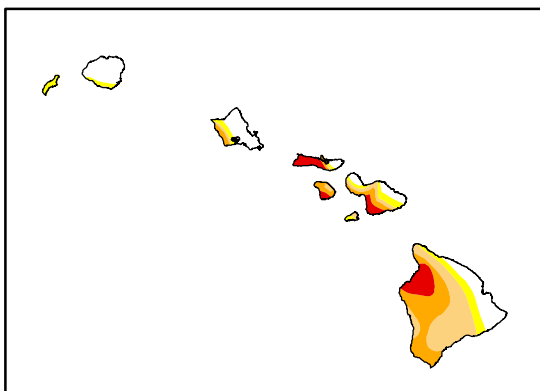
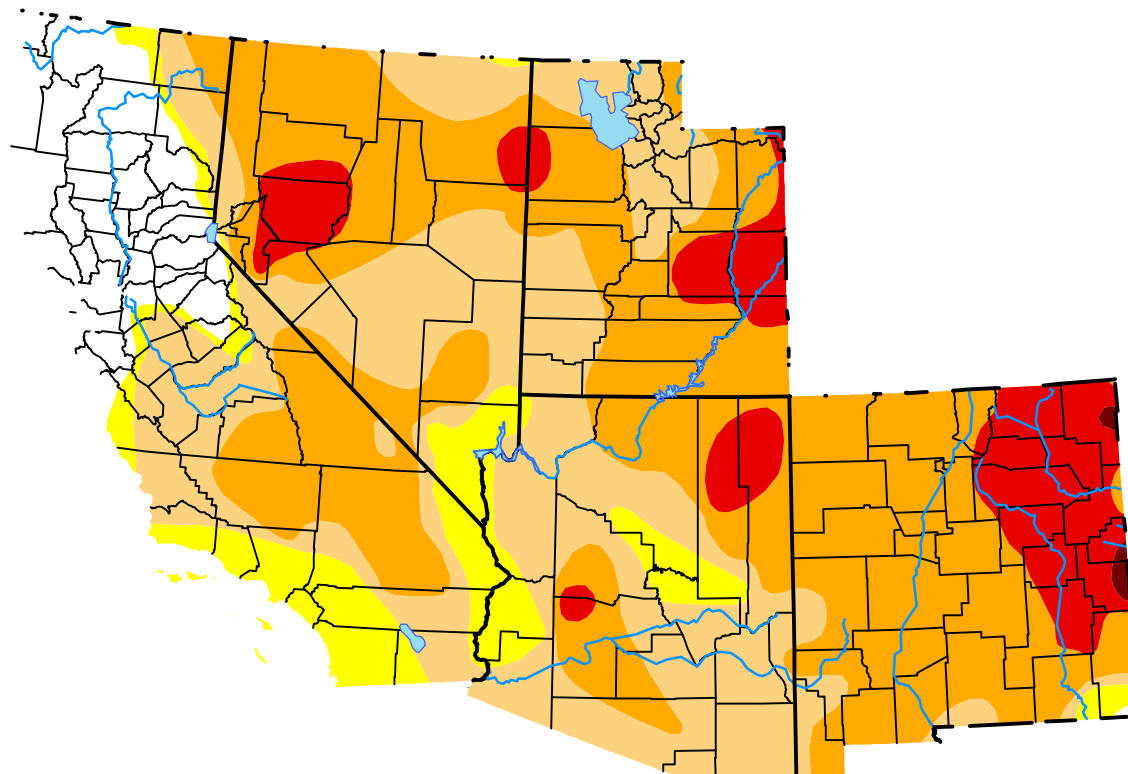


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**January 29, 2013**  
*(Released Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 9.44 | 90.56 | 81.89 | 50.85 | 10.26 | 0.20 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-24-2013</i>              | 9.40 | 90.60 | 85.33 | 51.84 | 12.00 | 0.20 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-01-2012</i>           | 2.05 | 97.95 | 89.57 | 48.16 | 13.56 | 0.14 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2013</i> | 8.61 | 91.39 | 86.03 | 53.71 | 14.38 | 0.20 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2012</i>    | 3.42 | 96.58 | 91.28 | 47.35 | 12.19 | 0.13 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-02-2012</i>           | 7.99 | 92.01 | 67.81 | 20.36 | 5.63  | 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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