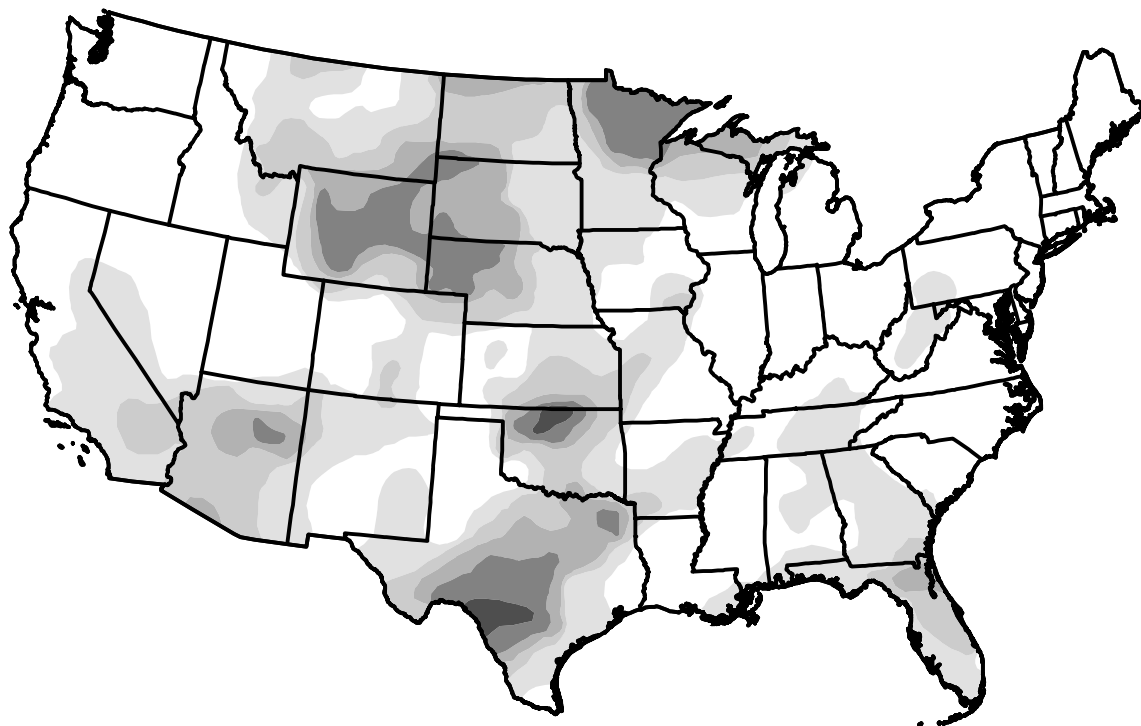


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	47.52	52.47	25.53	13.03	5.86	0.48
Last Week <i>12-19-2006</i>	46.12	53.87	26.52	13.71	6.19	0.61
3 Months Ago <i>09-26-2006</i>	45.12	54.87	32.93	16.30	6.61	0.14
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>12-27-2005</i>	55.65	44.34	22.60	7.35	2.80	0.54

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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