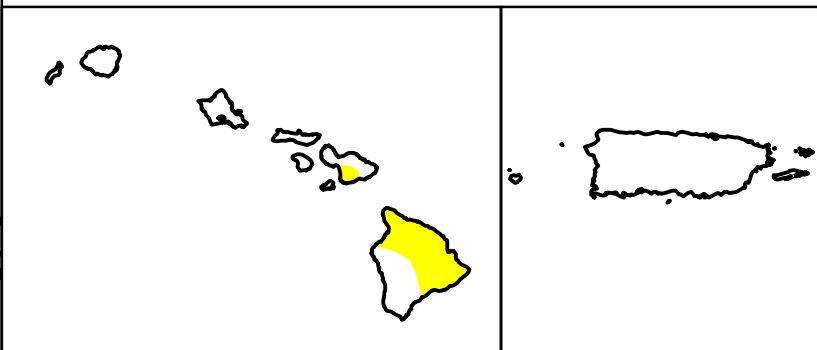
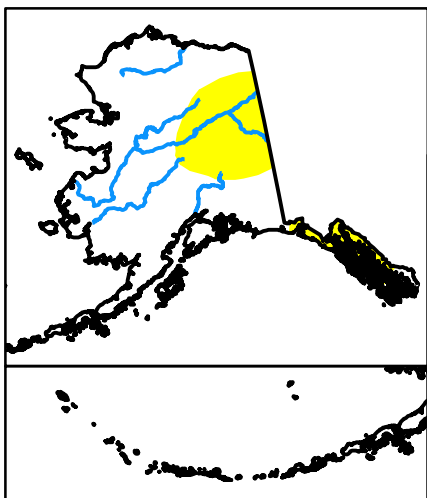
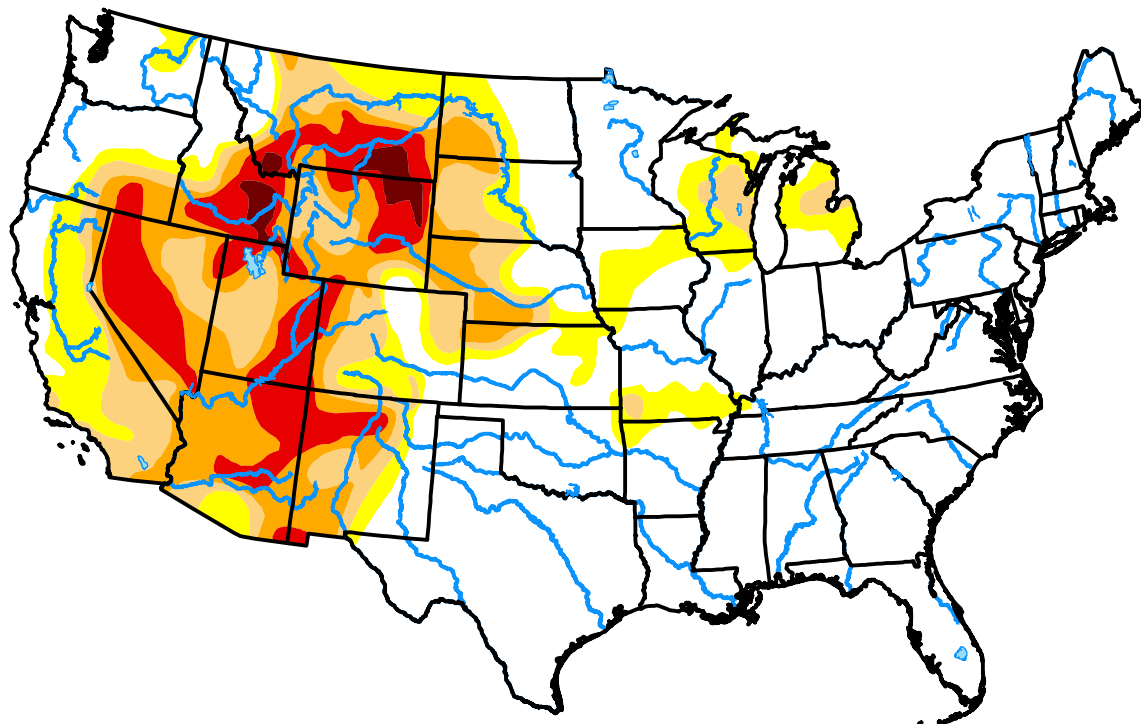


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	61.80	38.19	24.88	16.08	6.96	0.78
Last Week <i>10-19-2004</i>	61.80	38.19	25.76	17.28	8.03	0.81
3 Months Ago <i>07-27-2004</i>	53.70	46.29	28.06	19.79	8.96	1.15
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	50.81	49.17	38.33	28.22	13.35	2.84
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	60.74	39.25	25.49	18.23	8.10	0.78
One Year Ago <i>10-28-2003</i>	46.25	53.73	40.81	29.36	15.27	2.12

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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