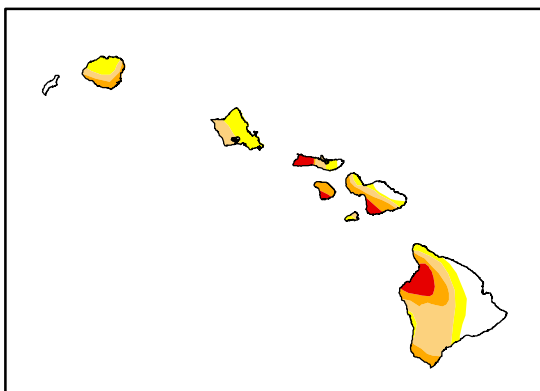
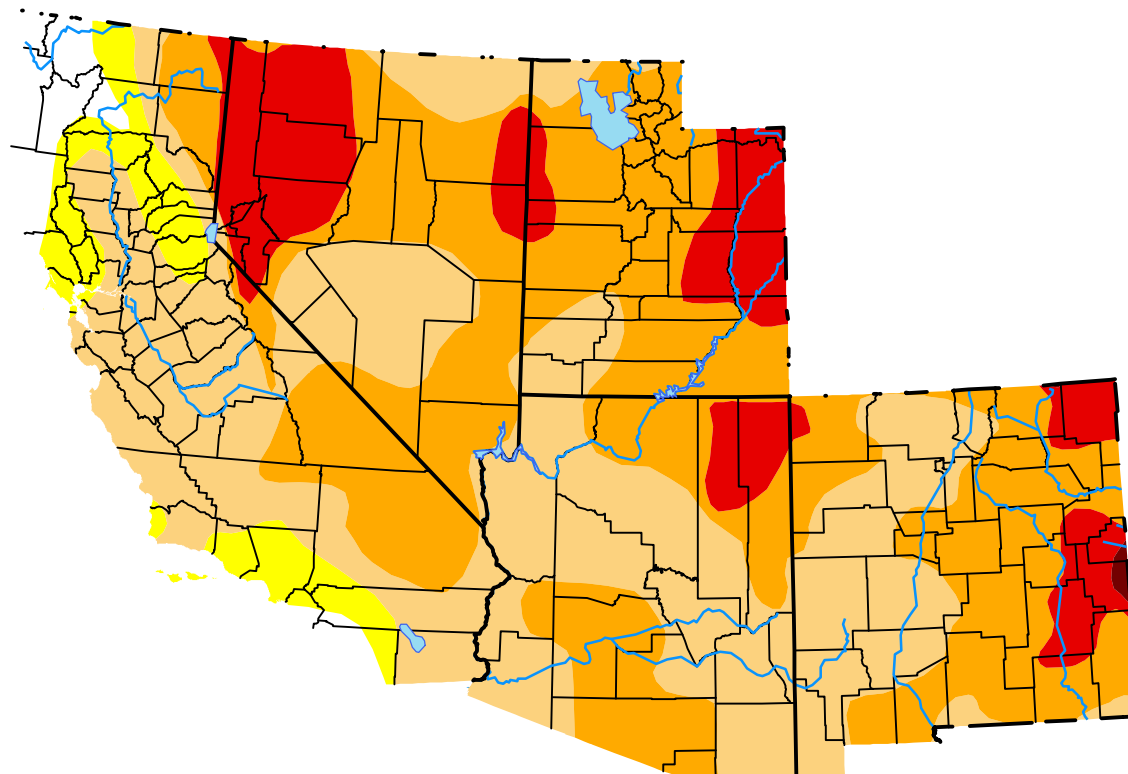


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	3.34	5.27	38.85	39.98	12.42	0.13
Last Week <i>08-30-2012</i>	3.34	5.25	38.79	38.81	13.66	0.14
3 Months Ago <i>06-07-2012</i>	4.61	10.23	29.54	47.61	8.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	29.38	22.20	26.39	16.71	3.78	1.55
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	53.67	12.76	7.04	9.37	9.67	7.49
One Year Ago <i>09-08-2011</i>	48.45	16.94	8.69	7.51	10.25	8.15

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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