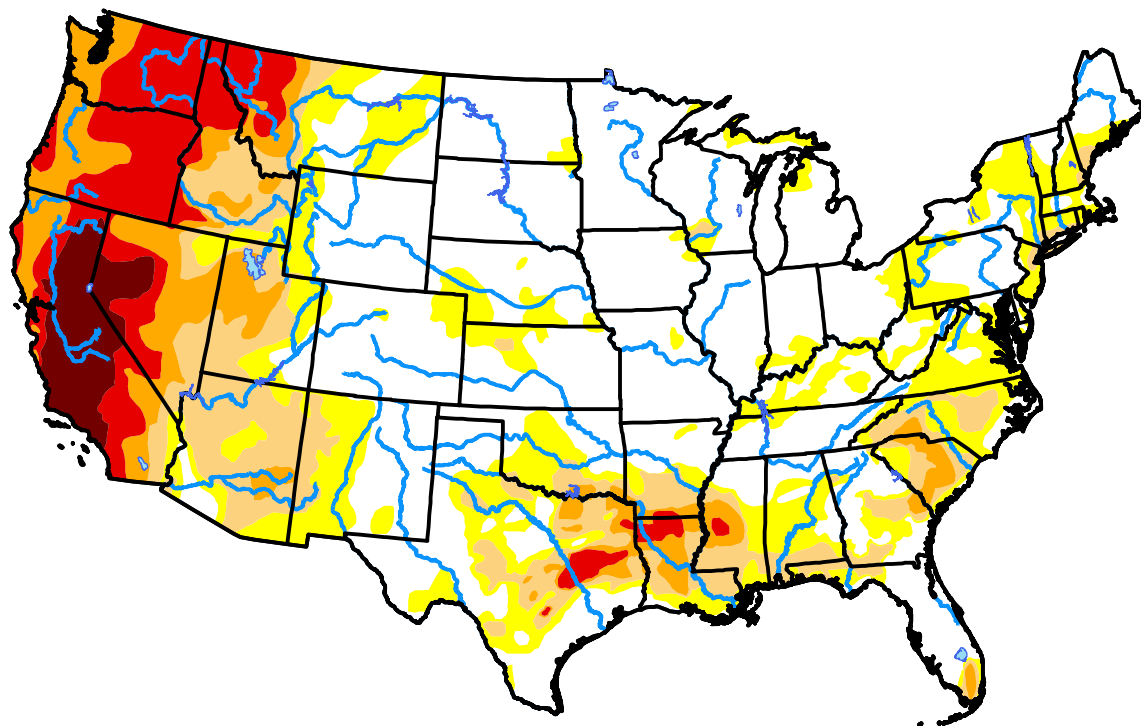


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	48.44	51.55	31.53	19.58	11.17	3.00
Last Week <i>09-08-2015</i>	49.63	50.36	31.67	19.62	10.92	3.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-16-2015</i>	60.39	39.60	24.65	13.62	6.76	2.86
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2014</i>	53.20	46.80	28.68	16.93	8.96	2.54
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	52.22	47.77	30.57	18.66	9.41	3.85
One Year Ago <i>09-16-2014</i>	54.90	45.09	31.11	19.95	9.32	3.72

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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