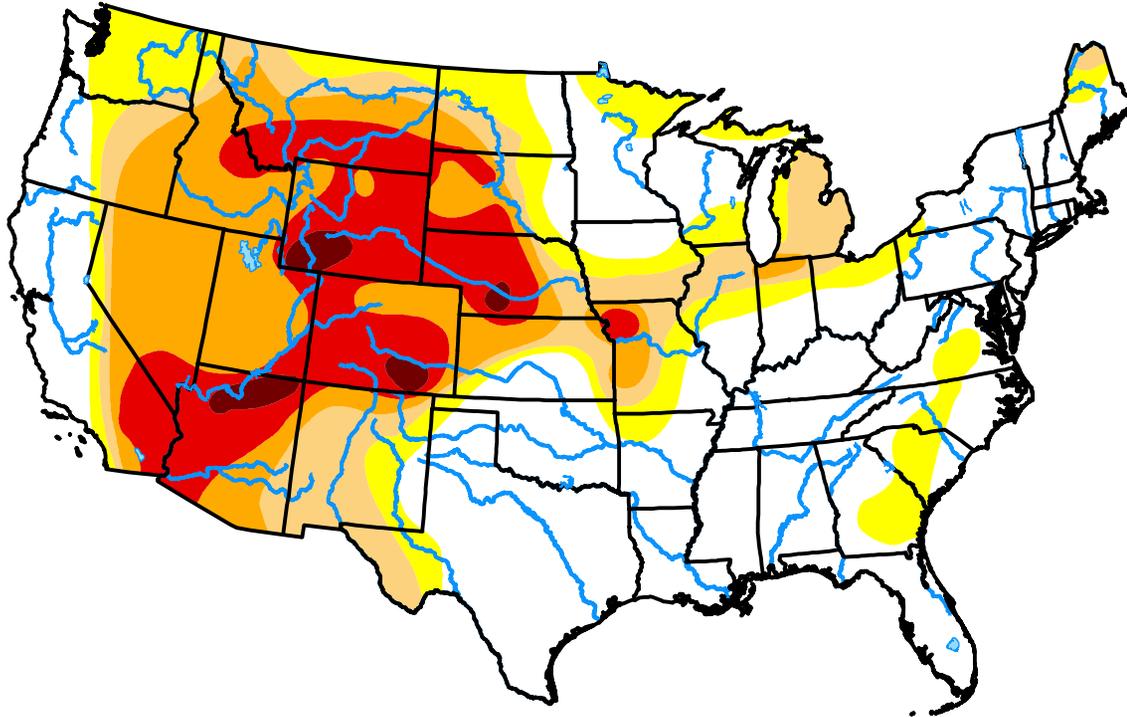


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U.S. States and Puerto Rico

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	53.87	11.66	9.13	13.43	10.84	1.07
Last Week <i>12-24-2002</i>	52.58	12.21	9.58	13.99	10.55	1.07
3 Months Ago <i>10-01-2002</i>	40.72	18.67	12.70	12.99	12.28	2.62
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>01-01-2002</i>	55.28	14.09	11.65	11.66	7.31	0.00

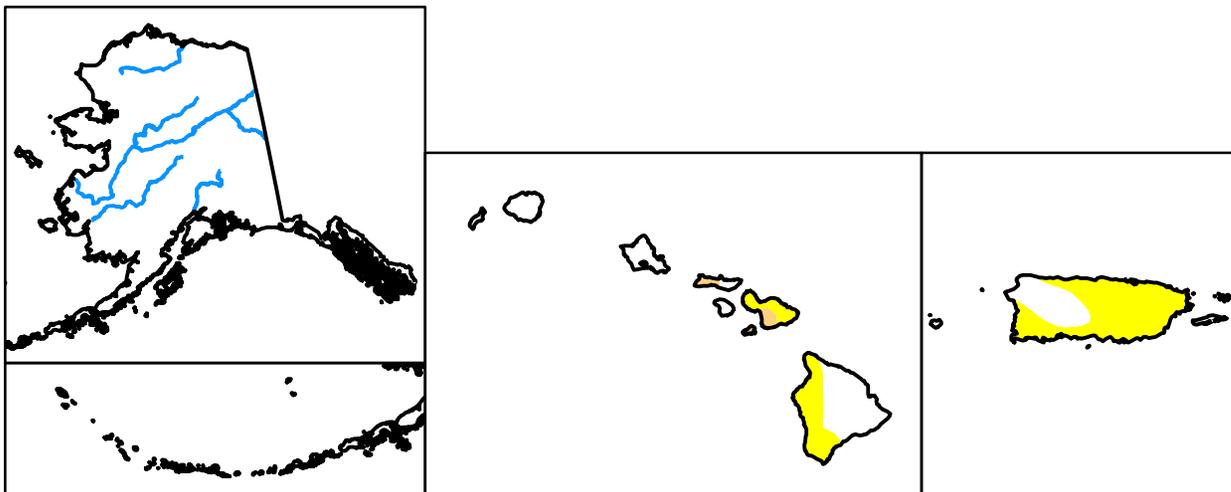
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