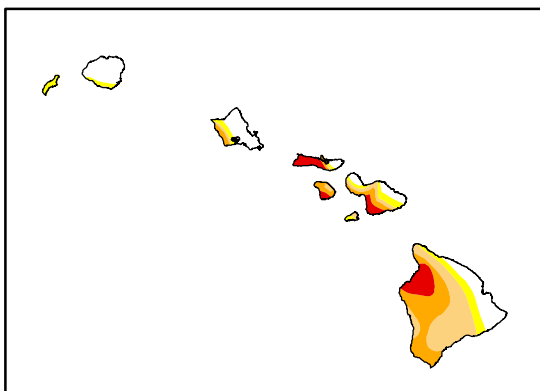
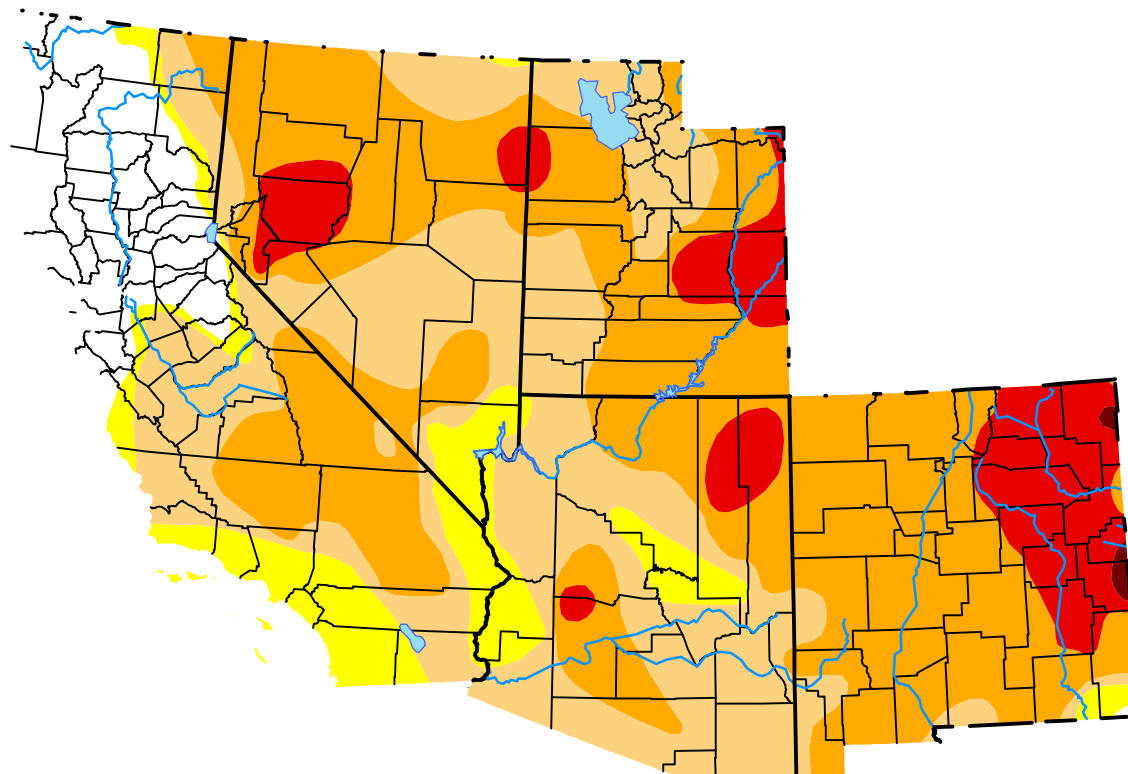


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	9.44	8.67	31.04	40.59	10.06	0.20
Last Week <i>01-24-2013</i>	9.40	5.27	33.49	39.84	11.80	0.20
3 Months Ago <i>11-01-2012</i>	2.05	8.39	41.41	34.60	13.42	0.14
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2013</i>	8.61	5.37	32.31	39.34	14.18	0.20
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>02-02-2012</i>	7.99	24.20	47.45	14.73	3.97	1.66

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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