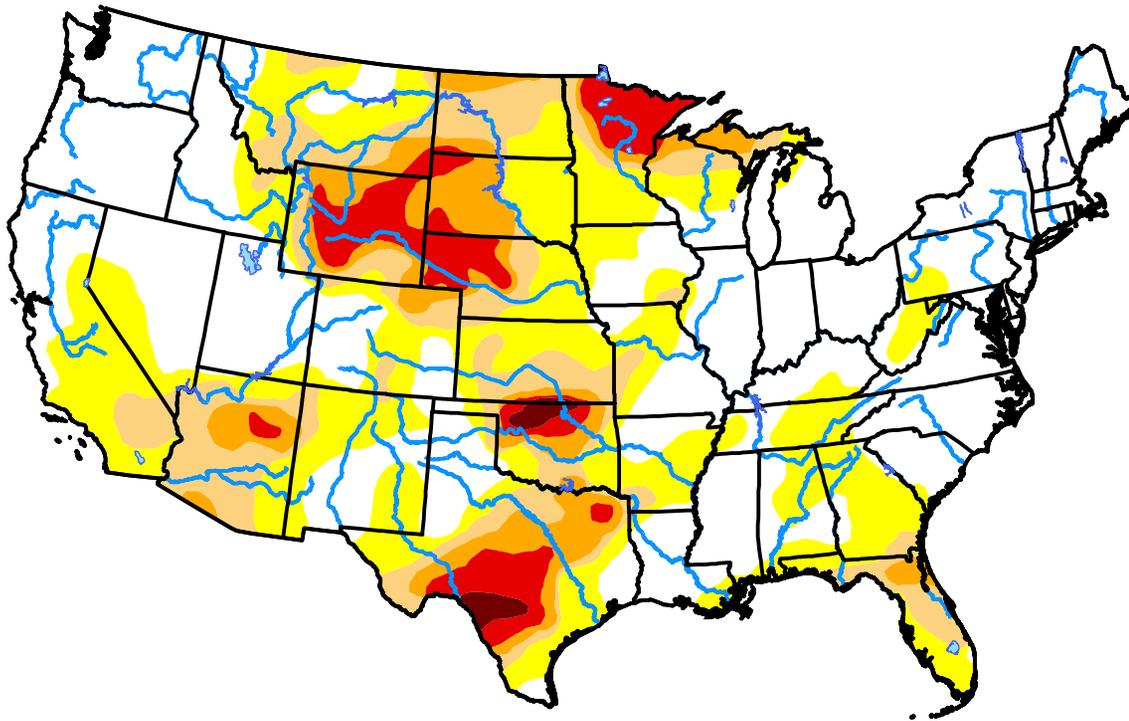


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	46.12	27.35	12.81	7.51	5.58	0.61
Last Week <i>12-12-2006</i>	52.23	22.11	12.14	7.28	5.62	0.61
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2006</i>	43.28	19.93	20.29	8.97	7.22	0.30
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>12-20-2005</i>	53.88	23.33	15.39	4.59	2.27	0.54

Intensity:



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