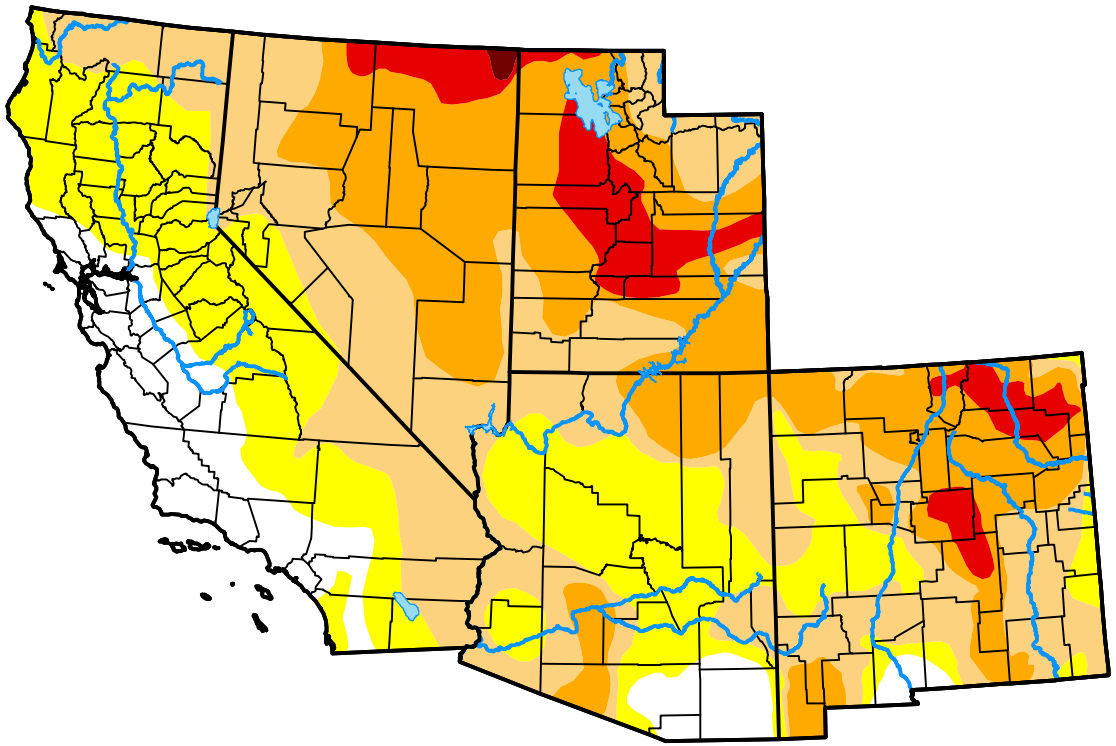
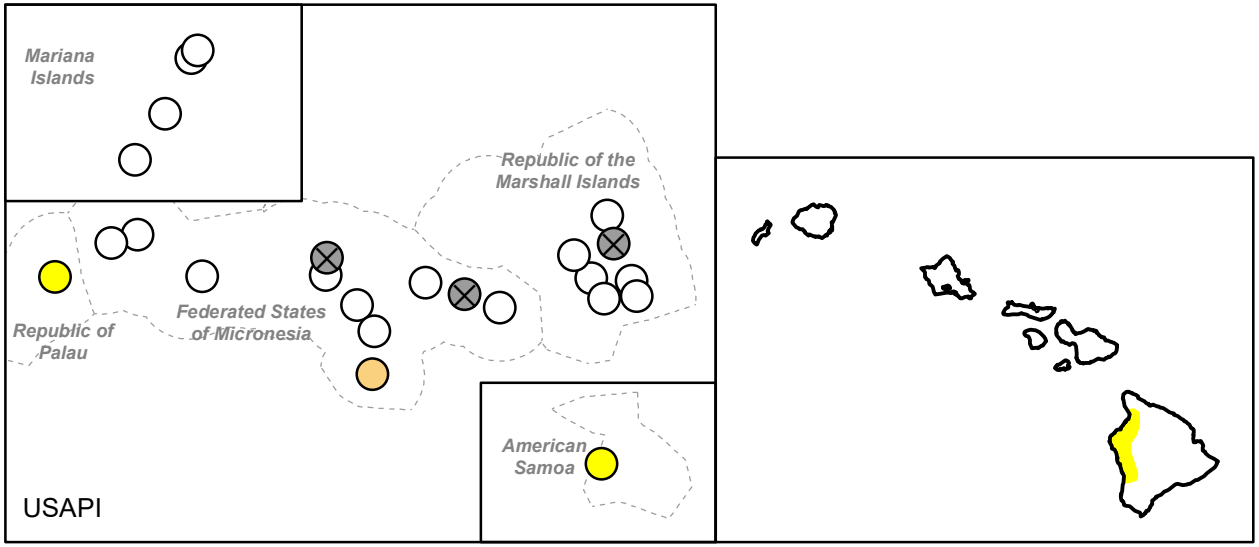
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	10.69	89.31	63.42	31.50	6.21	0.14
Last Week *10-06-2026*	10.69	89.31	65.36	33.93	6.99	0.14
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	12.69	87.31	65.95	49.93	16.22	0.46
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	42.93	57.07	42.18	20.03	1.24	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	11.81	88.19	72.96	49.39	11.73	0.78
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	12.20	87.80	68.54	43.33	7.84	0.24

Note: Statistics do not include areas represented by points.

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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