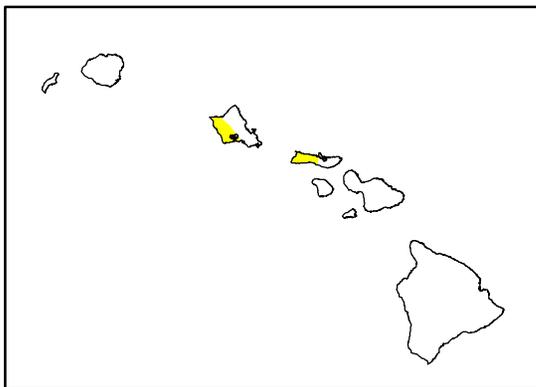
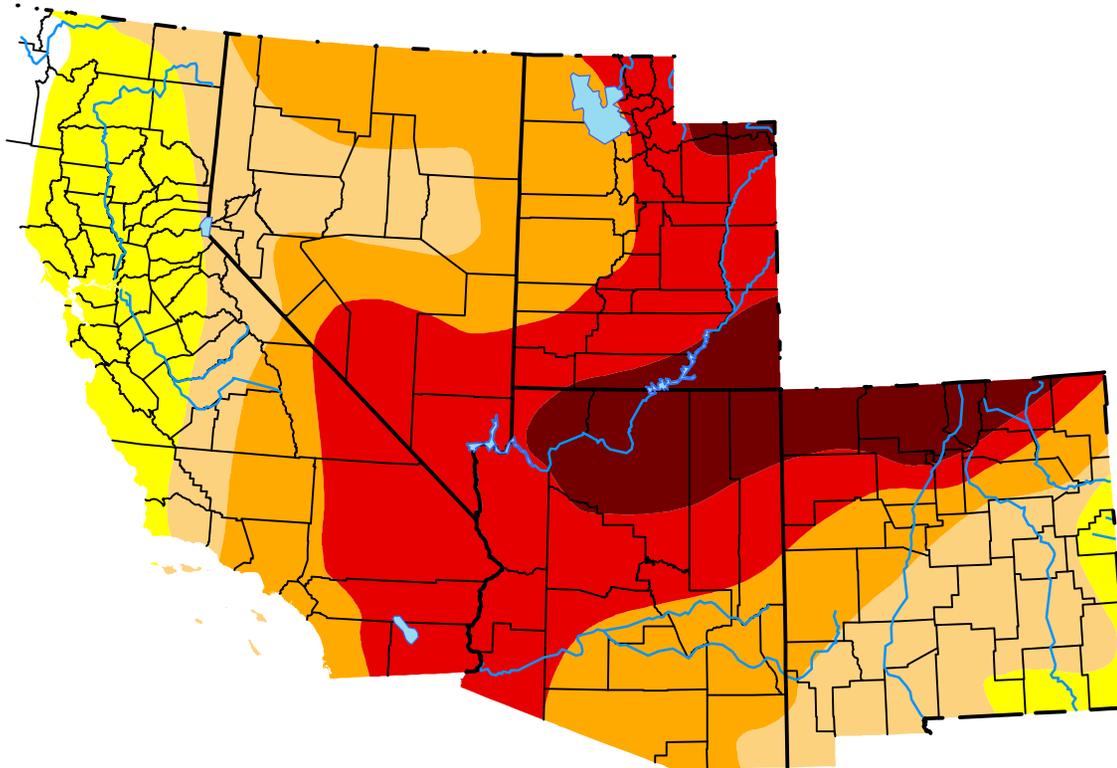


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	2.41	12.02	19.39	28.13	28.32	9.73
Last Week <i>08-29-2002</i>	2.30	12.21	19.37	27.02	29.20	9.91
3 Months Ago <i>06-06-2002</i>	5.82	16.06	19.63	20.29	29.37	8.84
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>09-06-2001</i>	56.93	14.04	9.06	6.85	13.13	0.00

Intensity:



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

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