

# U.S. Drought Monitor

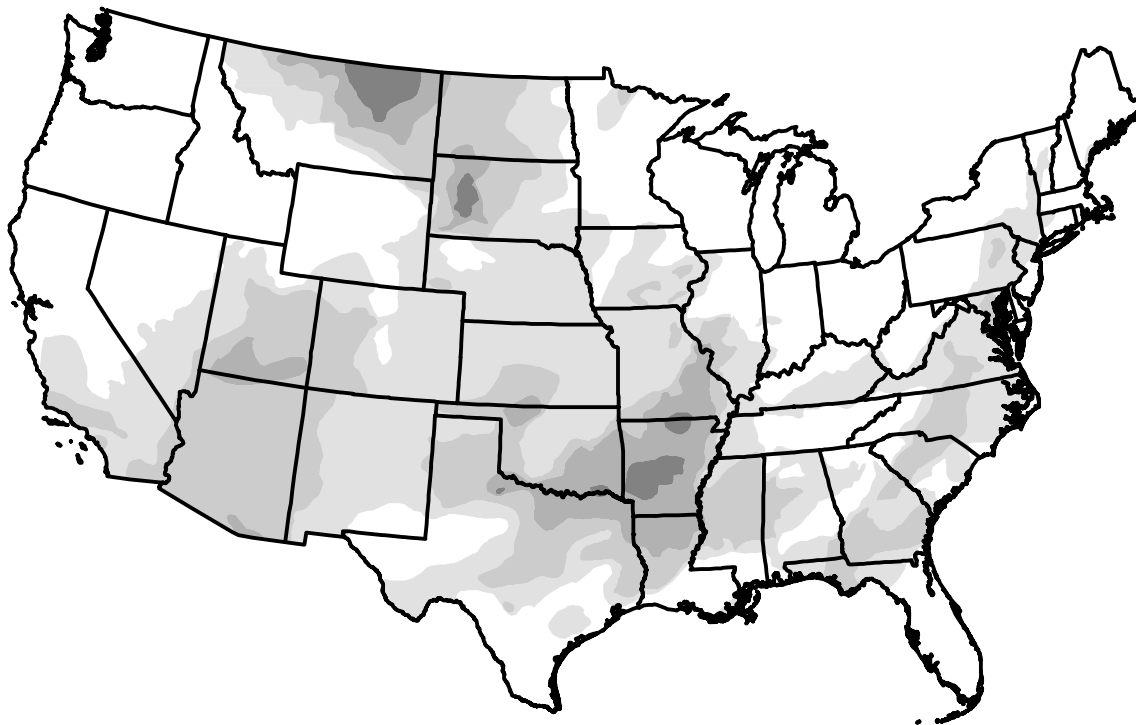
## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**December 19, 2017**  
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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>	52.50	47.49	21.90	5.82	1.07	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-12-2017</i>	54.04	45.95	19.96	5.42	1.49	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-19-2017</i>	69.03	30.96	13.06	4.71	2.00	0.72
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2017</i>	59.70	40.29	18.83	7.21	2.63	0.80
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-26-2017</i>	68.97	31.02	11.65	4.19	1.97	0.72
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-20-2016</i>	52.74	47.25	23.53	8.85	3.82	1.58



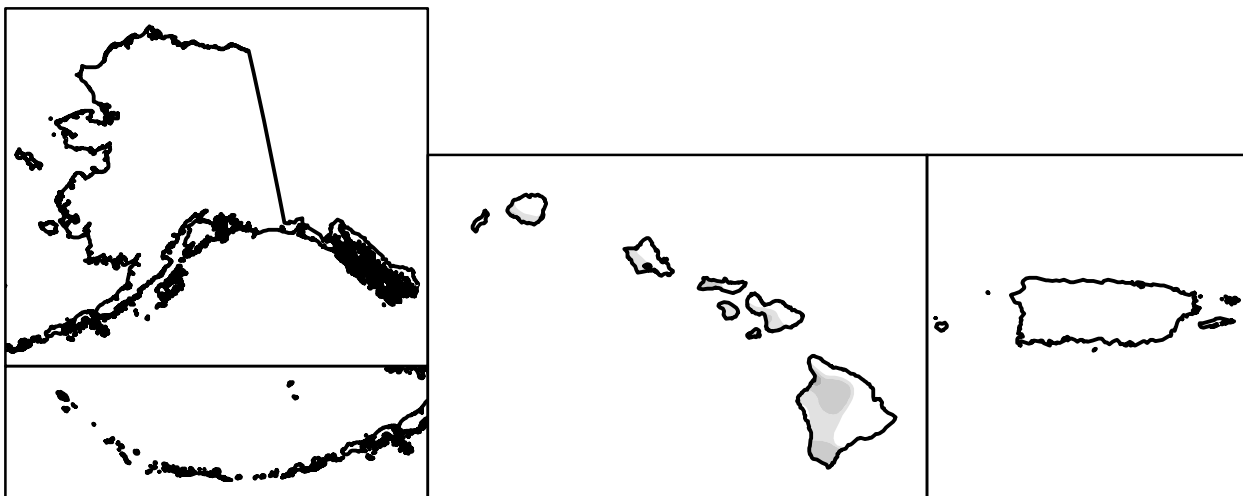
**Intensity:**



*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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