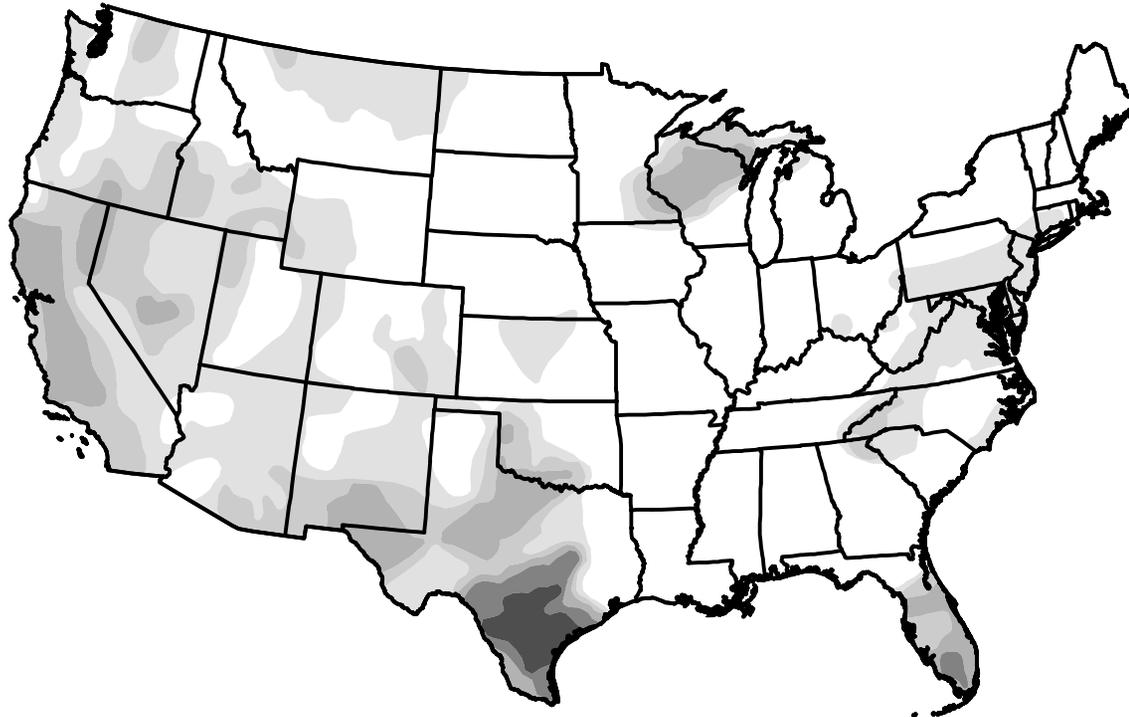


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	56.22	24.45	10.39	6.79	1.16	0.99
Last Week <i>04-14-2009</i>	54.59	24.61	11.45	7.05	1.27	1.01
3 Months Ago <i>01-20-2009</i>	58.57	22.13	12.40	4.63	1.89	0.37
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>04-22-2008</i>	54.53	18.54	17.77	6.64	2.22	0.29

Intensity:

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

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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