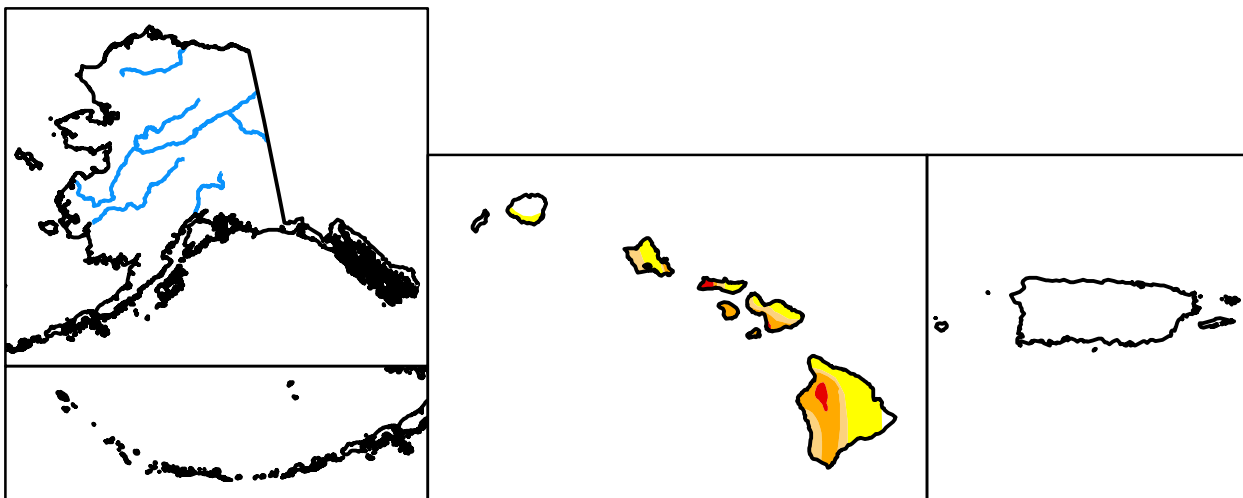
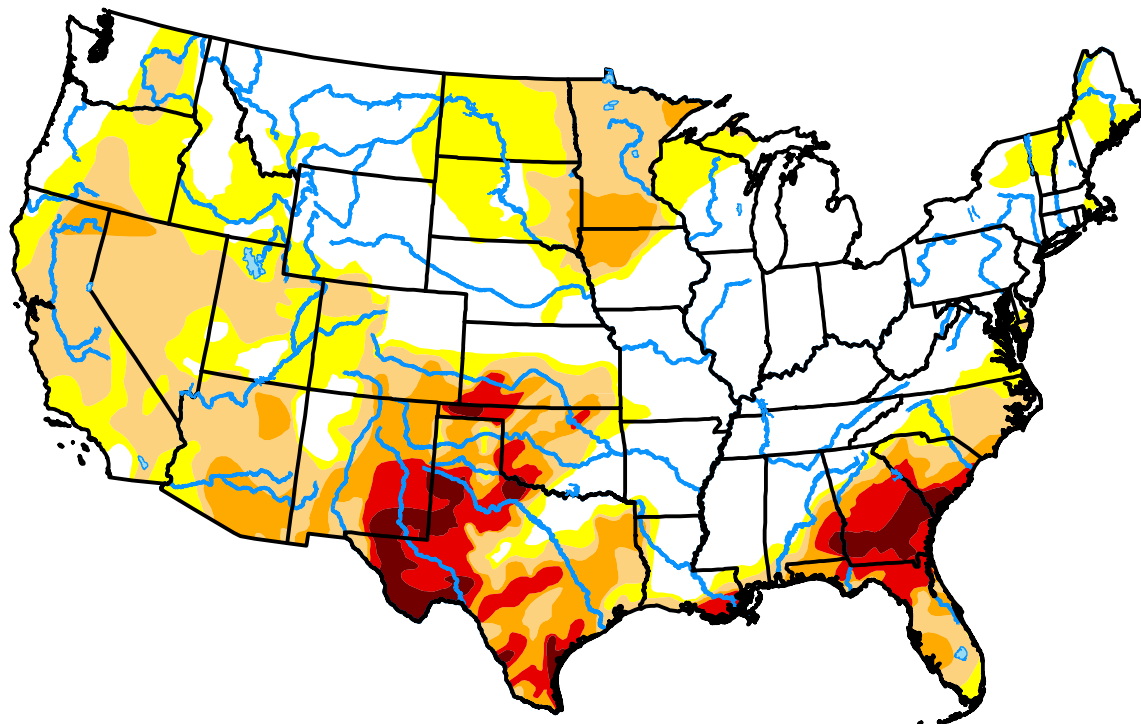


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	52.01	47.97	31.77	14.54	6.39	2.03
Last Week 02-14-2012	51.94	48.05	31.68	15.07	7.79	2.69
3 Months Ago 11-22-2011	63.90	36.09	26.15	19.42	13.80	6.78
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	58.47	41.52	26.73	15.78	8.51	2.77
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	63.44	36.55	24.42	19.61	14.87	9.50
One Year Ago 02-22-2011	60.55	39.43	23.64	9.57	1.73	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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