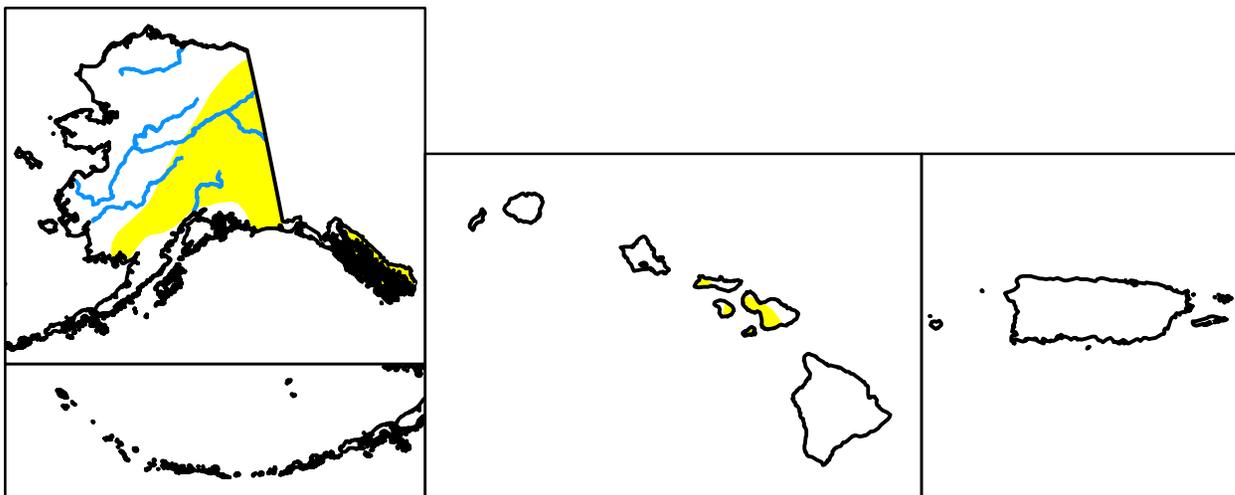
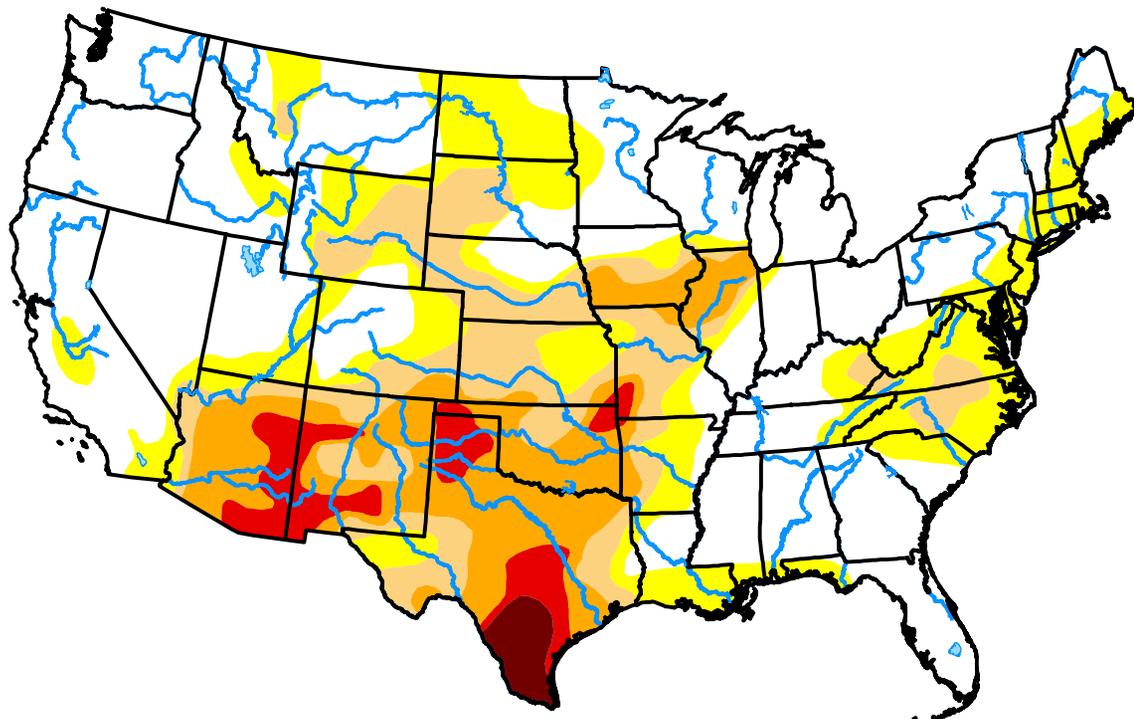


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.38	48.60	25.01	13.81	4.21	0.94
Last Week <i>03-14-2006</i>	57.02	42.96	26.14	15.20	6.75	1.14
3 Months Ago <i>12-20-2005</i>	59.87	40.12	19.05	6.18	2.34	0.45
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	62.51	37.48	17.80	6.25	2.47	0.51
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	59.56	40.43	19.82	6.01	0.62	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-22-2005</i>	66.62	33.36	22.41	14.68	5.59	1.31

Intensity:



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