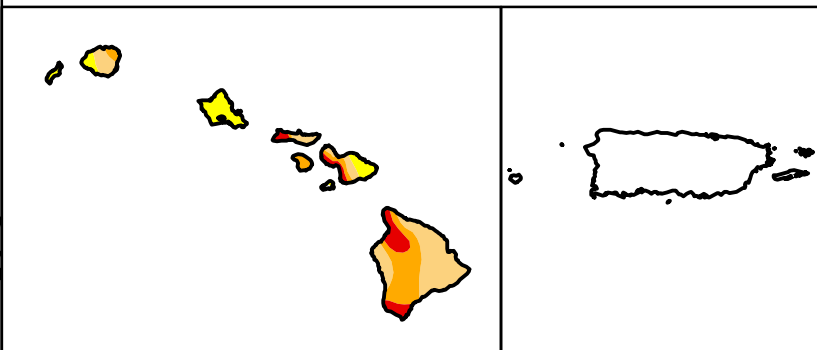
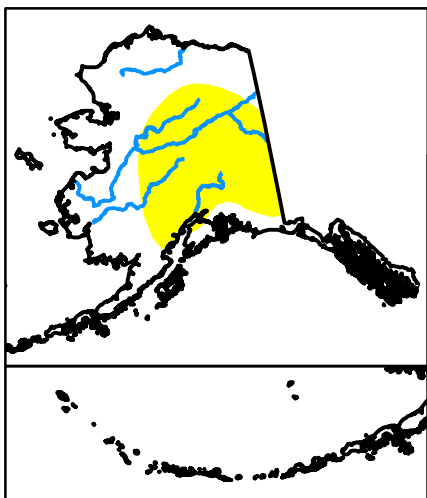
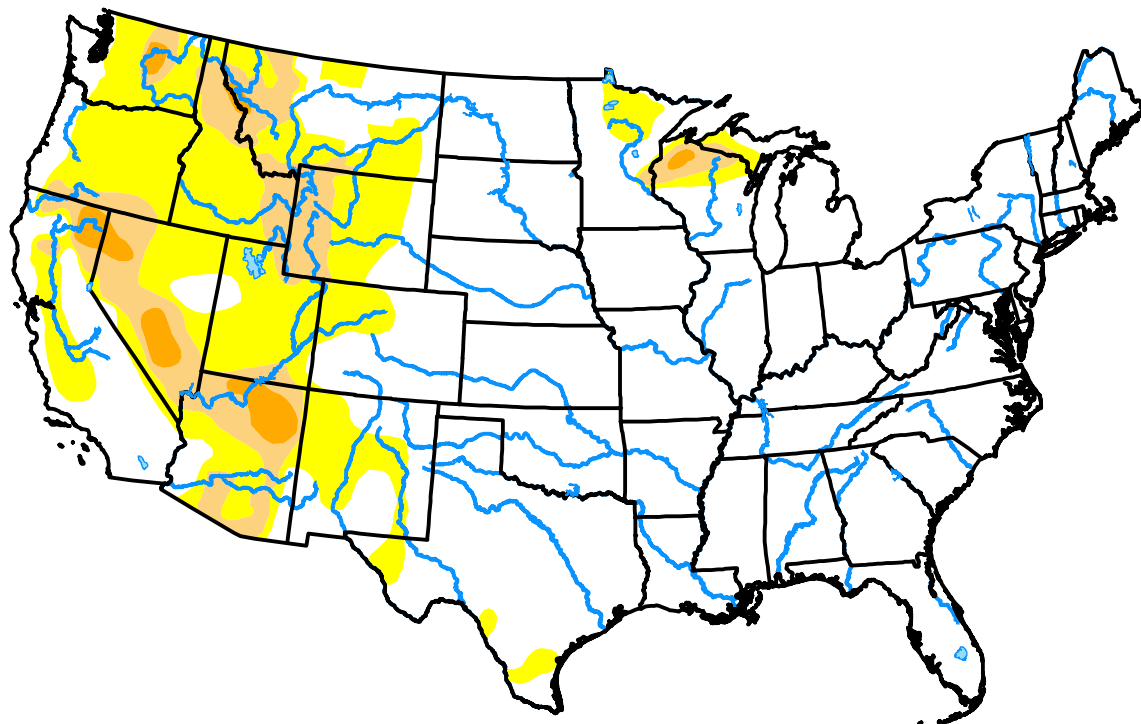


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U.S. States and Puerto Rico

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	70.11	22.19	6.29	1.38	0.02	0.00
Last Week <i>02-16-2010</i>	69.77	22.72	6.18	1.29	0.02	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-24-2009</i>	76.33	12.57	6.61	4.02	0.40	0.05
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2009</i>	71.93	17.60	6.86	3.42	0.17	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i>	68.40	18.98	7.38	4.13	0.86	0.23
One Year Ago <i>02-24-2009</i>	56.81	23.04	12.58	5.29	1.64	0.63

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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