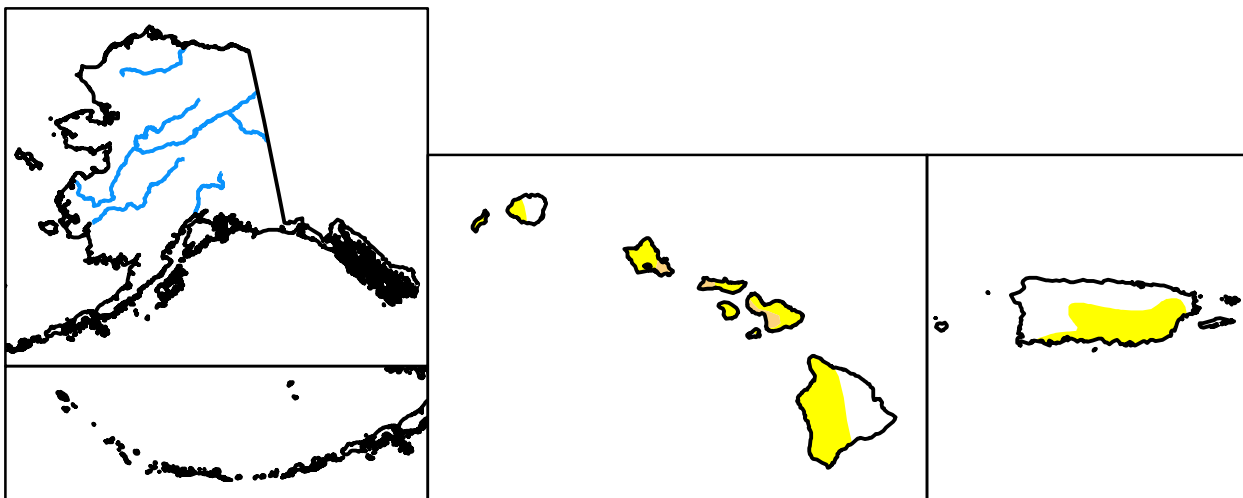
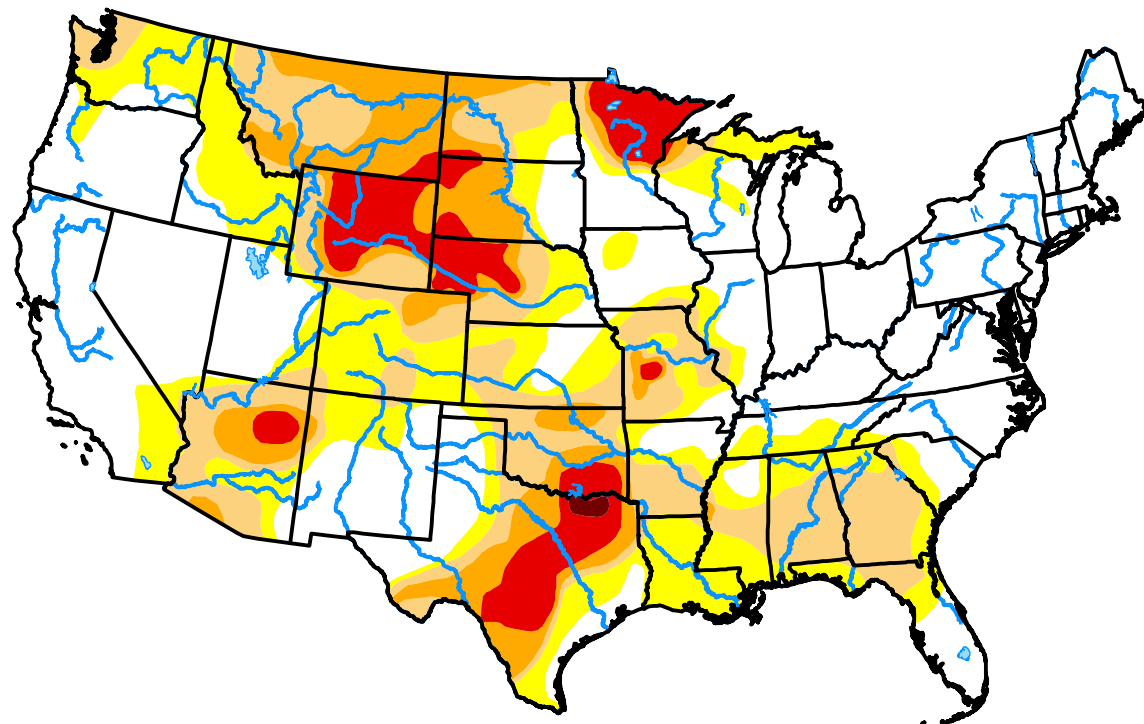


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**October 3, 2006**  
*(Released Thursday, Oct. 5, 2006)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 53.54 | 17.63 | 15.01 | 8.11 | 5.57 | 0.12 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-26-2006</i>              | 54.01 | 18.46 | 13.91 | 8.10 | 5.40 | 0.12 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-04-2006</i>           | 52.66 | 15.54 | 15.27 | 9.44 | 6.28 | 0.79 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 62.51 | 19.67 | 11.55 | 3.79 | 1.96 | 0.51 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-26-2006</i>    | 54.01 | 18.46 | 13.91 | 8.10 | 5.40 | 0.12 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-04-2005</i>           | 59.90 | 19.17 | 15.21 | 5.02 | 0.68 | 0.00 |

### 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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