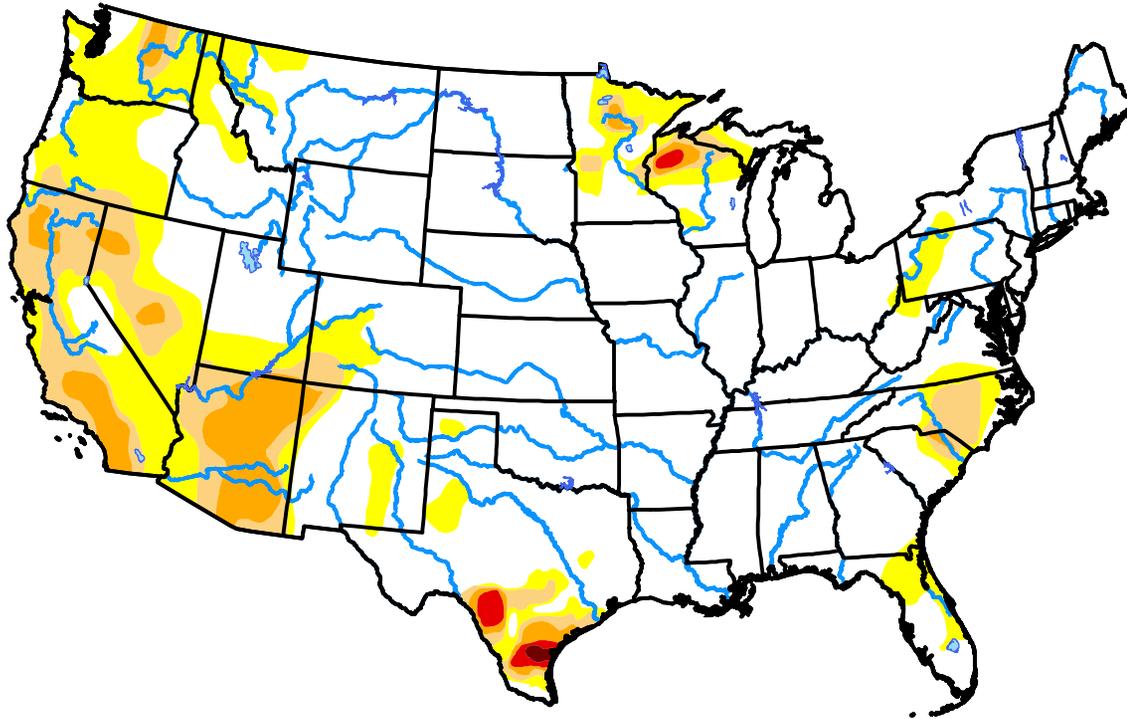


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	73.03	26.96	11.93	4.61	0.46	0.08
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-20-2009</i>	69.48	30.51	12.81	5.32	0.68	0.13
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-28-2009</i>	64.88	35.11	13.84	6.81	2.18	1.65
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	58.20	41.79	19.19	6.17	1.24	0.37
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2009</i>	63.98	36.01	14.98	6.18	1.30	0.28
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-28-2008</i>	58.34	41.66	21.59	9.39	1.70	0.12

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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