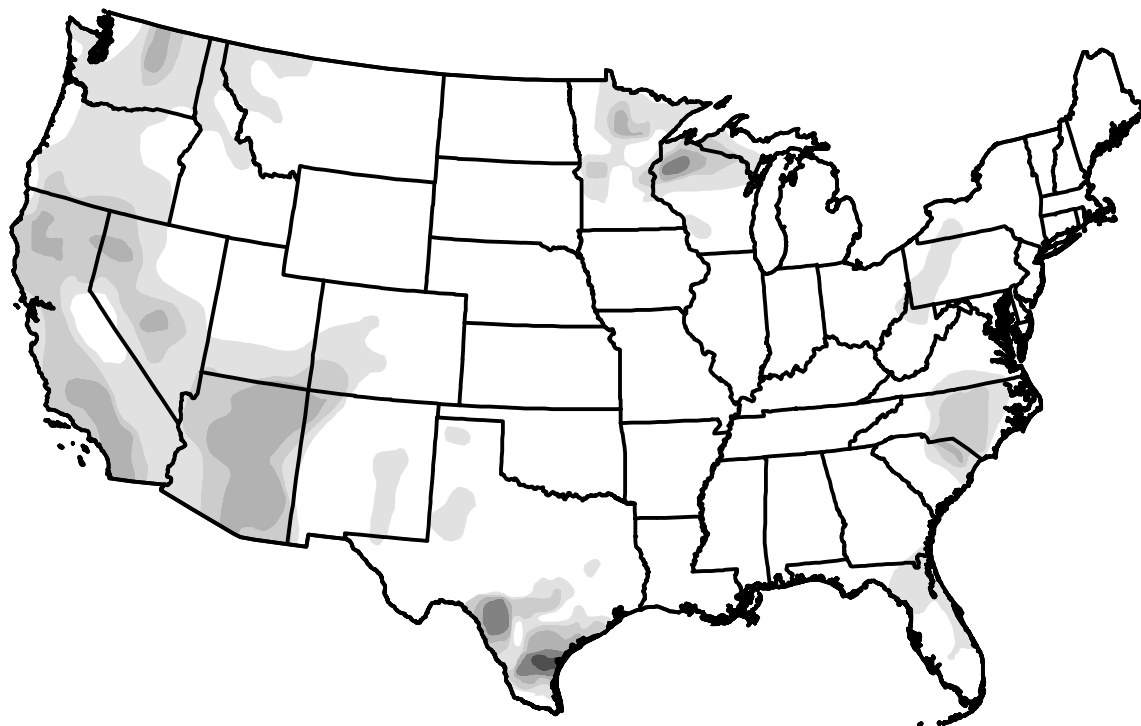


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	73.03	15.02	7.32	4.15	0.39	0.08
Last Week <i>10-20-2009</i>	69.48	17.70	7.49	4.64	0.56	0.13
3 Months Ago <i>07-28-2009</i>	64.88	21.27	7.03	4.64	0.53	1.65
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>10-28-2008</i>	58.34	20.07	12.19	7.69	1.58	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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