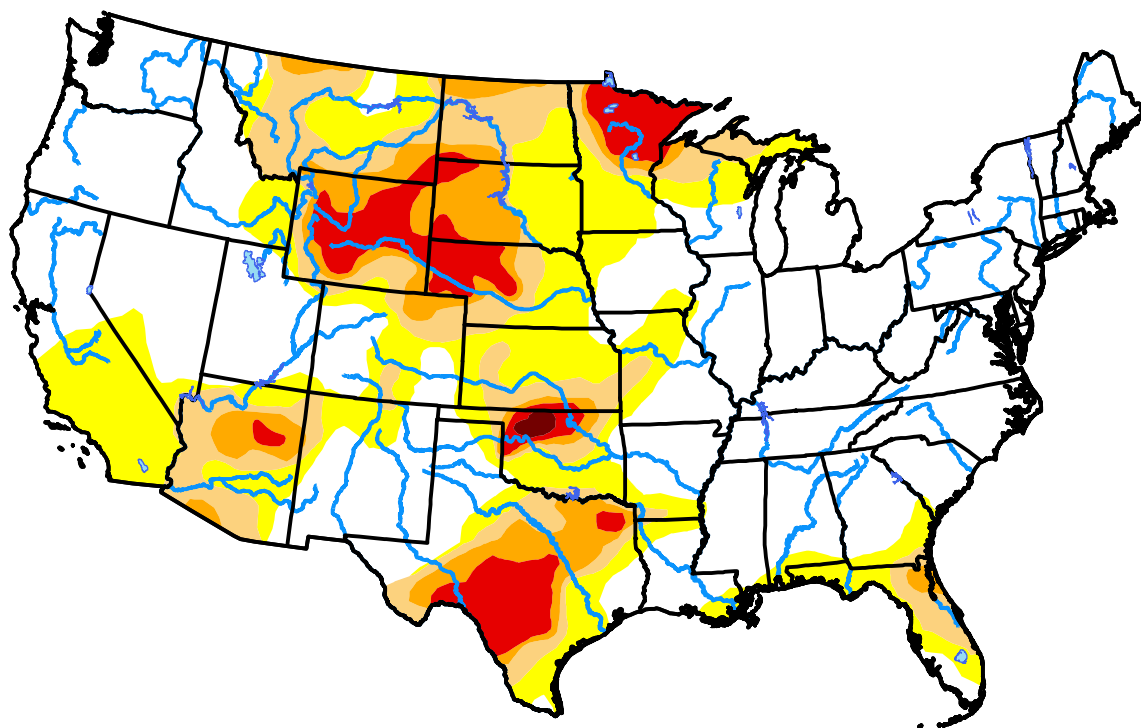


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	53.72	21.15	12.00	6.99	5.97	0.17
Last Week <i>11-28-2006</i>	57.24	16.62	12.17	6.54	7.16	0.26
3 Months Ago <i>09-05-2006</i>	39.05	19.67	18.02	13.69	8.52	1.04
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>09-26-2006</i>	45.12	21.94	16.63	9.69	6.46	0.14
One Year Ago <i>12-06-2005</i>	54.73	23.17	16.03	4.67	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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