U.S. Drought Monitor

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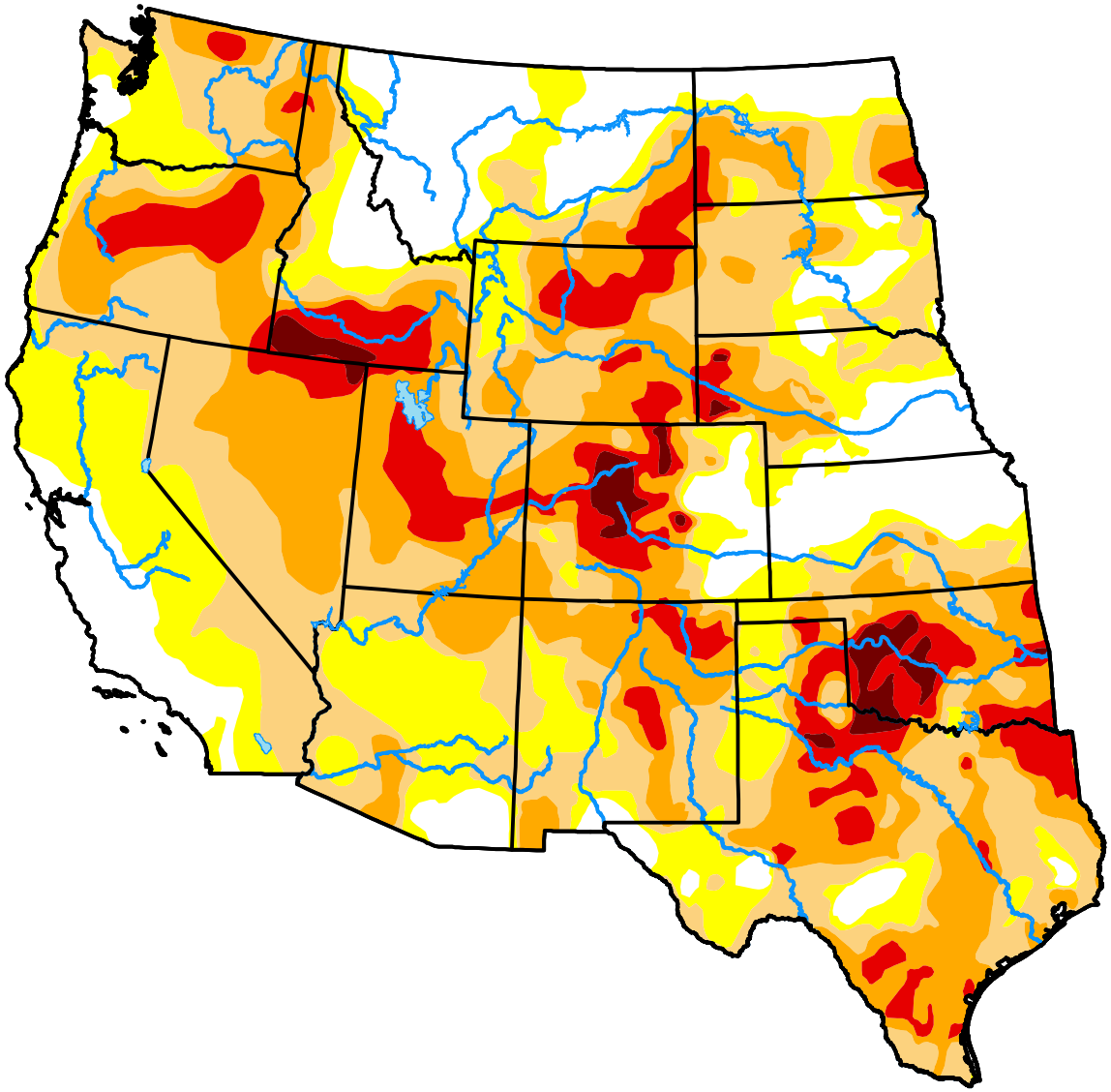

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	16.11	83.89	64.00	36.68	11.76	1.66
Last Week *10-06-2026*	14.72	85.28	65.87	38.62	12.55	1.64
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	21.81	78.19	59.14	39.01	14.83	1.41
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	38.34	61.66	37.32	14.55	2.37	0.09
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	33.13	66.87	46.28	30.51	8.27	0.49
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	28.73	71.27	46.38	26.79	6.46	0.31

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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