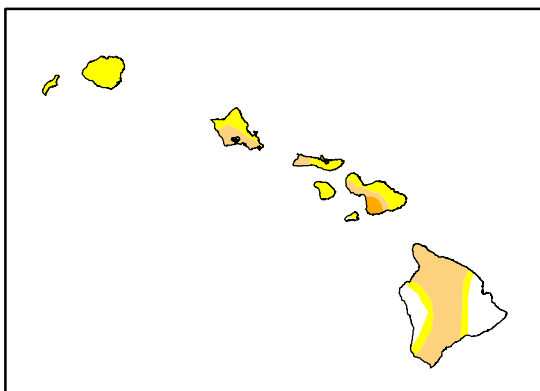
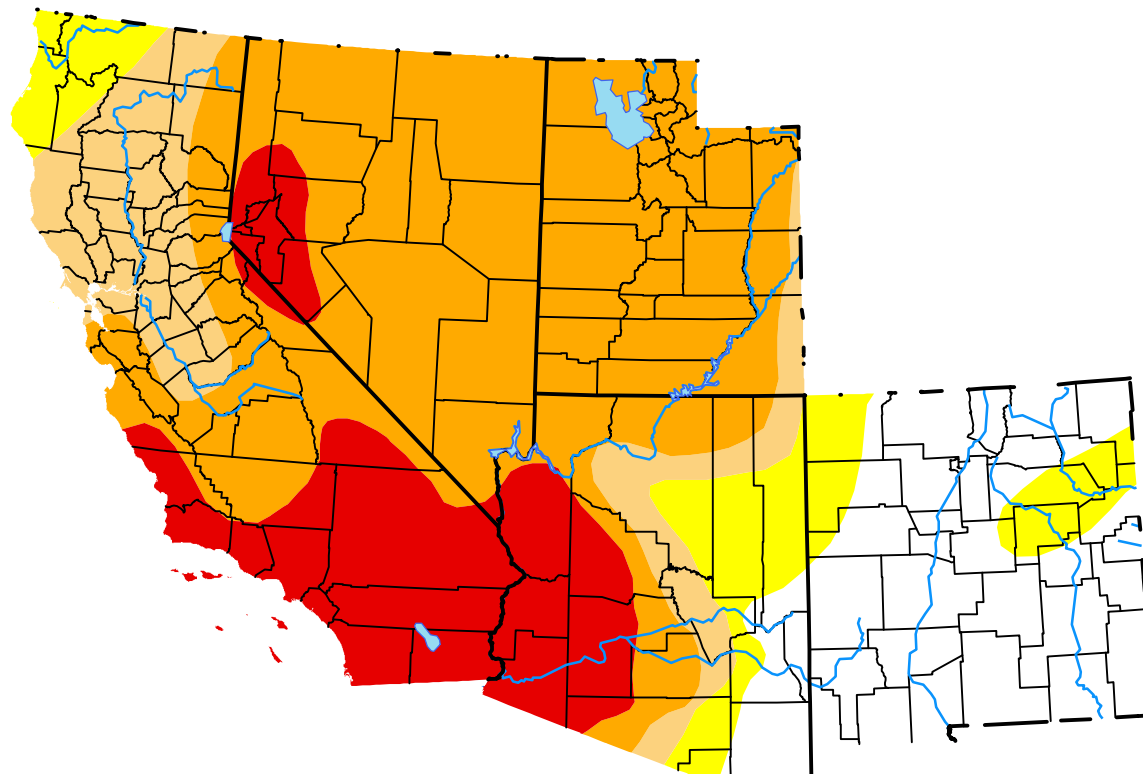


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	19.72	9.40	11.65	42.81	16.41	0.00
Last Week <i>09-13-2007</i>	21.31	7.82	11.65	42.81	16.41	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-21-2007</i>	13.81	10.04	31.57	31.20	13.39	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2007</i>	48.60	27.57	19.41	3.84	0.58	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	66.95	15.92	11.41	4.33	1.39	0.00
One Year Ago <i>09-21-2006</i>	66.92	15.07	12.29	4.33	1.39	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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