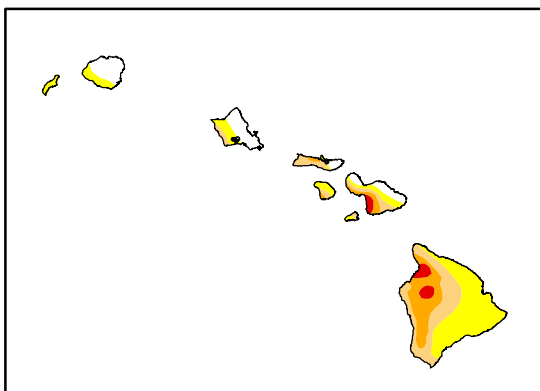
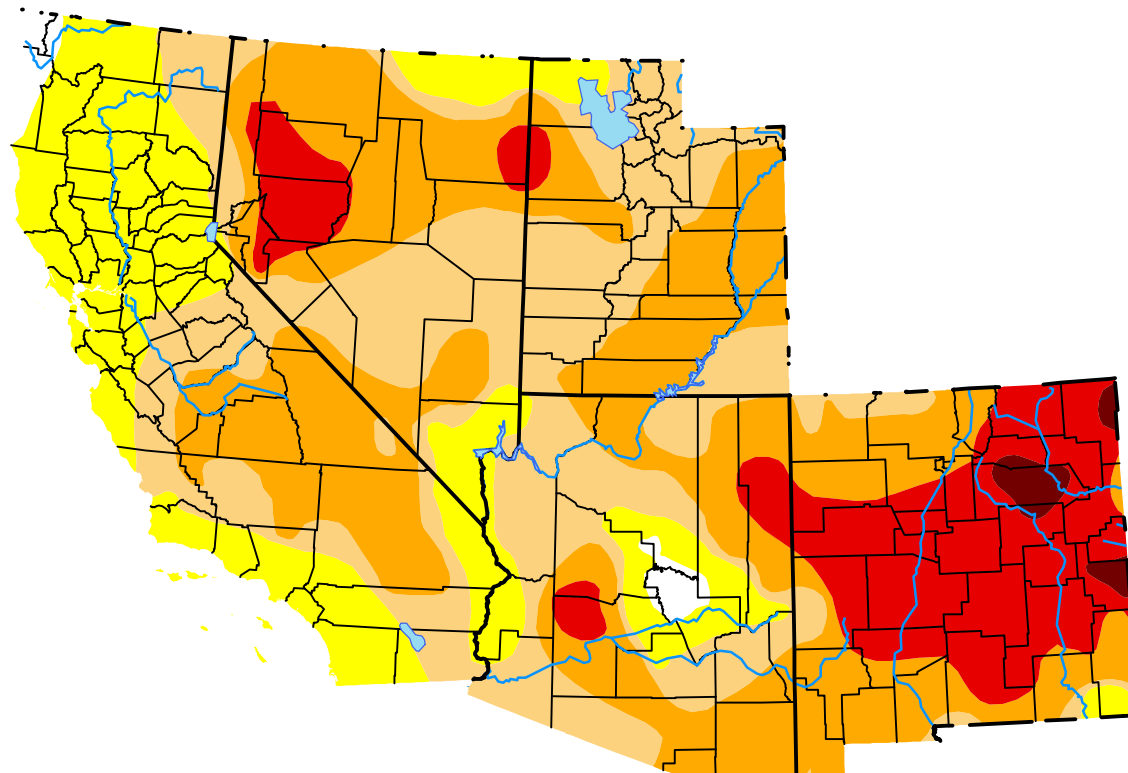


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.51	19.23	29.51	34.15	14.71	0.89
Last Week <i>04-04-2013</i>	0.99	20.03	31.39	34.47	12.23	0.89
3 Months Ago <i>01-10-2013</i>	8.90	5.32	33.88	39.94	11.77	0.20
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>04-12-2012</i>	1.88	16.28	35.06	39.18	5.76	1.84

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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