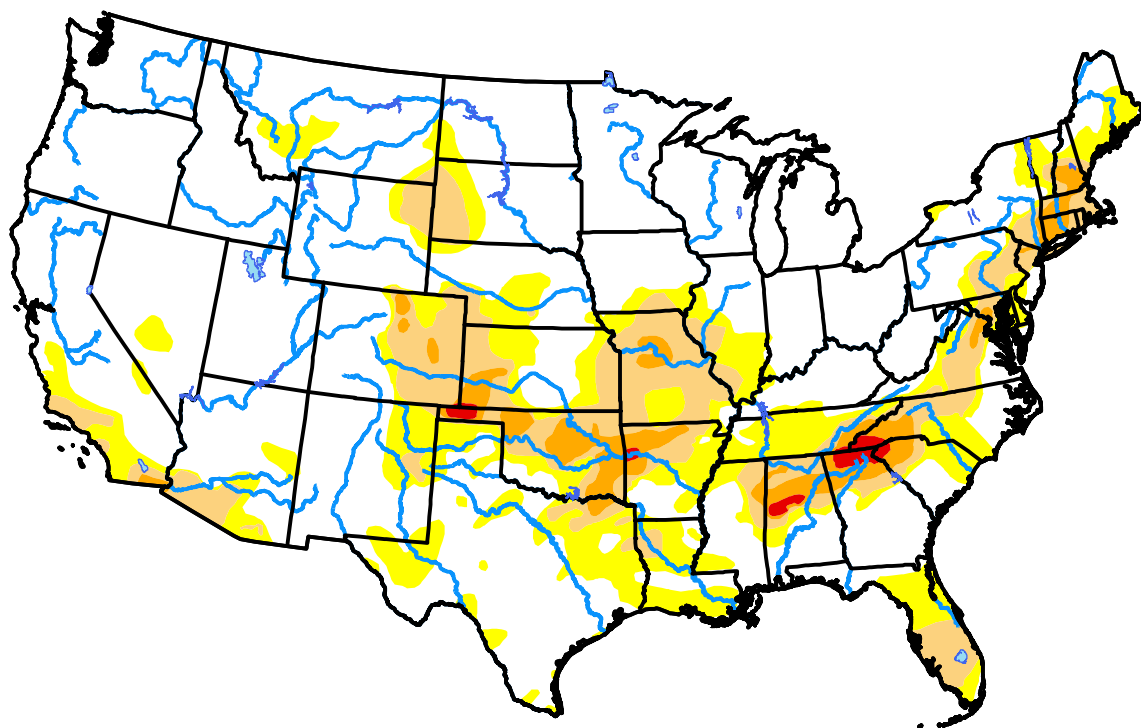


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.14	31.86	15.21	3.95	0.49	0.00
Last Week <i>03-07-2017</i>	67.22	32.77	14.93	4.00	0.53	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-13-2016</i>	45.78	54.21	29.82	12.89	5.02	1.99
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2017</i>	53.89	46.10	22.53	8.63	3.15	0.96
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2016</i>	53.60	46.39	18.96	8.10	3.20	1.16
One Year Ago <i>03-15-2016</i>	66.50	33.49	12.41	6.46	3.76	1.87

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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