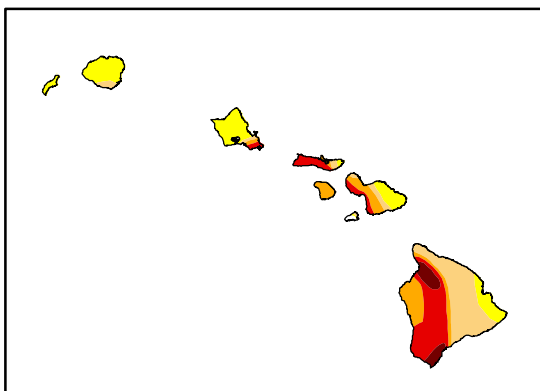
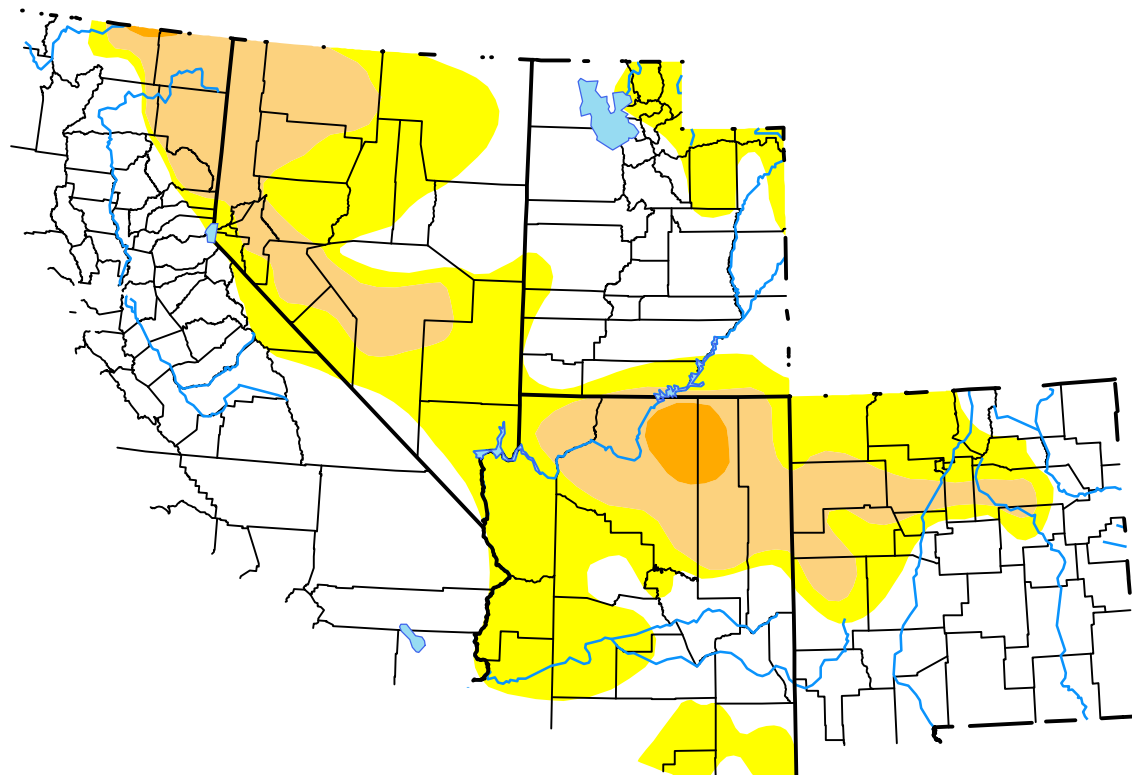


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	56.68	26.89	14.92	1.21	0.25	0.06
Last Week 07-22-2010	54.74	27.96	15.94	1.05	0.25	0.06
3 Months Ago 04-29-2010	53.65	32.56	9.25	4.27	0.24	0.03
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2009	22.37	24.80	33.69	18.12	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2009	30.31	31.53	24.04	14.04	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago 07-30-2009	41.80	29.09	15.03	14.06	0.03	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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