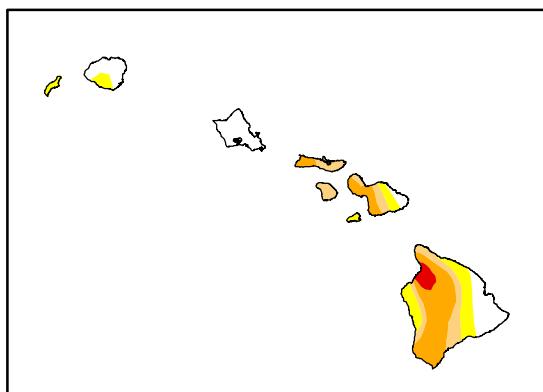
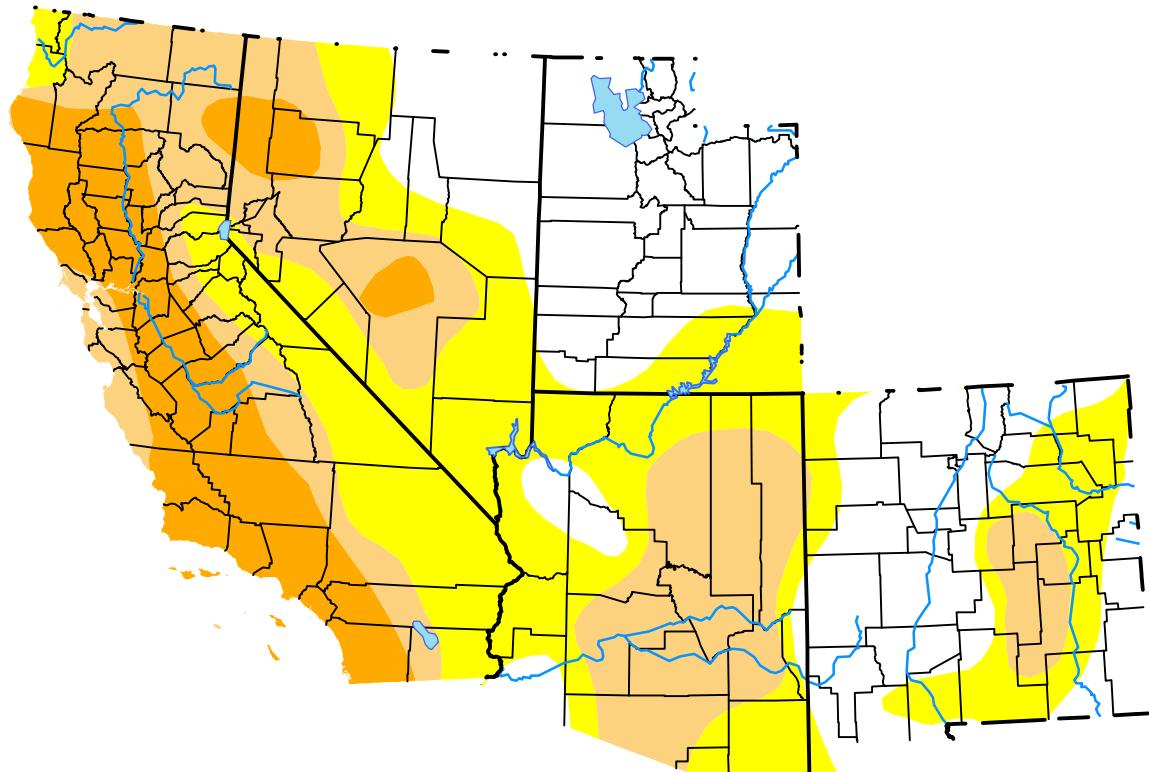


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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