

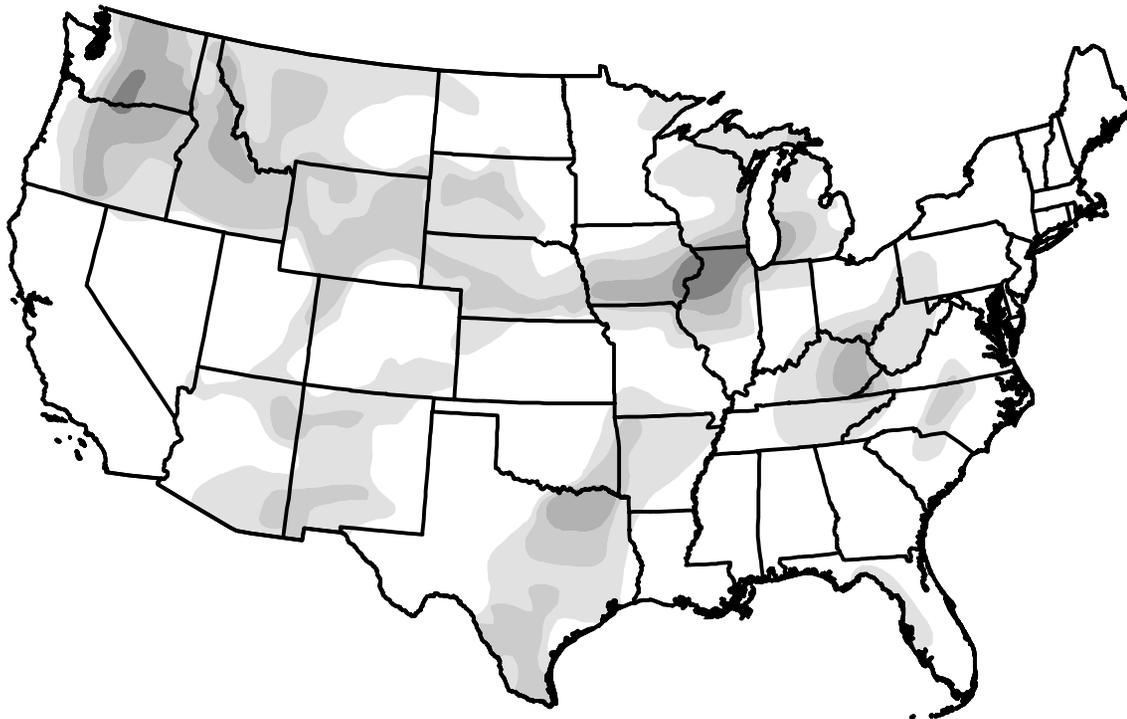
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Contiguous U.S. (CONUS)

**October 18, 2005**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	57.33	24.11	13.44	4.31	0.80	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-11-2005</i>	56.87	24.20	13.37	4.72	0.84	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-19-2005</i>	51.90	19.73	16.50	10.36	1.50	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2005</i>	63.02	11.34	10.25	9.48	5.14	0.77
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	54.15	22.12	16.53	6.44	0.75	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-19-2004</i>	57.79	11.45	10.07	11.07	8.65	0.97



***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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