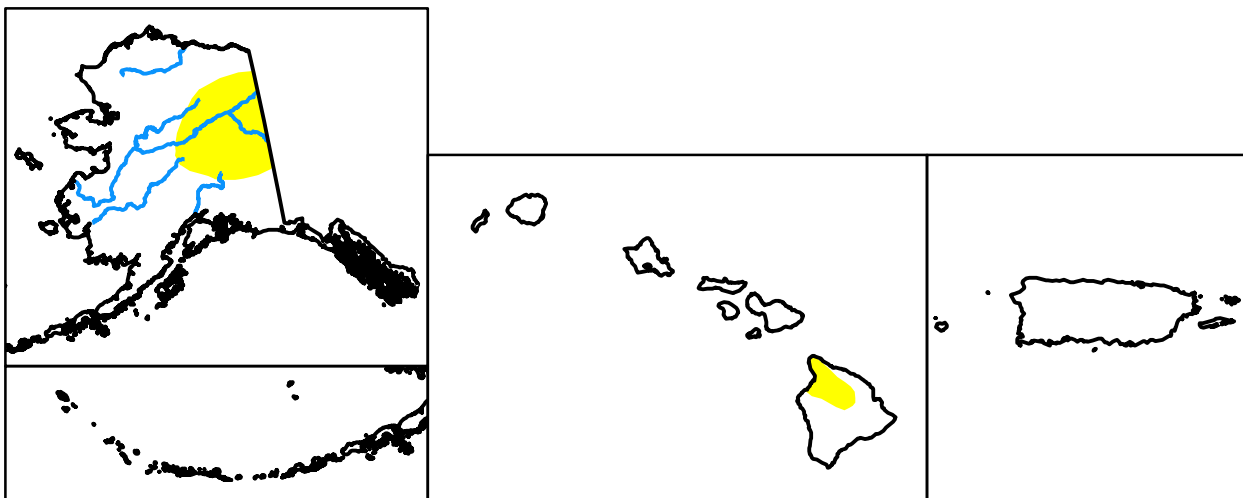
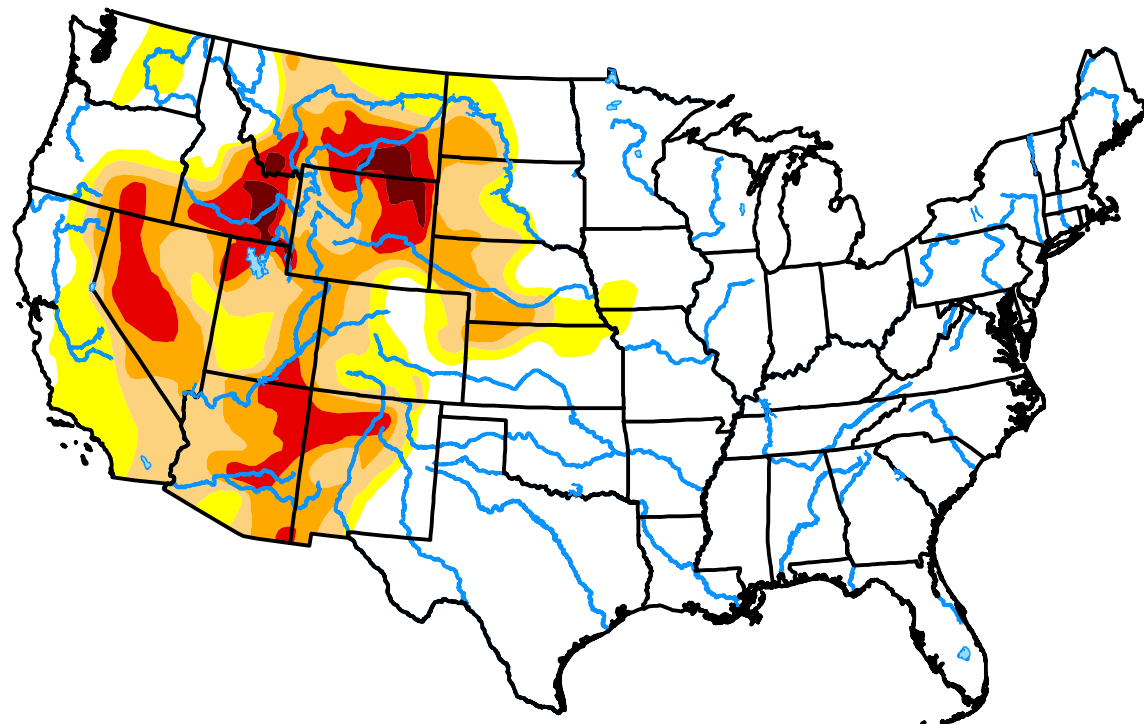


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	66.41	11.00	8.79	8.35	4.65	0.78
Last Week <i>11-30-2004</i>	65.90	11.55	8.58	8.54	4.65	0.78
3 Months Ago <i>09-07-2004</i>	60.39	12.38	8.46	9.82	7.95	0.99
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	50.81	10.84	10.11	14.87	10.51	2.84
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	60.74	13.76	7.26	10.13	7.32	0.78
One Year Ago <i>12-09-2003</i>	48.76	11.16	11.87	13.84	11.60	2.76

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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