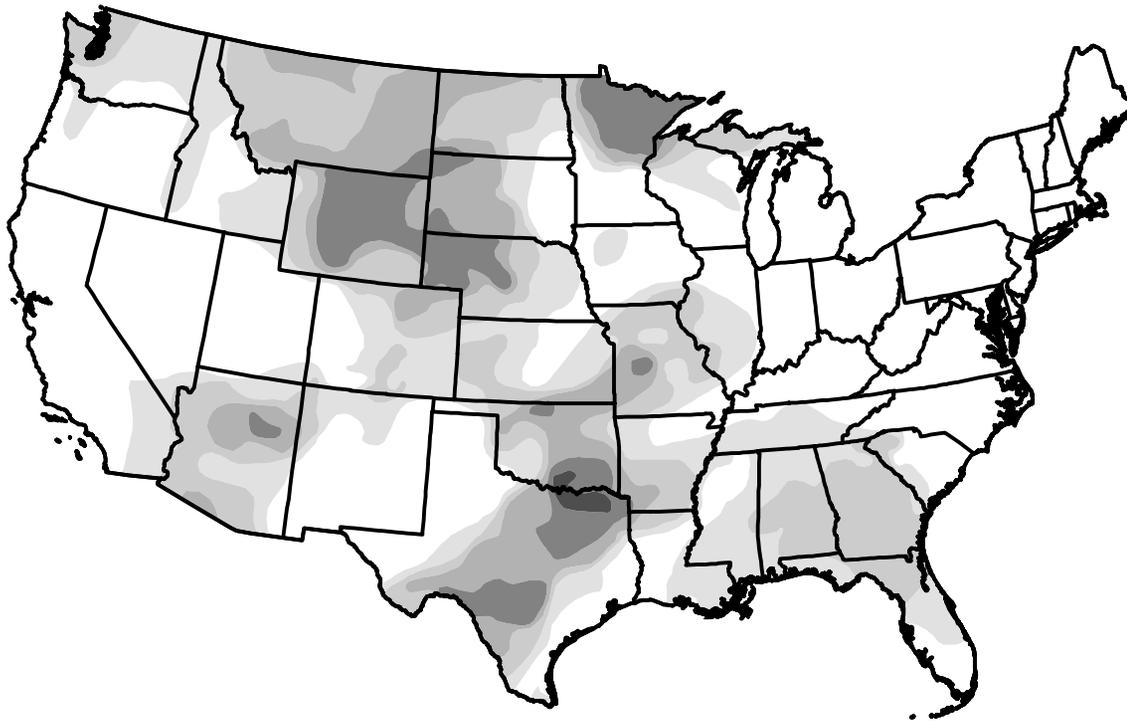


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	46.86	20.07	16.71	10.02	6.05	0.28
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-10-2006</i>	45.35	19.55	18.29	10.13	6.44	0.24
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-18-2006</i>	39.60	11.93	22.57	18.56	6.34	1.01
<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>09-26-2006</i>	45.12	21.94	16.63	9.69	6.46	0.14
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-18-2005</i>	57.33	24.11	13.44	4.31	0.80	0.00

Intensity:



*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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