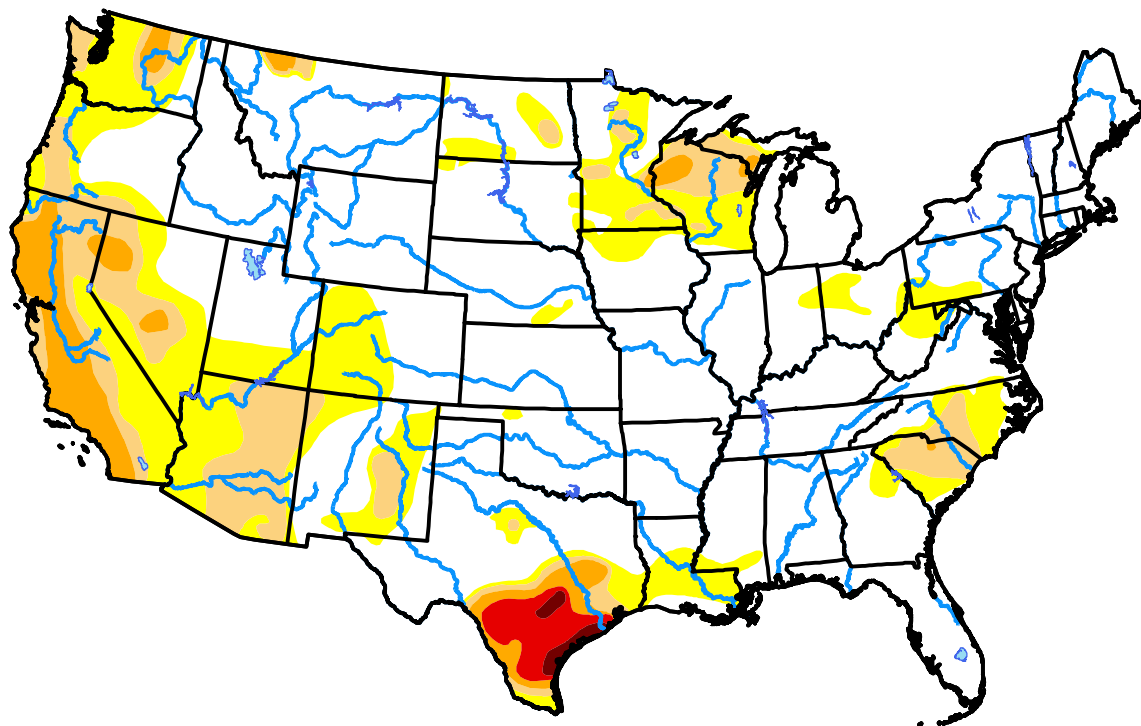


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	67.45	32.54	14.64	5.54	1.40	0.30
Last Week <i>09-08-2009</i>	65.65	34.34	14.99	5.79	2.20	1.42
3 Months Ago <i>06-16-2009</i>	65.73	34.26	13.70	5.94	1.46	0.67
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>09-16-2008</i>	54.58	45.41	21.86	7.52	1.38	0.14

Intensity:

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