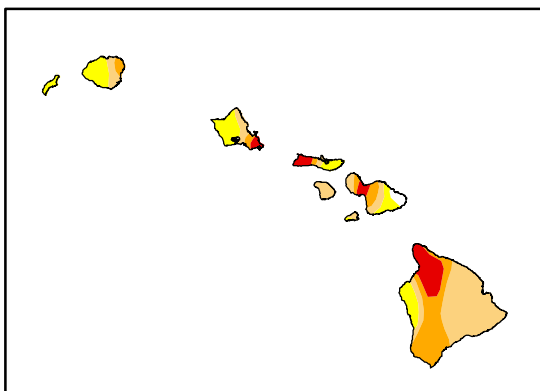
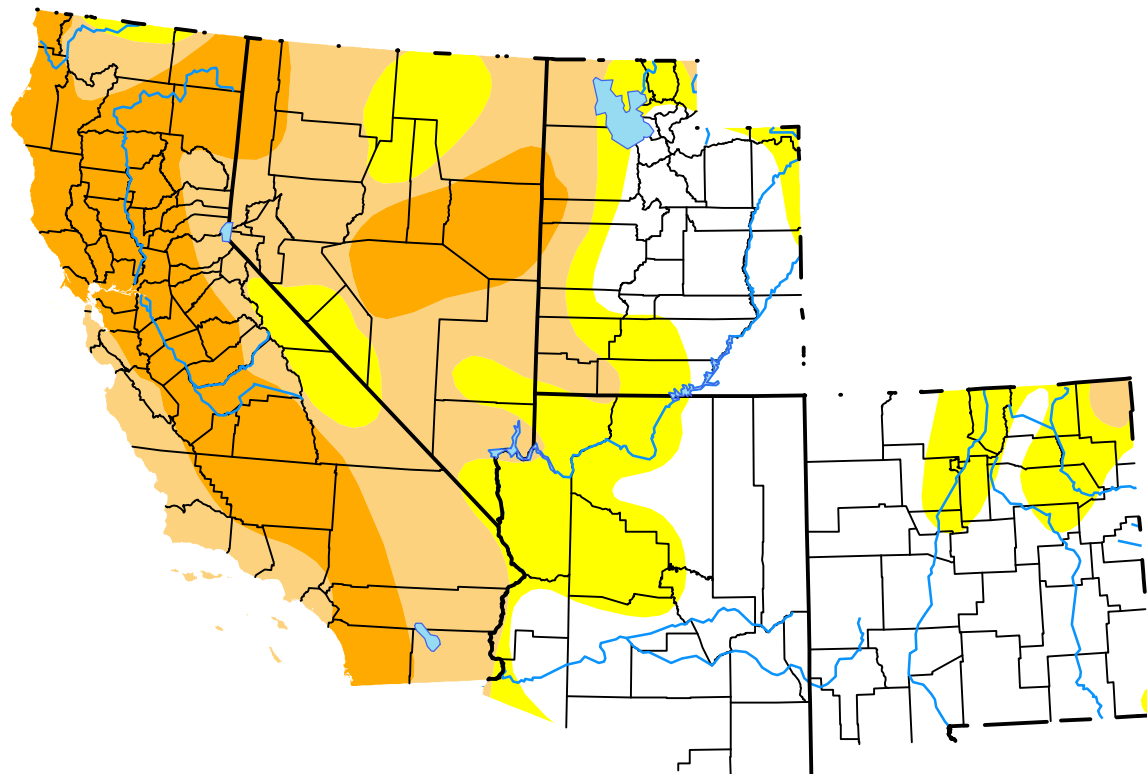


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	37.08	19.08	23.71	20.01	0.13	0.00
Last Week <i>10-23-2008</i>	37.09	19.10	23.62	20.06	0.13	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-31-2008</i>	37.92	20.22	26.85	14.90	0.08	0.03
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	15.84	17.96	39.89	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	38.93	17.60	24.57	18.26	0.65	0.00
One Year Ago <i>11-01-2007</i>	21.62	11.59	17.63	33.37	15.79	0.00

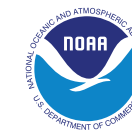
Intensity:

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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