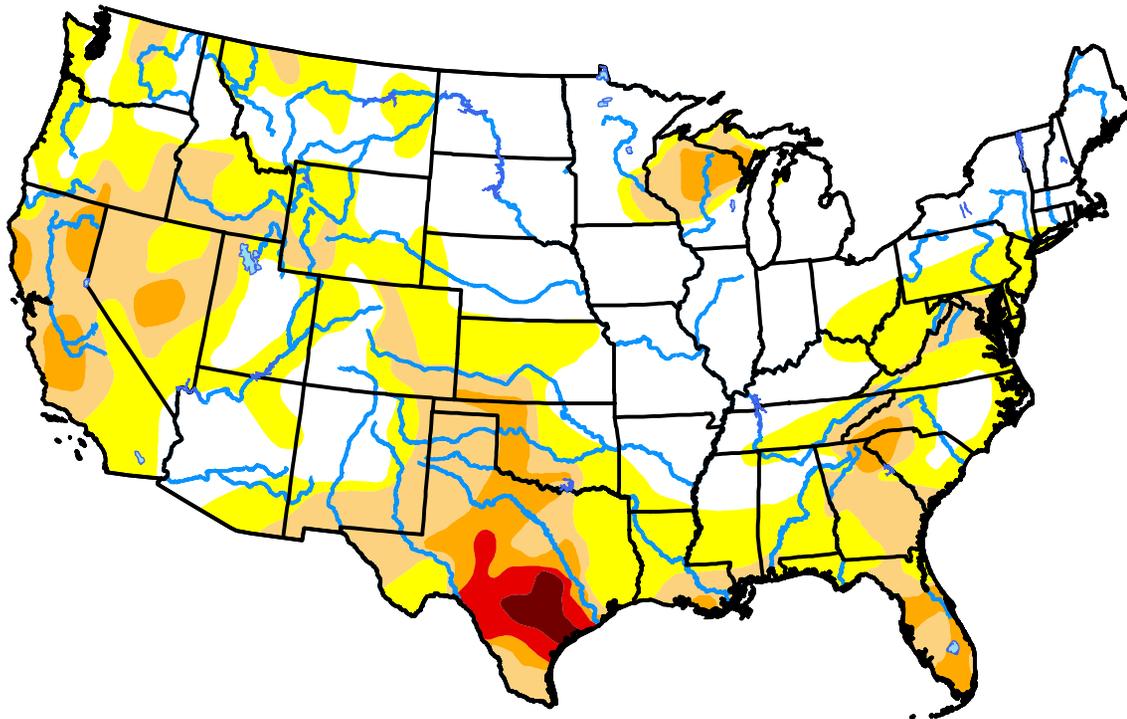


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 42.78 | 57.21 | 26.59 | 8.08 | 1.90 | 0.62 |
| Last Week <i>03-17-2009</i> | 45.87 | 54.12 | 24.49 | 7.82 | 1.90 | 0.62 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>12-23-2008</i> | 54.32 | 45.68 | 20.35 | 6.68 | 1.35 | 0.37 |
| 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>03-25-2008</i> | 53.69 | 46.30 | 28.27 | 12.58 | 2.51 | 0.00 |

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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