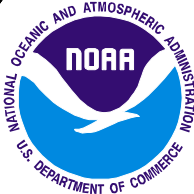
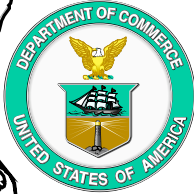
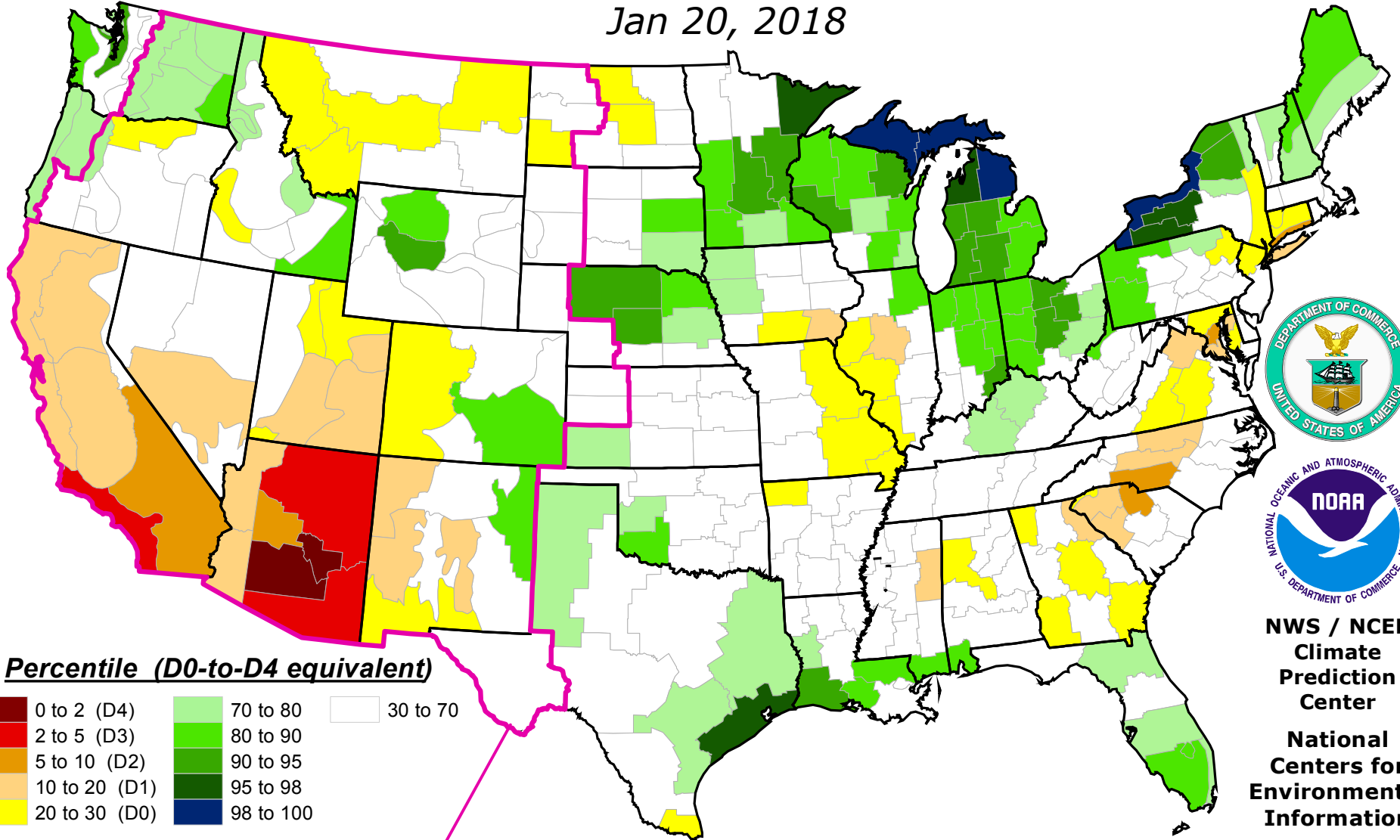


Objective Long-Term Drought Indicator Blend Percentiles

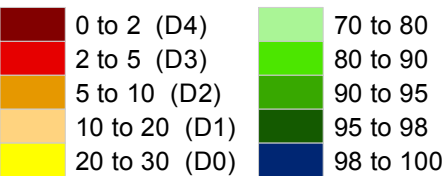
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Western Formulation Inputs (as percentiles):

25% Palmer Hydrologic Index
20% 24-Month Precipitation
20% 12-Month Precipitation
15% 6-Month Precipitation
10% 60-Month Precipitation
10% CPC Soil Moisture Model

30% Palmer Hydrologic Index
30% 60-Month Average Z-Index
10% 60-Month Precipitation
10% 24-Month Precipitation
10% 12-Month Precipitation
10% CPC Soil Moisture Model

This map approximates impacts responding to precipitation over the course of several months to a few years, such as reservoir content, groundwater, and lake levels. **HOWEVER, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INDICATORS AND WATER SUPPLIES CAN VARY MARKEDLY WITH LOCATION, SEASON, SOURCE, AND MANAGEMENT PRACTICE.** Do not interpret this map too literally.

This map is based on preliminary climate division data. Local conditions and/or final data may differ. See the detailed product suite description for more details.