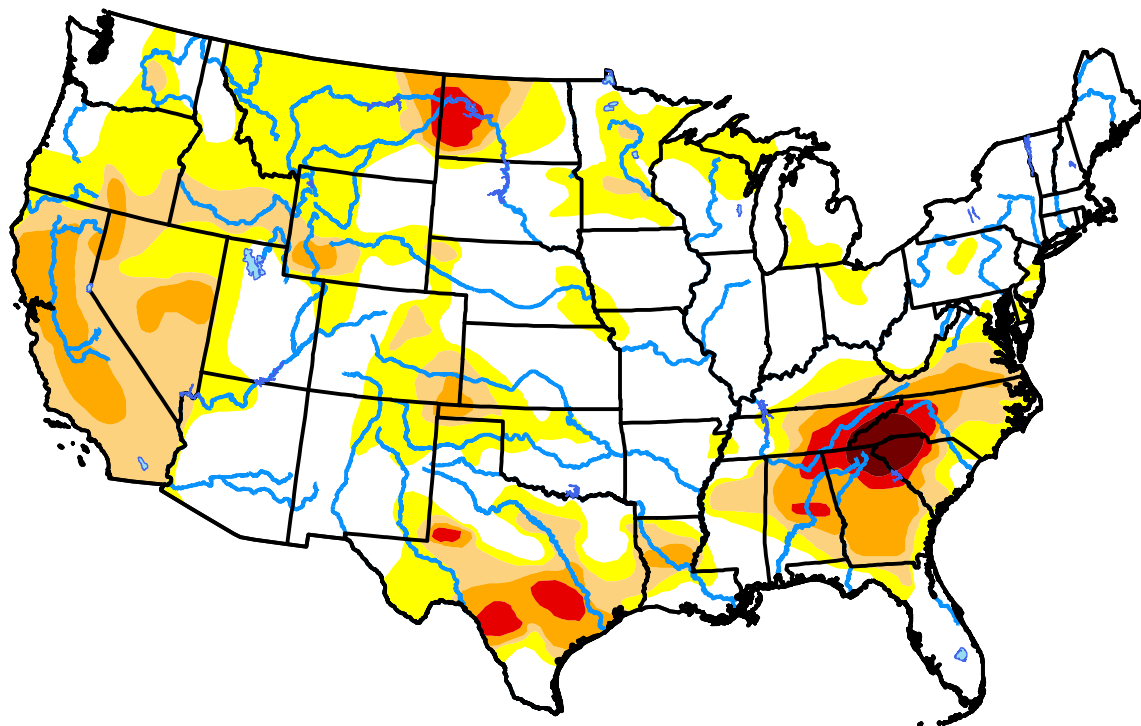


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	48.86	25.94	13.62	8.50	2.31	0.77
Last Week <i>08-12-2008</i>	48.28	24.47	14.40	8.42	3.47	0.96
3 Months Ago <i>05-20-2008</i>	54.30	20.50	16.55	7.09	1.55	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	45.41	19.62	14.57	14.64	3.37	2.38
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2007</i>	41.29	14.76	13.93	18.22	9.53	2.28
One Year Ago <i>08-21-2007</i>	35.35	15.90	15.46	20.78	9.64	2.86

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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