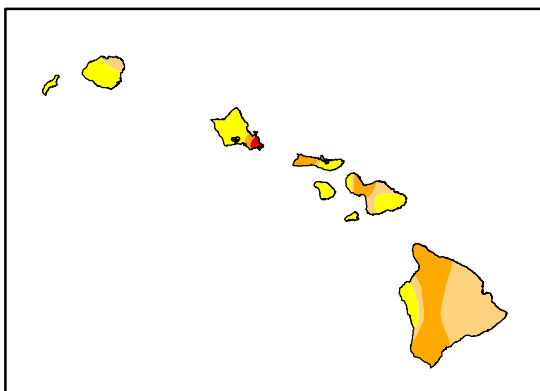
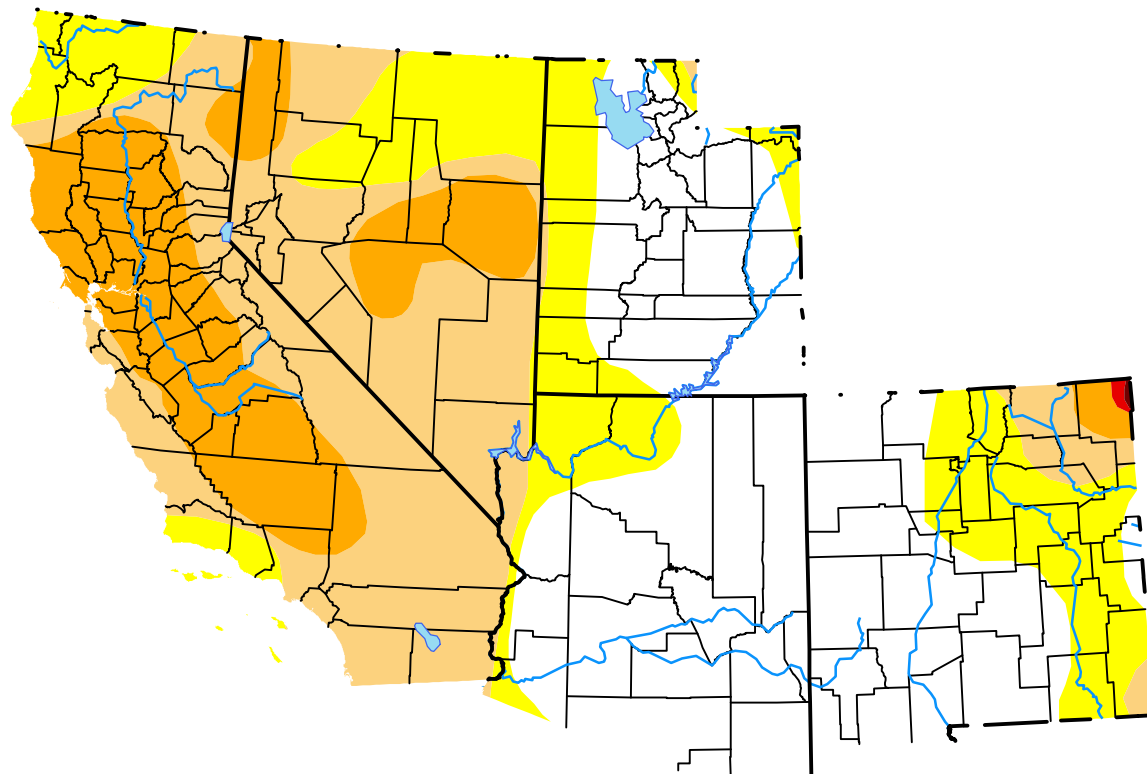


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	38.17	61.83	41.43	15.01	0.11	0.03
Last Week 07-31-2008	37.92	62.08	41.85	15.01	0.11	0.03
3 Months Ago 05-08-2008	16.16	83.84	40.98	6.11	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2008	20.86	79.14	63.29	45.33	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2007	21.09	78.91	69.70	51.22	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago 08-09-2007	16.04	83.96	76.47	59.47	16.60	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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