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| [**Statistics type**](http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/AboutUSDM/StatisticsType.aspx)**:** | Traditional (D0-D4, D1-D4, etc.) | Categorical (D0, D1, etc.) |

*Drought Condition (Percent Area):*

| **Week** | **Date** | **None** | **D0-D4** | **D1-D4** | **D2-D4** | **D3-D4** | **D4** |
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| **Current** | **2015-05-26** | 25.37 | 74.63 | 57.03 | 35.92 | 17.59 | 7.94 |
| **Last Week** | **2015-05-19** | 23.49 | 76.51 | 60.69 | 36.57 | 17.59 | 7.95 |
| **3 Months Ago** | **2015-02-24** | 30.07 | 69.93 | 59.91 | 31.06 | 17.38 | 7.04 |
| **Start of Calendar Year** | **2014-12-30** | 34.76 | 65.24 | 54.48 | 33.50 | 18.68 | 5.40 |
| **Start of Water Year** | **2014-09-30** | 31.48 | 68.52 | 55.57 | 35.65 | 19.95 | 8.90 |
| **One Year Ago** | **2014-05-27** | 31.18 | 68.82 | 60.38 | 47.20 | 20.21 | 4.31 |

Population Affected by Drought: **53,571,264**[**View More Statistics**](http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/MapsAndData/DataTables.aspx?west)**Intensity:*** http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/styles/images/d0.pngD0 - Abnormally Dry
* http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/styles/images/d1.pngD1 - Moderate Drought
* http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/styles/images/d2.pngD2 - Severe Drought
* http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/styles/images/d3.pngD3 - Extreme Drought
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