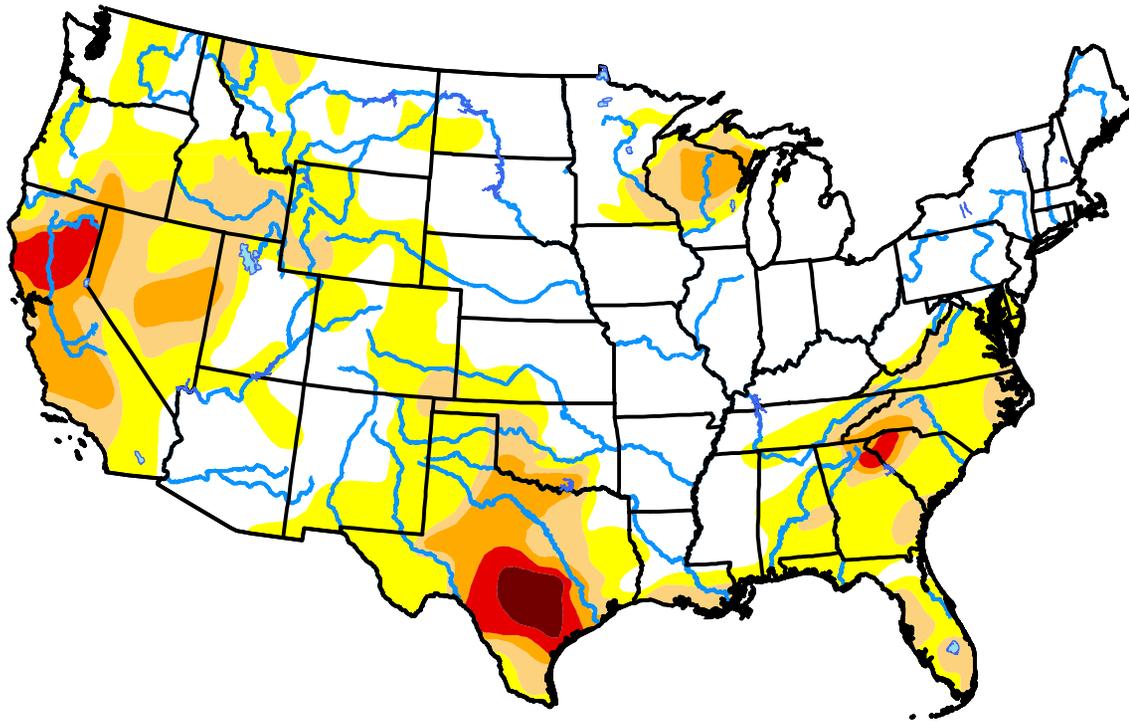


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	50.61	49.38	21.10	9.28	2.81	0.75
Last Week <i>02-10-2009</i>	49.86	50.13	21.96	9.59	2.88	0.67
3 Months Ago <i>11-18-2008</i>	56.16	43.83	20.92	8.15	1.77	0.44
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	41.79	19.19	6.17	1.24	0.37
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>02-19-2008</i>	46.56	53.43	29.71	15.31	4.03	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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