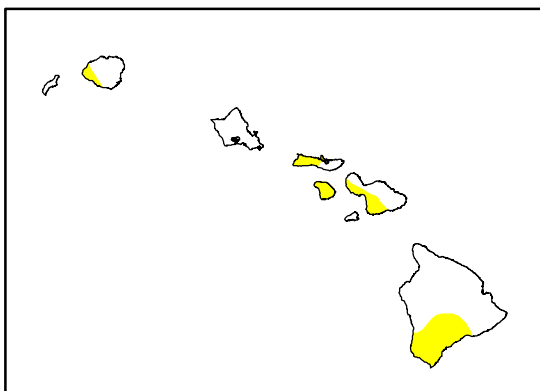
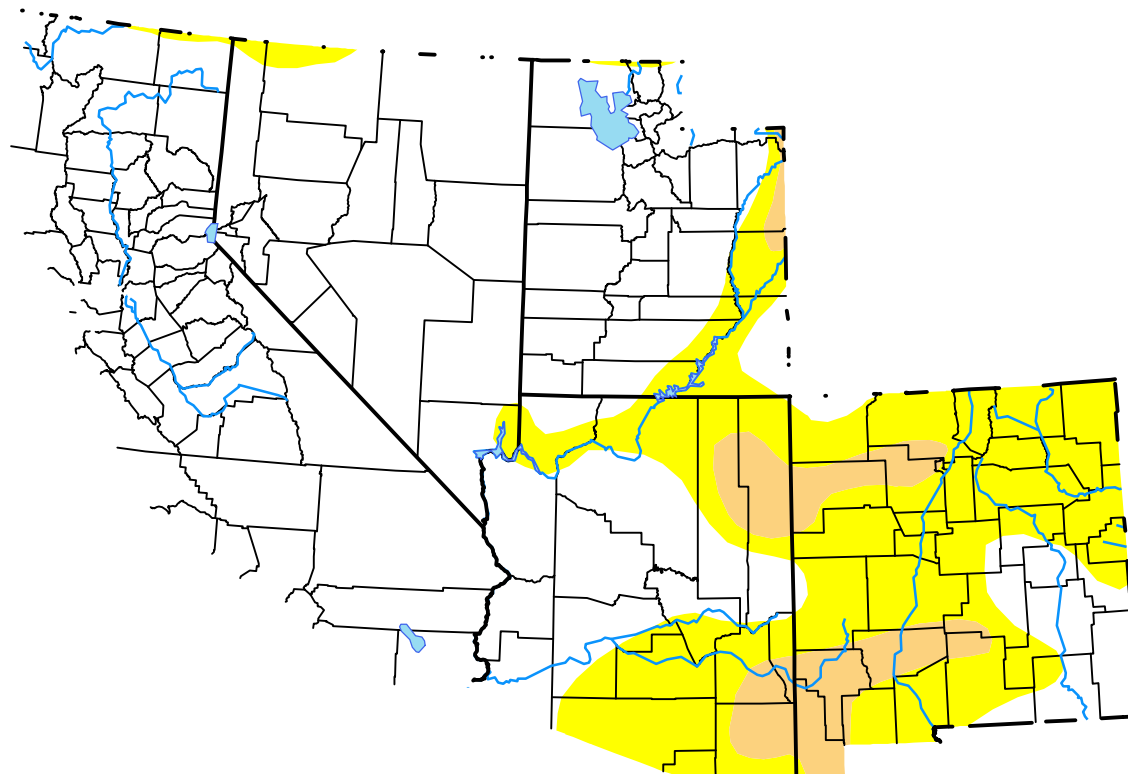


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**October 25, 2005**  
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 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 70.34 | 29.66 | 5.72  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>10-20-2005              | 73.50 | 26.50 | 5.72  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>07-28-2005           | 62.91 | 37.09 | 9.67  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-06-2005 | 25.51 | 74.49 | 59.32 | 32.80 | 11.75 | 0.11 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-29-2005    | 76.22 | 23.78 | 6.80  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>10-28-2004           | 10.71 | 89.29 | 74.10 | 52.01 | 22.03 | 0.11 |

### Intensity:

|                                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  None                  |  D2 Severe Drought        |
|  D0 Abnormally Dry    |  D3 Extreme Drought      |
|  D1 Moderate Drought |  D4 Exceptional Drought |

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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