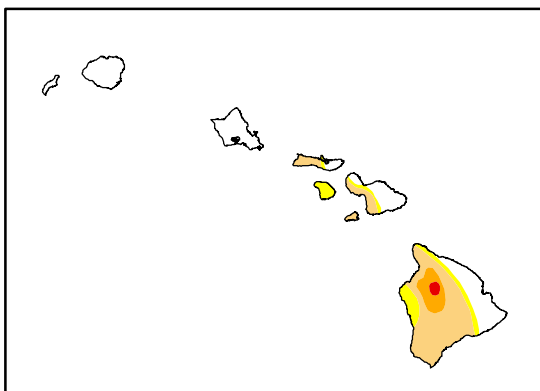
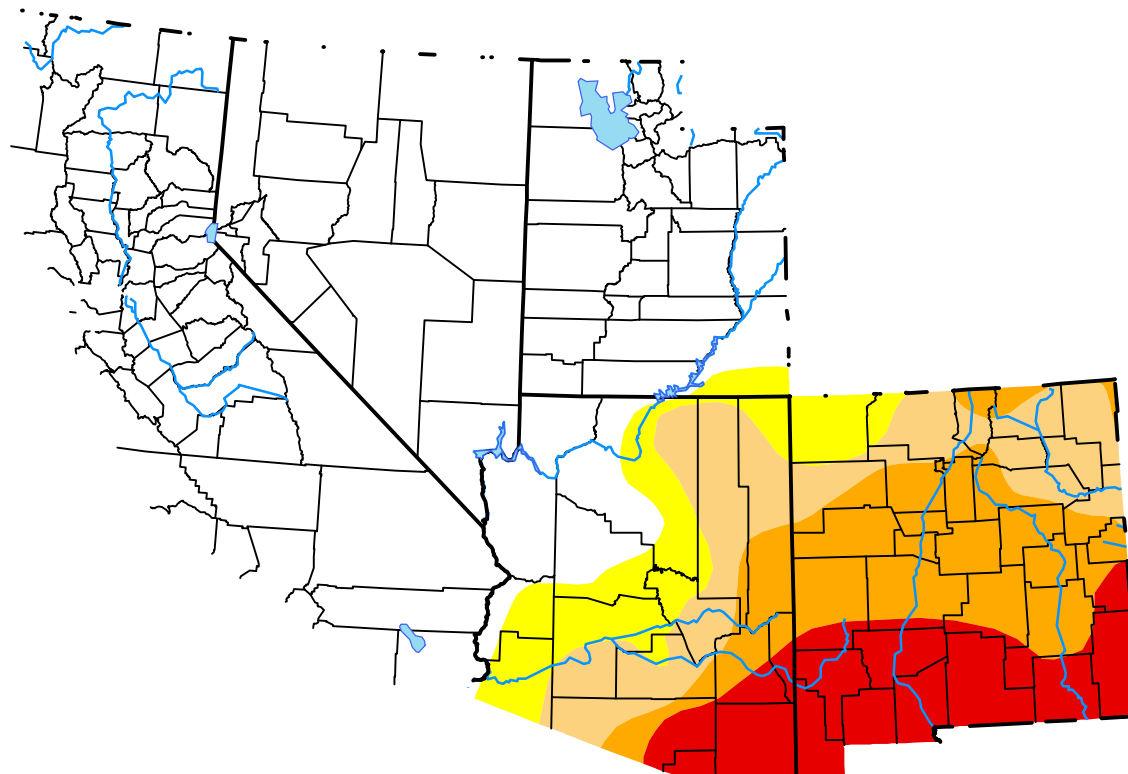


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	64.28	6.51	9.64	10.65	8.92	0.00
Last Week 04-14-2011	64.28	6.51	9.71	11.23	8.27	0.00
3 Months Ago 01-20-2011	69.31	15.47	15.07	0.12	0.03	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-06-2011	65.37	19.78	14.67	0.15	0.03	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-30-2010	55.50	32.14	11.18	0.84	0.28	0.06
One Year Ago 04-22-2010	52.27	33.95	9.26	4.27	0.22	0.03

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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