

U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

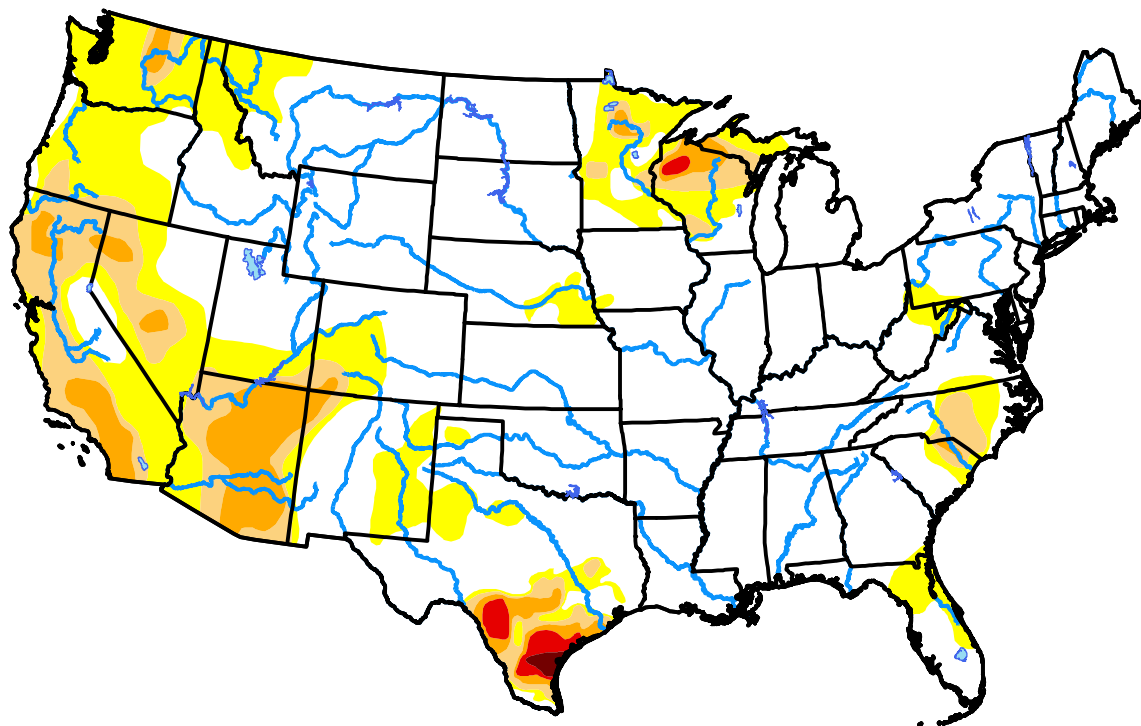
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	69.48	17.70	7.49	4.64	0.56	0.13
Last Week <i>10-13-2009</i>	67.24	18.55	7.32	6.25	0.50	0.13
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2009</i>	62.34	23.14	7.69	4.65	0.72	1.45
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>09-29-2009</i>	63.98	21.03	8.80	4.88	1.02	0.28
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2008</i>	56.46	21.12	12.95	7.73	1.61	0.12



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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