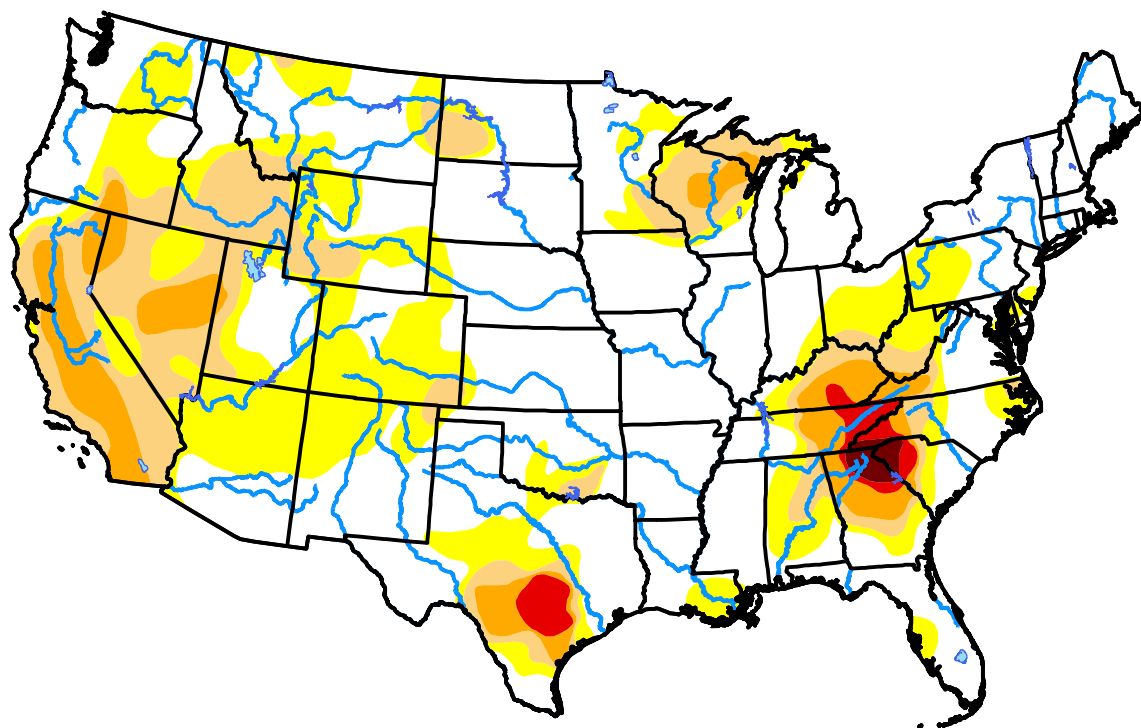


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	56.16	43.83	20.92	8.15	1.77	0.44
Last Week <i>11-11-2008</i>	57.63	42.36	21.10	8.59	1.86	0.44
3 Months Ago <i>08-19-2008</i>	48.86	51.13	25.19	11.57	3.08	0.77
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>09-30-2008</i>	54.09	45.90	23.55	8.89	1.84	0.18
One Year Ago <i>11-20-2007</i>	39.56	60.43	36.97	22.42	8.06	2.93

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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