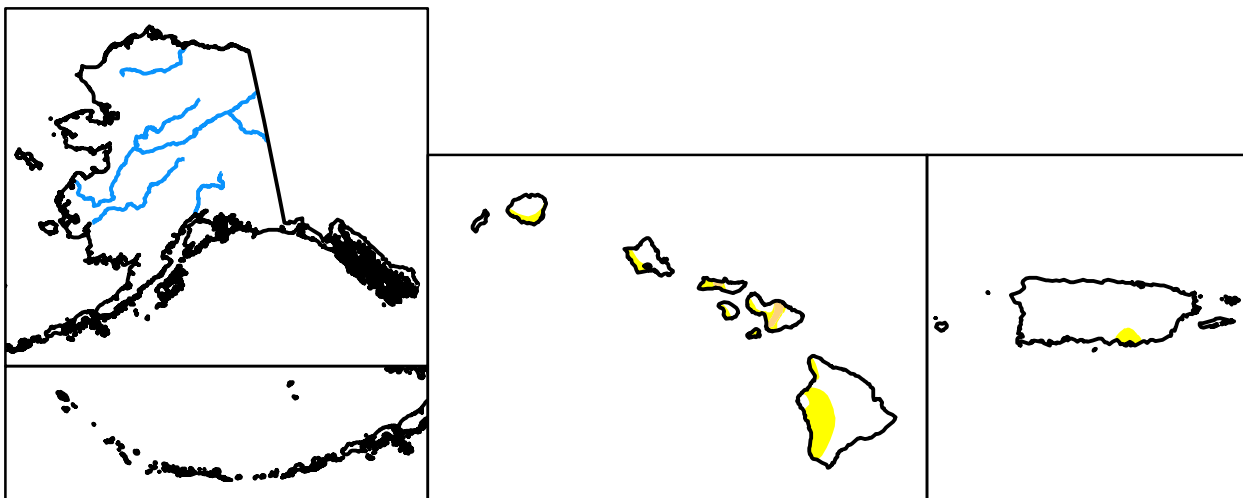
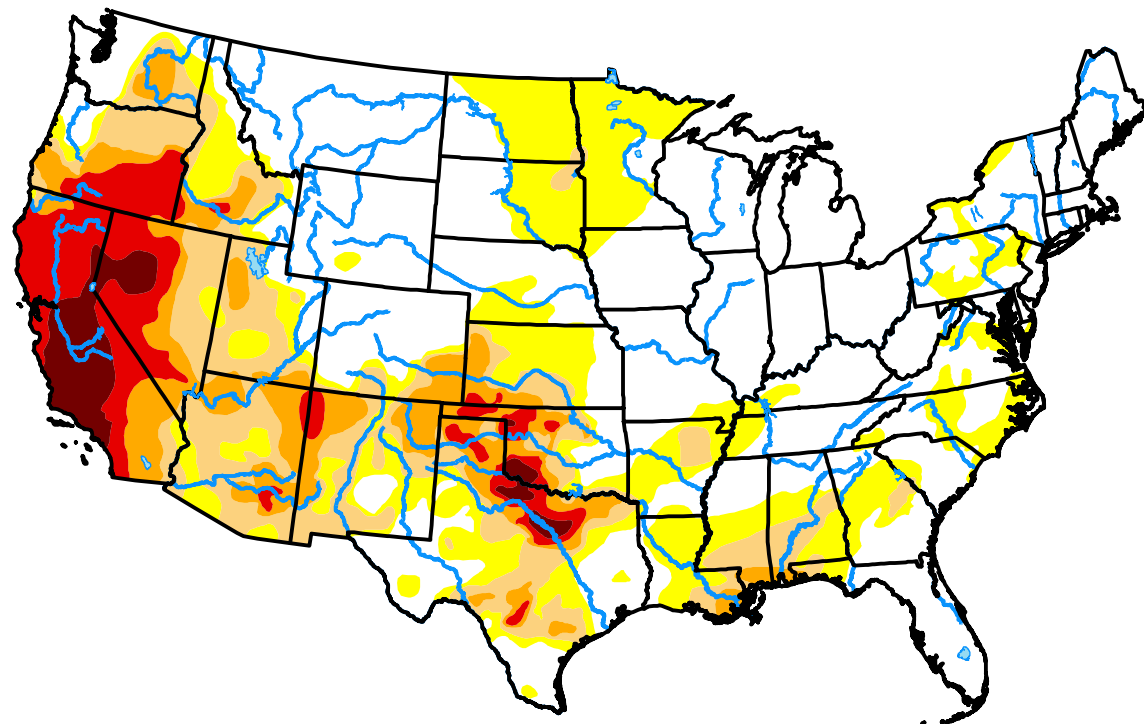


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	57.98	42.01	25.04	14.35	7.39	2.11
Last Week 12-16-2014	58.40	41.59	25.11	14.43	7.39	2.08
3 Months Ago 09-23-2014	61.80	38.18	25.59	15.37	7.74	3.11
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2013	54.20	45.79	26.01	13.96	3.31	0.31
Start of Water Year 09-30-2014	59.88	40.10	25.54	15.59	7.86	3.22
One Year Ago 12-24-2013	53.02	46.96	26.15	13.94	3.34	0.31

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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