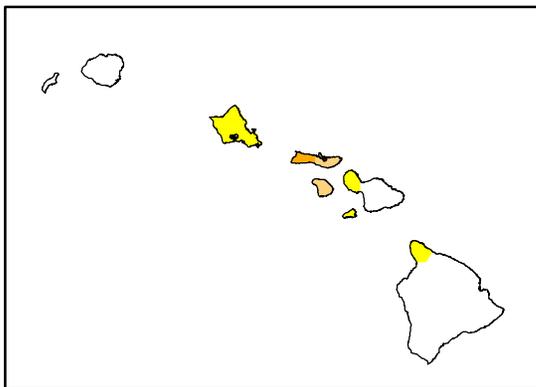
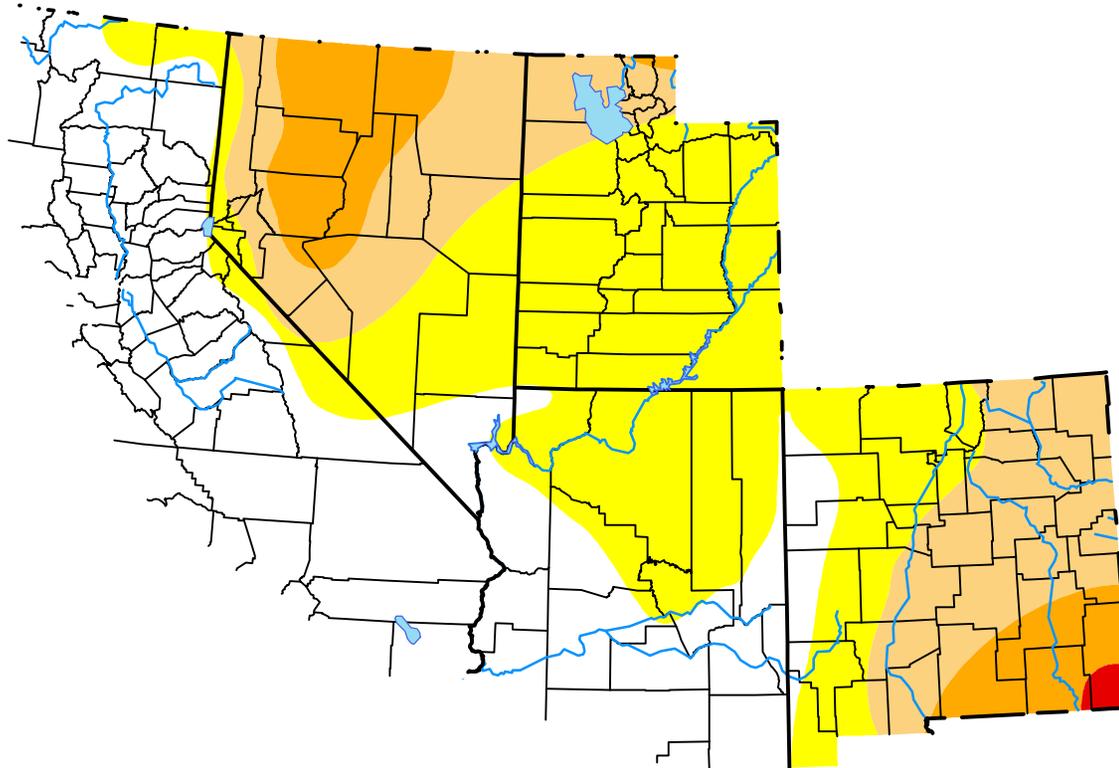


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	39.64	33.96	18.38	7.70	0.32	0.00
Last Week <i>01-10-2002</i>	49.73	22.38	18.47	9.11	0.31	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-18-2001</i>	41.73	19.19	16.29	9.60	13.19	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	45.56	22.67	17.91	9.16	4.71	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2001</i>	42.72	18.14	16.78	9.07	13.29	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-18-2001</i>	84.60	13.41	1.95	0.04	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

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

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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