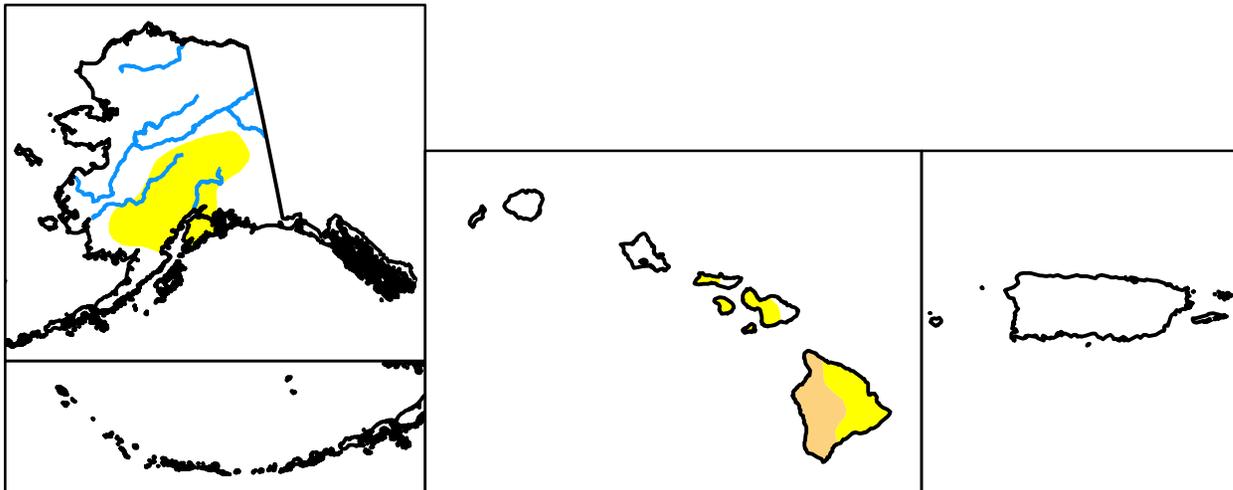
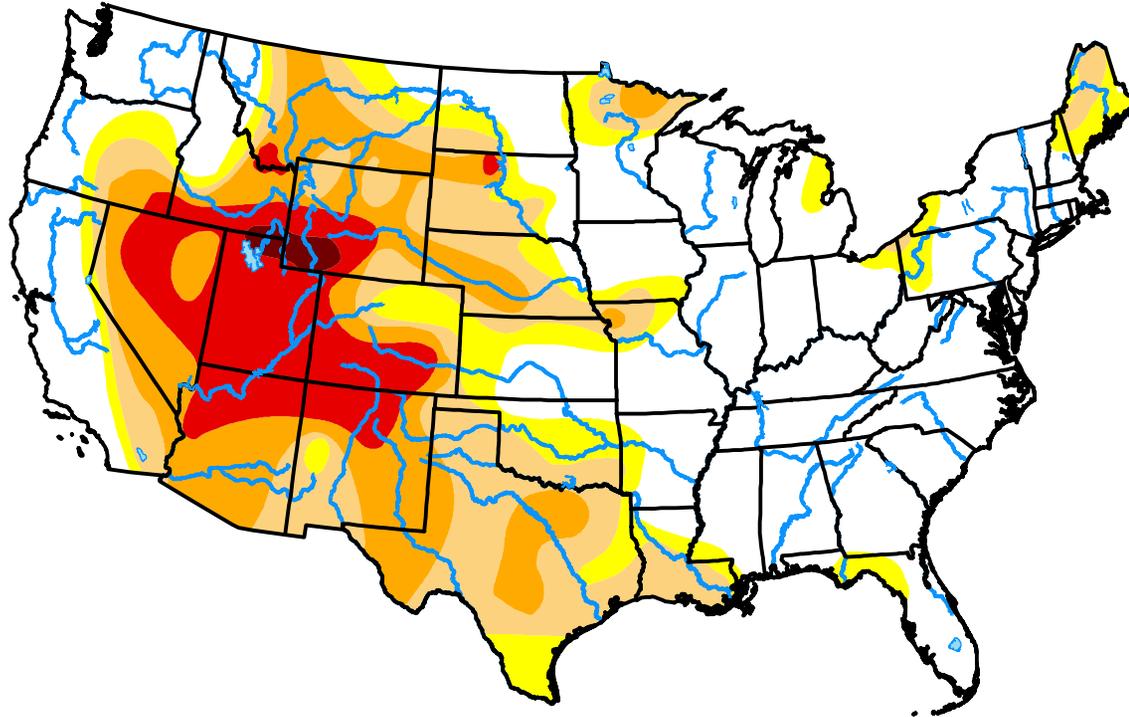


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.13	48.86	35.70	21.29	8.48	0.50
Last Week <i>05-13-2003</i>	50.04	49.95	35.07	17.73	8.67	0.52
3 Months Ago <i>02-18-2003</i>	48.10	51.89	37.05	26.67	16.80	1.74
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	53.87	46.12	34.46	25.33	11.91	1.07
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	40.72	59.27	40.59	27.89	14.90	2.62
One Year Ago <i>05-21-2002</i>	47.59	52.40	37.04	25.40	14.10	0.51

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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