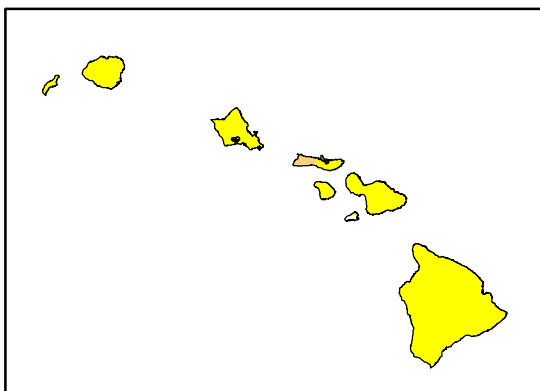
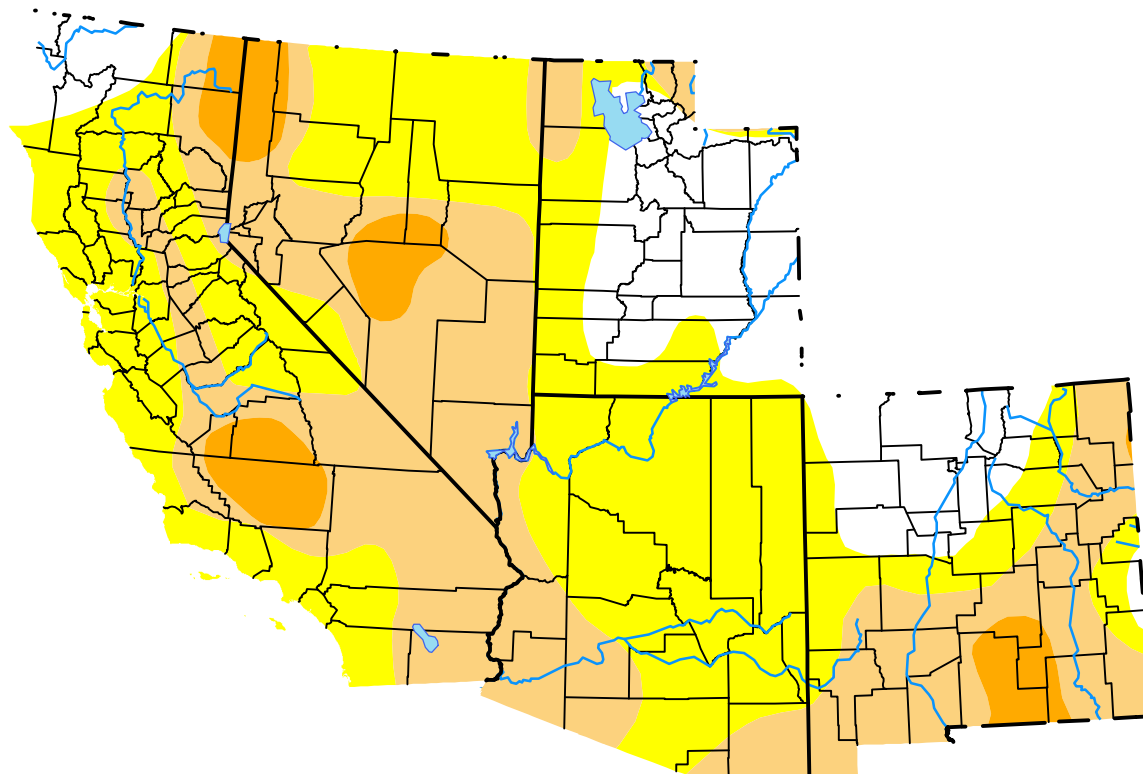


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	16.34	42.85	34.71	6.11	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-08-2008</i>	16.16	42.86	34.87	6.11	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-14-2008</i>	26.38	34.42	21.27	17.94	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	15.84	17.96	39.89	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2007</i>	21.09	9.20	18.48	35.21	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-17-2007</i>	15.81	9.77	35.94	26.59	11.89	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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