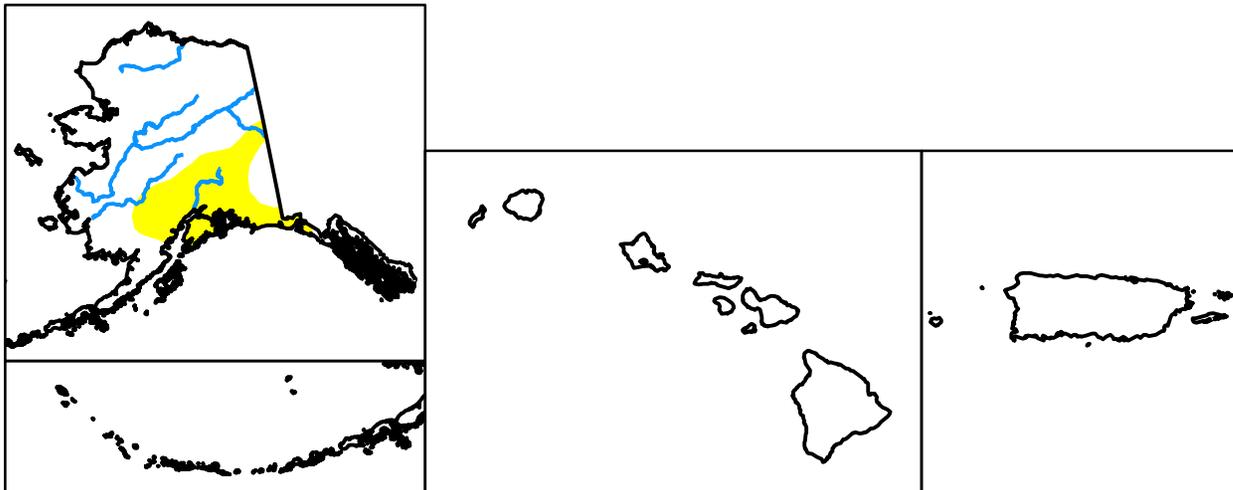
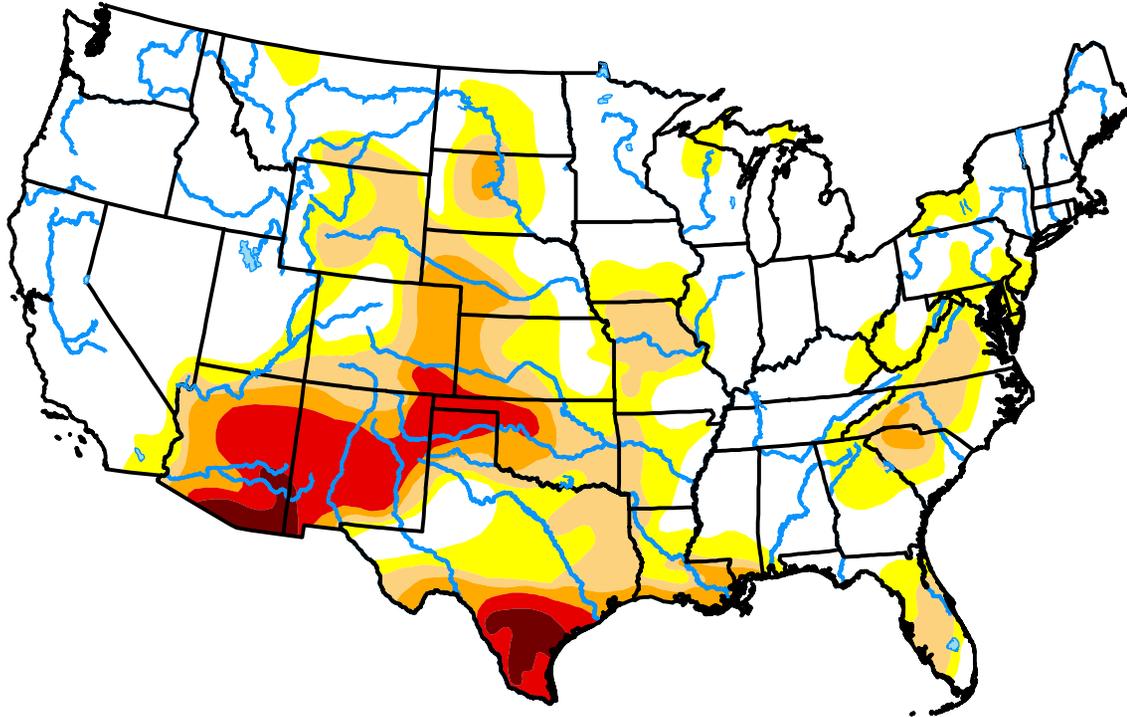


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**May 23, 2006**  
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 58.53 | 41.46 | 22.70 | 11.63 | 5.95  | 1.13 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-16-2006</i>              | 56.42 | 43.56 | 20.93 | 10.84 | 5.71  | 1.13 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-21-2006</i>           | 60.35 | 39.64 | 23.87 | 12.75 | 5.50  | 0.53 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 62.51 | 37.48 | 17.80 | 6.25  | 2.47  | 0.51 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 59.56 | 40.43 | 19.82 | 6.01  | 0.62  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-24-2005</i>           | 62.63 | 37.36 | 18.70 | 8.92  | 1.58  | 0.00 |

### Intensity:



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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