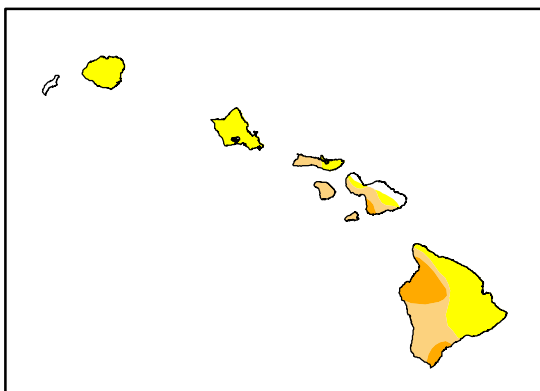
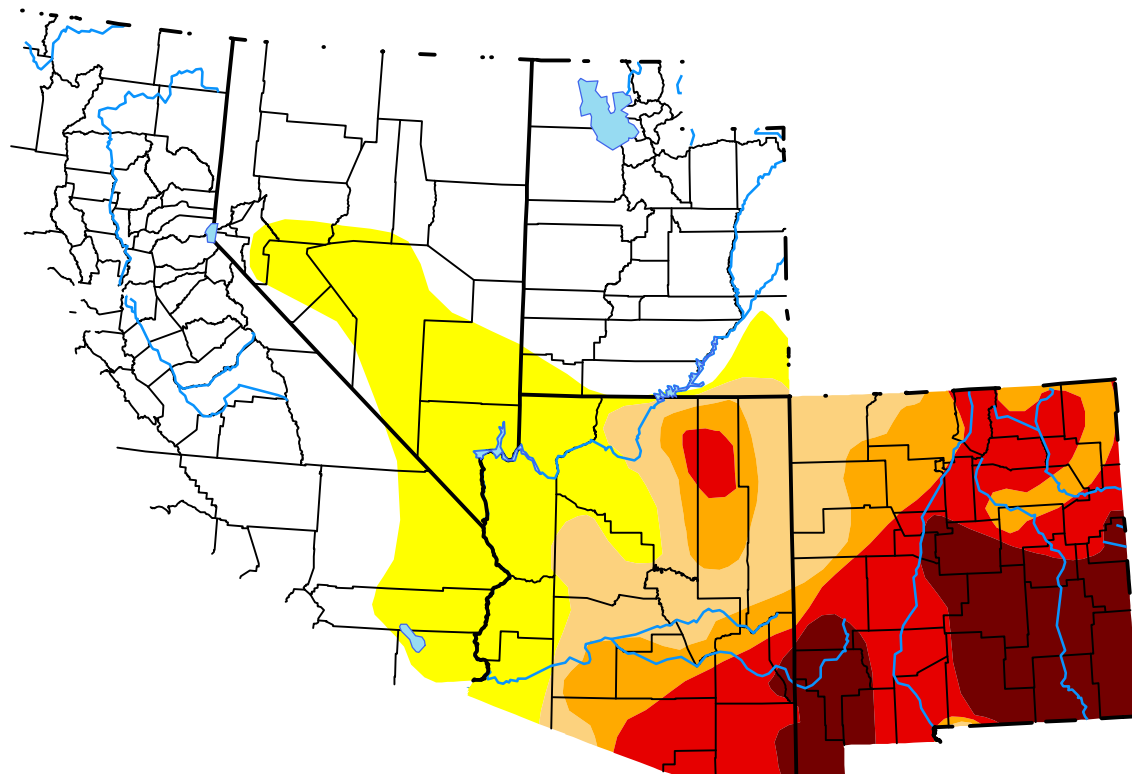


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	48.45	51.55	34.61	25.92	18.41	8.15
Last Week <i>09-01-2011</i>	56.66	43.34	34.56	25.64	16.88	6.57
3 Months Ago <i>06-09-2011</i>	63.78	36.22	30.50	23.36	17.38	9.28
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2011</i>	65.37	34.63	14.85	0.18	0.03	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2010</i>	55.50	44.50	12.36	1.18	0.34	0.06
One Year Ago <i>09-09-2010</i>	61.05	38.95	10.69	1.15	0.33	0.06

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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