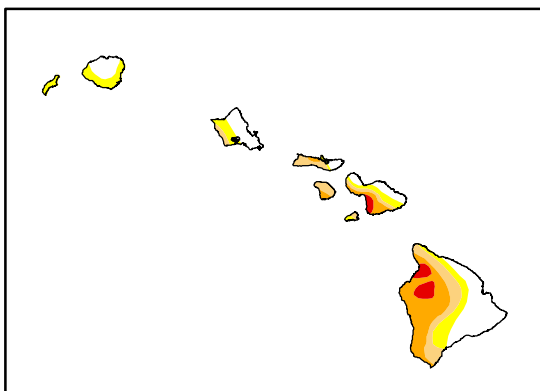
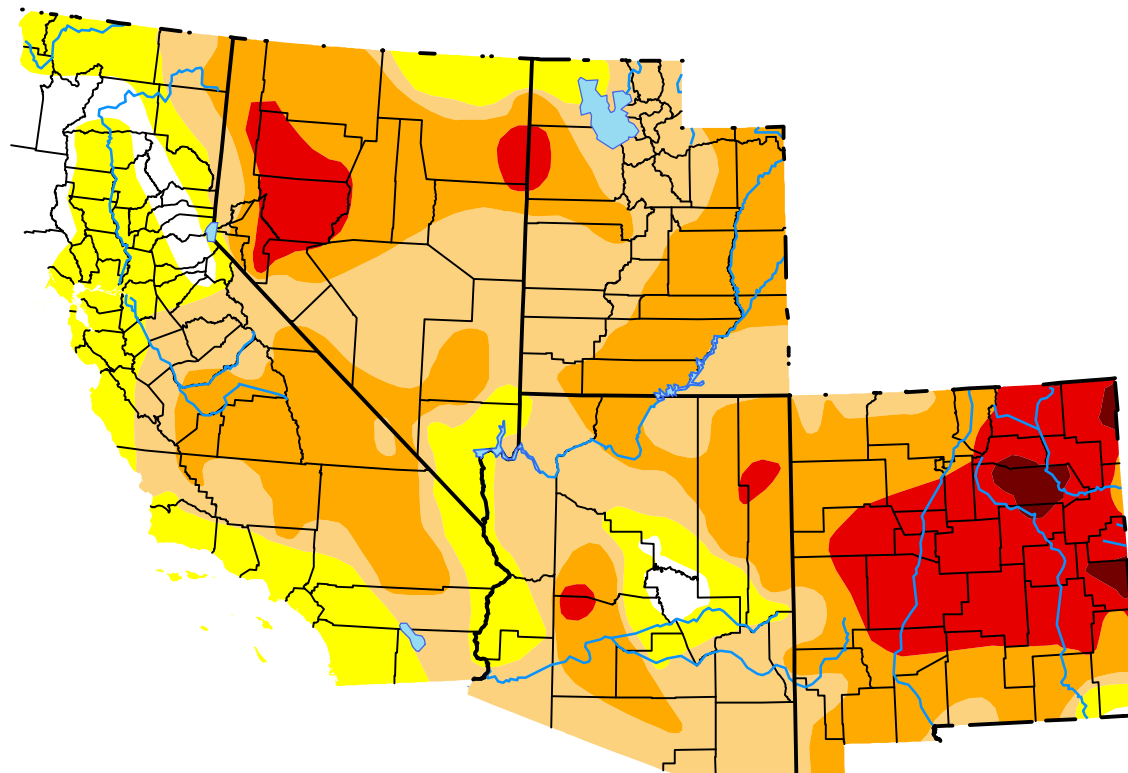


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.40	95.60	79.00	47.68	13.13	0.87
Last Week 03-14-2013	5.14	94.86	78.44	47.67	13.12	0.87
3 Months Ago 12-20-2012	8.34	91.66	86.29	55.47	16.02	0.20
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2013	8.61	91.39	86.03	53.71	14.38	0.20
Start of Water Year 09-27-2012	3.42	96.58	91.28	47.35	12.19	0.13
One Year Ago 03-22-2012	5.42	94.58	81.99	43.98	6.79	1.86

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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