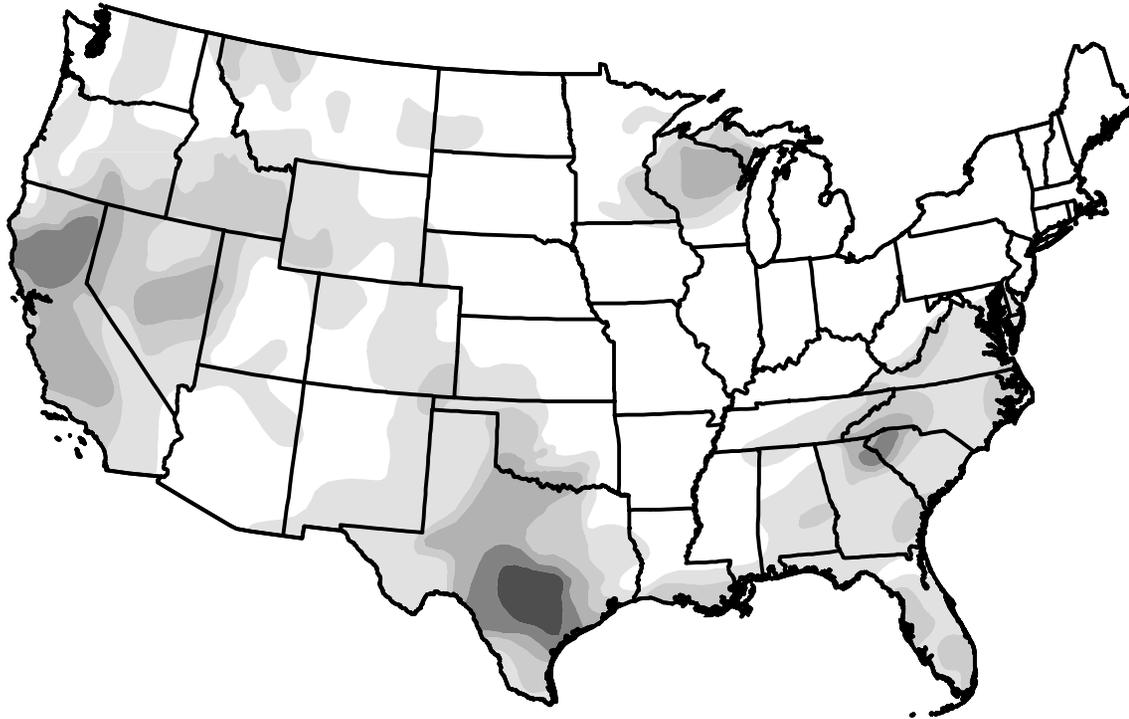


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	50.61	28.29	11.82	6.47	2.06	0.75
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-10-2009</i>	49.86	28.17	12.37	6.72	2.21	0.67
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-18-2008</i>	56.16	22.92	12.77	6.38	1.33	0.44
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	22.60	13.02	4.94	0.87	0.37
<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>02-19-2008</i>	46.56	23.72	14.40	11.28	1.97	2.06

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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