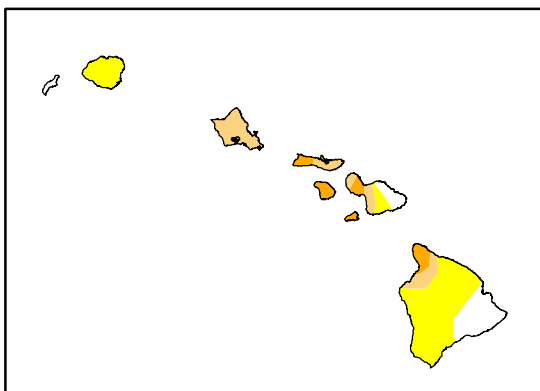
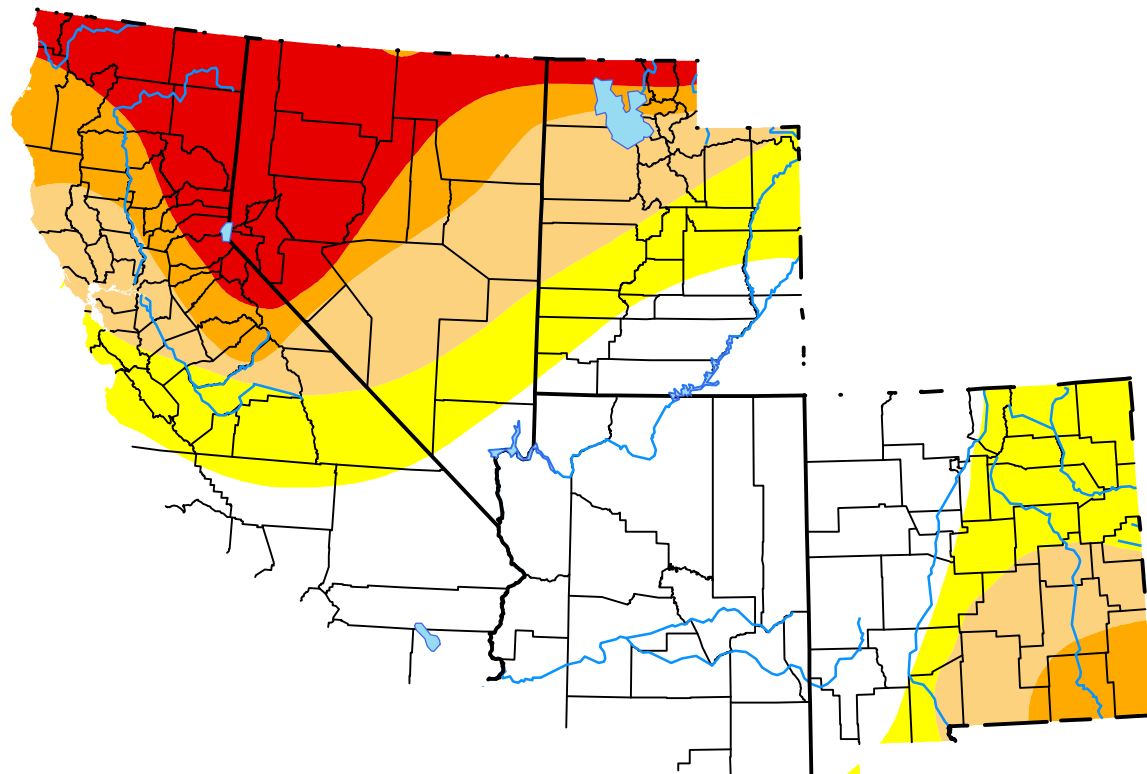


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.72	18.14	16.78	9.17	13.19	0.00
Last Week 09-27-2001	42.72	18.14	16.78	9.07	13.29	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-05-2001	40.53	34.07	5.54	10.41	9.45	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2001	83.72	14.98	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2001	42.72	18.14	16.78	9.07	13.29	0.00
One Year Ago 10-05-2000	32.09	34.47	25.05	8.39	0.00	0.00

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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