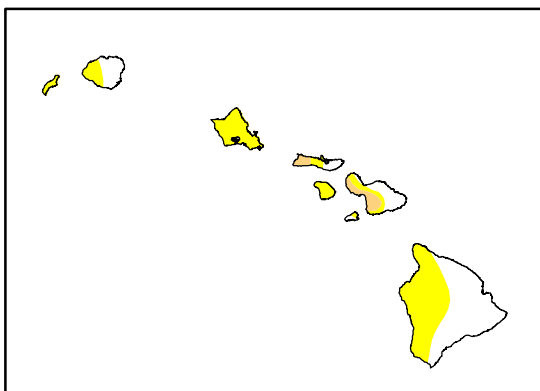
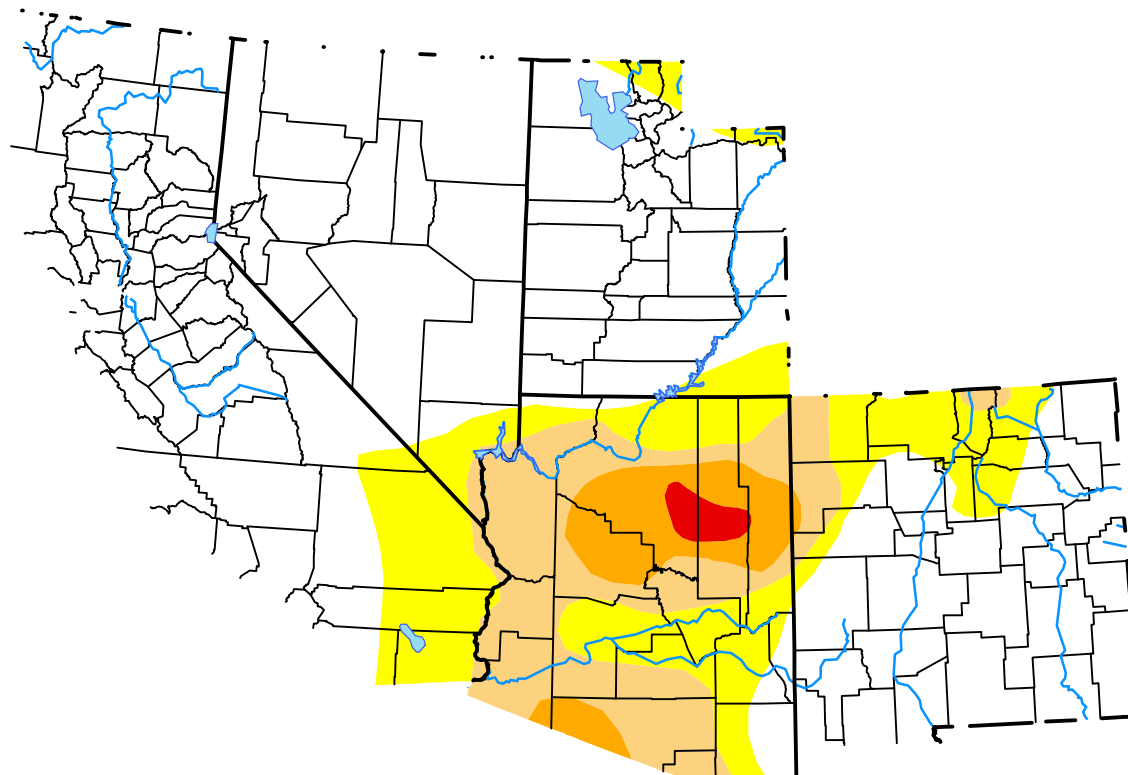


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	70.43	14.78	10.37	3.84	0.58	0.00
Last Week <i>10-26-2006</i>	70.29	14.82	10.47	3.84	0.58	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>08-03-2006</i>	54.11	12.09	17.38	12.17	3.96	0.28
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	57.15	29.90	12.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	66.95	15.92	11.41	4.33	1.39	0.00
One Year Ago <i>11-03-2005</i>	68.96	25.32	5.72	0.00	0.00	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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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