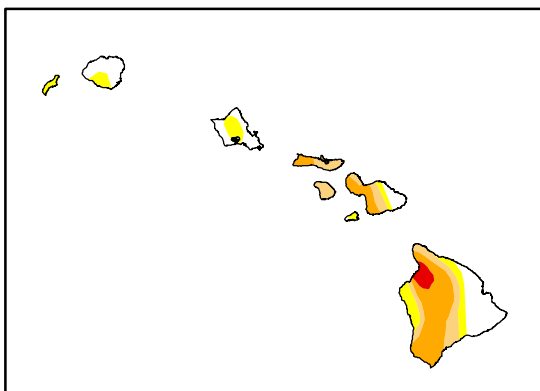
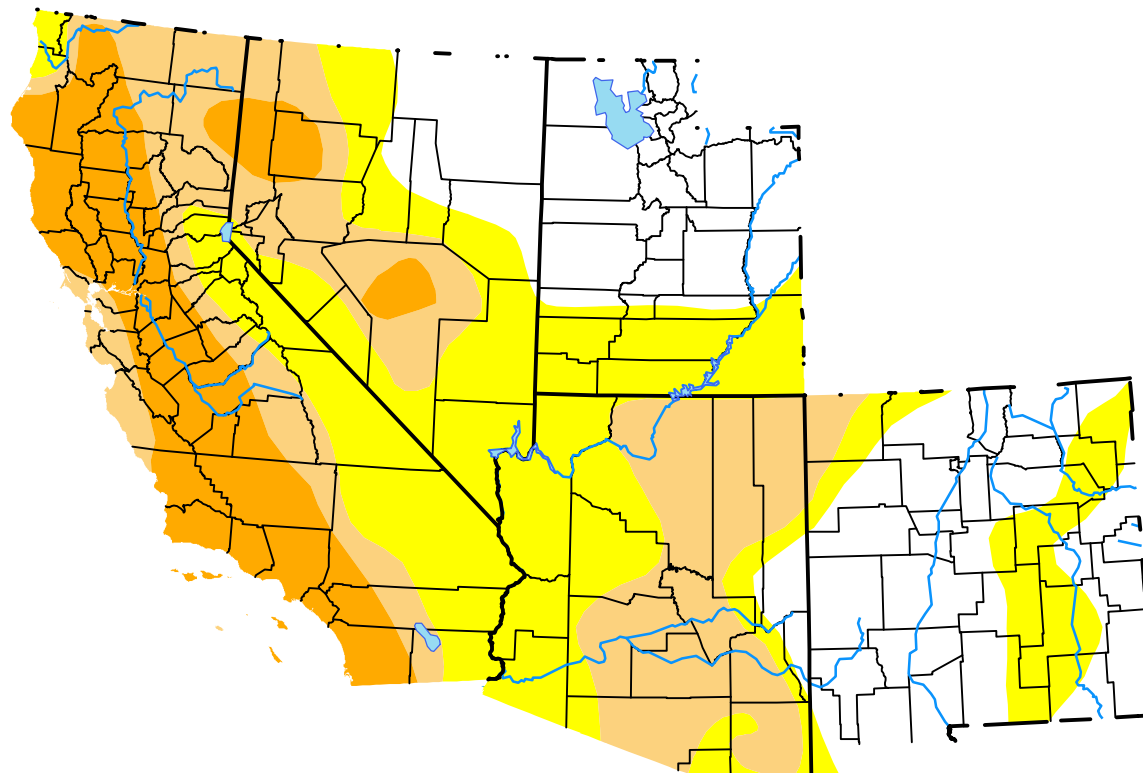


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**September 22, 2009**  
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 30.45 | 69.55 | 37.57 | 14.11 | 0.03  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-17-2009</i>              | 26.17 | 73.83 | 40.35 | 14.11 | 0.03  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-25-2009</i>           | 33.91 | 66.09 | 35.22 | 14.89 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i> | 34.00 | 66.00 | 42.31 | 17.71 | 0.86  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2008</i>    | 38.93 | 61.07 | 43.48 | 18.91 | 0.65  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-25-2008</i>           | 38.93 | 61.07 | 43.48 | 18.91 | 0.65  | 0.00 |

### Intensity:



*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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