

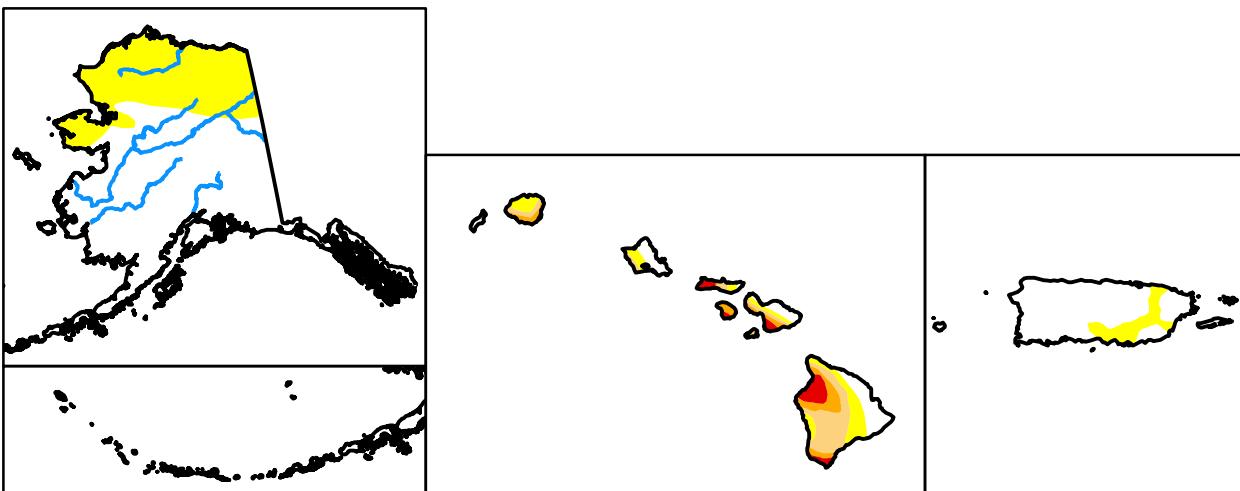
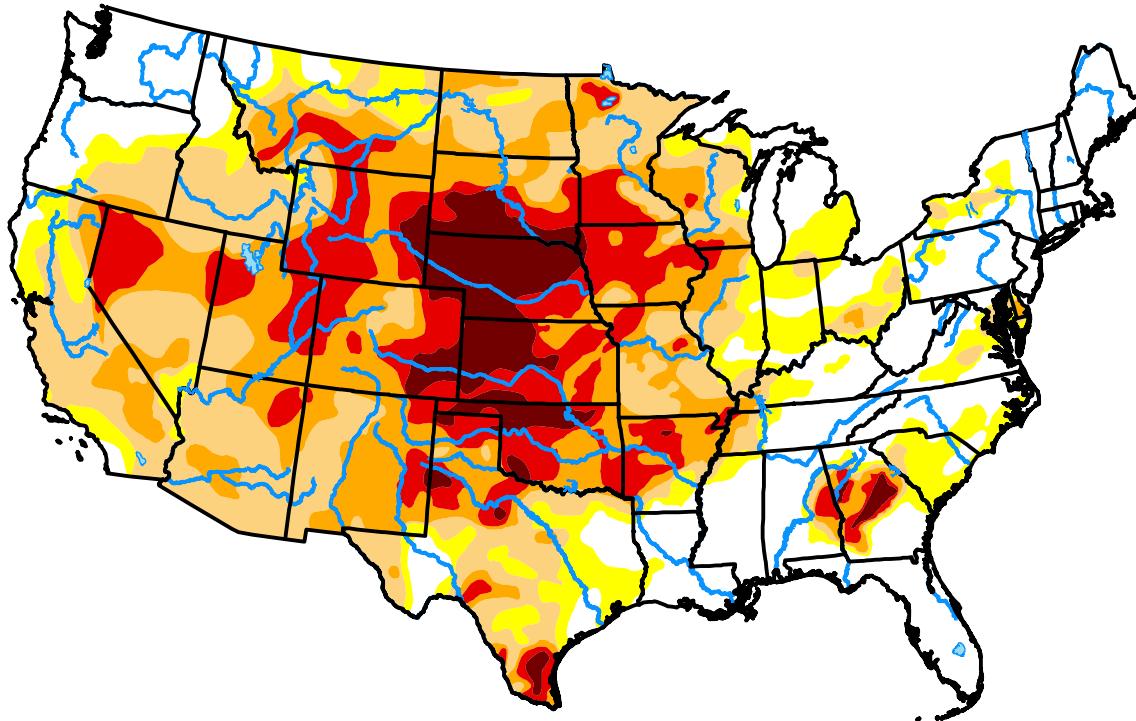
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	32.97	67.01	51.72	32.32	16.33	4.88
Last Week 10-16-2012	32.45	67.54	52.21	32.48	15.96	4.88
3 Months Ago 07-24-2012	28.18	71.80	53.44	38.11	17.20	1.99
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	58.47	41.52	26.73	15.78	8.51	2.77
Start of Water Year 09-25-2012	31.10	68.89	54.78	35.24	17.97	5.12
One Year Ago 10-25-2011	65.53	34.46	25.39	20.04	14.42	7.98

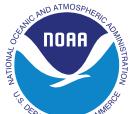
Intensity:

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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