1.27 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-24-2006</i>           | 56.50 | 18.24 | 14.44 | 6.24  | 3.70 | 0.87 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 57.05 | 21.66 | 13.81 | 4.53  | 2.34 | 0.61 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 54.15 | 22.12 | 16.53 | 6.44  | 0.75 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-26-2005</i>           | 64.32 | 13.53 | 8.84  | 8.55  | 3.90 | 0.85 |



### 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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