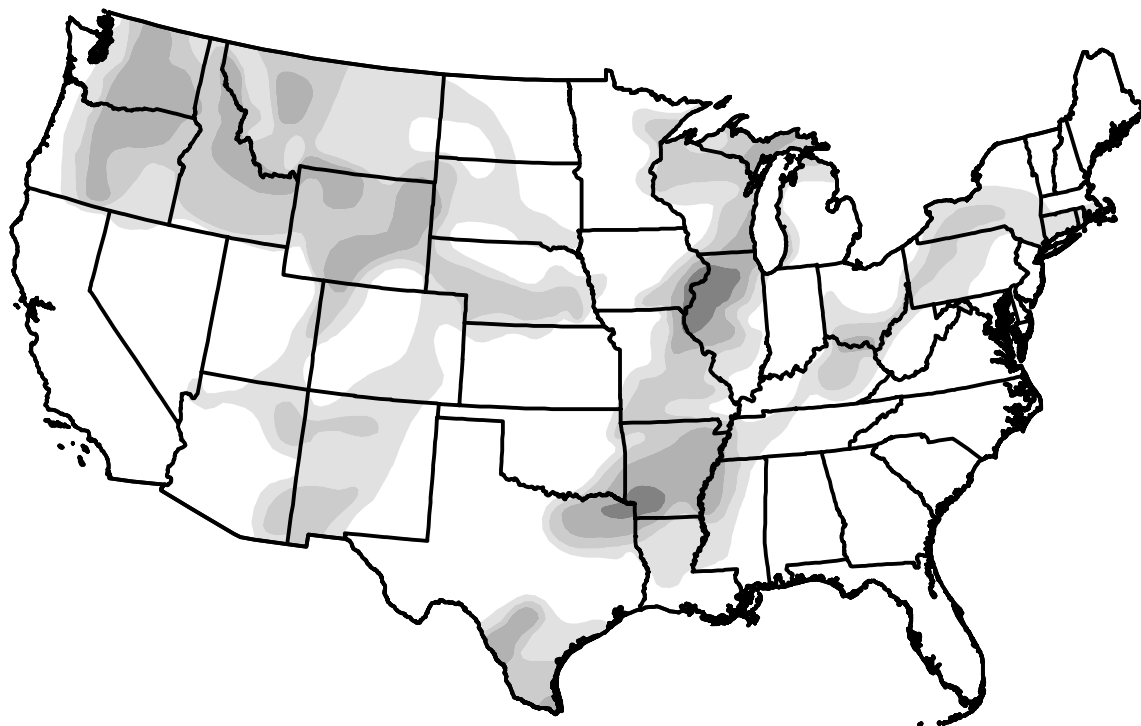


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**August 23, 2005**  
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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 56.95 | 43.04 | 23.46 | 9.05  | 0.84  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-16-2005</i>              | 53.49 | 46.50 | 25.37 | 9.78  | 0.99  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-24-2005</i>           | 55.47 | 44.53 | 22.25 | 10.67 | 1.89  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 63.02 | 36.97 | 25.64 | 15.39 | 5.91  | 0.77 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 56.51 | 43.48 | 30.51 | 21.82 | 9.69  | 0.93 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-24-2004</i>           | 58.35 | 41.64 | 31.87 | 23.05 | 11.63 | 1.23 |

### 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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