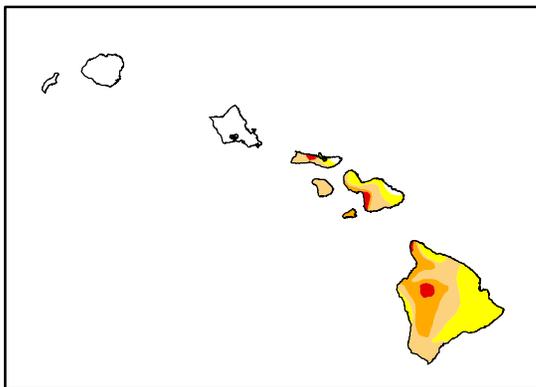
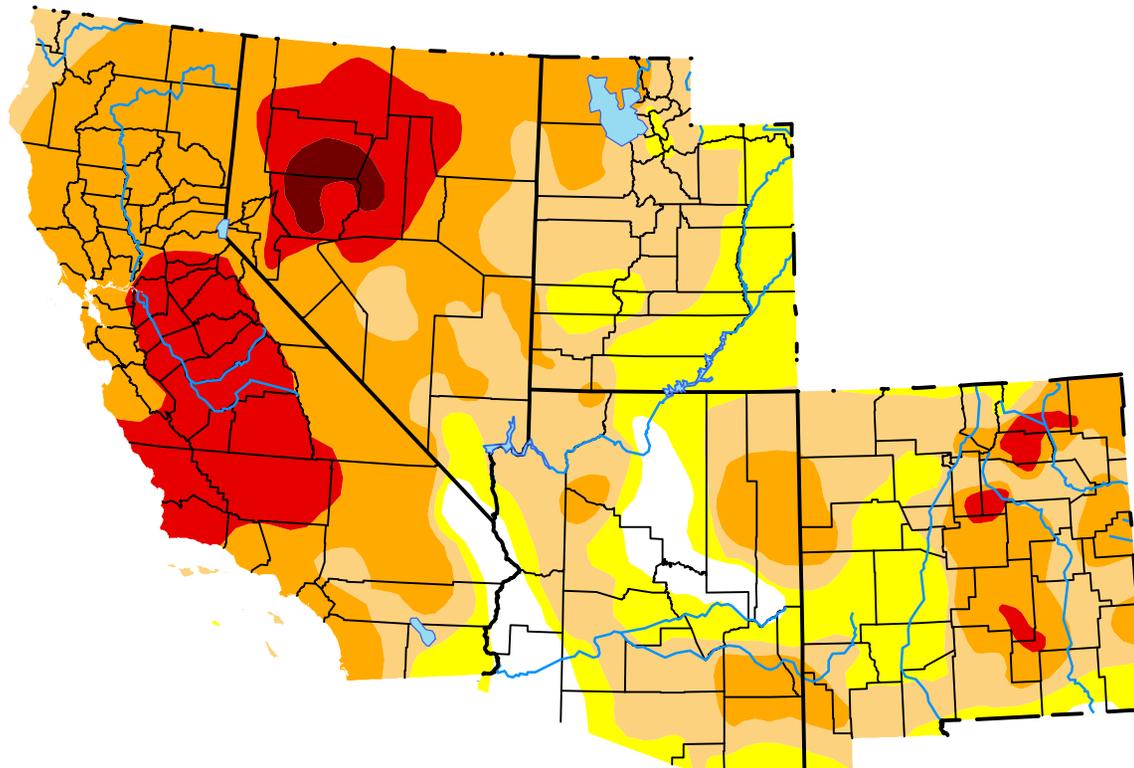


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	5.03	17.52	28.78	35.21	12.47	1.00
Last Week <i>12-19-2013</i>	4.96	17.23	28.70	35.63	12.47	1.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-26-2013</i>	4.05	12.30	29.89	44.25	8.52	1.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2013</i>	8.61	5.37	32.31	39.34	14.18	0.20
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2013</i>	4.05	12.33	31.50	43.08	8.05	1.00
One Year Ago <i>12-27-2012</i>	8.39	5.35	31.03	39.20	15.82	0.20

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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