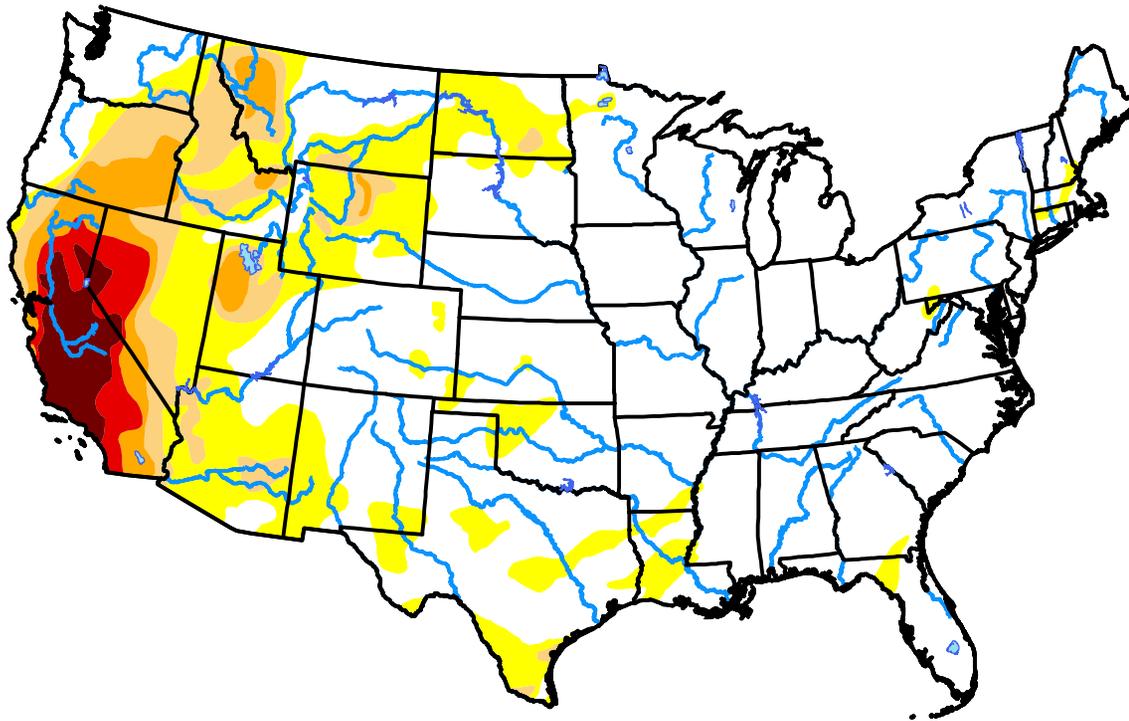


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	68.02	31.98	14.30	7.77	4.05	2.19
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-23-2016</i>	70.09	29.90	14.62	7.77	4.05	2.19
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-01-2015</i>	63.25	36.74	20.58	14.68	8.34	2.70
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2015</i>	66.99	33.01	18.74	11.56	6.28	2.70
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2015</i>	44.90	55.09	31.36	20.09	11.45	3.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-03-2015</i>	47.48	52.51	31.88	15.66	8.43	3.21

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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