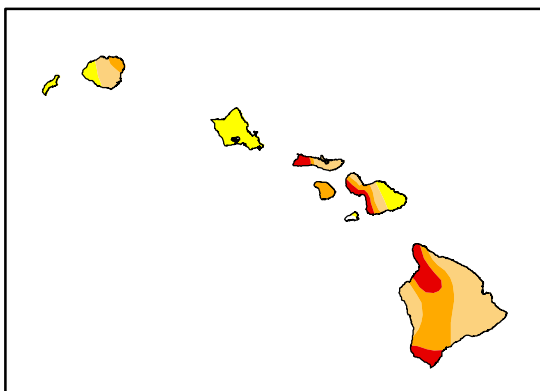
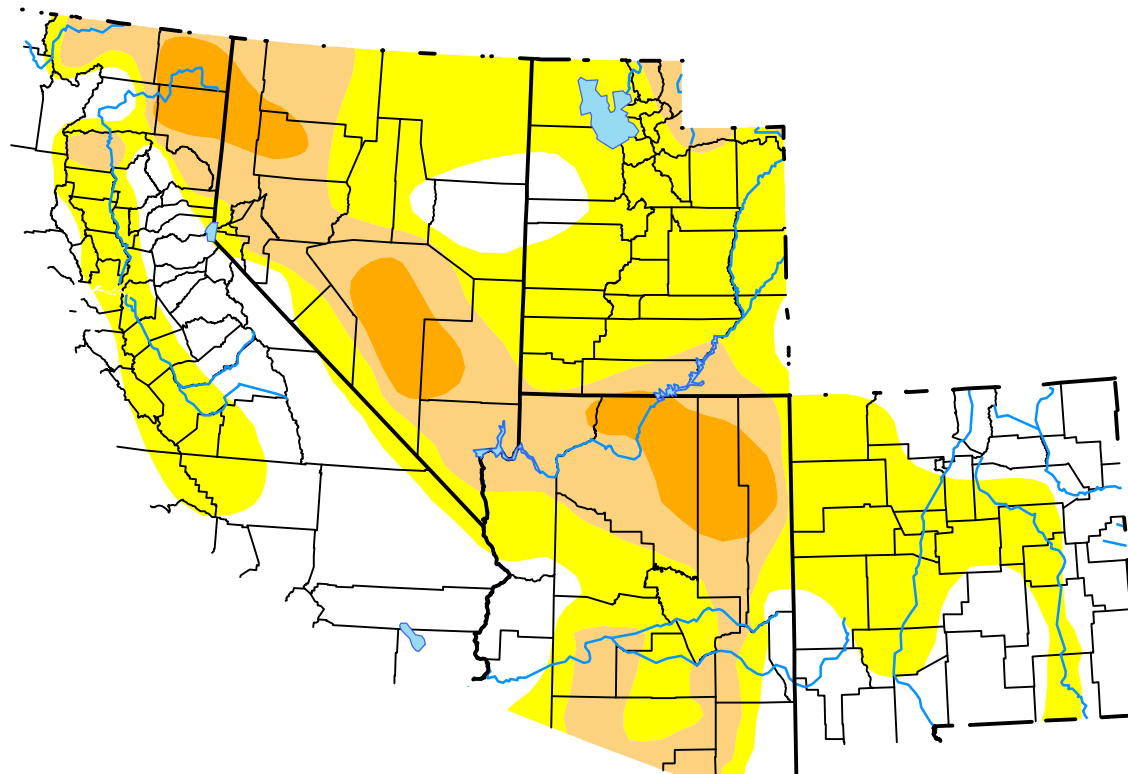


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	34.57	65.43	25.15	6.94	0.14	0.00
Last Week 02-18-2010	34.21	65.79	25.50	6.92	0.14	0.00
3 Months Ago 11-25-2009	23.57	76.43	53.07	22.53	1.09	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2009	22.37	77.63	52.83	19.14	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2009	30.31	69.69	38.16	14.12	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago 02-26-2009	35.17	64.83	34.50	17.57	3.97	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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