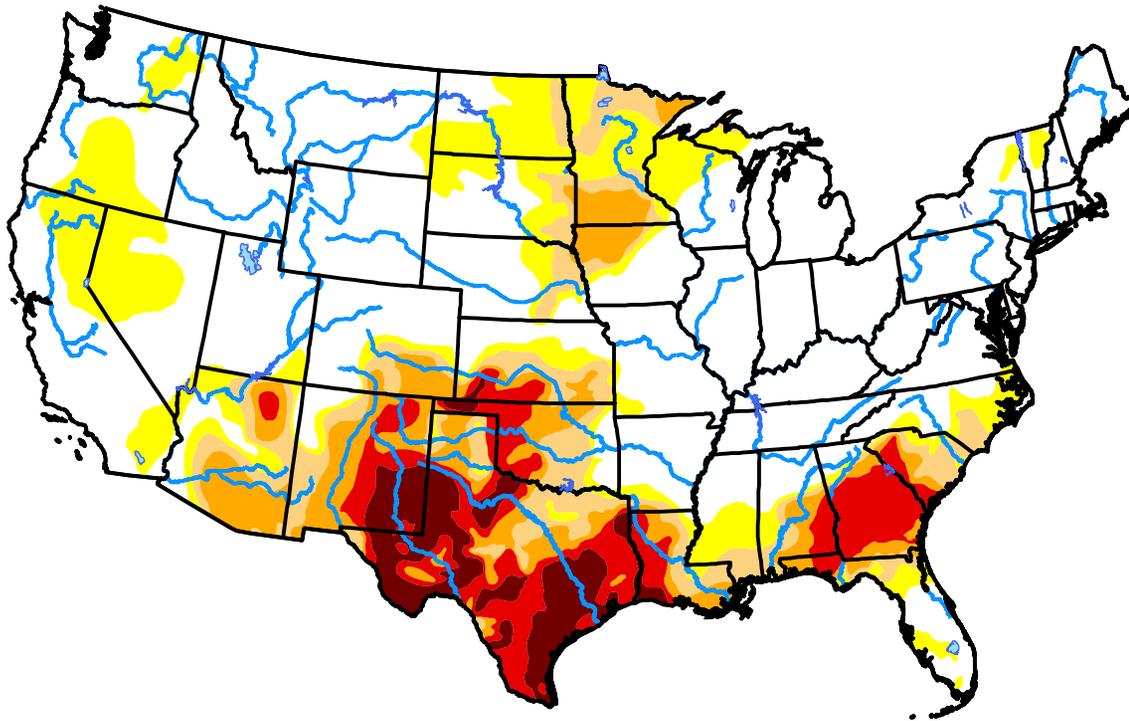


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

December 20, 2011
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	57.24	15.21	8.17	8.20	6.79	4.38
Last Week <i>12-13-2011</i>	57.13	14.82	7.20	7.98	8.28	4.59
3 Months Ago <i>09-20-2011</i>	57.22	12.31	6.82	5.66	6.64	11.34
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2011</i>	60.49	17.76	13.24	5.90	2.59	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	56.44	14.42	5.69	5.64	6.43	11.37
One Year Ago <i>12-21-2010</i>	58.48	18.18	14.95	6.43	1.95	0.00

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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