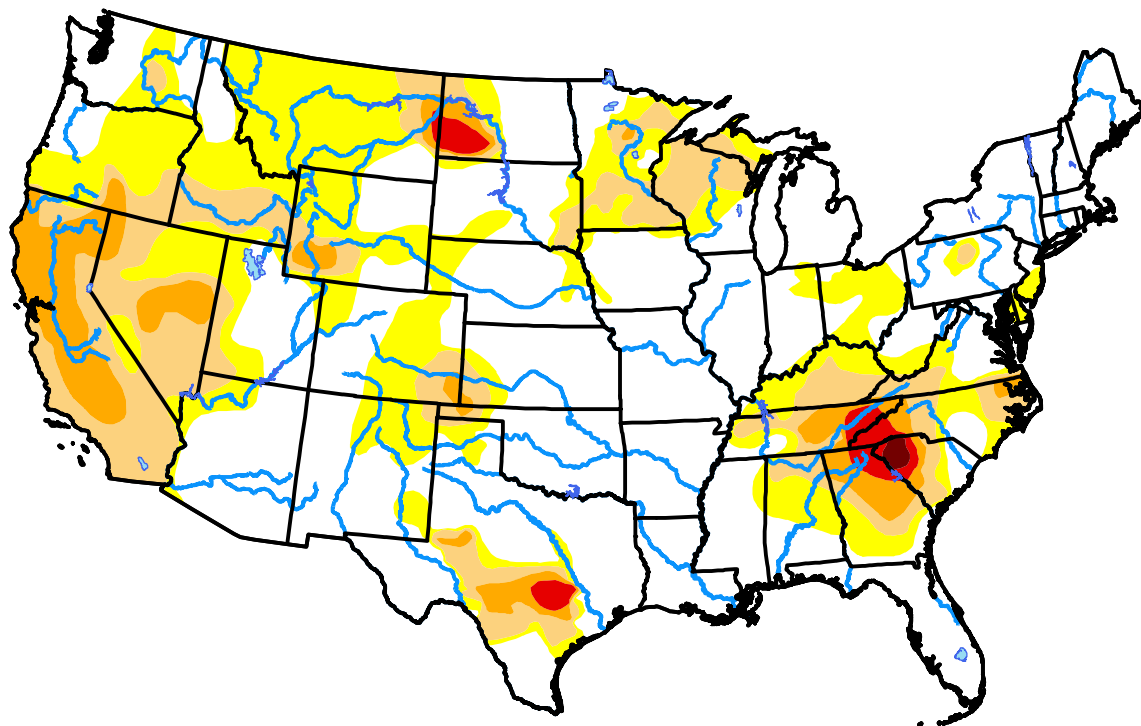


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	54.58	45.41	21.86	7.52	1.38	0.14
Last Week <i>09-09-2008</i>	51.85	48.14	22.69	7.86	1.43	0.14
3 Months Ago <i>06-17-2008</i>	52.13	47.86	30.23	12.10	4.28	0.32
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	45.41	54.58	34.96	20.39	5.75	2.38
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2007</i>	41.29	58.70	43.95	30.02	11.81	2.28
One Year Ago <i>09-18-2007</i>	41.40	58.59	43.81	32.08	12.23	2.31

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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