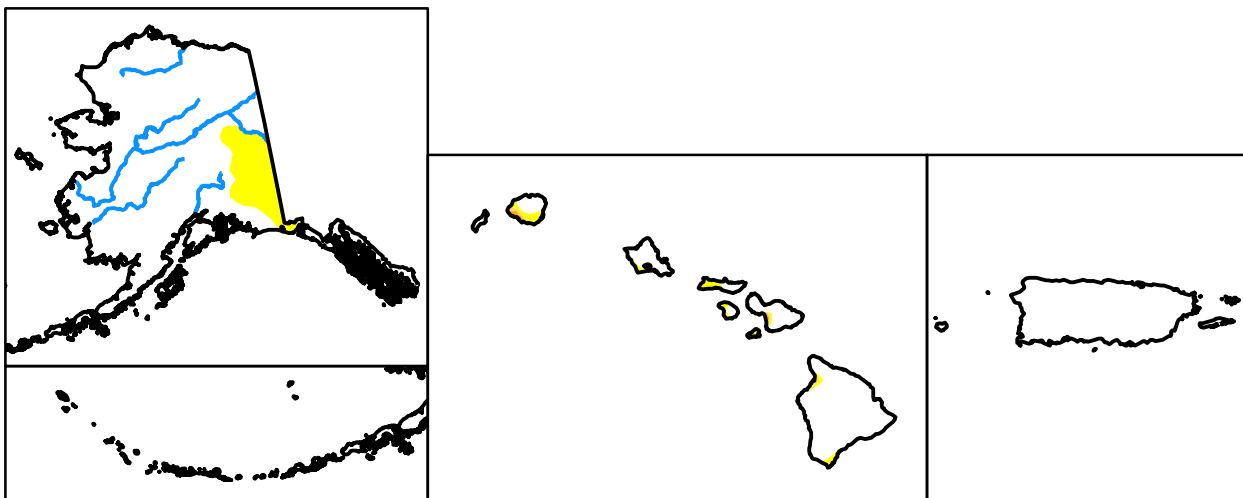
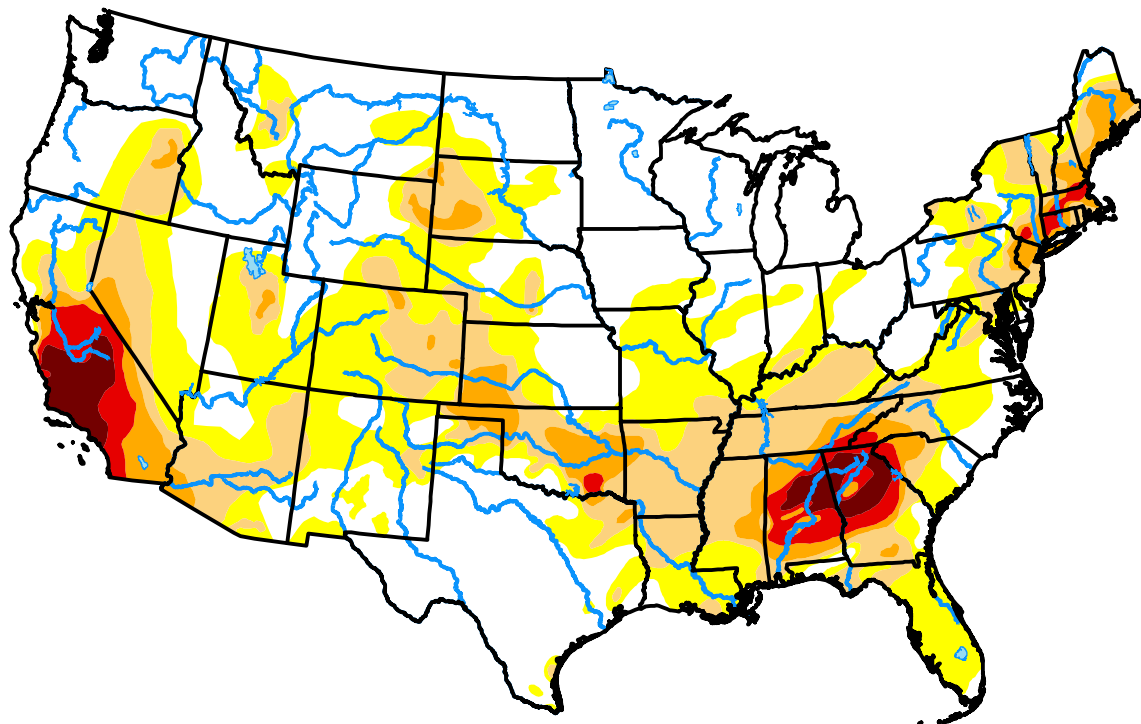


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	52.74	47.25	23.53	8.85	3.82	1.58
Last Week 12-13-2016	53.20	46.79	24.93	10.77	4.20	1.66
3 Months Ago 09-20-2016	62.35	37.64	15.72	6.48	2.46	0.92
Start of Calendar Year 12-29-2015	70.63	29.36	15.70	9.67	5.25	2.26
Start of Water Year 09-27-2016	61.21	38.78	15.84	6.77	2.67	0.97
One Year Ago 12-22-2015	69.99	30.00	16.18	10.58	5.51	2.26

Intensity:

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

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