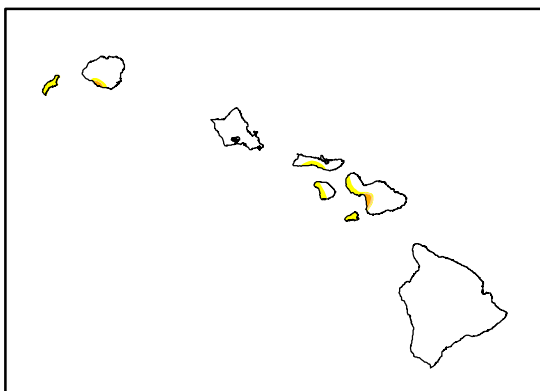
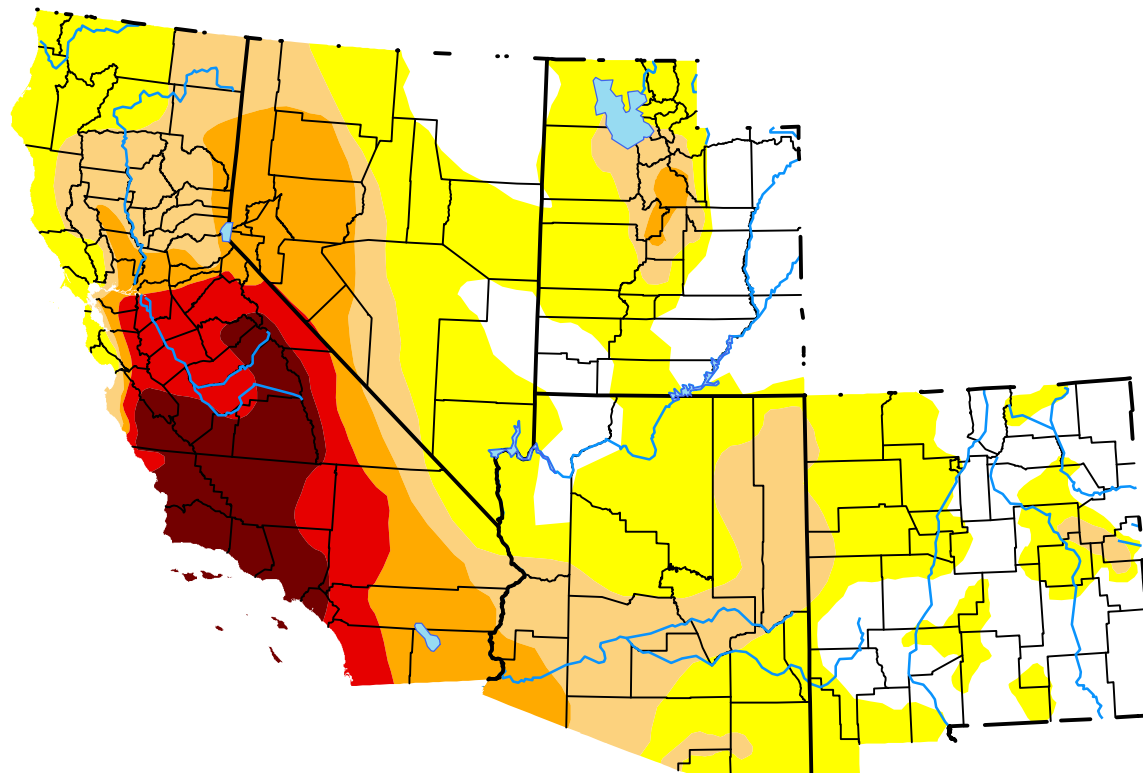


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.72	77.28	40.39	21.72	11.41	5.59
Last Week 09-22-2016	17.65	82.35	40.85	21.92	11.41	5.59
3 Months Ago 06-30-2016	18.44	81.56	43.59	21.35	11.43	5.59
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2015	21.87	78.13	56.46	38.84	24.23	13.64
Start of Water Year 10-01-2015	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17
One Year Ago 10-01-2015	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17

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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