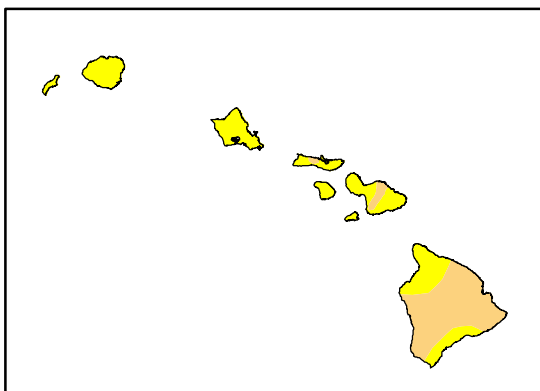
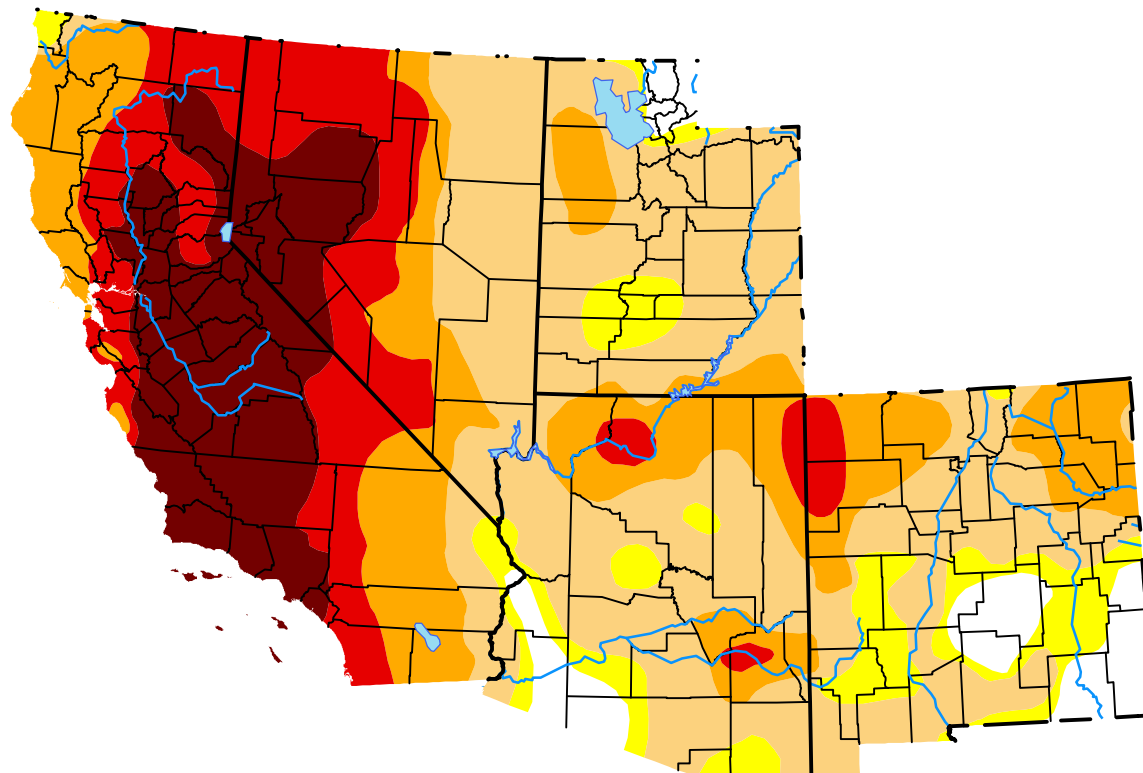


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	4.86	8.36	37.83	20.44	14.17	14.35
Last Week <i>02-12-2015</i>	4.92	13.79	32.33	20.85	14.25	13.86
3 Months Ago <i>11-20-2014</i>	7.21	10.82	29.93	20.86	14.34	16.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2014</i>	5.87	12.38	29.47	21.11	20.41	10.76
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2014</i>	6.10	11.87	28.57	20.35	15.39	17.72
One Year Ago <i>02-20-2014</i>	1.75	12.51	23.80	33.23	23.84	4.88

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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