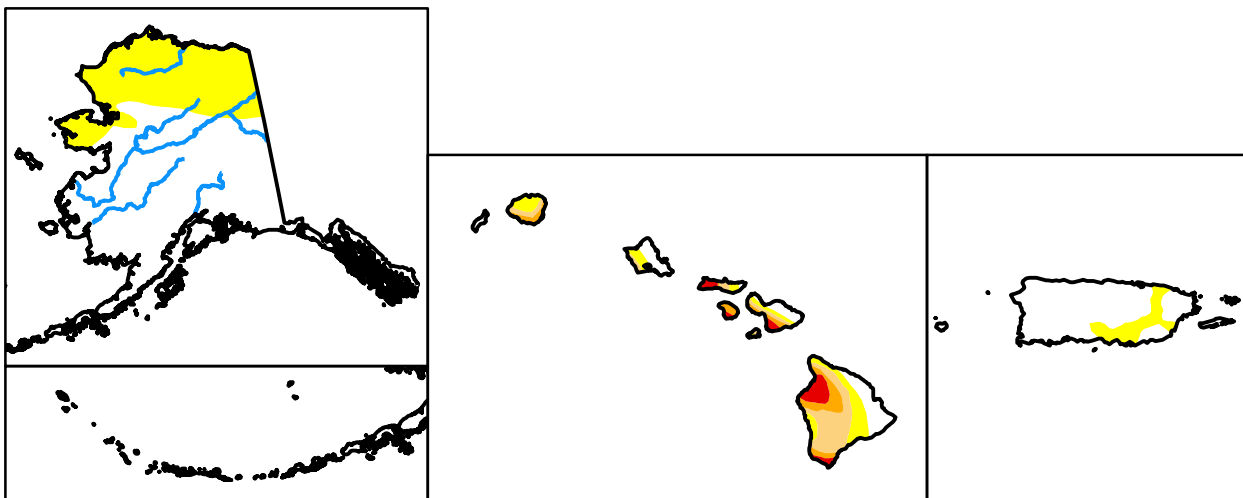
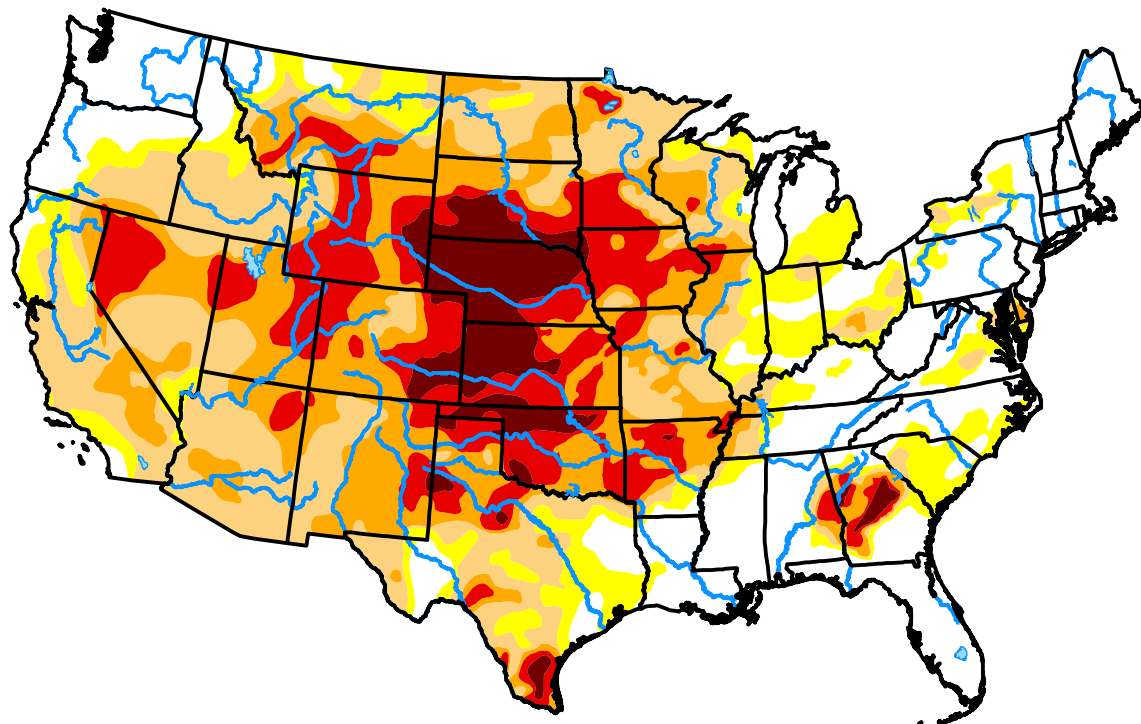


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	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 <i>10-16-2012</i>	32.45	67.54	52.21	32.48	15.96	4.88
3 Months Ago <i>07-24-2012</i>	28.18	71.80	53.44	38.11	17.20	1.99
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	58.47	41.52	26.73	15.78	8.51	2.77
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i>	31.10	68.89	54.78	35.24	17.97	5.12
One Year Ago <i>10-25-2011</i>	65.53	34.46	25.39	20.04	14.42	7.98

Intensity:



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