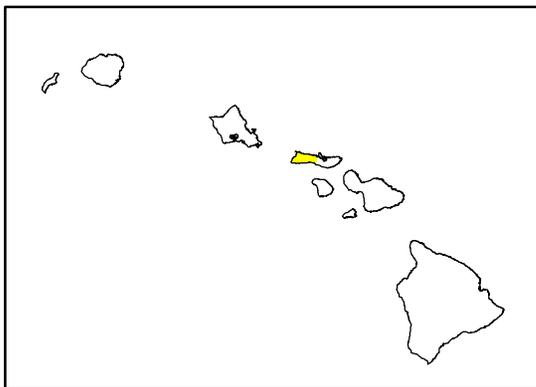
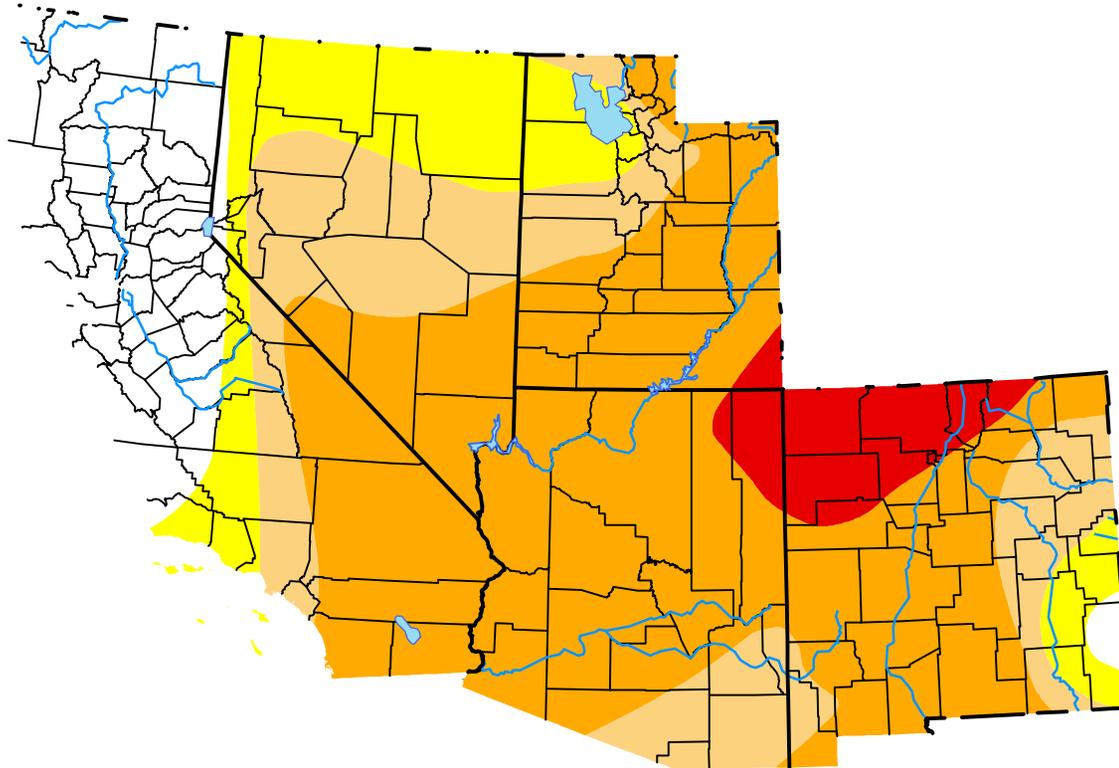


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 15.84 | 84.16 | 71.43 | 52.59 | 5.43 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>04-18-2002</i> | 15.70 | 84.30 | 67.70 | 46.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>01-24-2002</i> | 36.25 | 63.75 | 26.44 | 7.88 | 0.32 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i> | 45.56 | 54.44 | 31.77 | 13.87 | 4.71 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2001</i> | 42.72 | 57.28 | 39.13 | 22.36 | 13.29 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>04-26-2001</i> | 74.46 | 25.54 | 10.58 | 1.07 | 0.20 | 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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