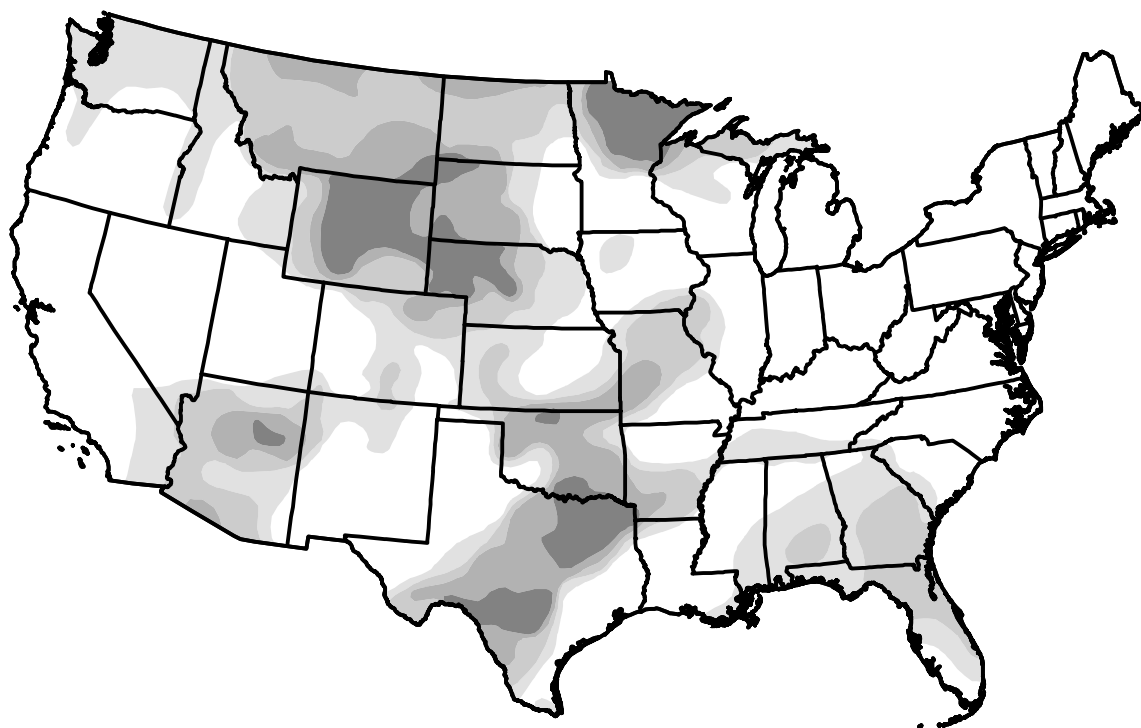


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	52.03	47.97	29.97	15.54	6.04	0.00
Last Week <i>10-24-2006</i>	49.85	50.14	31.56	16.59	6.11	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>08-01-2006</i>	38.54	61.45	48.43	28.68	11.34	1.25
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>09-26-2006</i>	45.12	54.87	32.93	16.30	6.61	0.14
One Year Ago <i>11-01-2005</i>	48.54	51.45	21.96	5.48	1.00	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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