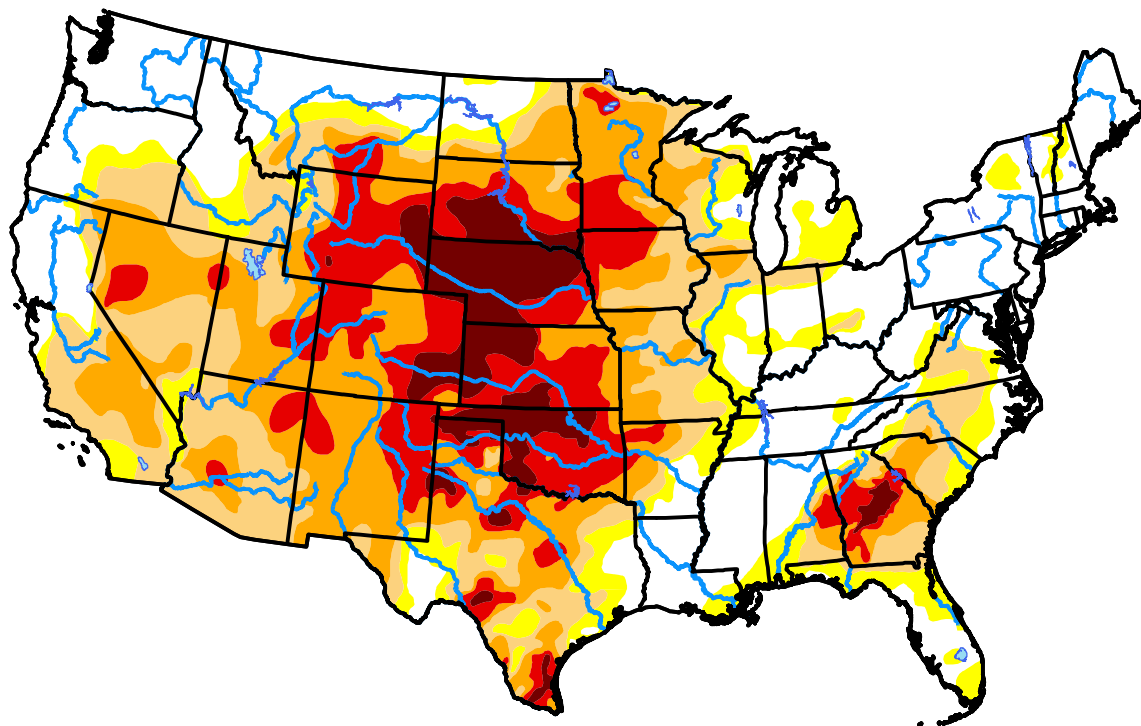


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	29.84	70.15	58.87	40.29	19.39	6.31
Last Week <i>01-08-2013</i>	28.25	71.74	60.26	41.71	20.80	6.70
3 Months Ago <i>10-16-2012</i>	25.01	74.98	62.39	38.83	19.08	5.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2013</i>	27.22	72.78	61.09	42.05	21.31	6.75
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i>	23.40	76.59	65.45	42.12	21.48	6.12
One Year Ago <i>01-17-2012</i>	43.06	56.93	32.51	18.76	10.21	2.77

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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