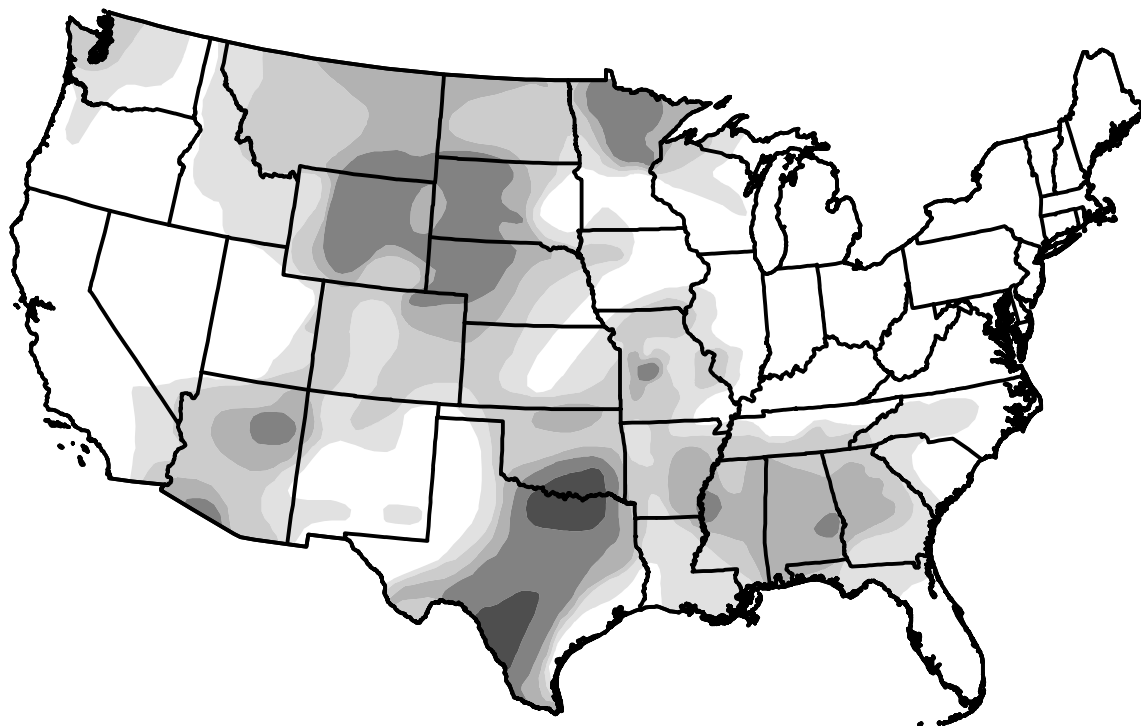


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	42.32	57.68	40.14	22.10	10.29	1.44
Last Week <i>09-05-2006</i>	39.05	60.95	41.27	23.25	9.56	1.04
3 Months Ago <i>06-13-2006</i>	46.23	53.76	35.16	19.66	9.79	1.17
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.05	42.95	21.29	7.49	2.95	0.61
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	54.15	45.84	23.72	7.19	0.75	0.00
One Year Ago <i>09-13-2005</i>	52.16	47.83	24.49	9.87	1.39	0.00

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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