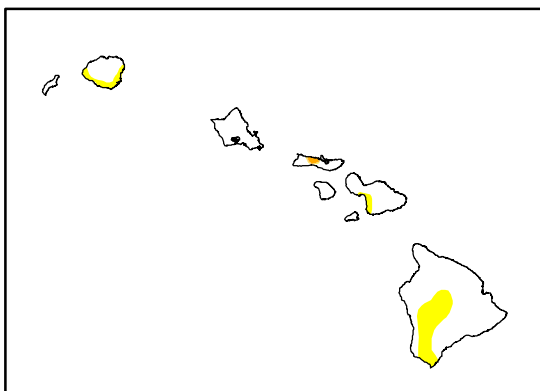
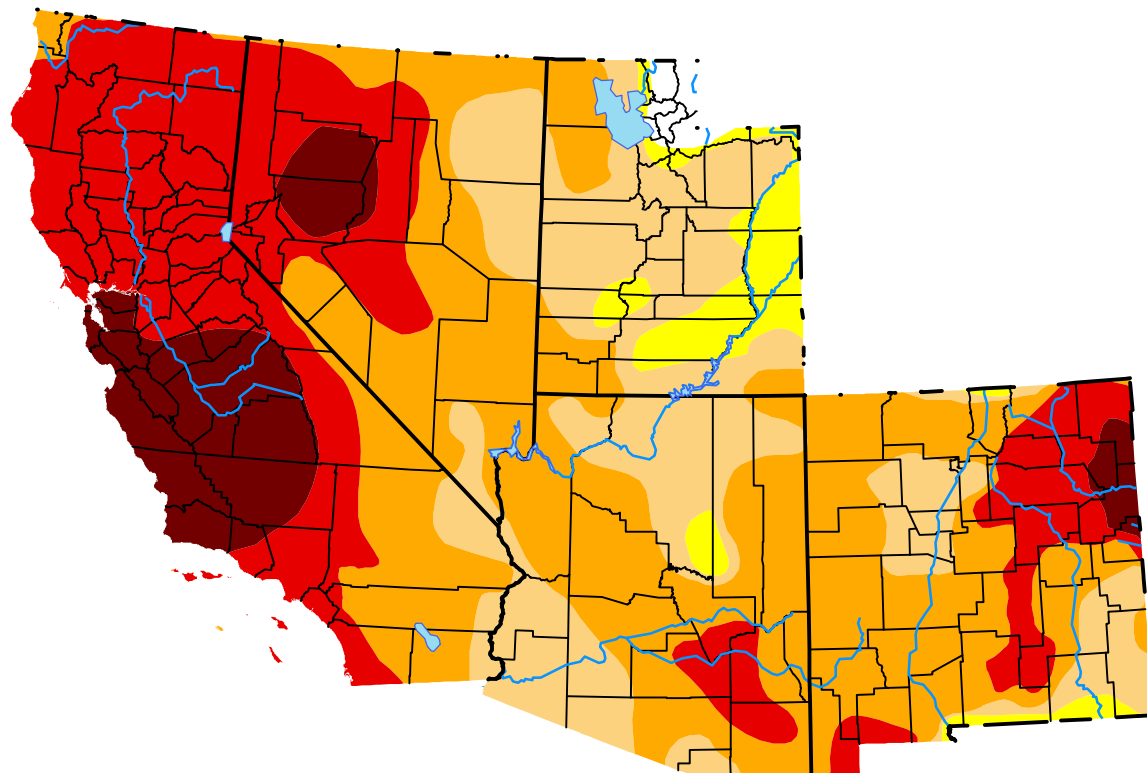


# U.S. Drought Monitor USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 1.68 | 98.32 | 93.78 | 71.75 | 34.03 | 8.86 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>04-17-2014              | 1.80 | 98.20 | 91.88 | 70.32 | 30.55 | 7.81 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>01-23-2014           | 3.98 | 96.02 | 79.07 | 52.51 | 24.58 | 1.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-02-2014 | 5.09 | 94.91 | 77.46 | 49.37 | 13.47 | 1.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>10-03-2013    | 4.05 | 95.95 | 83.63 | 52.13 | 9.05  | 1.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>04-25-2013           | 1.43 | 98.57 | 83.85 | 56.41 | 20.93 | 0.89 |

## 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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