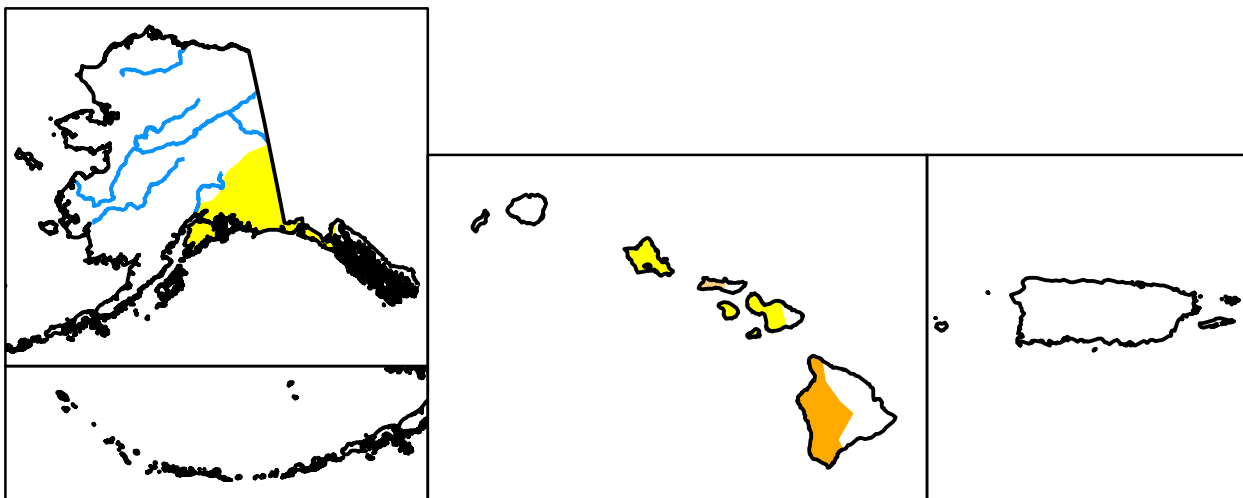
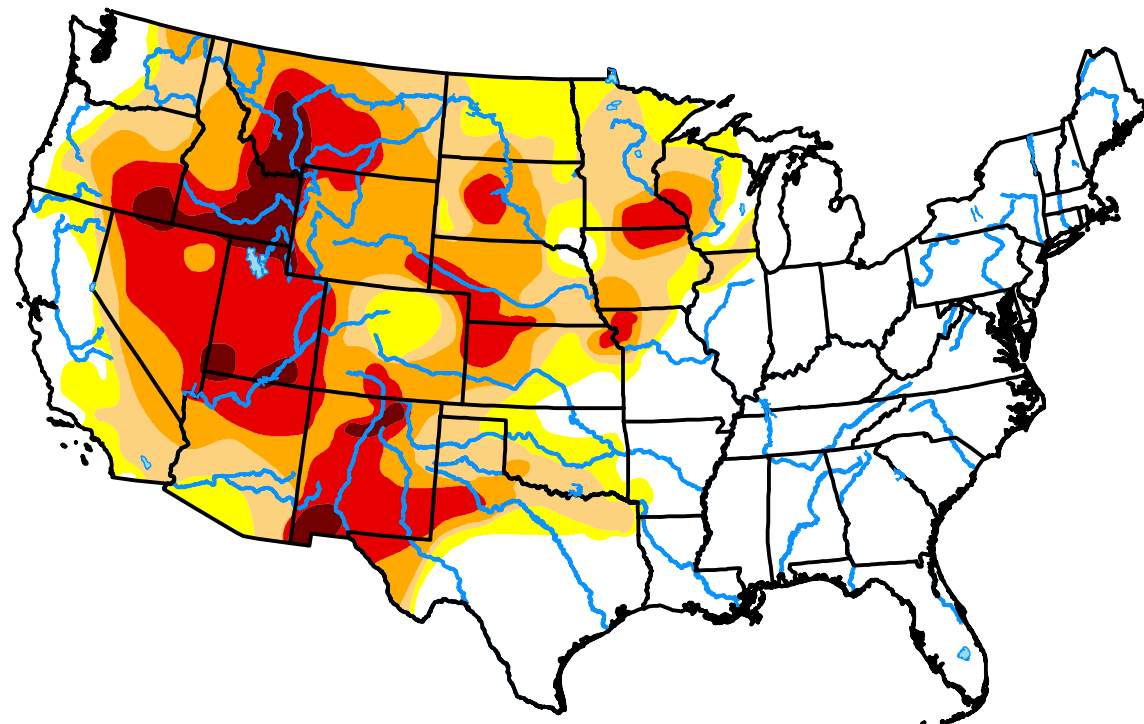


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	49.28	50.70	39.96	28.10	14.43	2.80
Last Week <i>11-25-2003</i>	48.59	51.40	40.15	28.10	14.74	2.75
3 Months Ago <i>09-02-2003</i>	45.78	54.20	43.88	28.79	14.29	1.61
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>09-30-2003</i>	48.06	51.93	40.51	27.73	14.10	1.75
One Year Ago <i>12-03-2002</i>	50.67	49.32	35.12	22.22	11.07	0.91

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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