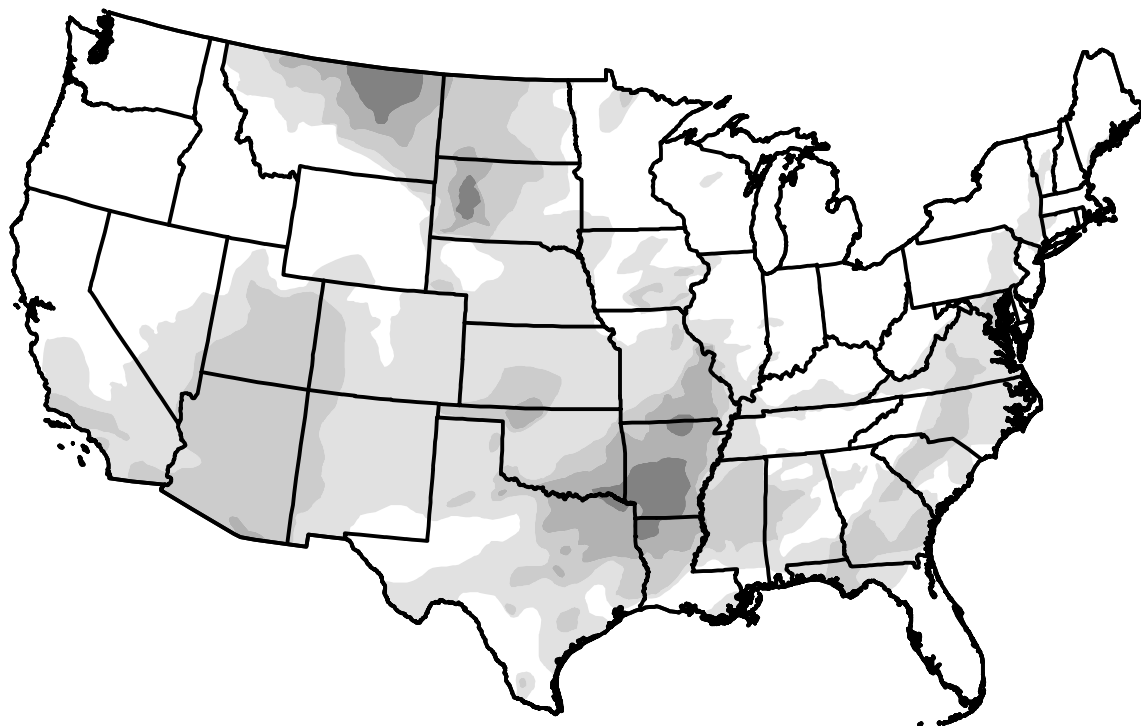


U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	45.08	31.07	17.36	4.71	1.78	0.00
Last Week <i>12-05-2017</i>	52.37	23.31	18.31	4.76	1.23	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-12-2017</i>	66.25	17.66	9.84	3.11	1.85	1.28
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2017</i>	53.89	23.57	13.90	5.48	2.18	0.96
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2017</i>	63.07	23.11	8.83	2.63	1.49	0.87
One Year Ago <i>12-13-2016</i>	45.78	24.39	16.93	7.87	3.03	1.99

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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