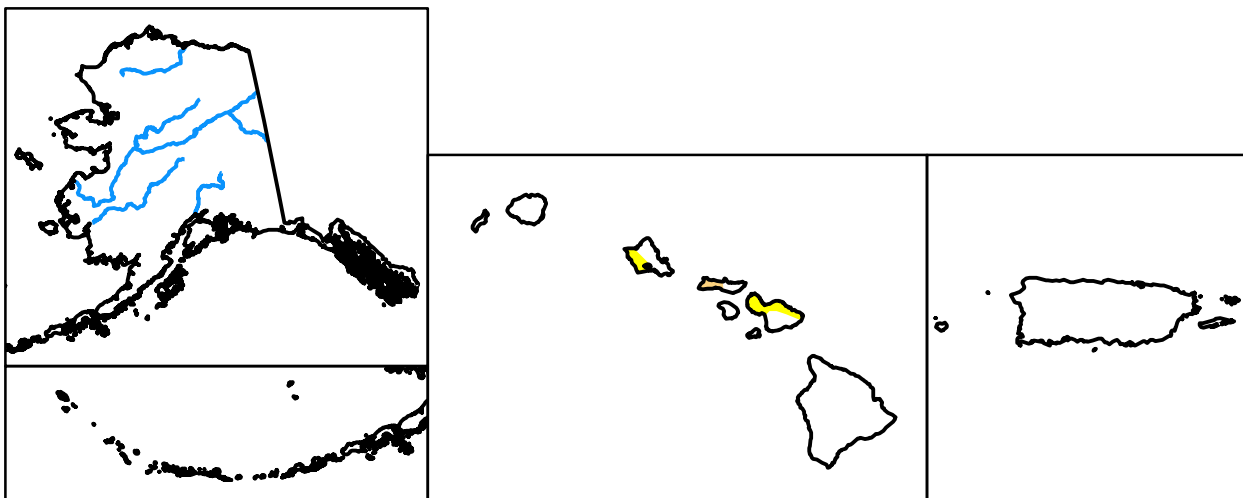
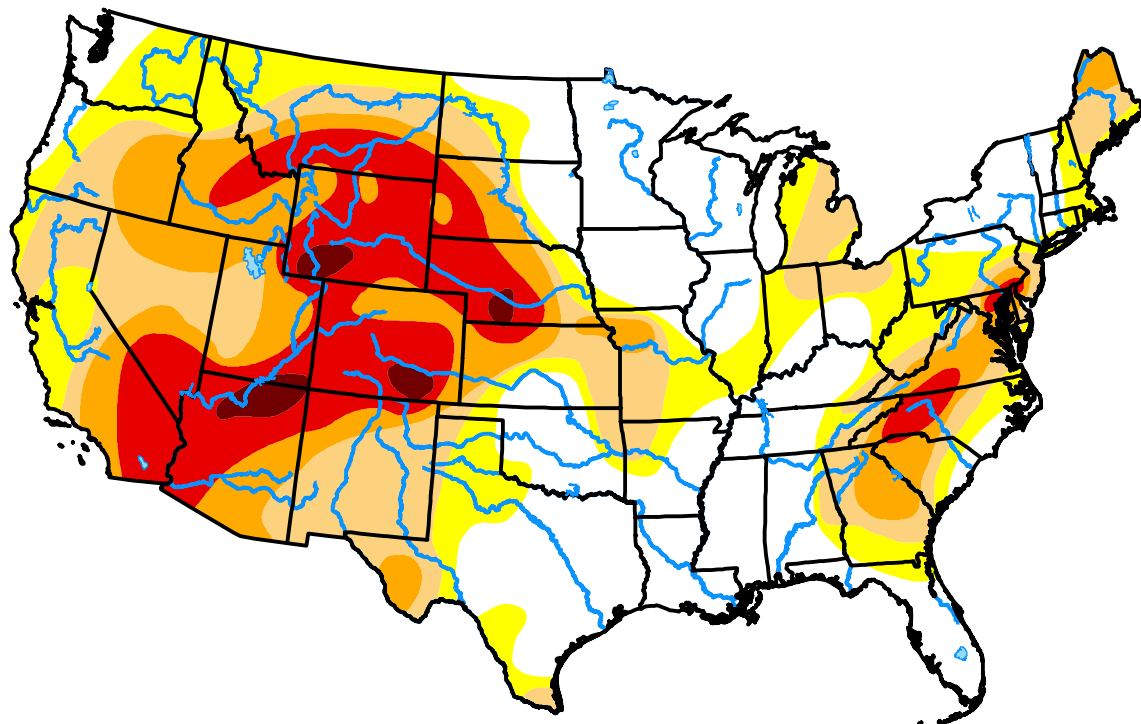


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	43.42	14.96	15.51	12.85	12.13	1.12
Last Week <i>10-08-2002</i>	40.46	17.59	14.89	12.95	12.34	1.75
3 Months Ago <i>07-16-2002</i>	40.00	19.44	12.11	10.63	13.20	4.61
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	55.28	14.09	11.65	11.66	7.31	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	40.72	18.67	12.70	12.99	12.28	2.62
One Year Ago <i>10-16-2001</i>	61.30	14.71	7.97	7.65	8.36	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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