U.S. Drought Monitor

Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

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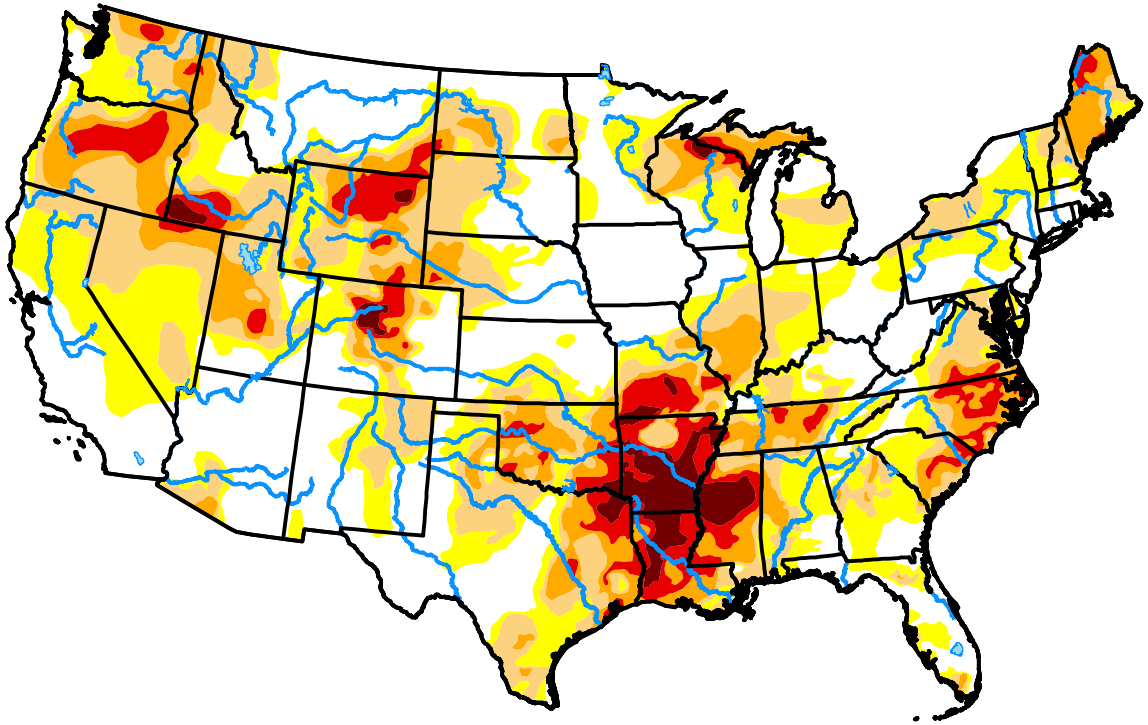

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	35.15	64.85	42.03	20.84	8.77	2.42
Last Week *11-10-2026*	33.02	66.98	41.68	21.08	7.92	1.84
3 Months Ago *08-18-2026*	23.79	76.21	52.70	29.87	10.60	1.35
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	29.74	70.26	44.82	15.70	1.91	0.05
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	21.64	78.36	59.38	33.78	11.53	1.59
One Year Ago *11-18-2025*	30.79	69.21	46.12	19.44	3.23	0.09

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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