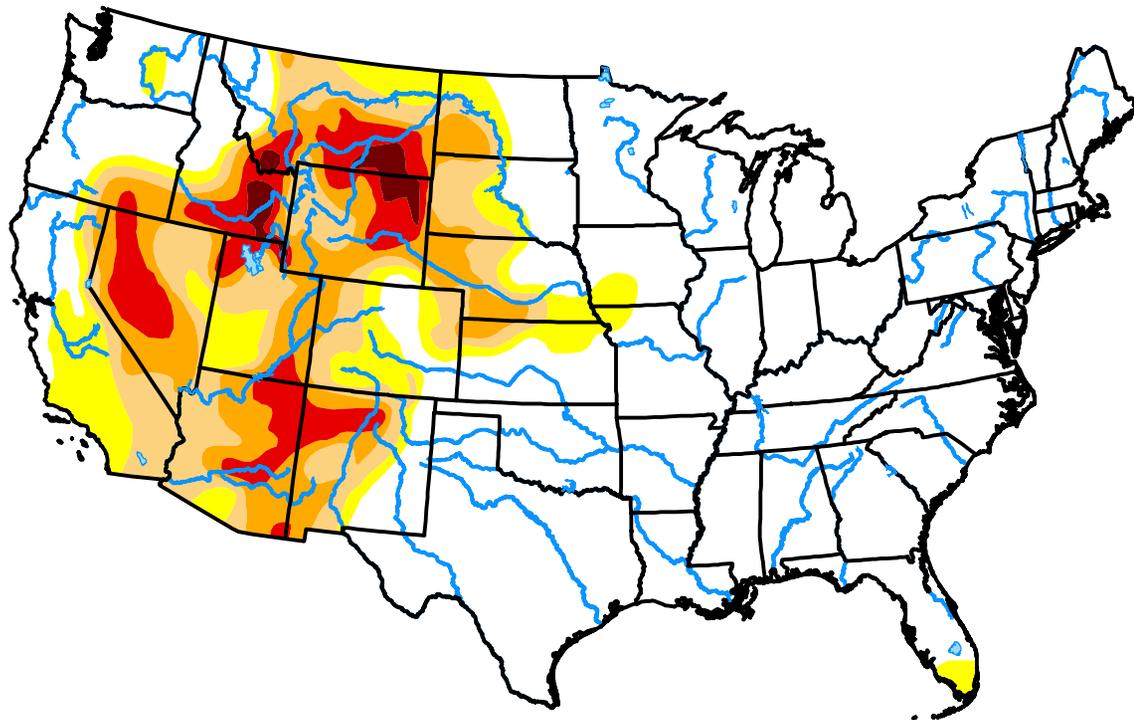


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U.S. States and Puerto Rico

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	67.12	32.87	22.45	13.44	5.23	0.75
Last Week <i>12-07-2004</i>	66.41	33.58	22.57	13.78	5.42	0.78
3 Months Ago <i>09-14-2004</i>	59.32	40.66	25.86	18.53	8.58	0.81
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>12-16-2003</i>	50.80	49.19	39.77	28.36	14.67	2.82

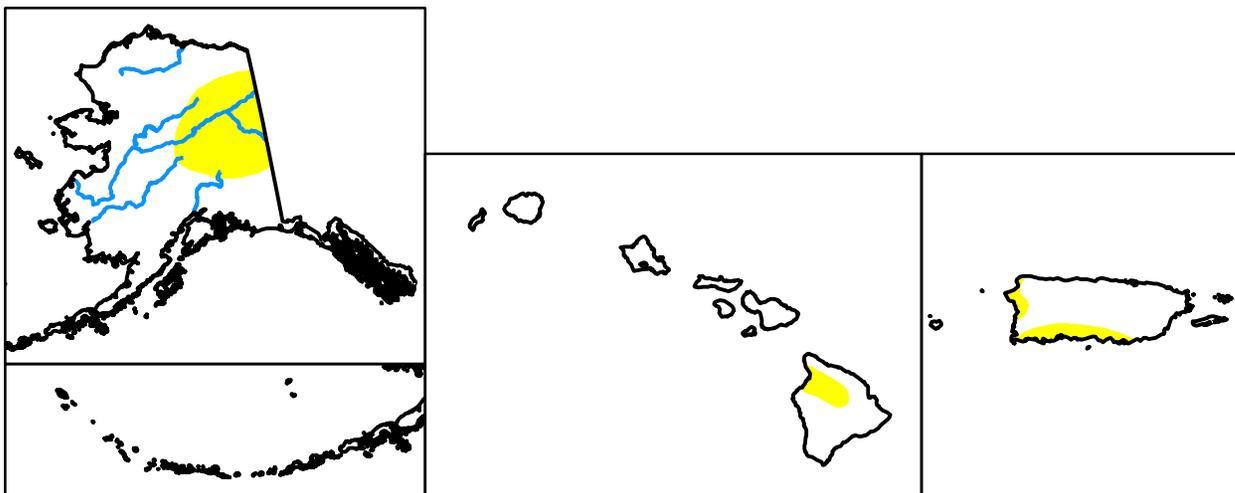
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