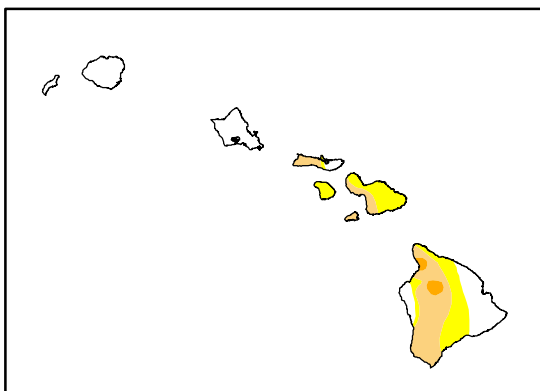
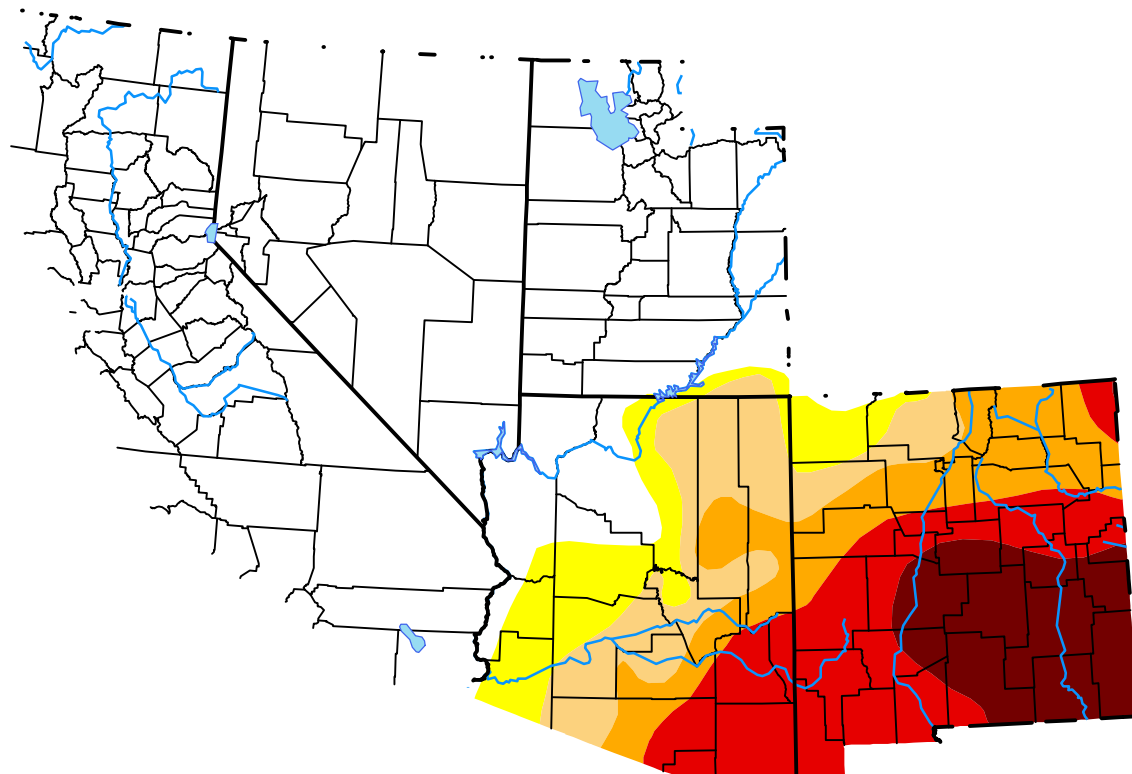


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	63.78	5.72	7.15	7.14	9.74	6.48
Last Week <i>05-19-2011</i>	61.97	6.49	7.61	7.75	9.71	6.46
3 Months Ago <i>02-24-2011</i>	66.74	11.98	11.92	9.35	0.01	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2011</i>	65.37	19.78	14.67	0.15	0.03	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2010</i>	55.50	32.14	11.18	0.84	0.28	0.06
One Year Ago <i>05-27-2010</i>	63.65	23.40	8.71	3.97	0.24	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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