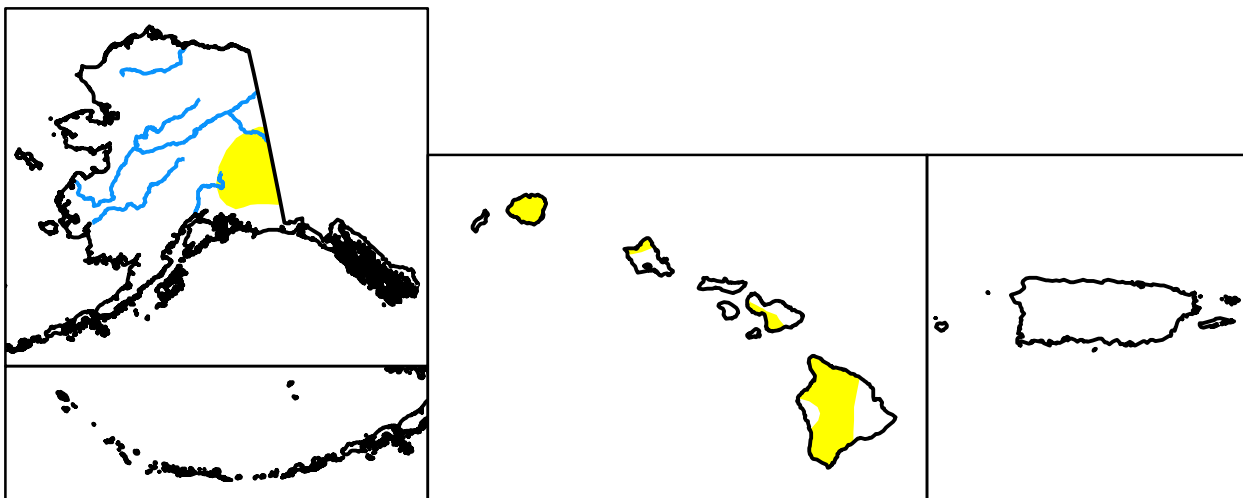
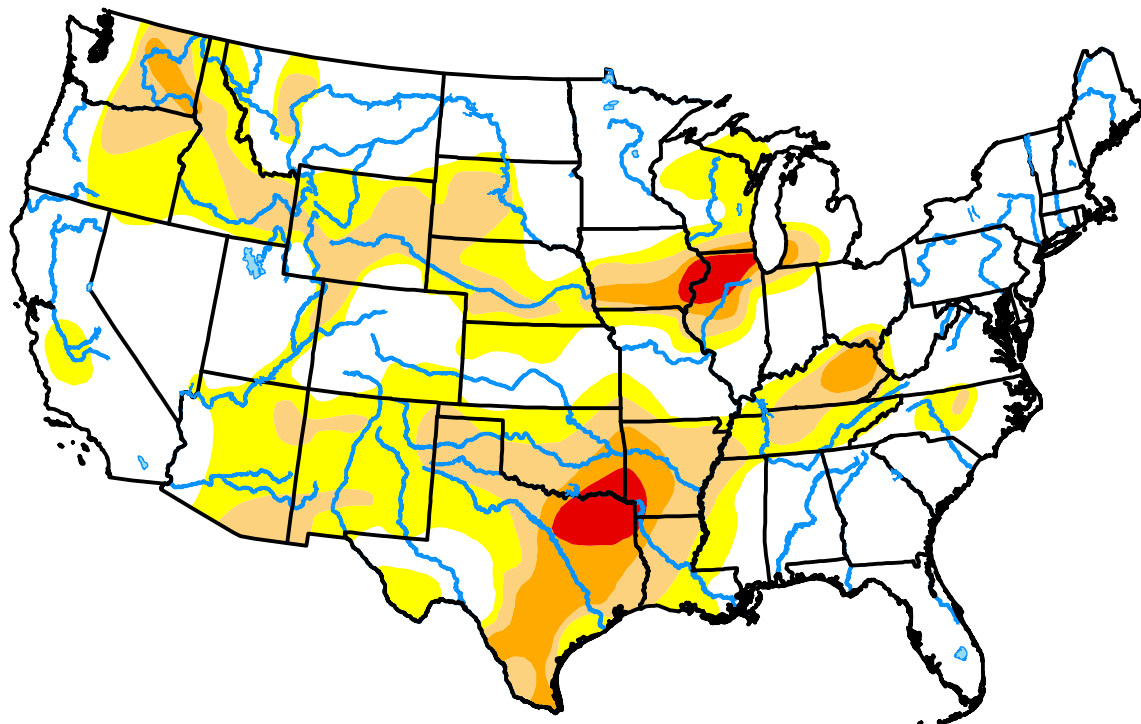


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	59.53	21.58	13.26	4.23	1.39	0.00
Last Week <i>12-06-2005</i>	60.62	20.91	13.39	3.90	1.16	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-13-2005</i>	57.48	22.04	12.22	7.09	1.16	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	69.08	9.49	8.56	7.92	4.30	0.64
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	59.56	20.61	13.81	5.38	0.62	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-14-2004</i>	67.12	10.41	9.01	8.21	4.48	0.75

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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