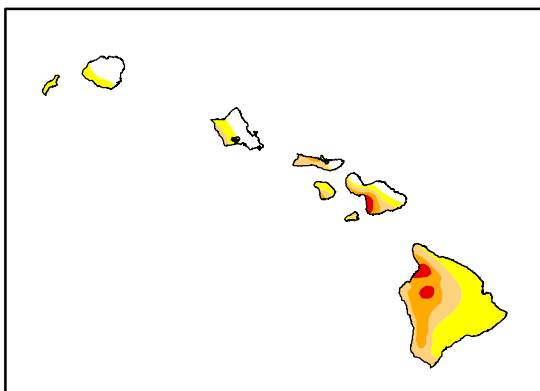
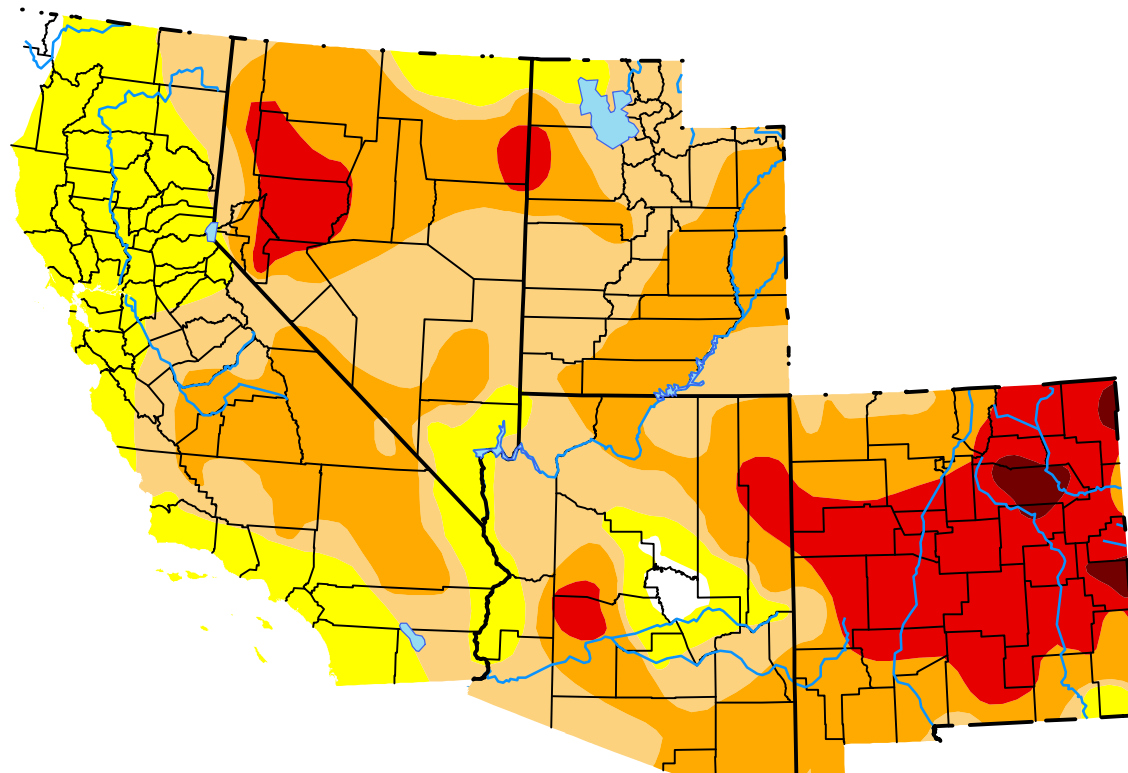


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	1.51	98.49	79.26	49.75	15.60	0.89
Last Week <i>04-04-2013</i>	0.99	99.01	78.98	47.59	13.12	0.89
3 Months Ago <i>01-10-2013</i>	8.90	91.10	85.79	51.90	11.97	0.20
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2013</i>	8.61	91.39	86.03	53.71	14.38	0.20
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2012</i>	3.42	96.58	91.28	47.35	12.19	0.13
One Year Ago <i>04-12-2012</i>	1.88	98.12	81.84	46.79	7.61	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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