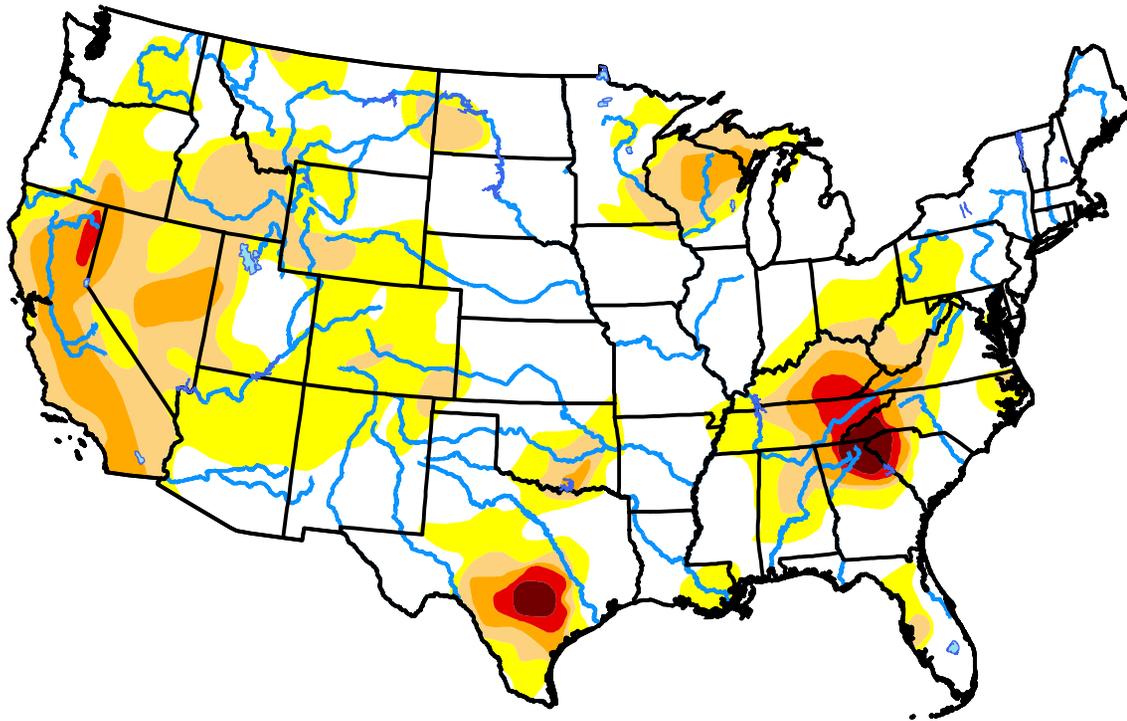


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**December 9, 2008**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	52.69	25.52	13.18	6.38	1.45	0.77
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-02-2008</i>	51.76	26.62	13.71	5.80	1.49	0.62
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-09-2008</i>	51.85	25.45	14.82	6.43	1.29	0.14
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2008</i>	45.41	19.62	14.57	14.64	3.37	2.38
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	54.09	22.35	14.66	7.05	1.66	0.18
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-11-2007</i>	44.32	20.12	14.64	14.49	2.67	3.75

Intensity:



*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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