

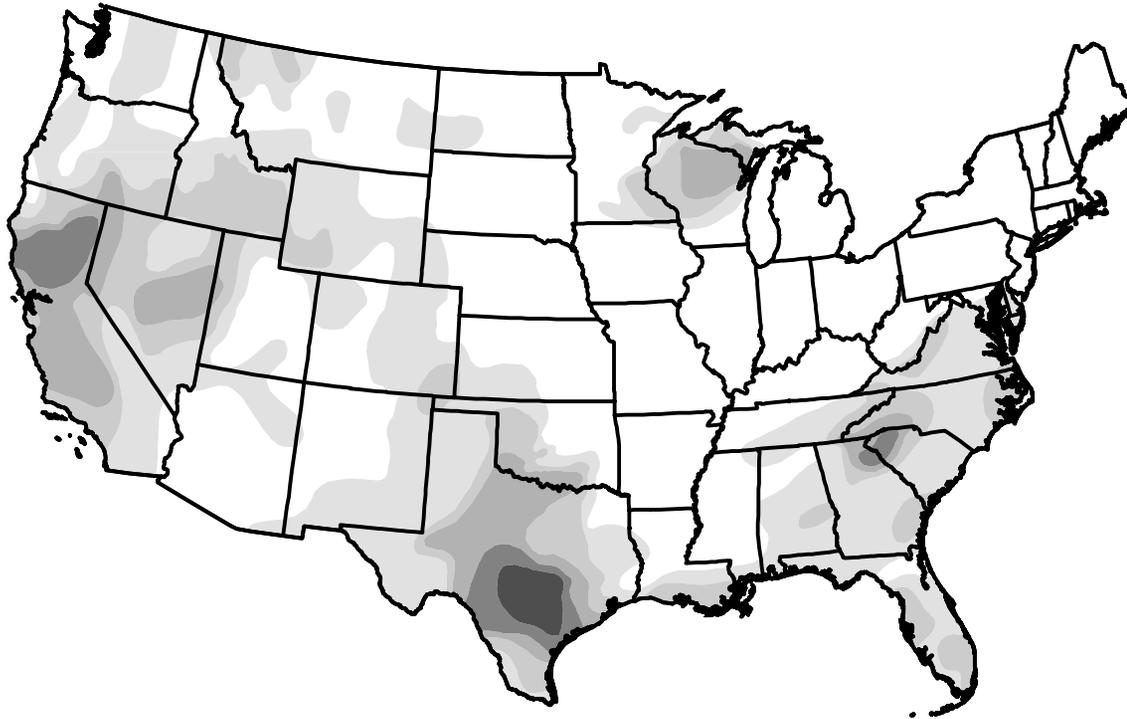
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**February 17, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	50.61	49.38	21.10	9.28	2.81	0.75
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-10-2009</i>	49.86	50.13	21.96	9.59	2.88	0.67
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-18-2008</i>	56.16	43.83	20.92	8.15	1.77	0.44
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	41.79	19.19	6.17	1.24	0.37
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	54.09	45.90	23.55	8.89	1.84	0.18
<b>One Year Ago</b> <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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