

U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

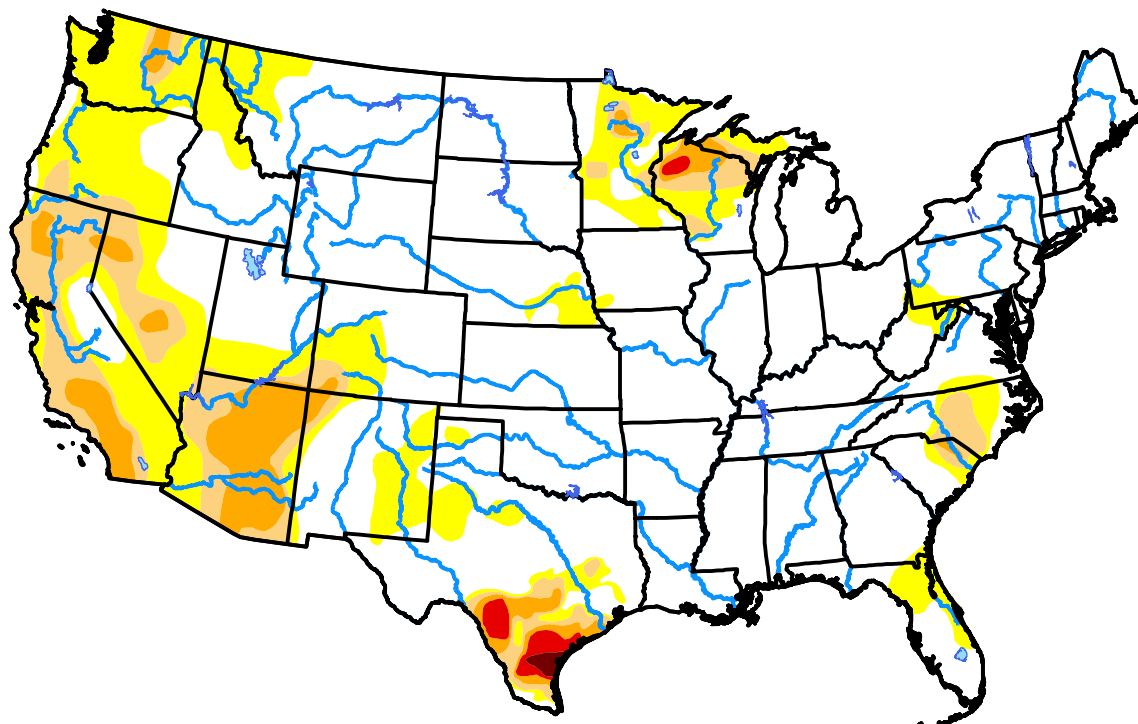
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	69.48	30.51	12.81	5.32	0.68	0.13
Last Week <i>10-13-2009</i>	67.24	32.75	14.20	6.88	0.63	0.13
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2009</i>	62.34	37.65	14.52	6.82	2.17	1.45
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>09-29-2009</i>	63.98	36.01	14.98	6.18	1.30	0.28
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2008</i>	56.46	43.54	22.42	9.47	1.73	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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