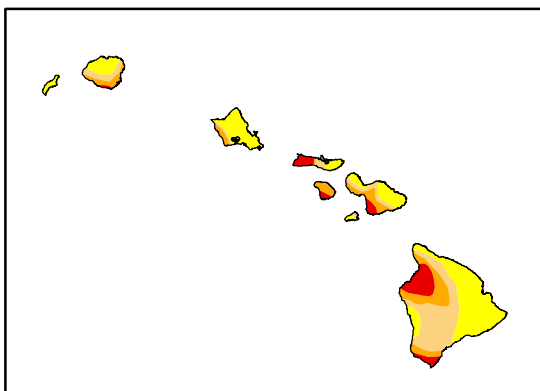
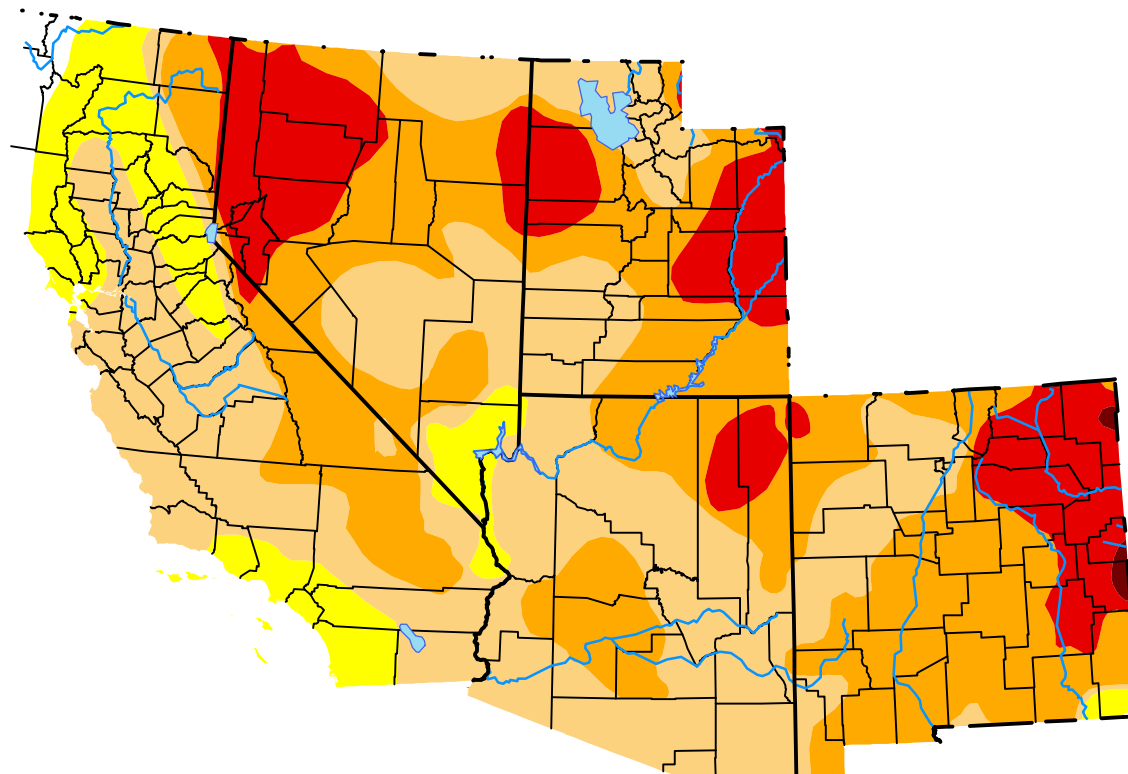


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.30	9.34	39.17	35.06	14.93	0.20
Last Week <i>11-15-2012</i>	1.92	9.06	42.05	33.21	13.62	0.14
3 Months Ago <i>08-23-2012</i>	3.23	5.43	28.54	49.28	13.52	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	29.38	22.20	26.39	16.71	3.78	1.55
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2012</i>	3.42	5.30	43.92	35.16	12.06	0.13
One Year Ago <i>11-23-2011</i>	56.69	10.33	5.93	8.40	13.08	5.57

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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