

U.S. Drought Monitor

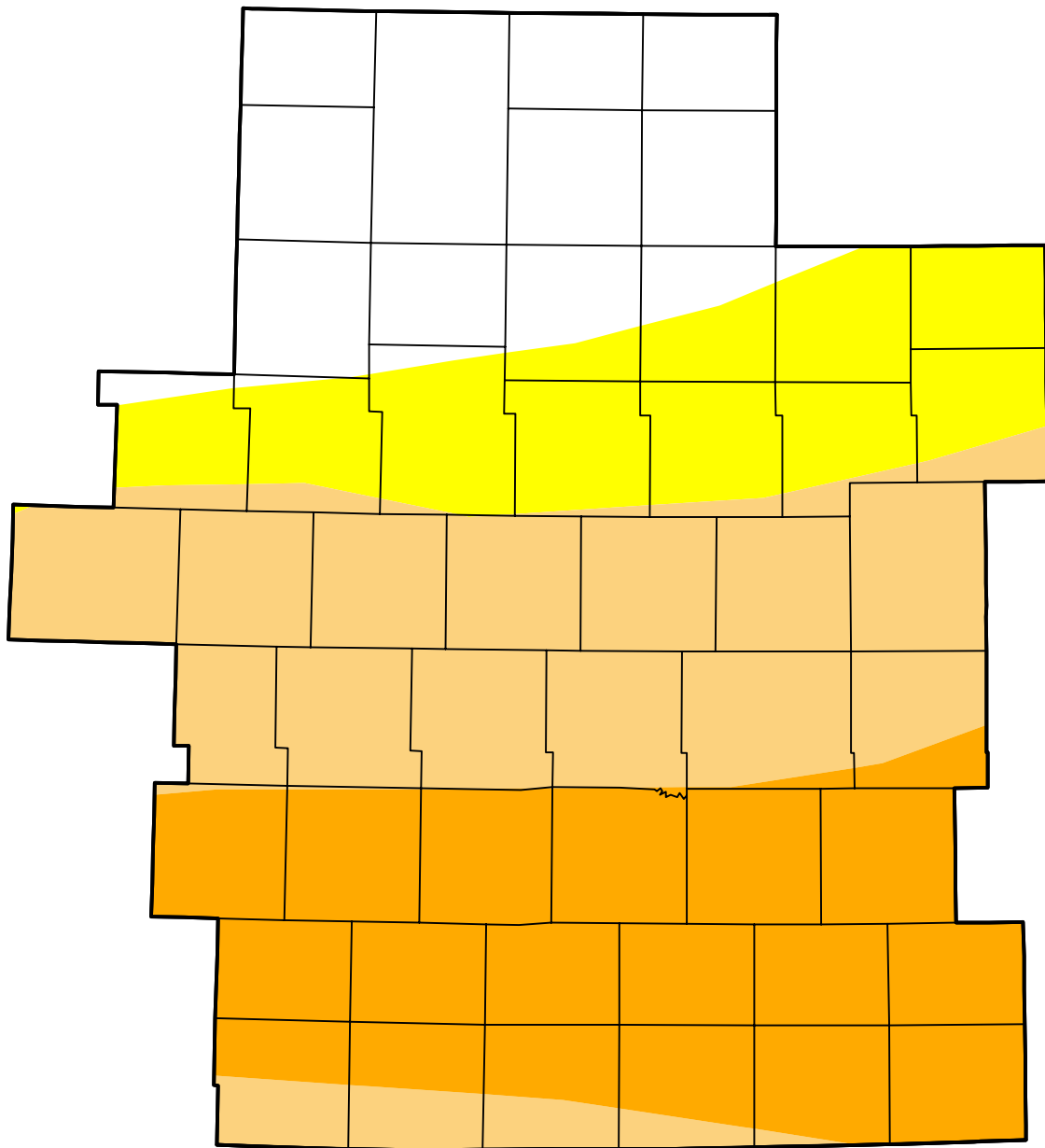
Des Moines, IA WFO

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	20.74	16.95	32.37	29.94	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-13-2005</i>	25.05	19.14	30.18	25.63	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2005</i>	69.52	23.49	6.99	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	39.67	60.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	45.09	18.23	32.89	3.78	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2004</i>	77.18	22.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



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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