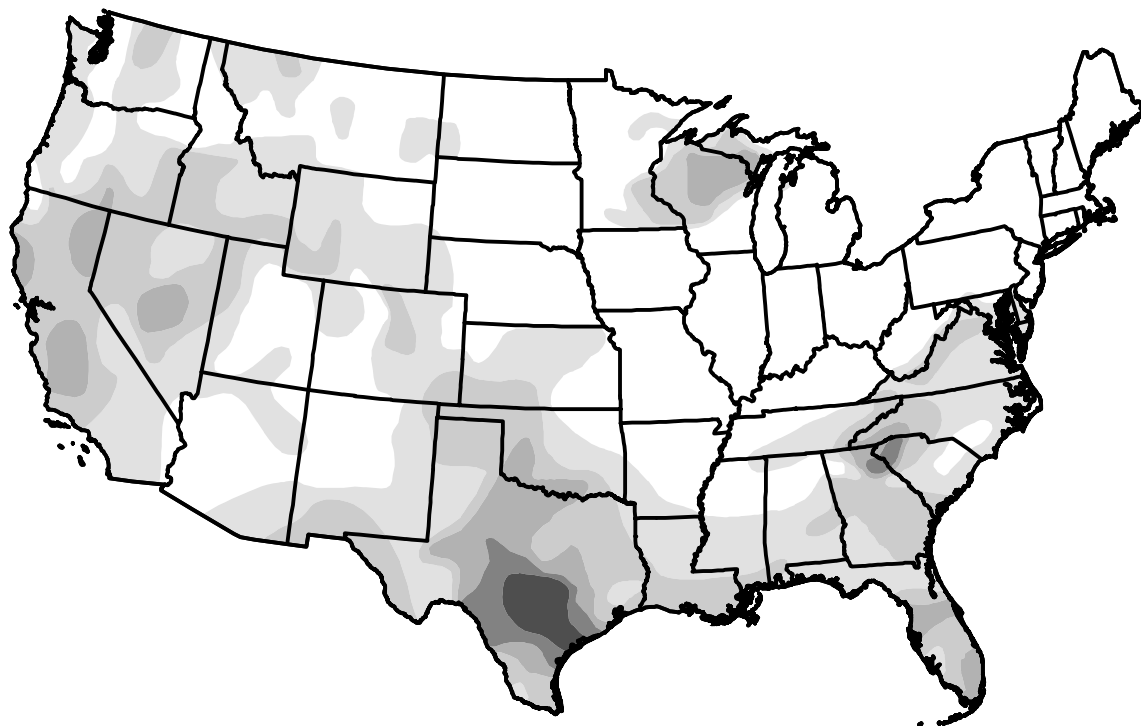


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	45.64	28.64	18.07	5.51	1.28	0.85
Last Week <i>03-03-2009</i>	47.06	27.24	16.99	6.41	1.45	0.85
3 Months Ago <i>12-09-2008</i>	52.69	25.52	13.18	6.38	1.45	0.77
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	22.60	13.02	4.94	0.87	0.37
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	54.09	22.35	14.66	7.05	1.66	0.18
One Year Ago <i>03-11-2008</i>	53.33	19.46	12.83	11.71	2.28	0.38

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

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