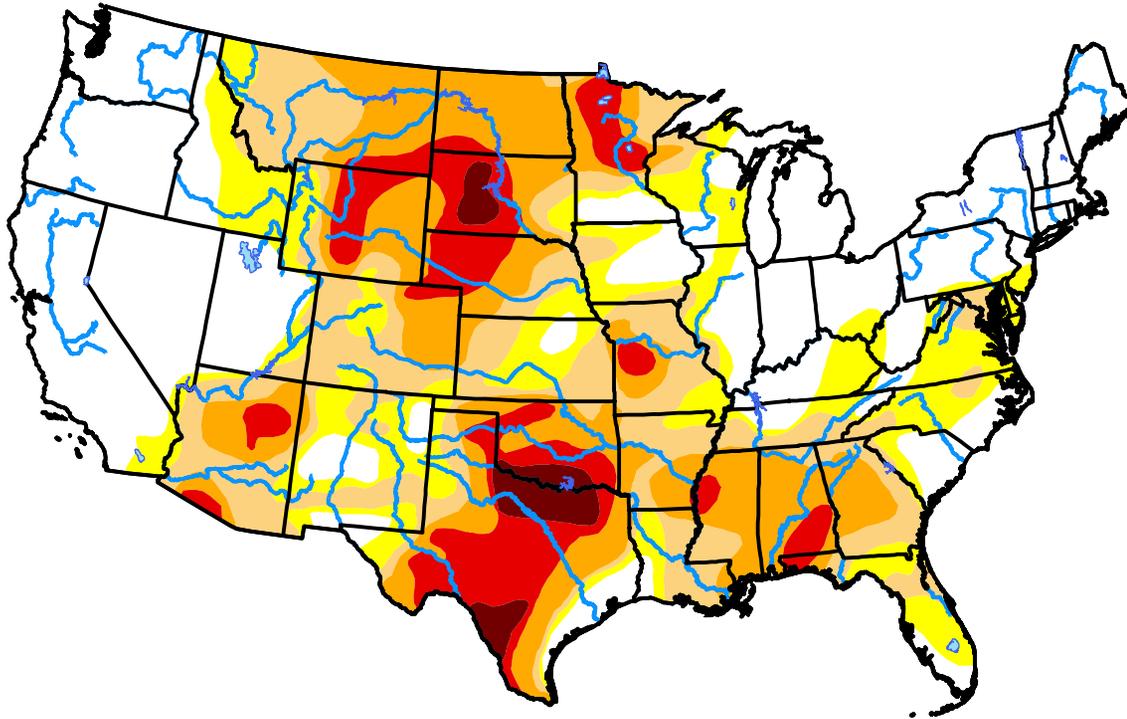


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	35.50	16.52	18.81	18.12	9.04	2.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-15-2006</i>	35.80	15.04	19.29	18.52	9.33	2.01
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-23-2006</i>	54.58	18.23	13.26	6.79	5.77	1.36
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.05	21.66	13.81	4.53	2.34	0.61
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	54.15	22.12	16.53	6.44	0.75	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-23-2005</i>	56.95	19.59	14.41	8.21	0.84	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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