

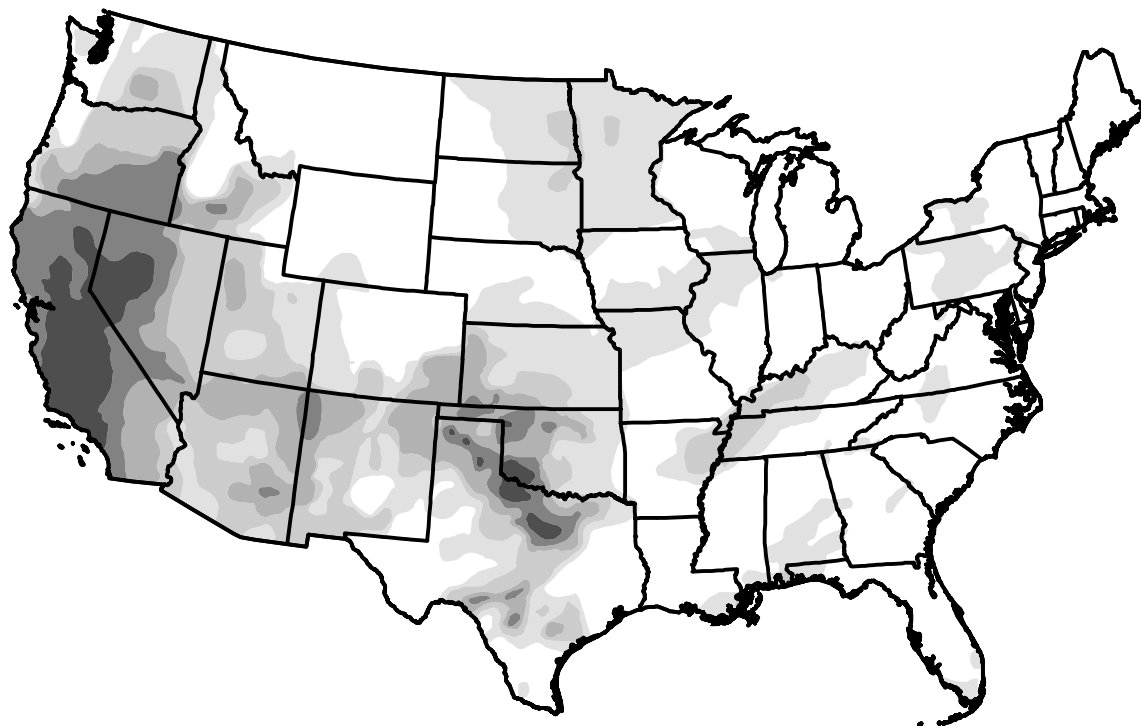
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**January 27, 2015**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 48.28 | 51.71 | 28.59 | 16.83 | 8.95  | 3.14 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-20-2015</i>              | 53.59 | 46.40 | 28.18 | 16.97 | 8.88  | 2.91 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>10-28-2014</i>           | 56.51 | 43.48 | 29.61 | 18.02 | 9.17  | 3.99 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 53.20 | 46.80 | 28.68 | 16.93 | 8.96  | 2.54 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>    | 52.22 | 47.77 | 30.57 | 18.66 | 9.41  | 3.85 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>01-28-2014</i>           | 43.74 | 56.25 | 36.49 | 20.76 | 7.24  | 0.83 |



### 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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