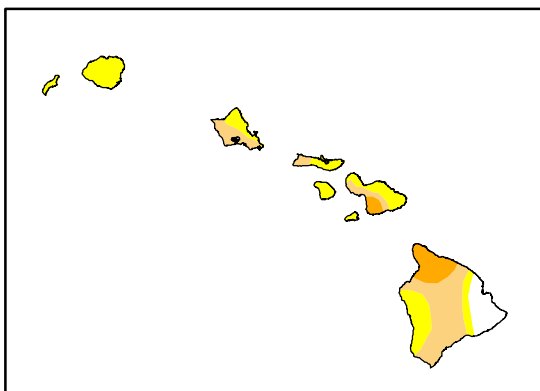
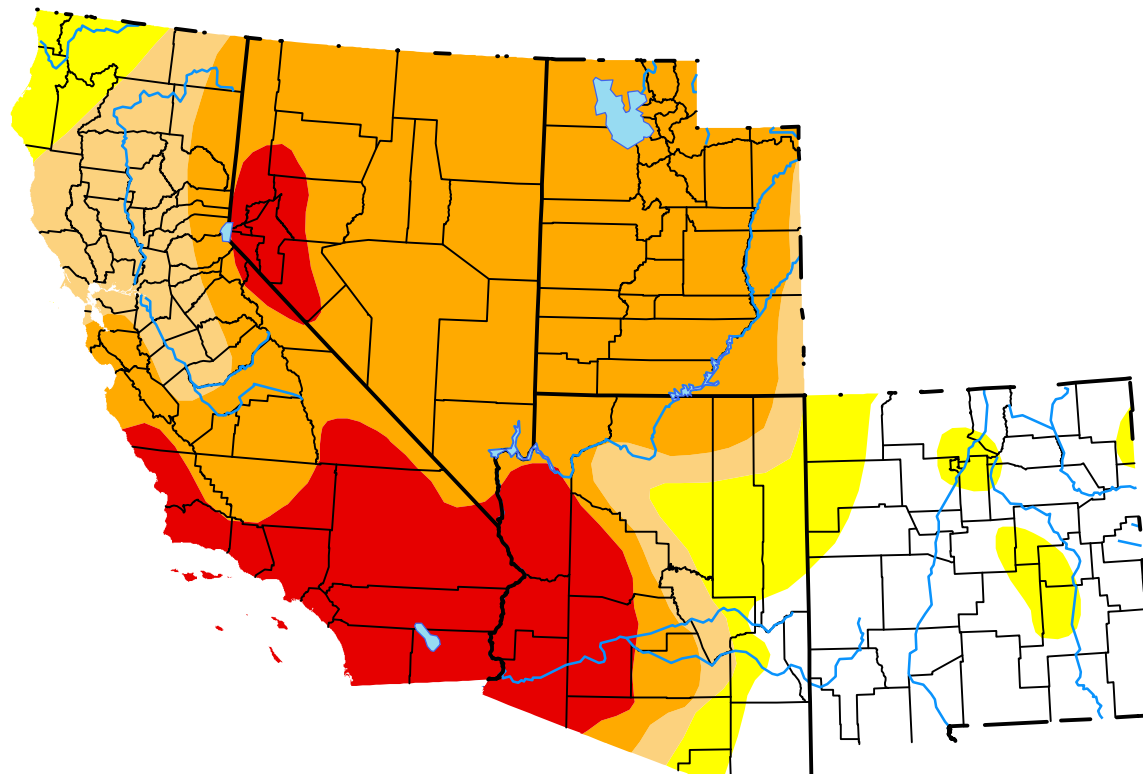


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	19.28	80.72	70.93	59.32	16.41	0.00
Last Week <i>08-16-2007</i>	16.59	83.41	75.80	59.68	16.68	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-24-2007</i>	15.55	84.45	75.84	39.78	13.41	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2007</i>	48.60	51.40	23.83	4.42	0.58	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	66.95	33.05	17.13	5.72	1.39	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-24-2006</i>	60.00	40.00	24.76	8.35	2.26	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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