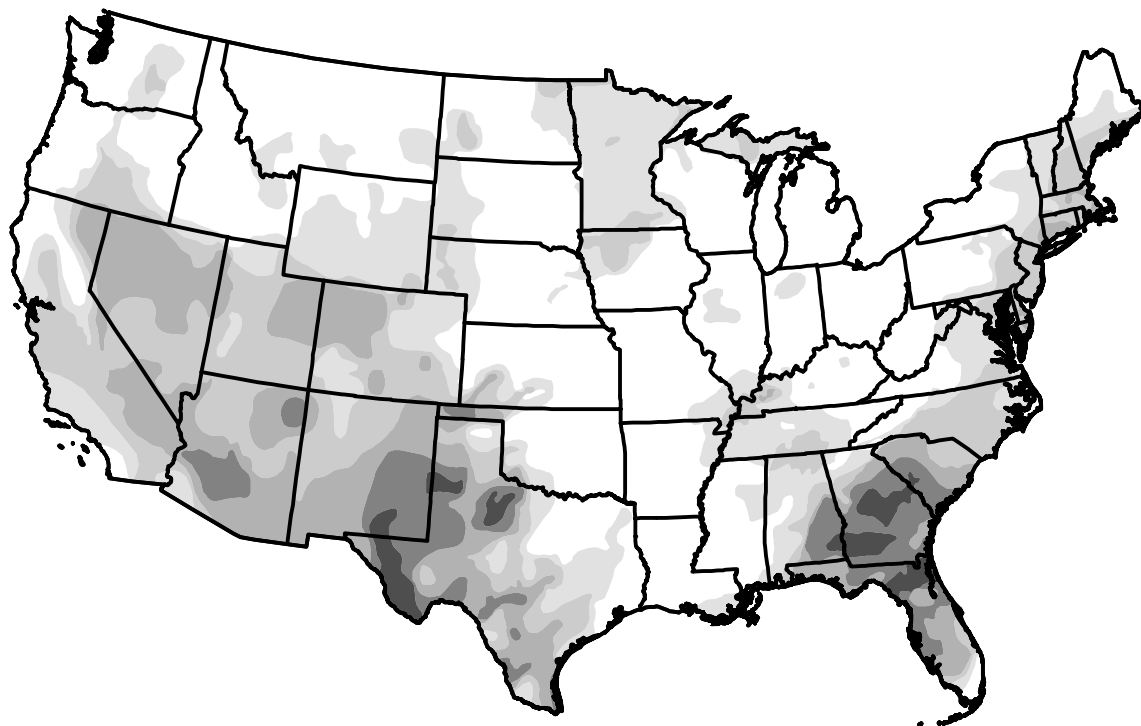


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Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	43.88	56.11	35.87	19.64	6.77	1.61
Last Week <i>05-01-2012</i>	40.67	59.32	38.17	20.40	6.92	1.93
3 Months Ago <i>02-07-2012</i>	42.97	57.02	37.86	18.01	9.17	3.14
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	50.41	49.58	31.90	18.83	10.18	3.32
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	56.44	43.55	29.13	23.44	17.80	11.37
One Year Ago <i>05-10-2011</i>	66.19	33.80	26.42	20.53	12.48	5.94

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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