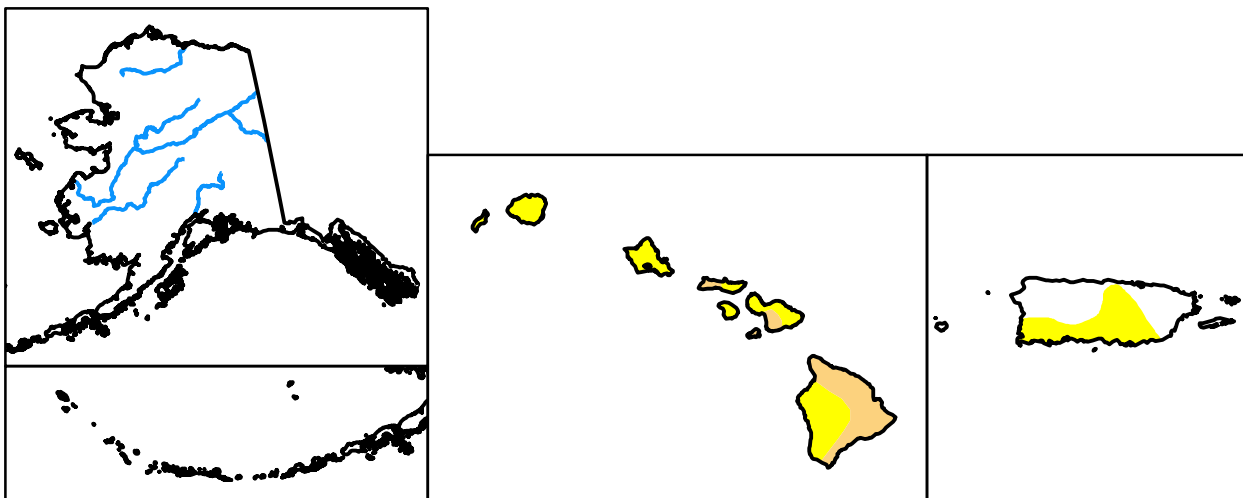
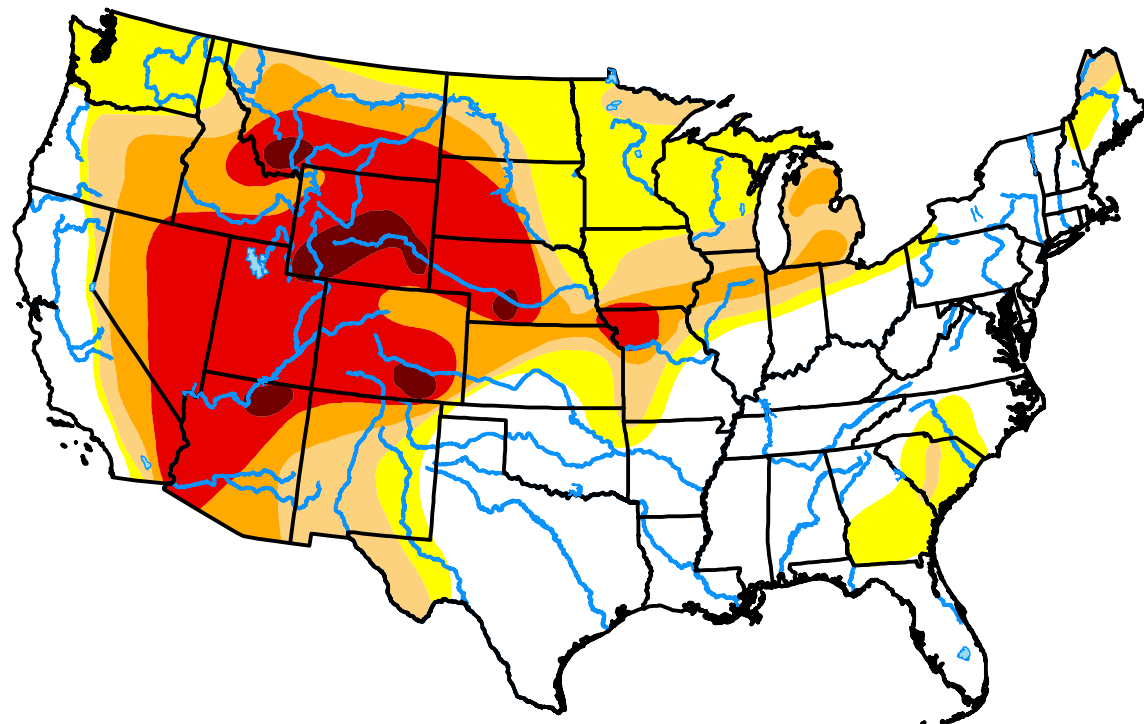


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	48.10	14.84	10.38	9.86	15.06	1.74
Last Week <i>02-11-2003</i>	46.74	15.35	10.49	10.15	15.32	1.93
3 Months Ago <i>11-19-2002</i>	50.69	14.30	13.03	10.61	10.38	0.96
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	53.87	11.66	9.13	13.43	10.84	1.07
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>02-19-2002</i>	49.28	21.13	15.57	9.30	4.71	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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