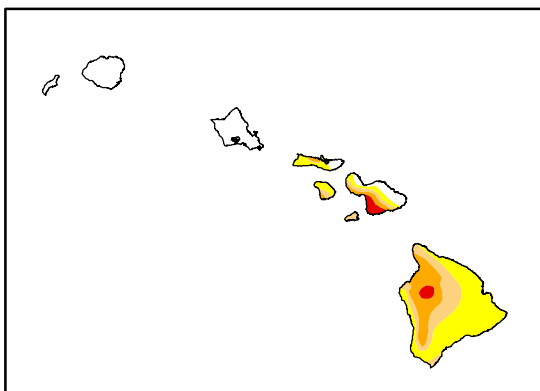
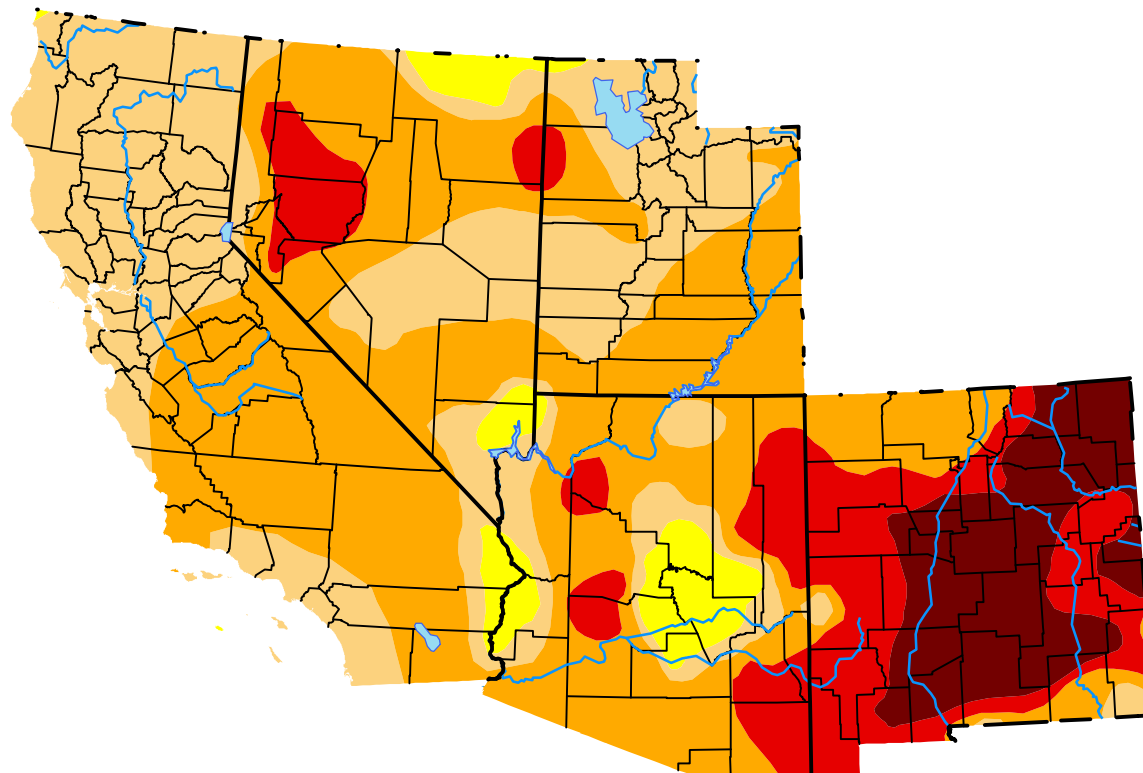


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.25	4.80	30.00	42.11	13.69	9.16
Last Week <i>05-16-2013</i>	0.25	4.99	30.45	41.48	13.82	9.01
3 Months Ago <i>02-21-2013</i>	4.58	14.74	31.80	36.29	12.34	0.25
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>05-24-2012</i>	4.78	10.14	29.03	47.94	8.11	0.00

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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