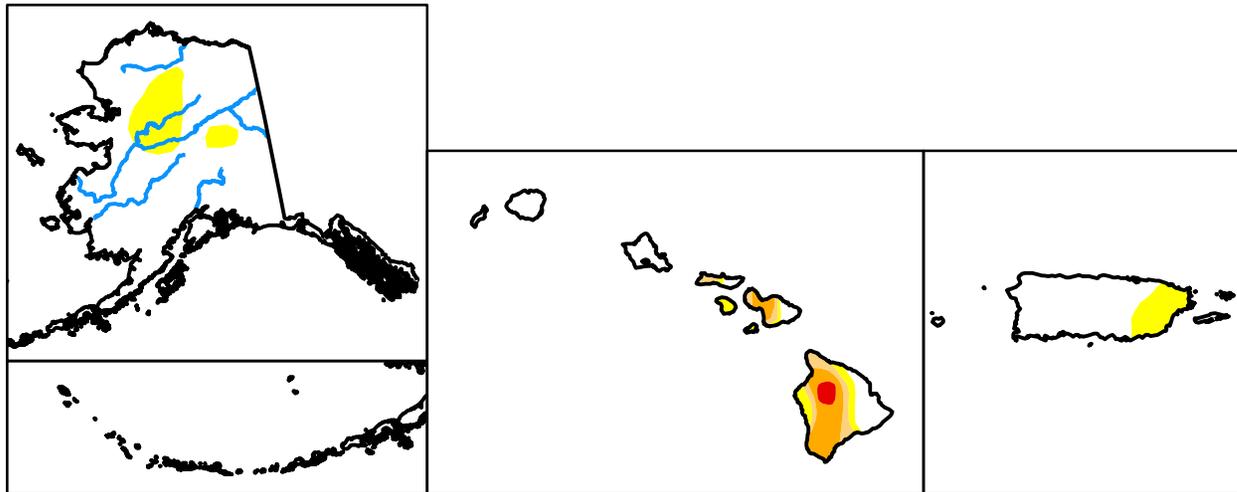
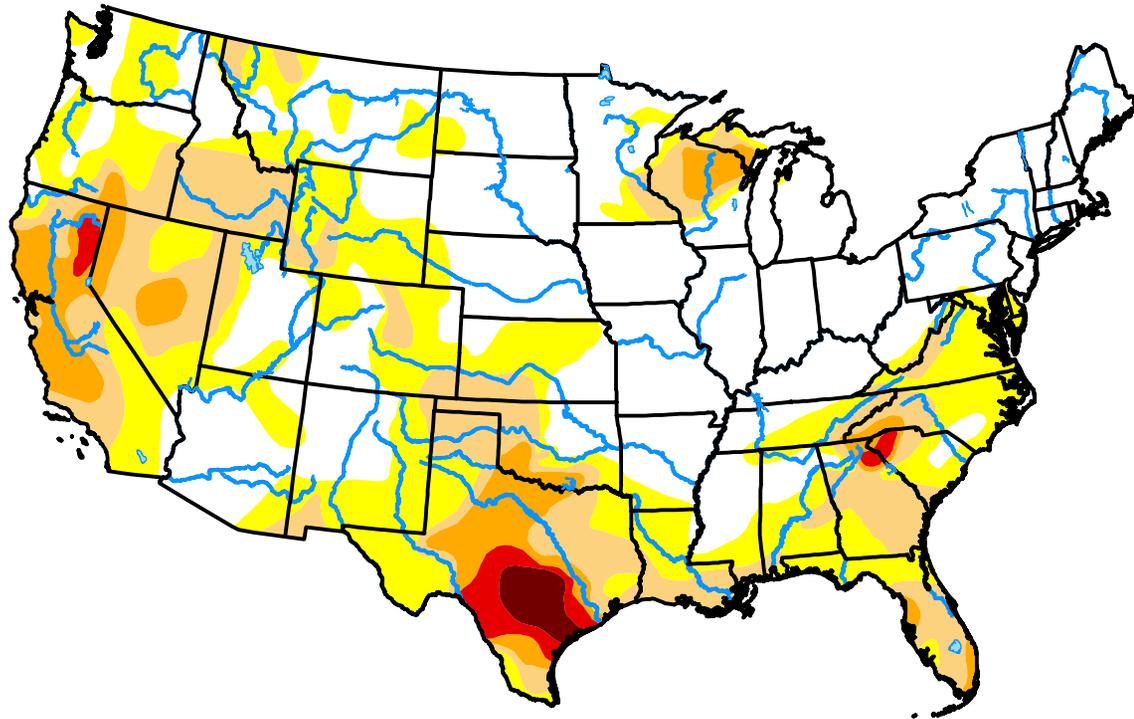


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## U.S. States and Puerto Rico

**March 3, 2009**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	54.05	24.39	14.22	5.40	1.22	0.71
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-24-2009</i>	56.81	23.04	12.58	5.29	1.64	0.63
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-02-2008</i>	56.63	25.17	11.49	4.92	1.27	0.52
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	61.13	22.70	10.91	4.20	0.75	0.31
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	57.12	23.05	12.32	5.94	1.41	0.15
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-04-2008</i>	52.91	23.30	11.03	10.01	1.99	0.75

***Intensity:***



*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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