

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 74.66 | 15.75 | 5.10  | 2.43 | 1.46 | 0.59 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-08-2017</i>              | 69.71 | 20.65 | 5.11  | 2.53 | 1.35 | 0.63 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-16-2017</i>           | 80.73 | 14.53 | 3.58  | 0.79 | 0.36 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2017</i> | 59.70 | 21.46 | 11.62 | 4.58 | 1.82 | 0.80 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2016</i>    | 61.21 | 22.94 | 9.08  | 4.09 | 1.71 | 0.97 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-16-2016</i>           | 57.46 | 25.91 | 10.18 | 4.01 | 1.51 | 0.92 |

### 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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