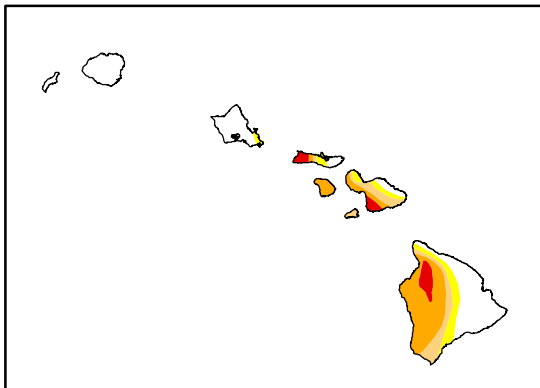
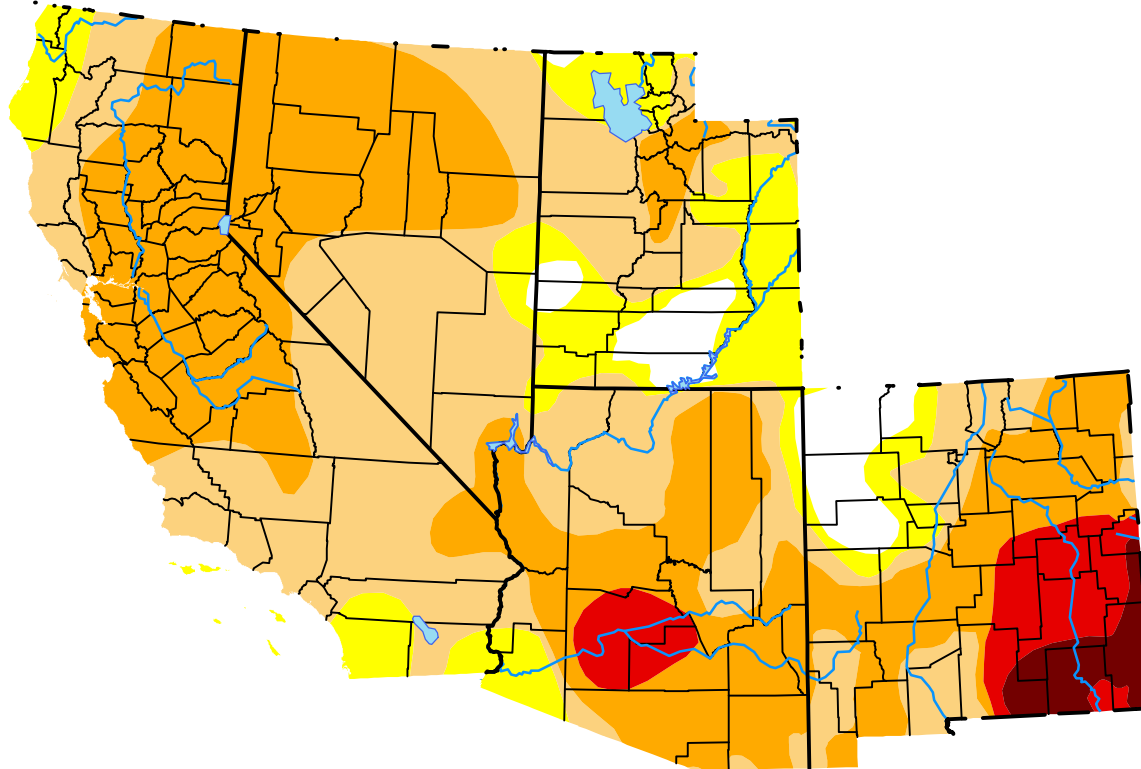


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.77	95.23	82.61	46.92	6.79	1.86
Last Week <i>03-08-2012</i>	5.88	94.12	76.90	35.14	5.17	1.88
3 Months Ago <i>12-15-2011</i>	46.22	53.78	32.16	26.32	13.65	3.66
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	29.38	70.62	48.42	22.03	5.32	1.55
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	53.67	46.33	33.57	26.53	17.16	7.49
One Year Ago <i>03-17-2011</i>	62.87	37.13	25.69	9.41	3.04	0.00

Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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