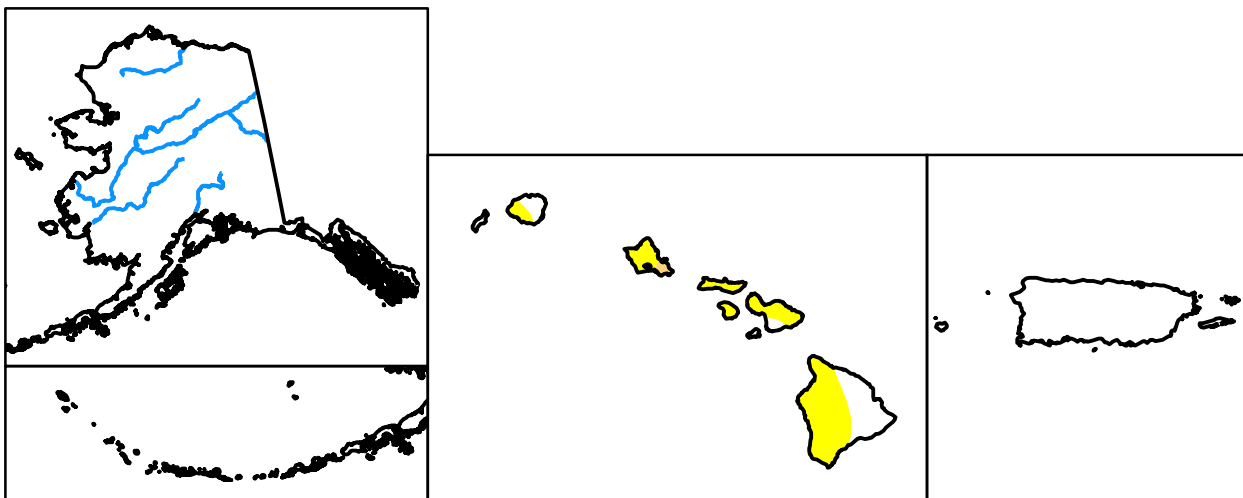
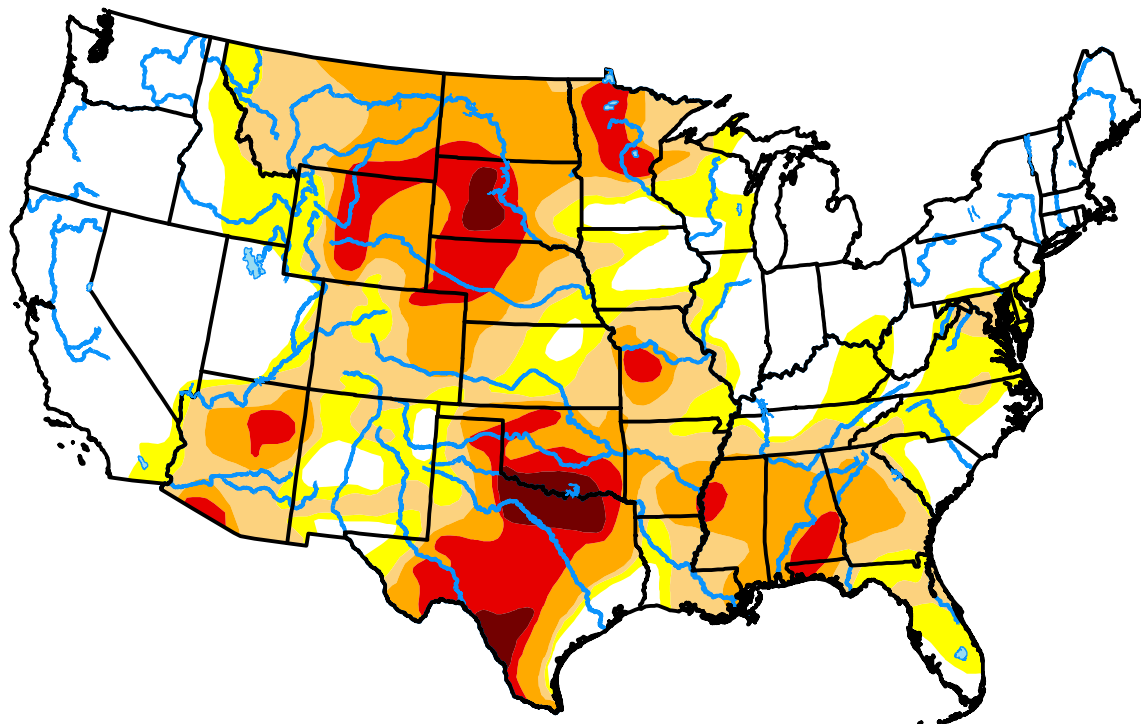


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	45.99	13.92	15.72	15.14	7.55	1.67
Last Week <i>08-15-2006</i>	44.74	14.18	16.12	15.48	7.80	1.68
3 Months Ago <i>05-23-2006</i>	58.53	18.76	11.08	5.67	4.82	1.13
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	62.51	19.67	11.55	3.79	1.96	0.51
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>08-23-2005</i>	61.48	18.91	12.03	6.86	0.70	0.00

Intensity:

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