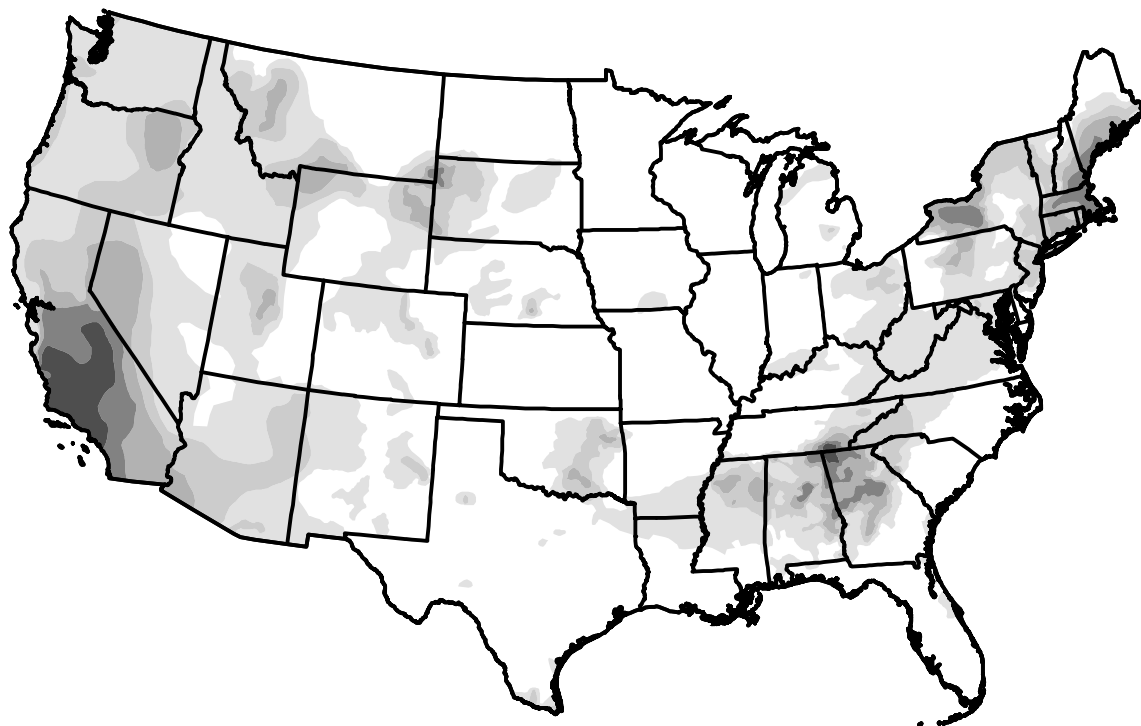


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**September 27, 2016**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 53.60 | 46.39 | 18.96 | 8.10  | 3.20  | 1.16 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-20-2016</i>              | 54.96 | 45.03 | 18.81 | 7.76  | 2.94  | 1.11 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-28-2016</i>           | 56.61 | 43.38 | 16.18 | 5.43  | 2.36  | 1.11 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-29-2015</i> | 66.99 | 33.01 | 18.74 | 11.56 | 6.28  | 2.70 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>    | 44.90 | 55.09 | 31.36 | 20.09 | 11.45 | 3.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>           | 44.90 | 55.09 | 31.36 | 20.09 | 11.45 | 3.00 |

### 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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