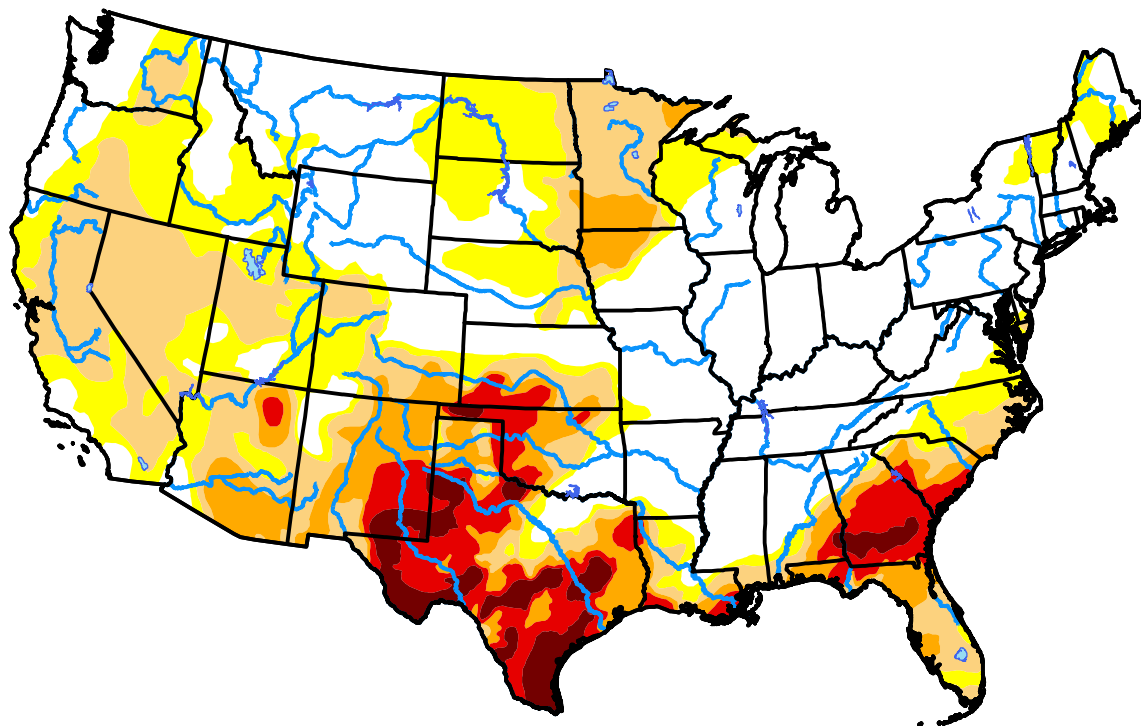


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

January 31, 2012
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	41.84	20.29	19.46	8.81	6.41	3.19
Last Week <i>01-24-2012</i>	41.80	21.98	17.77	8.64	7.05	2.74
3 Months Ago <i>11-01-2011</i>	56.97	10.47	8.21	6.62	8.87	8.86
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	50.41	17.69	13.07	8.65	6.86	3.32
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	56.44	14.42	5.69	5.64	6.43	11.37
One Year Ago <i>02-01-2011</i>	57.45	18.44	13.53	8.97	1.61	0.00

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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