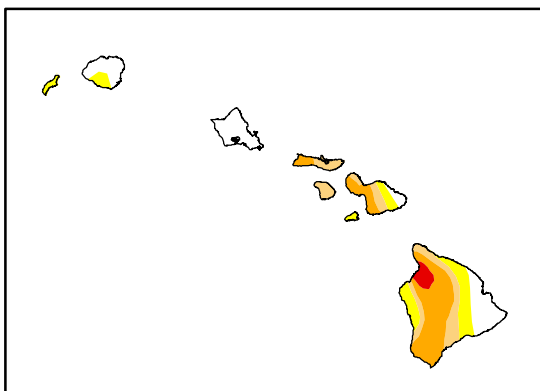
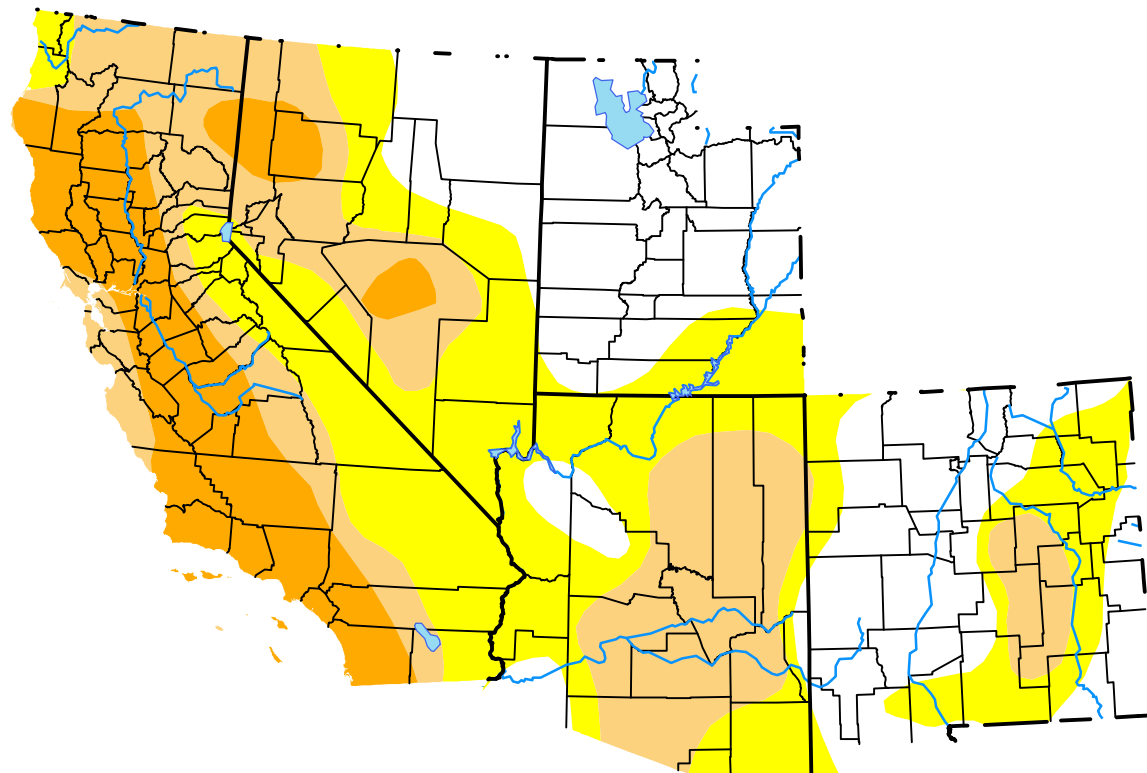


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	31.30	68.70	37.45	13.31	0.03	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-20-2009</i>	33.59	66.41	29.15	13.31	0.03	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-28-2009</i>	30.47	69.53	37.03	13.23	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2009</i>	34.00	66.00	42.31	17.71	0.86	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-02-2008</i>	38.93	61.07	43.48	18.91	0.65	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>08-28-2008</i>	39.96	60.04	42.08	15.71	0.08	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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