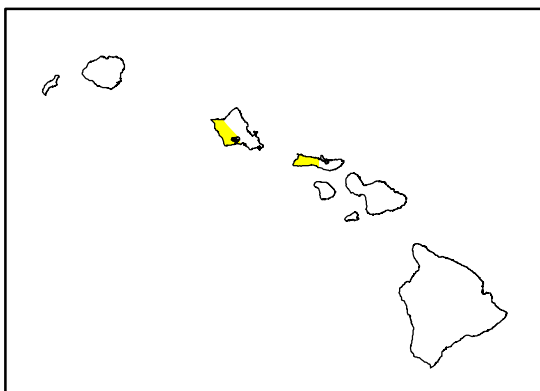
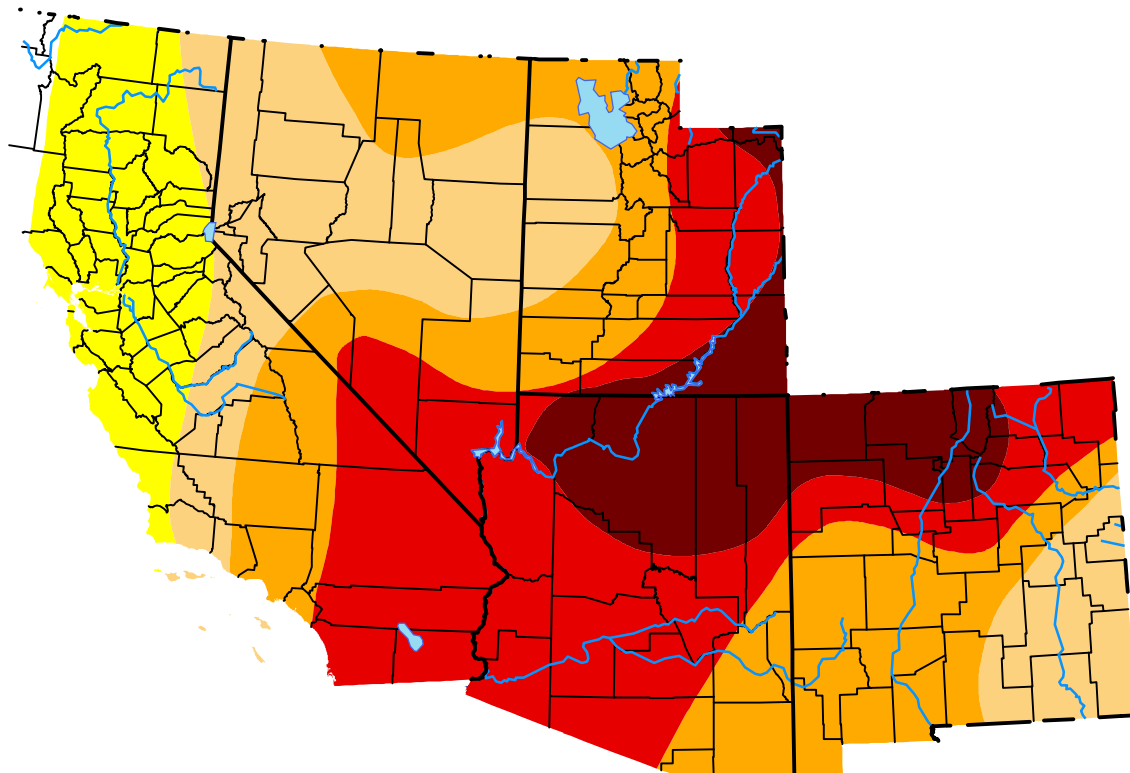


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	2.33	10.59	21.67	26.15	27.29	11.98
Last Week 07-25-2002	2.51	10.42	21.92	13.08	35.86	16.21
3 Months Ago 05-02-2002	15.96	12.52	14.53	41.38	15.62	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2002	45.56	22.67	17.91	9.16	4.71	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2001	42.72	18.14	16.78	9.07	13.29	0.00
One Year Ago 08-02-2001	56.66	16.43	9.06	7.82	10.03	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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