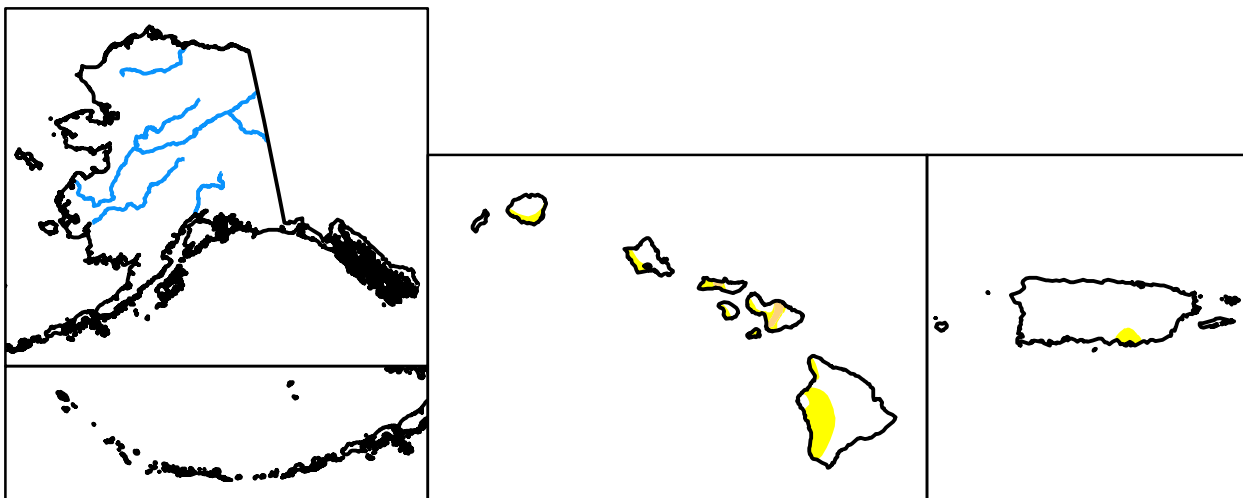
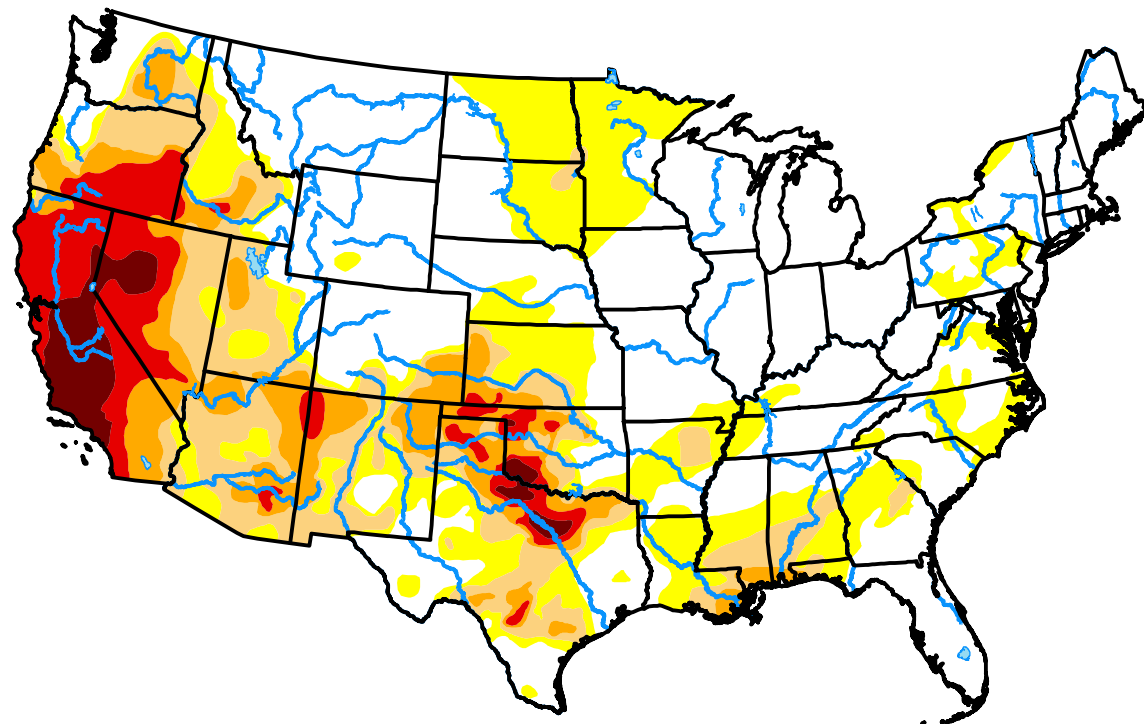


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	57.98	16.97	10.68	6.97	5.28	2.11
Last Week <i>12-16-2014</i>	58.40	16.48	10.68	7.04	5.31	2.08
3 Months Ago <i>09-23-2014</i>	61.80	12.59	10.22	7.63	4.63	3.11
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2013</i>	54.20	19.78	12.05	10.65	3.00	0.31
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	59.88	14.56	9.95	7.73	4.64	3.22
One Year Ago <i>12-24-2013</i>	53.02	20.82	12.21	10.60	3.03	0.31

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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