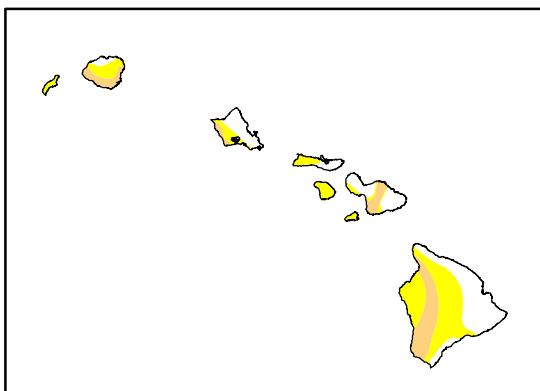
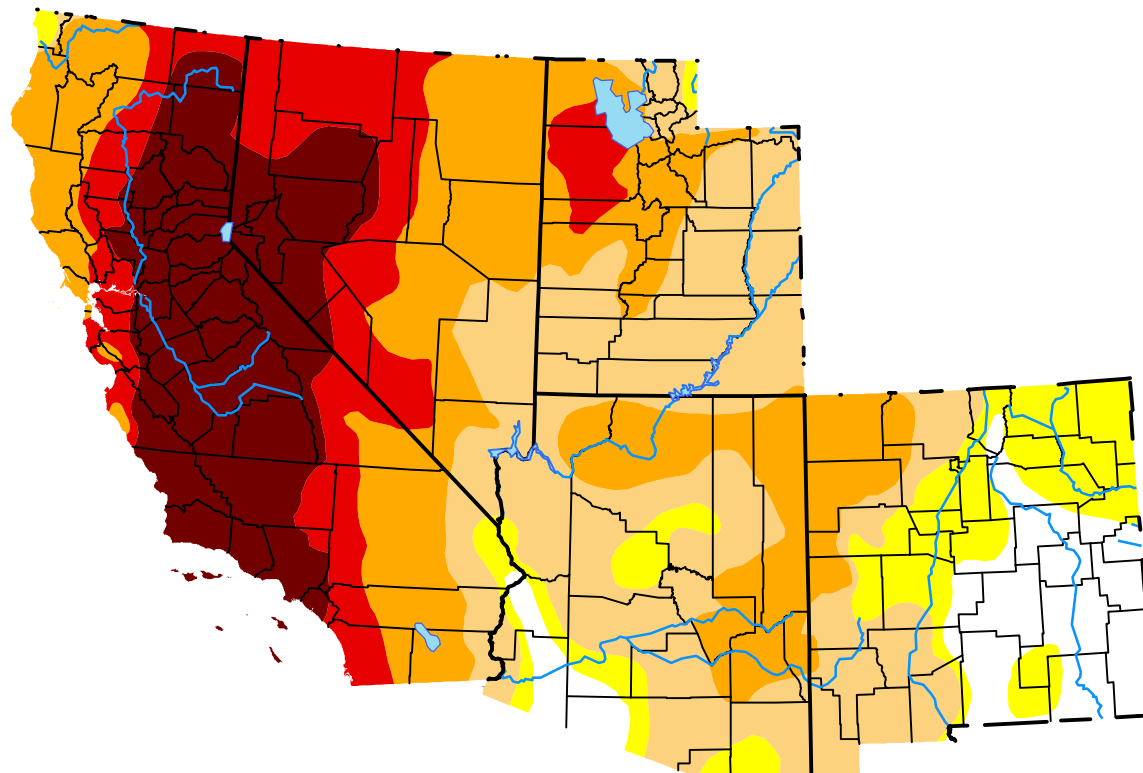


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	8.15	91.85	81.85	54.39	28.20	15.83
Last Week <i>05-14-2015</i>	7.15	92.85	85.65	56.23	28.25	15.83
3 Months Ago <i>02-19-2015</i>	4.86	95.14	86.78	48.96	28.52	14.35
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2014</i>	5.87	94.13	81.75	52.28	31.17	10.76
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2014</i>	6.10	93.90	82.03	53.46	33.11	17.72
One Year Ago <i>05-22-2014</i>	1.78	98.22	94.16	78.30	36.63	9.25

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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