U.S. Drought Monitor

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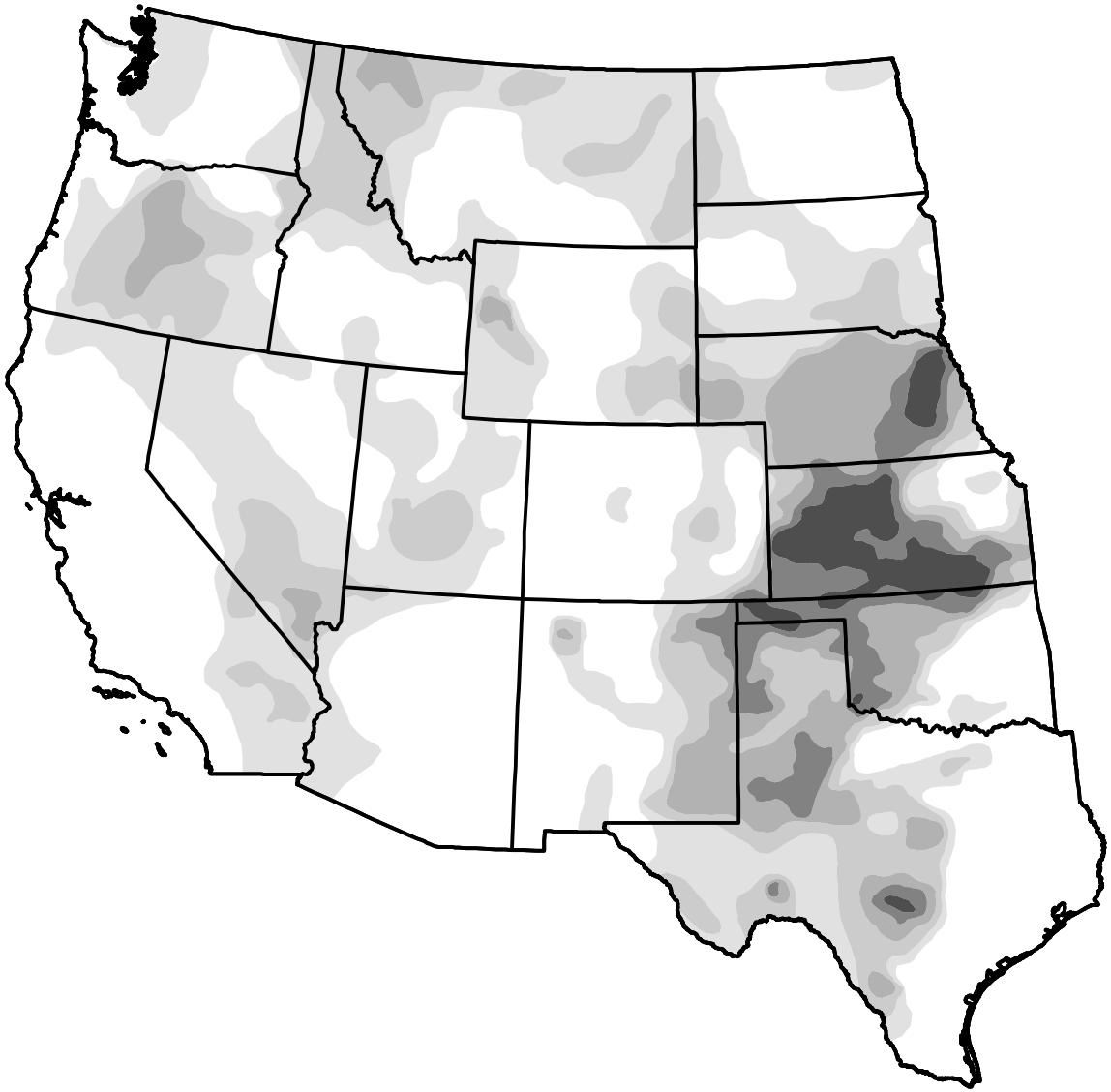

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	45.58	54.42	28.17	13.62	5.81	2.19
Last Week *05-16-2023*	44.63	55.37	29.75	14.68	6.78	2.40
3 Months Ago *02-21-2023*	17.42	82.58	63.48	29.14	8.95	2.68
Start of Calendar Year *01-03-2023*	12.21	87.79	64.96	40.27	15.94	3.03
Start of Water Year *09-27-2022*	5.09	94.91	73.72	46.57	20.12	4.14
One Year Ago *05-24-2022*	13.26	86.74	79.95	63.15	34.22	9.80

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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