

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**September 19, 2017**  
*(Released Thursday, Sep. 21, 2017)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 69.03 | 30.96 | 13.06 | 4.71  | 2.00  | 0.72 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-12-2017</i>              | 71.58 | 28.40 | 13.55 | 5.24  | 2.62  | 1.07 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-20-2017</i>           | 77.53 | 22.46 | 7.20  | 1.78  | 0.46  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2017</i> | 59.70 | 40.29 | 18.83 | 7.21  | 2.63  | 0.80 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2016</i>    | 61.21 | 38.78 | 15.84 | 6.77  | 2.67  | 0.97 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-20-2016</i>           | 62.35 | 37.64 | 15.72 | 6.48  | 2.46  | 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>*

### Author:

Brad Rippey  
 U.S. Department of Agriculture



**droughtmonitor.unl.edu**

