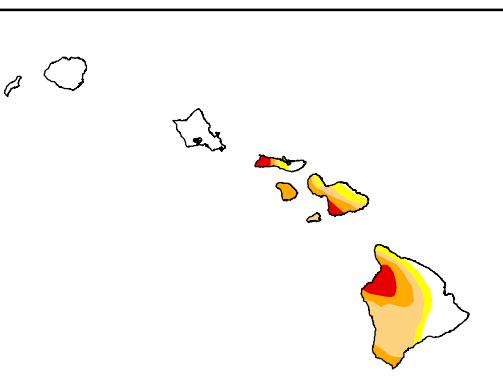
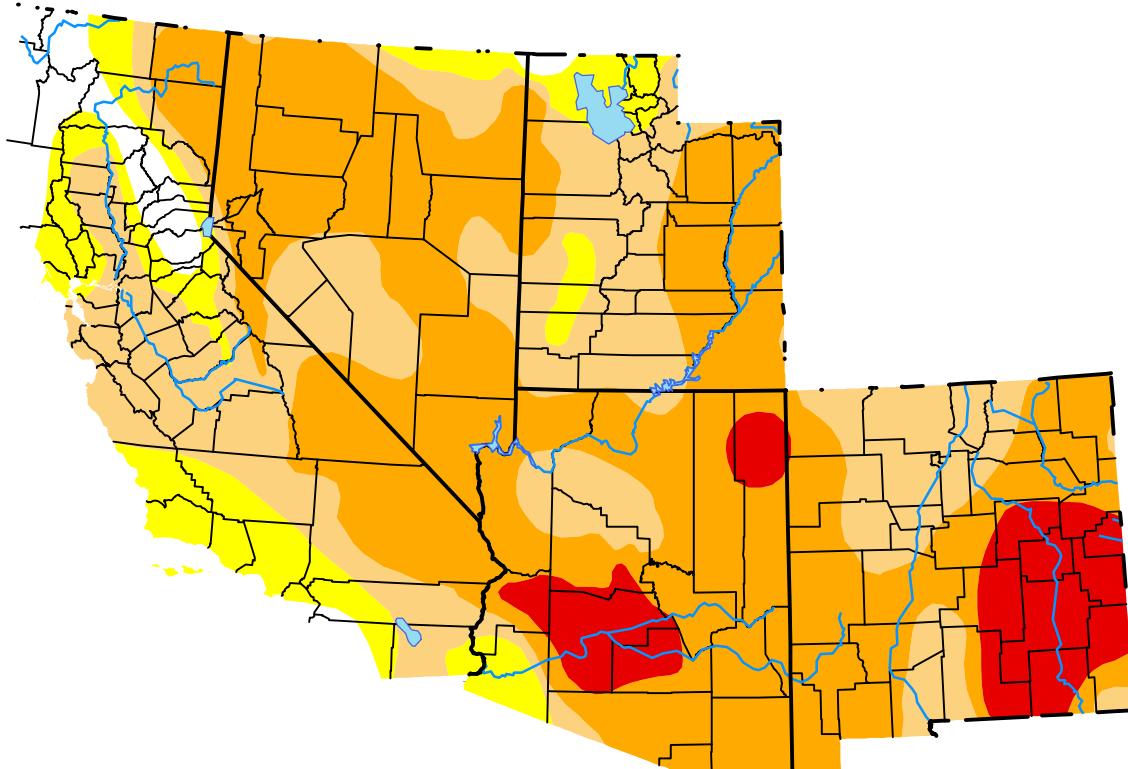


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.78	95.22	85.23	55.83	8.05	0.00
Last Week 05-24-2012	4.78	95.22	85.08	56.05	8.11	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-01-2012	6.01	93.99	75.77	33.68	5.14	1.67
Start of Calendar Year 01-05-2012	29.38	70.62	48.42	22.03	5.32	1.55
Start of Water Year 09-29-2011	53.67	46.33	33.57	26.53	17.16	7.49
One Year Ago 06-02-2011	63.78	36.22	30.50	23.36	16.61	6.53

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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