

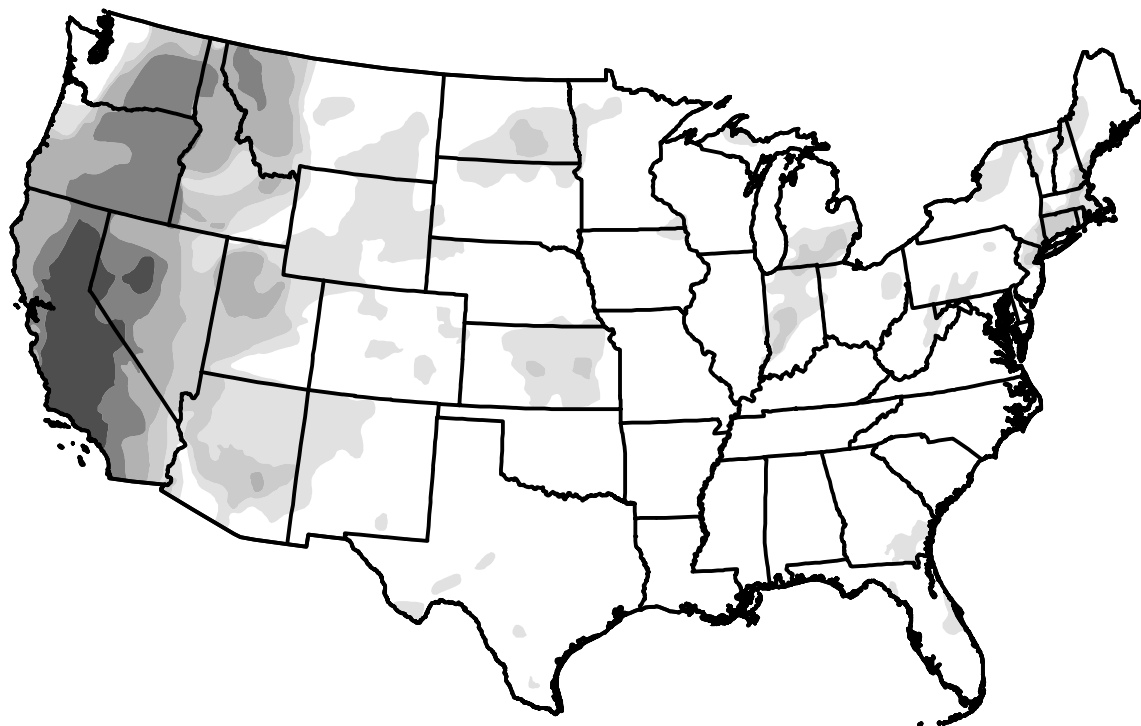
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**December 8, 2015**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 64.84 | 14.99 | 5.82  | 6.37 | 5.27 | 2.70 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-01-2015</i>              | 63.25 | 16.16 | 5.90  | 6.34 | 5.64 | 2.70 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-08-2015</i>           | 49.63 | 18.70 | 12.04 | 8.70 | 7.92 | 3.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 53.20 | 18.12 | 11.75 | 7.96 | 6.42 | 2.54 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>    | 44.90 | 23.73 | 11.27 | 8.64 | 8.44 | 3.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-09-2014</i>           | 51.32 | 18.84 | 12.75 | 8.15 | 5.24 | 3.69 |



### 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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