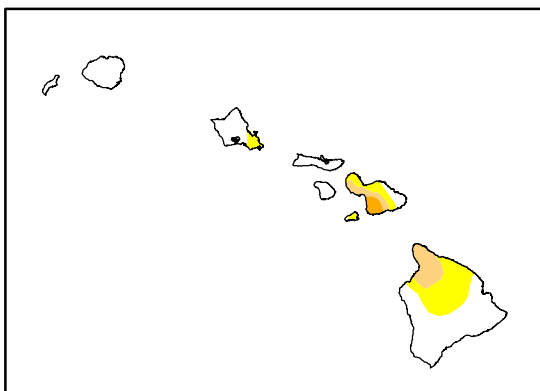
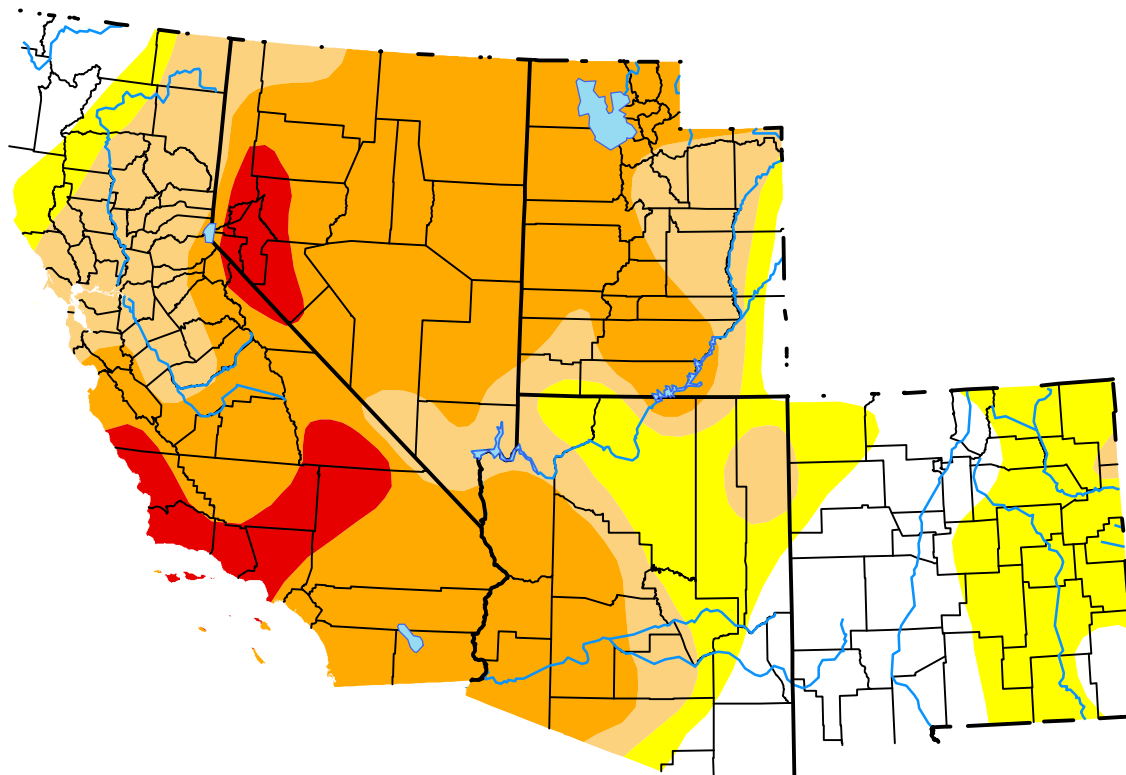


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	17.26	18.27	19.12	39.91	5.44	0.00
Last Week <i>11-29-2007</i>	18.13	11.81	21.51	32.75	15.80	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-06-2007</i>	20.26	8.87	11.65	42.81	16.41	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>09-27-2007</i>	21.09	9.20	18.48	35.21	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-07-2006</i>	58.21	26.83	10.54	3.84	0.58	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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