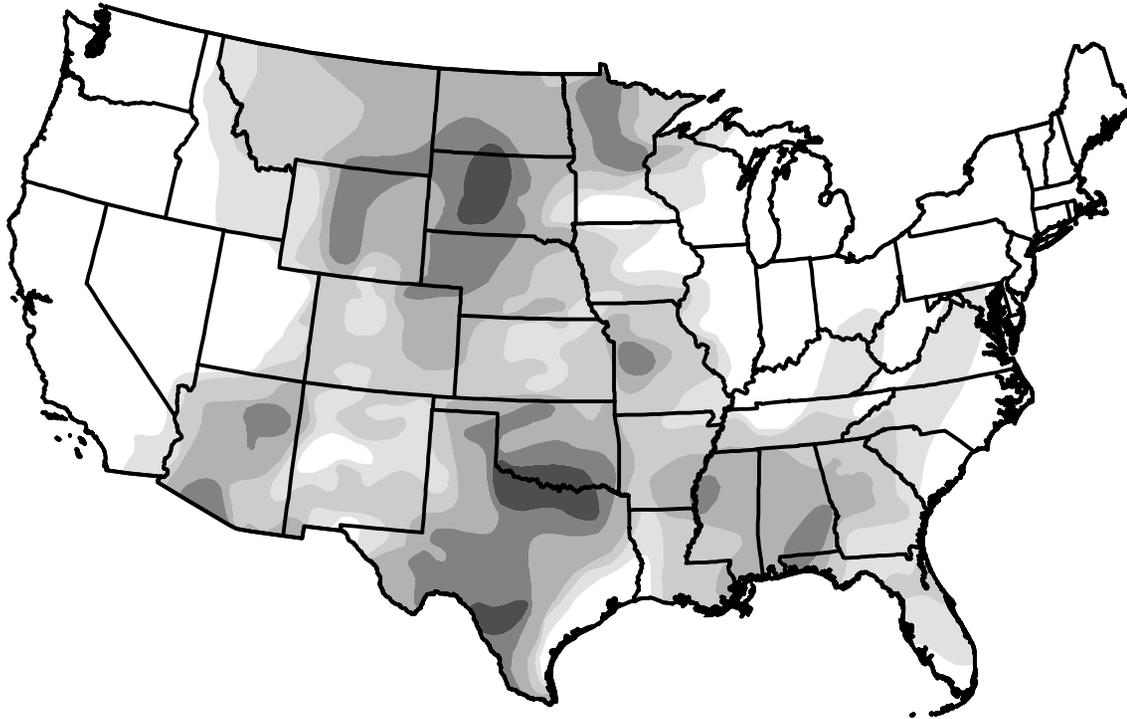


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	35.80	15.04	19.29	18.52	9.33	2.01
Last Week <i>08-08-2006</i>	36.40	14.24	18.43	18.83	10.19	1.90
3 Months Ago <i>05-16-2006</i>	53.38	21.55	12.08	6.14	5.48	1.36
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>08-16-2005</i>	53.49	21.13	15.59	8.79	0.99	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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