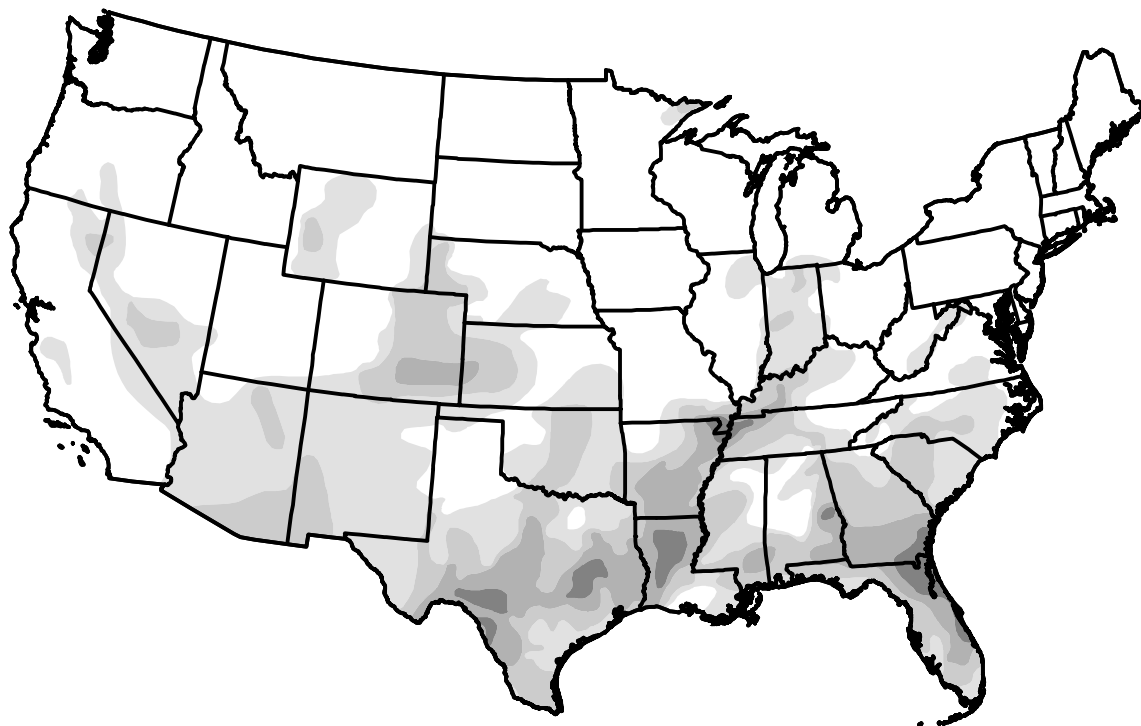


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	57.66	22.54	12.64	5.74	1.41	0.00
Last Week <i>12-07-2010</i>	57.36	24.82	10.84	5.67	1.29	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-14-2010</i>	67.95	21.74	8.07	2.00	0.22	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2009</i>	72.07	15.52	8.16	4.05	0.19	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2010</i>	60.05	26.78	10.07	2.79	0.30	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-15-2009</i>	72.64	14.77	8.15	4.25	0.19	0.00

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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