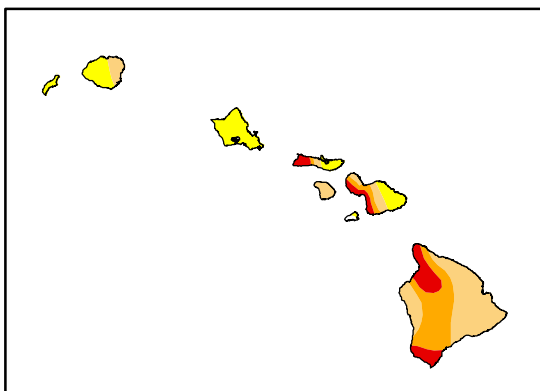
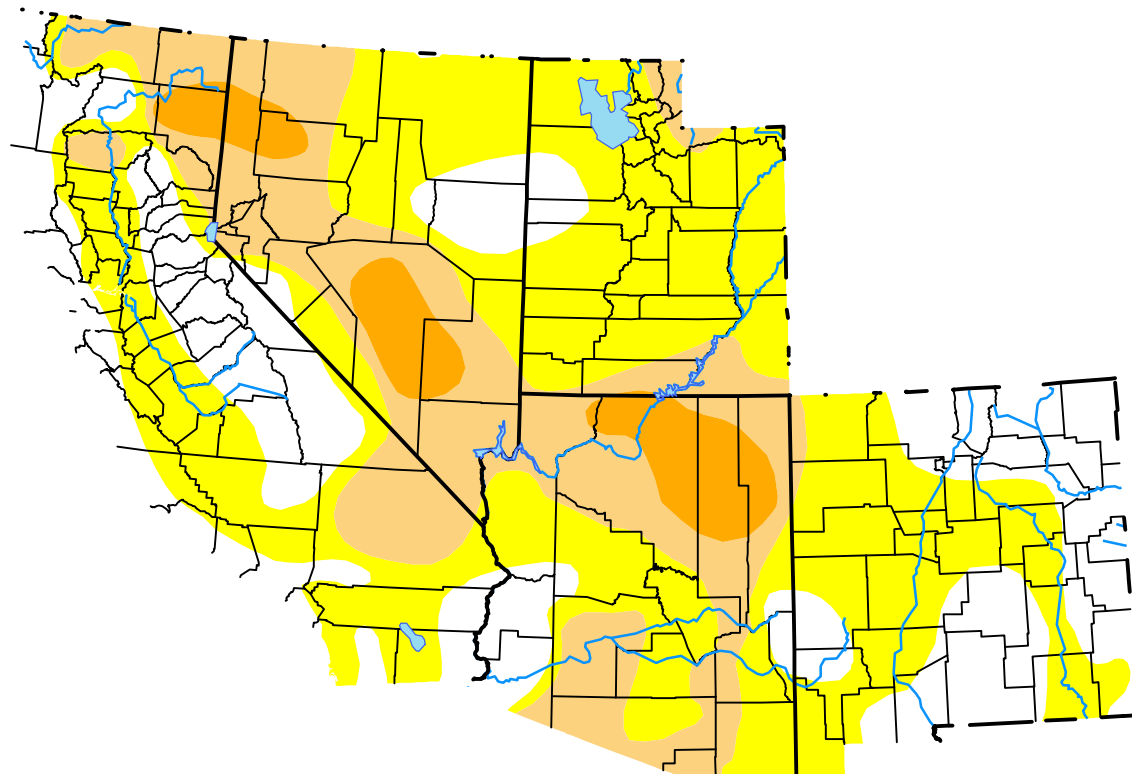


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	26.05	45.22	22.47	6.12	0.14	0.00
Last Week <i>01-28-2010</i>	22.83	45.67	24.93	5.80	0.77	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-05-2009</i>	32.98	20.40	29.54	17.01	0.07	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2009</i>	22.37	24.80	33.69	18.12	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2009</i>	30.31	31.53	24.04	14.04	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-05-2009</i>	33.15	24.69	21.32	15.75	5.09	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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