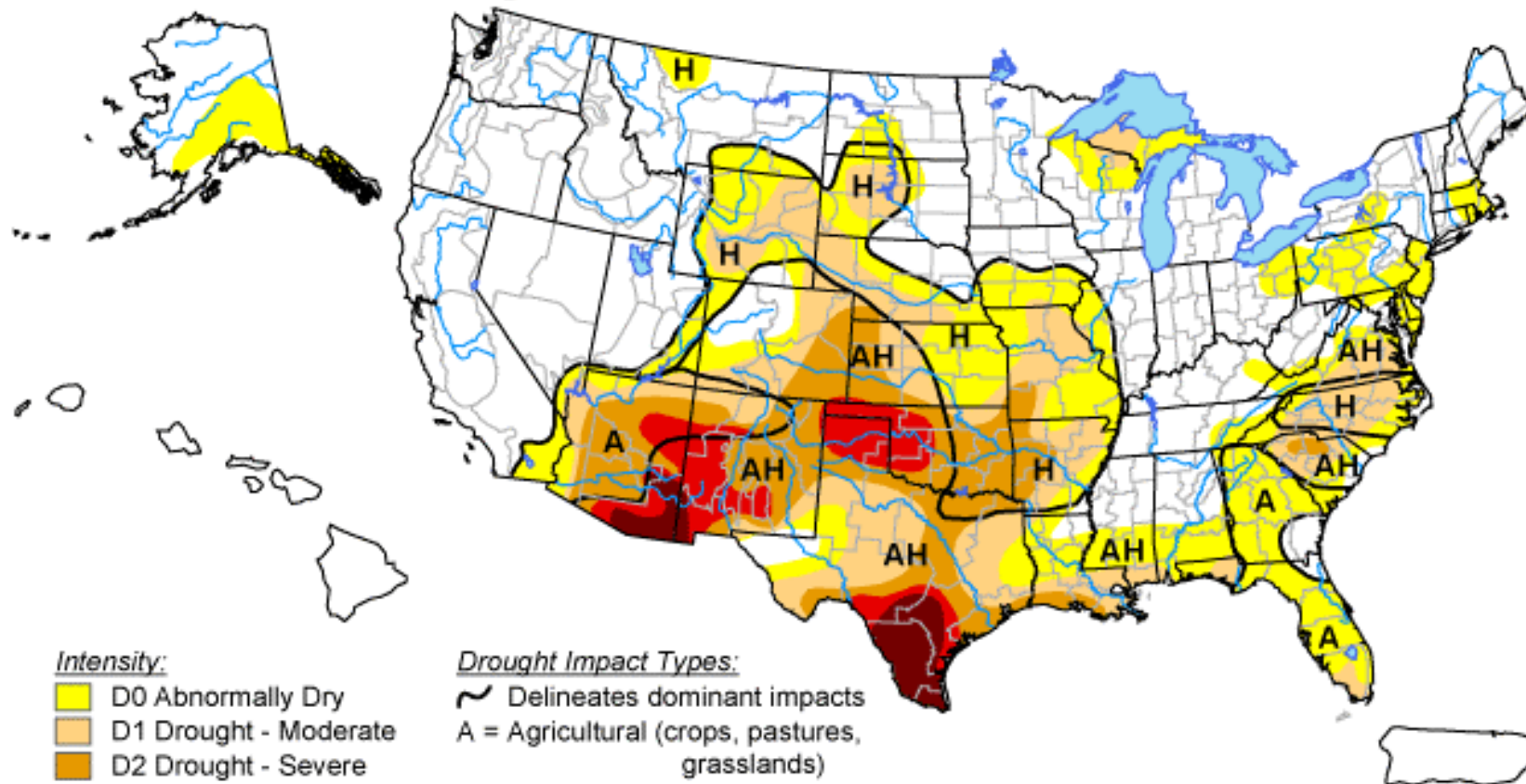







U.S. Drought Monitor


May 2, 2006
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Intensity:

-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Drought - Moderate
-  D2 Drought - Severe
-  D3 Drought - Extreme
-  D4 Drought - Exceptional

Drought Impact Types:

-  Delineates dominant impacts
- A = Agricultural (crops, pastures, grasslands)
- H = Hydrological (water)
- (No type = Both impacts)

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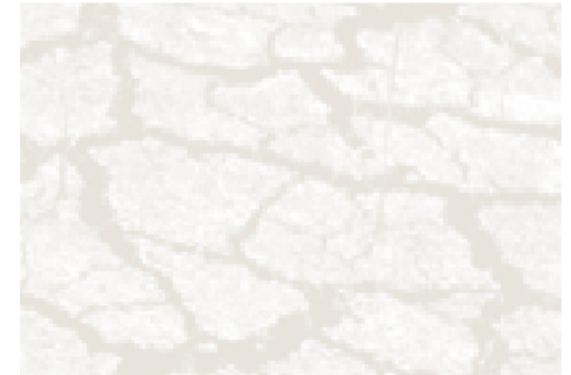
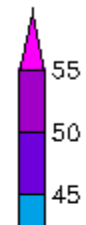
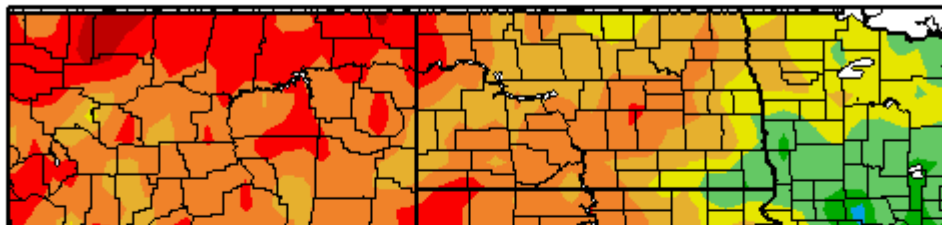


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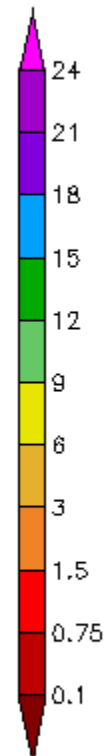
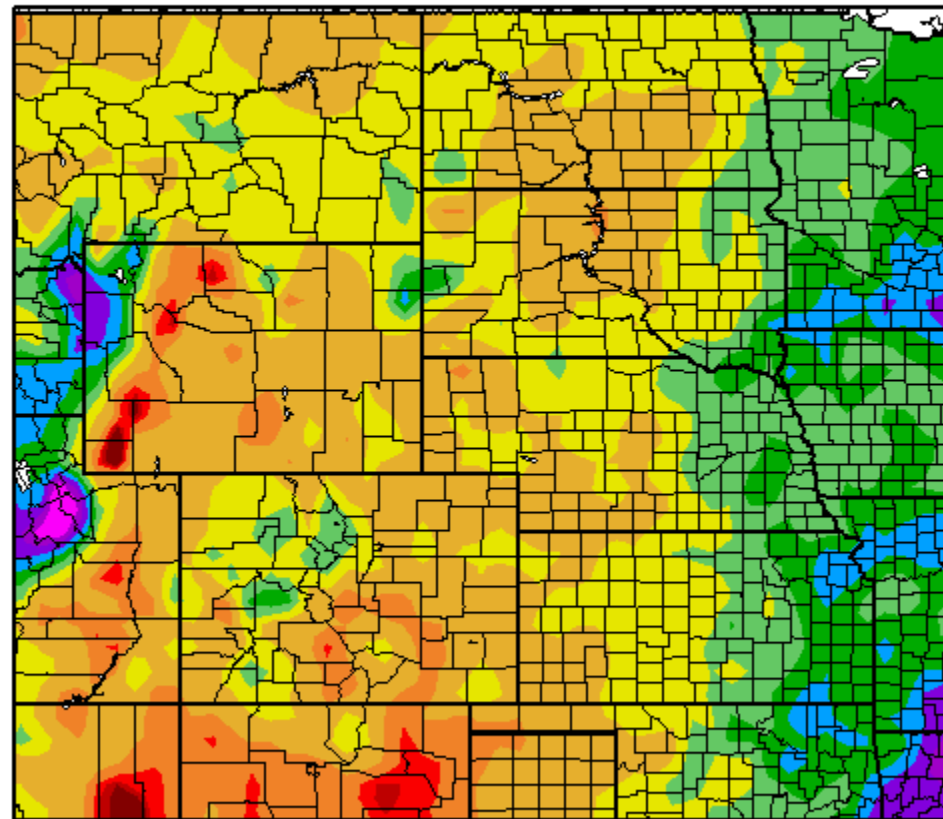
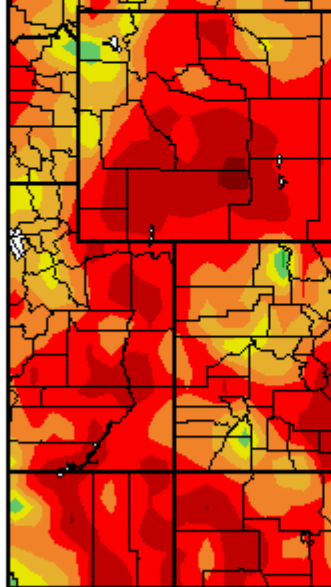
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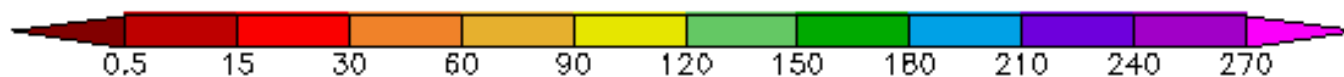
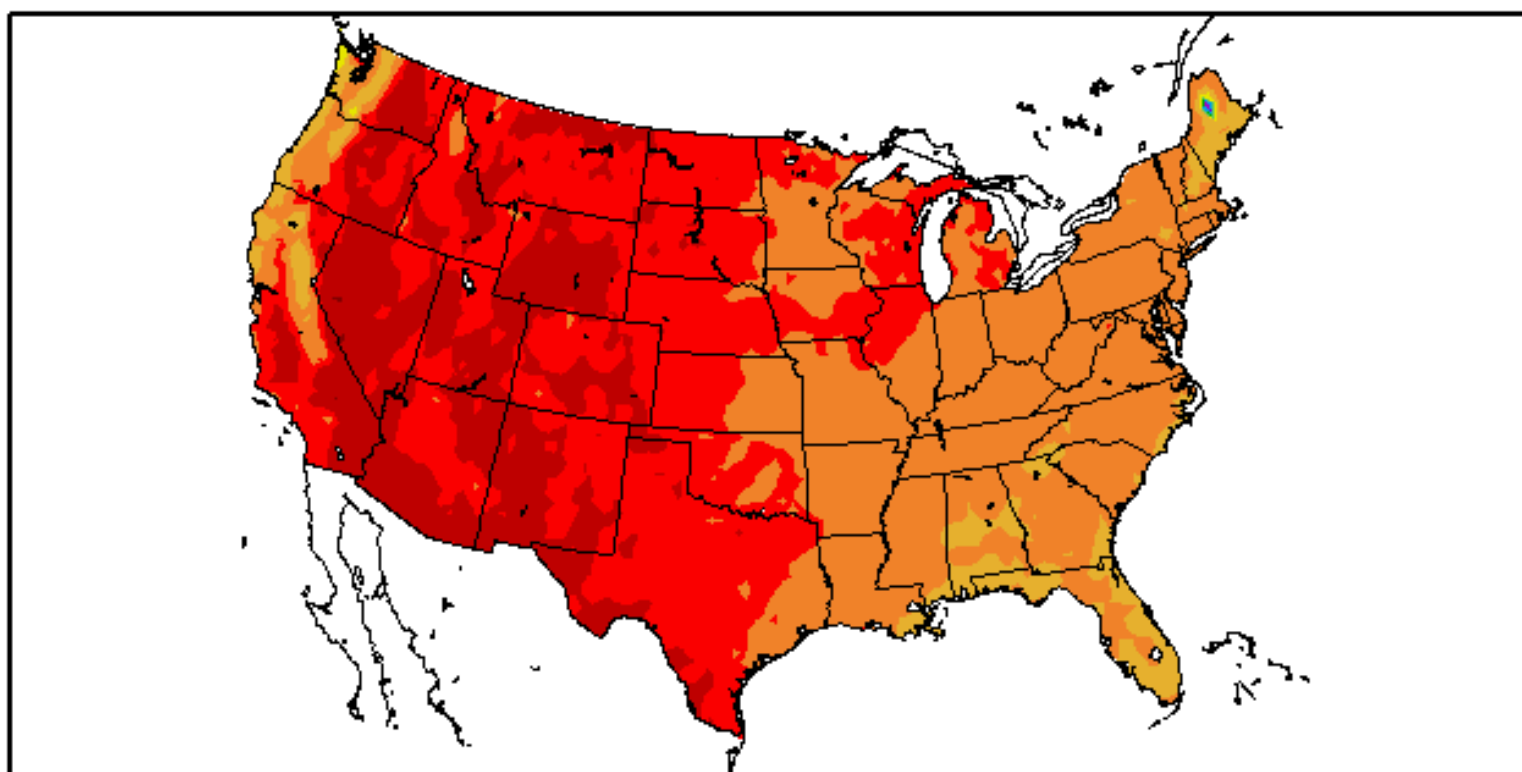
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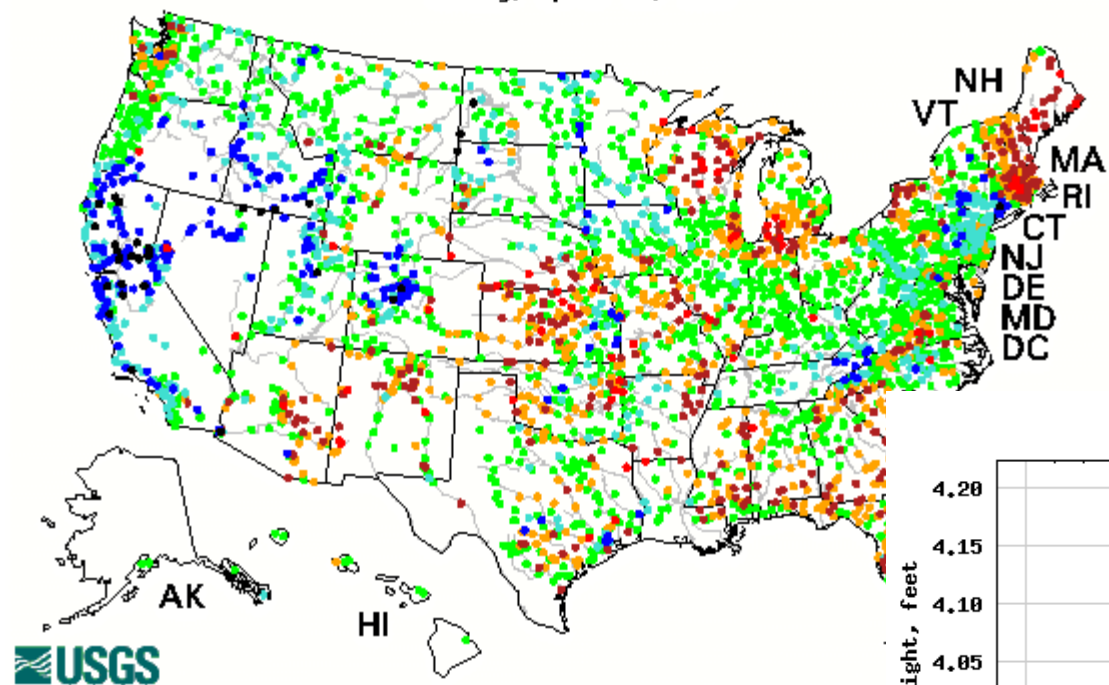
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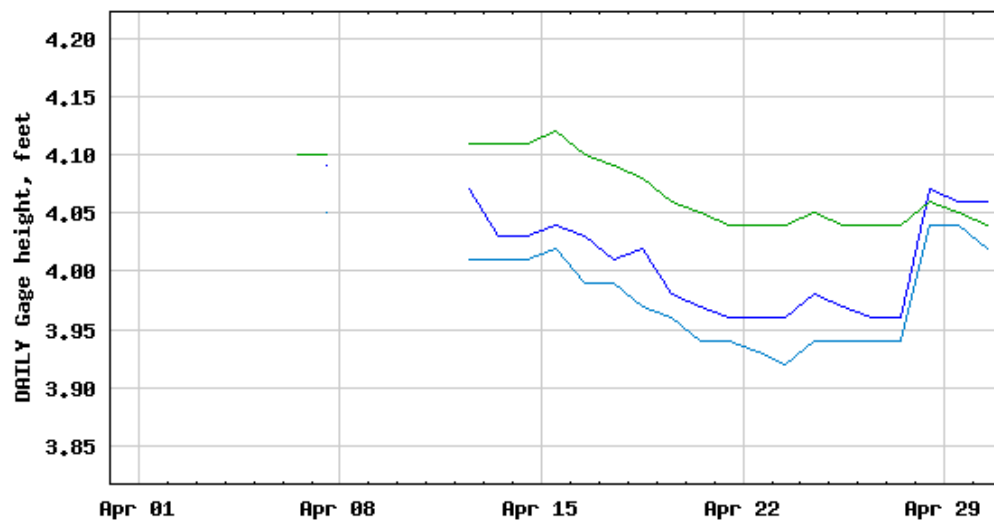
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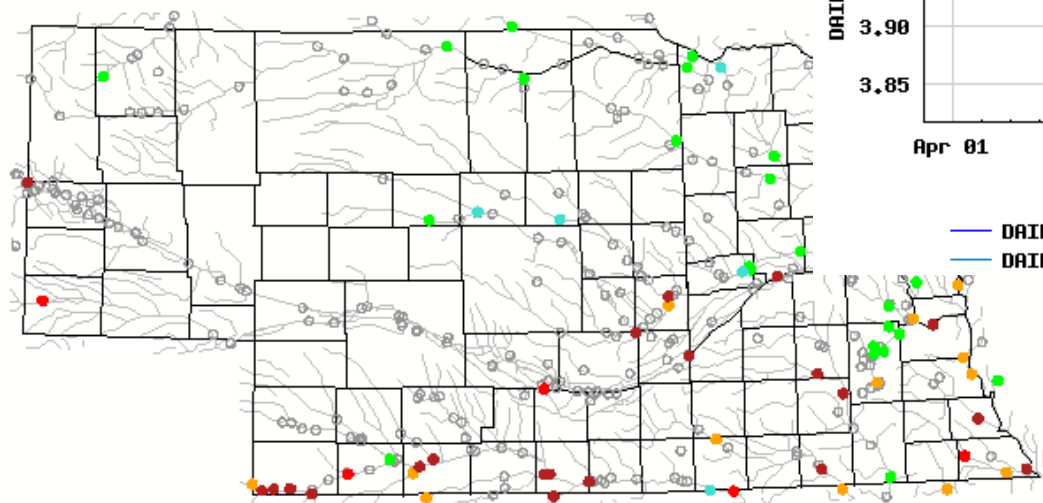
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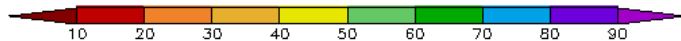
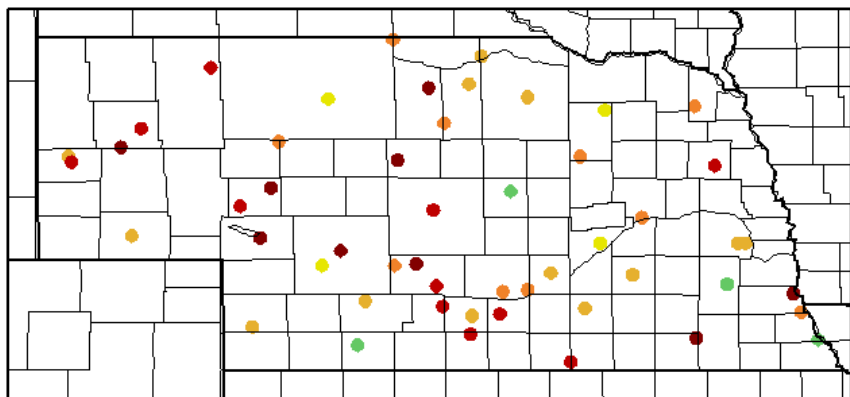


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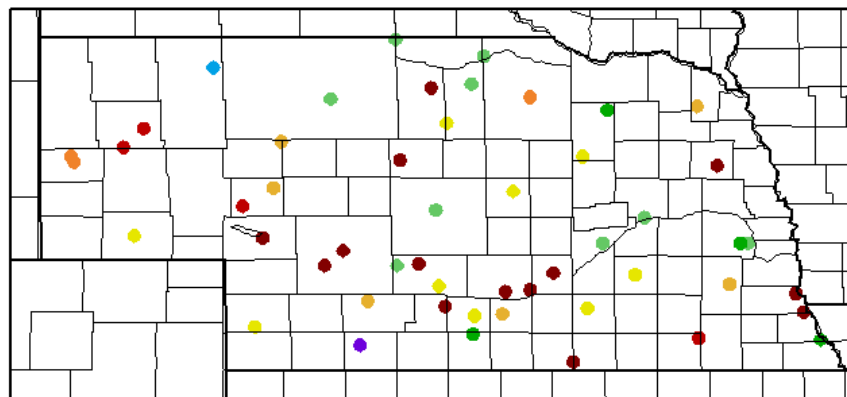


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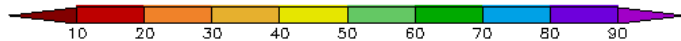
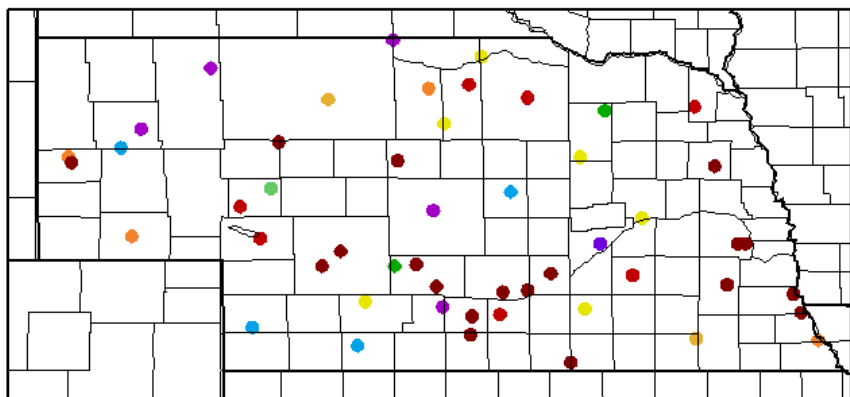
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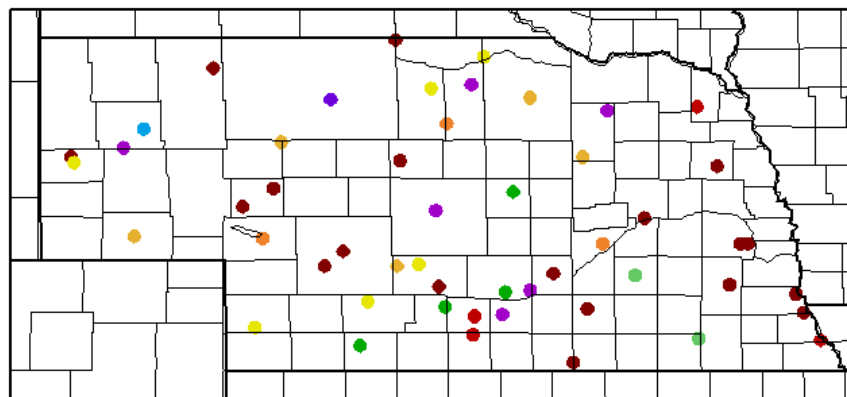
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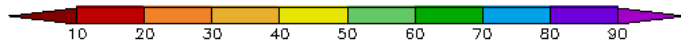
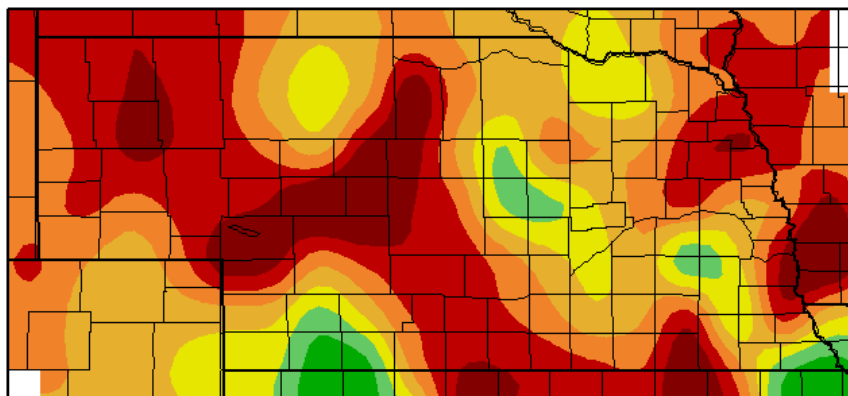
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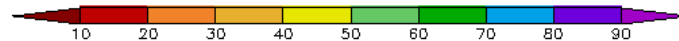
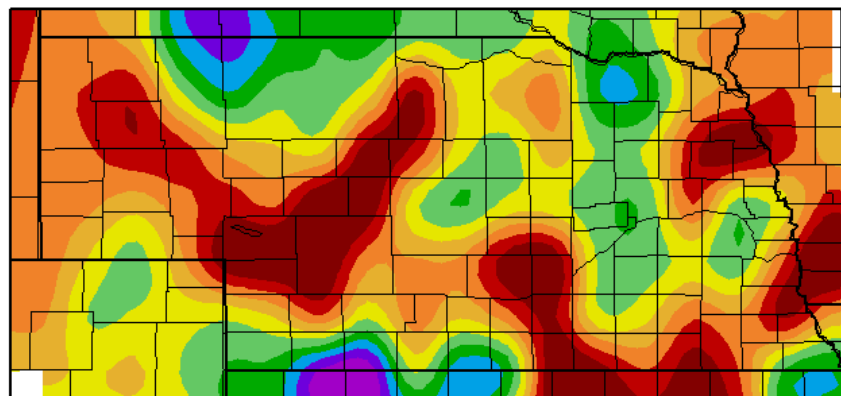
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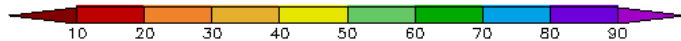
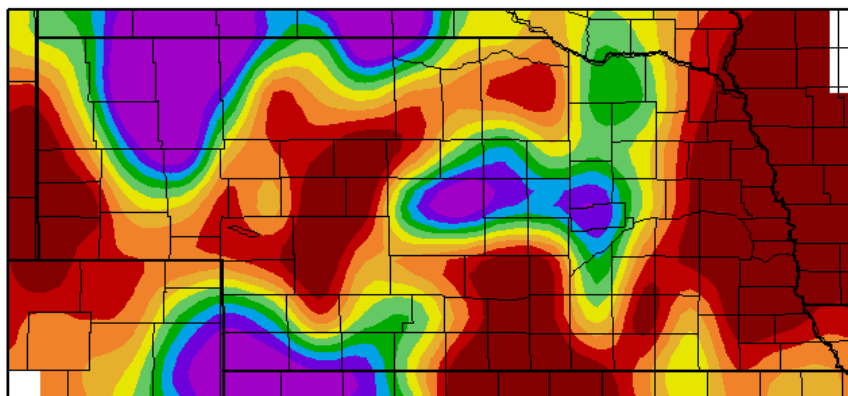
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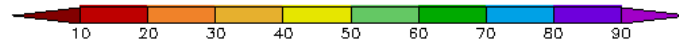
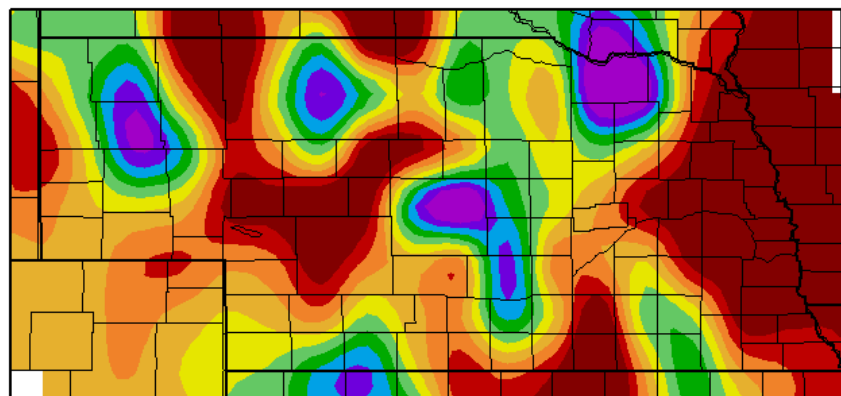
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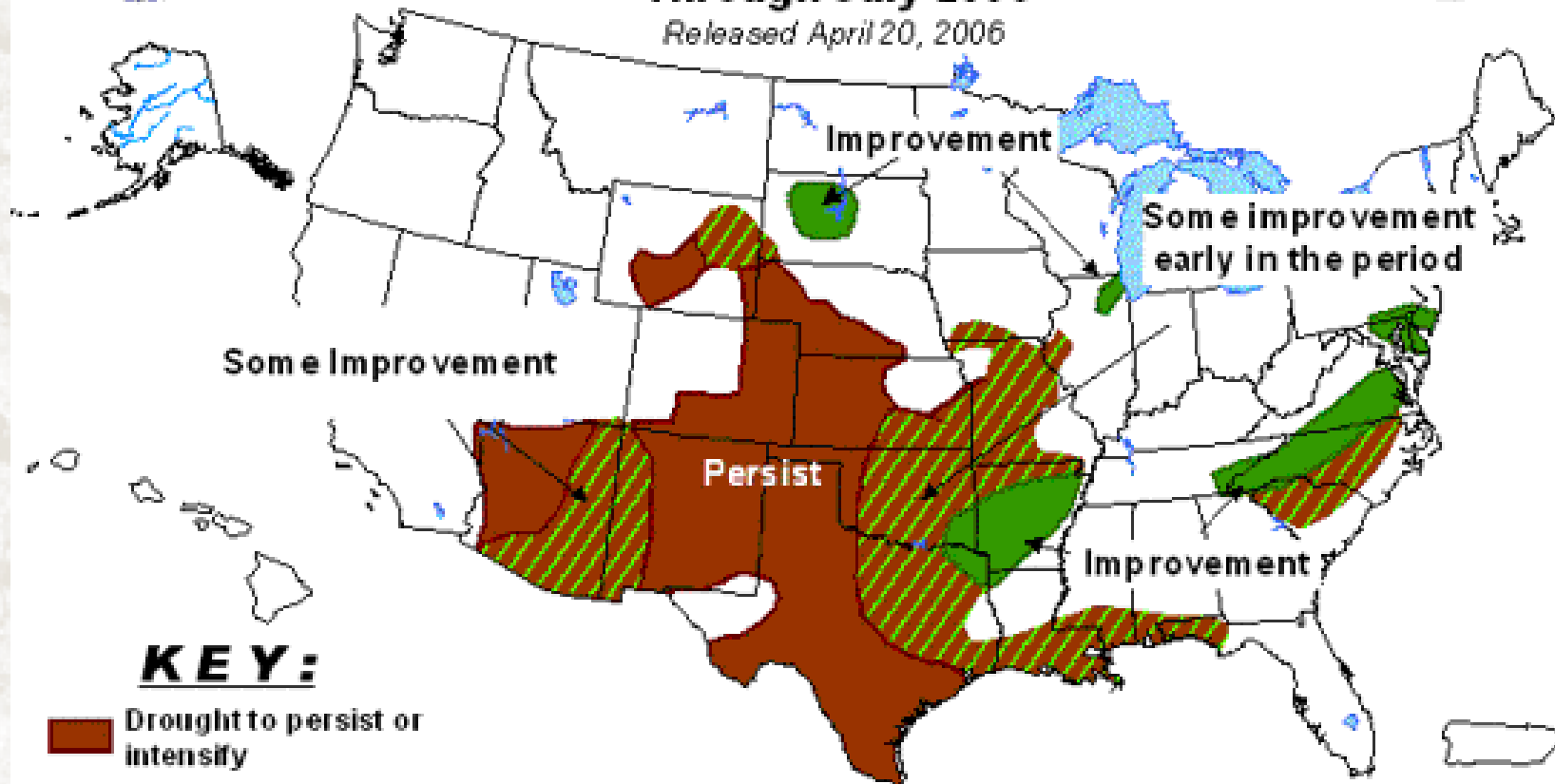




U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Through July 2006

Released April 20, 2006



KEY:

-  Drought to persist or intensify
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-  Drought likely to improve, impacts ease
-  Drought development likely

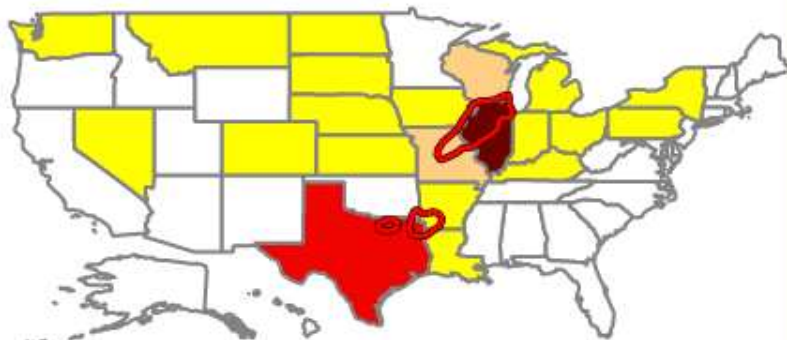
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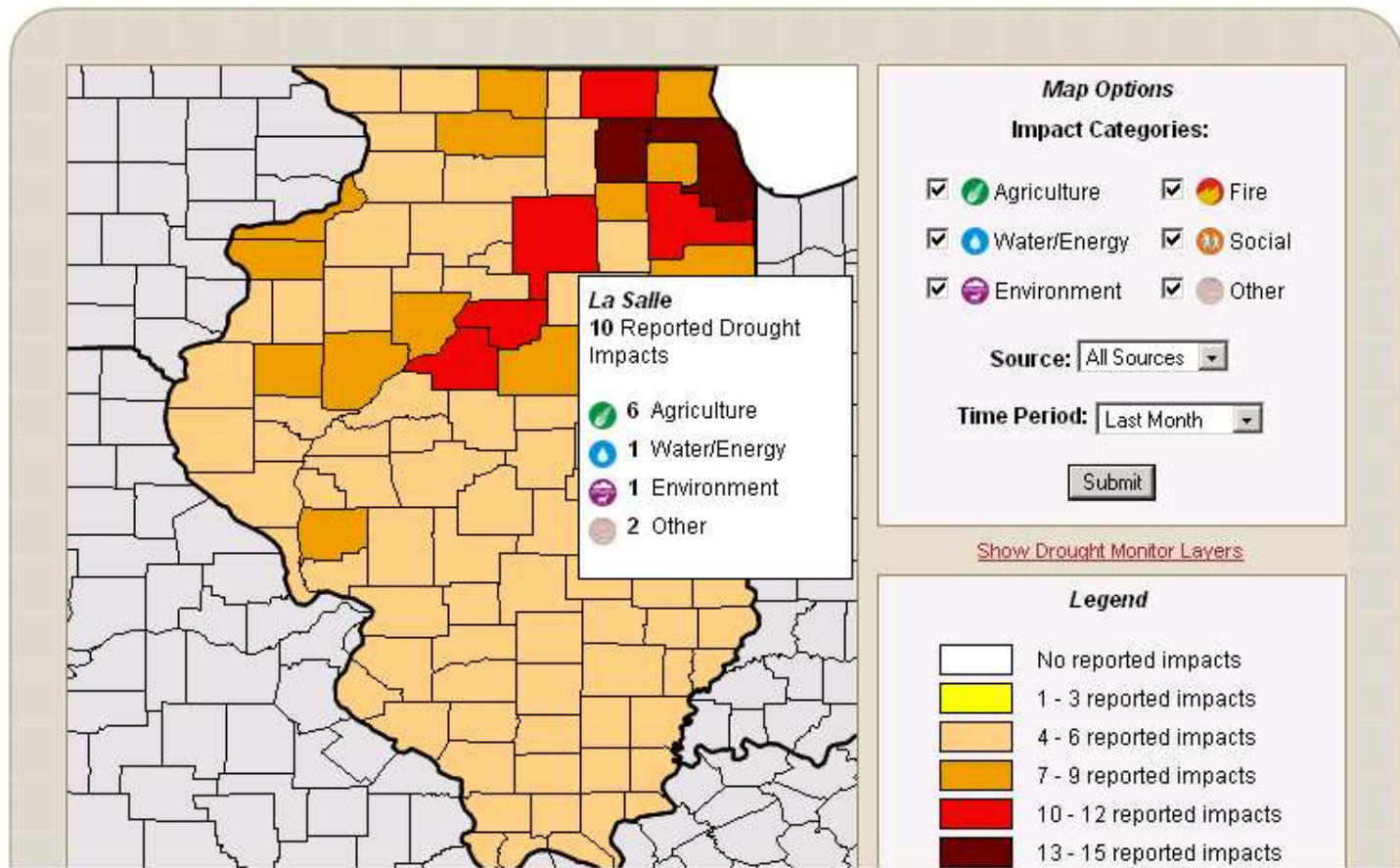
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