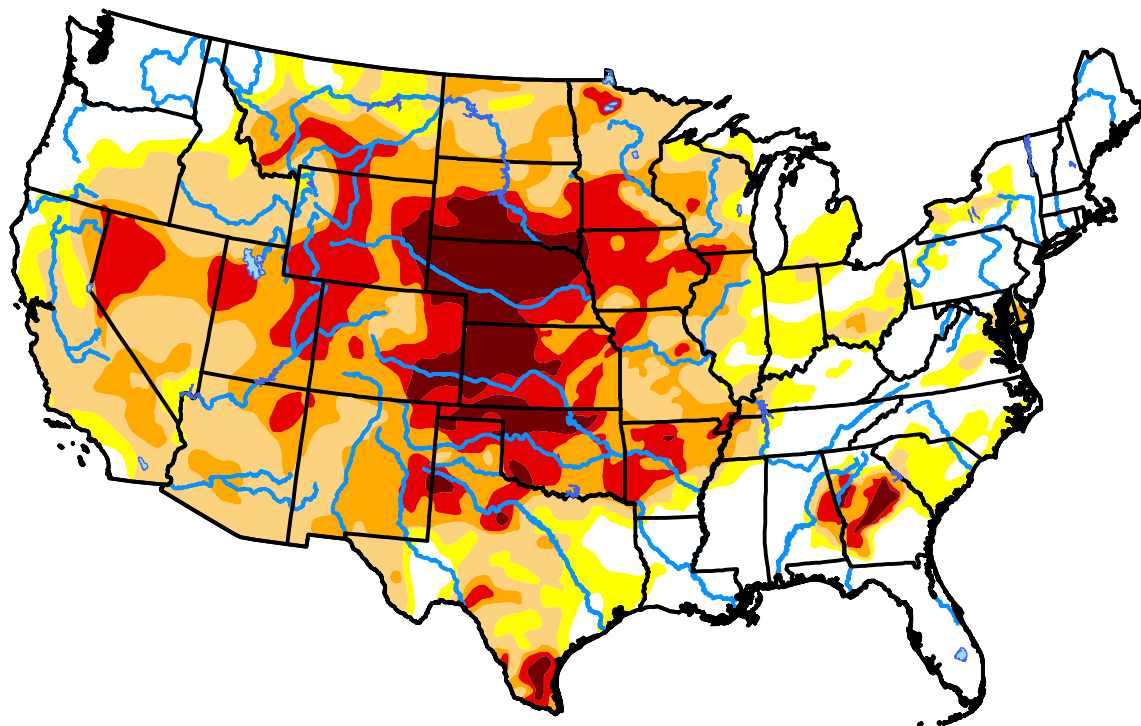


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	25.64	12.56	23.15	19.12	13.68	5.84
Last Week <i>10-16-2012</i>	25.01	12.59	23.56	19.75	13.24	5.84
3 Months Ago <i>07-24-2012</i>	19.91	16.22	18.29	25.00	18.19	2.38
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>10-25-2011</i>	58.95	10.79	6.31	6.69	7.71	9.55

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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