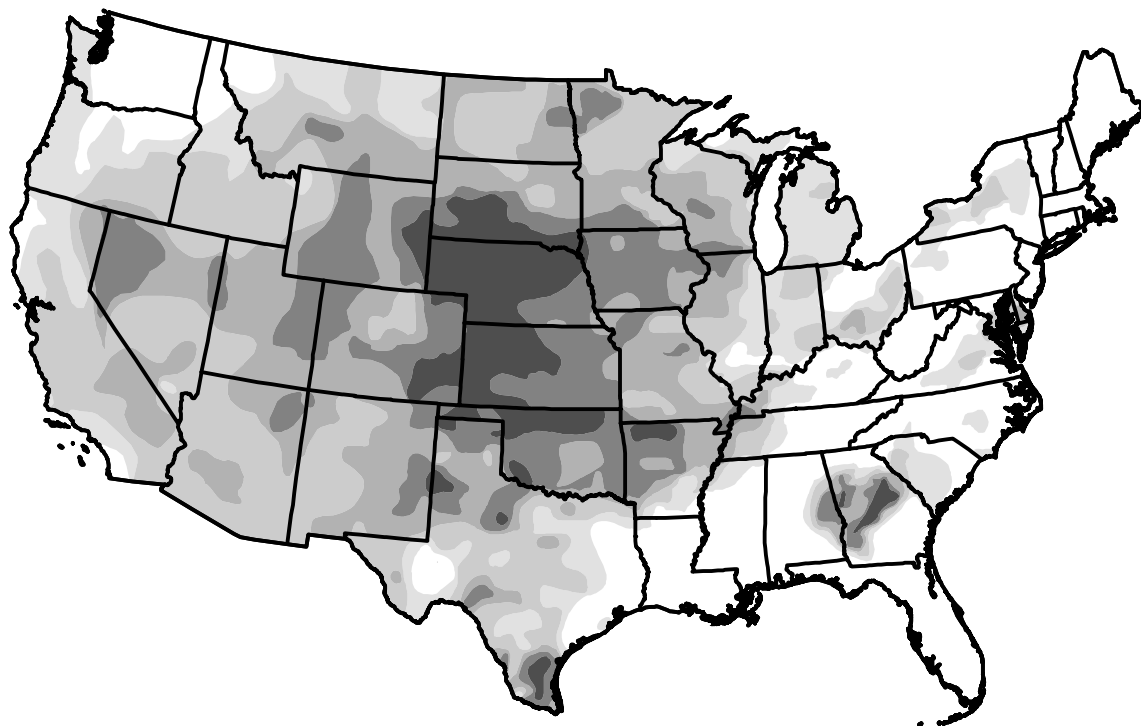


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	23.27	13.18	23.63	19.76	13.97	6.18
Last Week <i>10-02-2012</i>	24.09	11.31	24.52	19.95	14.05	6.07
3 Months Ago <i>07-10-2012</i>	20.01	19.15	23.65	25.58	10.87	0.74
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>09-25-2012</i>	23.40	11.14	23.33	20.64	15.36	6.12
One Year Ago <i>10-11-2011</i>	57.82	11.70	6.62	6.73	7.36	9.76

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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