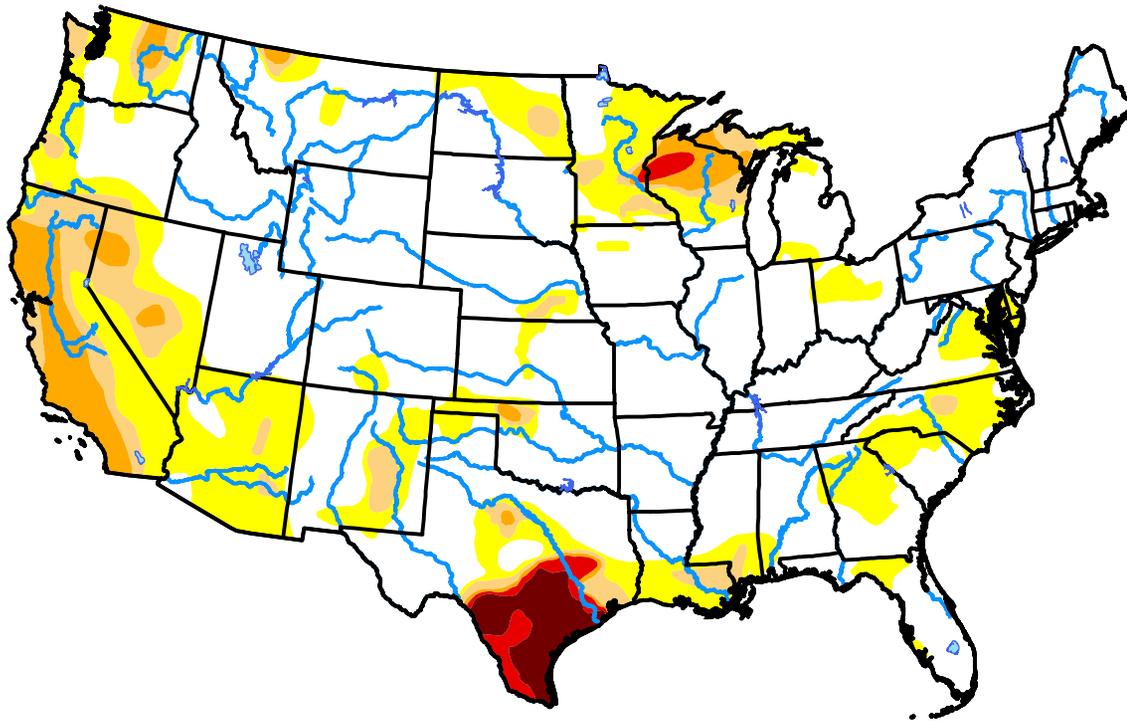


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**August 18, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 66.75 | 20.70 | 6.10  | 3.88 | 0.97 | 1.60 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-11-2009</i>              | 65.11 | 22.45 | 6.04  | 3.84 | 1.08 | 1.48 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-19-2009</i>           | 66.27 | 16.62 | 9.90  | 5.31 | 1.15 | 0.75 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 58.20 | 22.60 | 13.02 | 4.94 | 0.87 | 0.37 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 54.09 | 22.35 | 14.66 | 7.05 | 1.66 | 0.18 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-19-2008</i>           | 48.86 | 25.94 | 13.62 | 8.50 | 2.31 | 0.77 |

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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