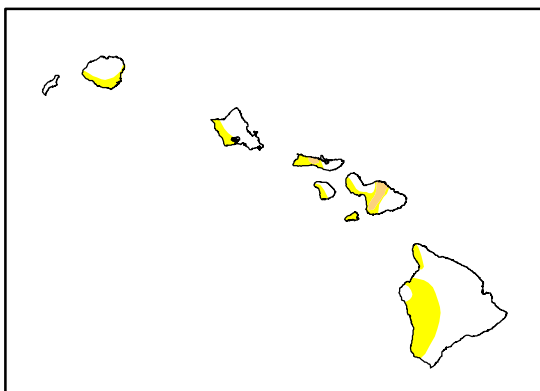
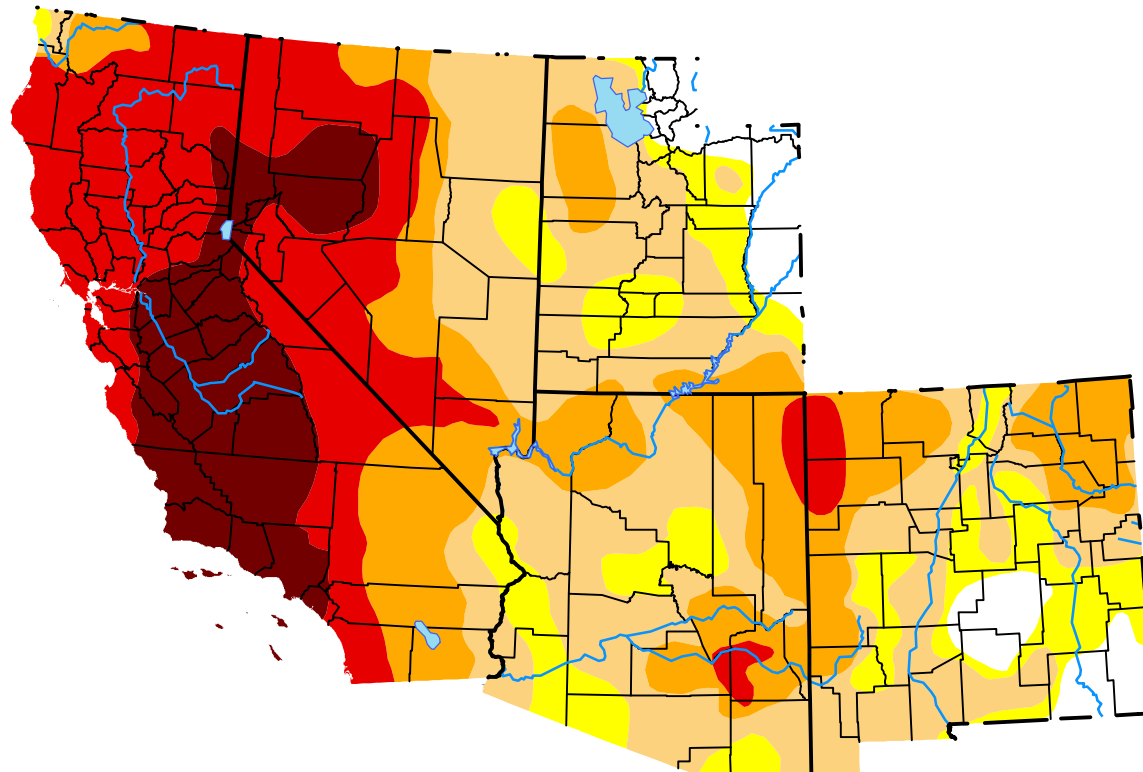


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## 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>	5.87	94.13	81.83	52.31	31.17	10.76
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-11-2014</i>	5.87	94.13	82.45	52.31	31.64	16.84
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-18-2014</i>	2.26	97.74	85.62	59.06	32.89	17.72
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2014</i>	5.09	94.91	77.46	49.37	13.47	1.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-02-2014</i>	6.10	93.90	82.03	53.46	33.11	17.72
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-19-2013</i>	4.96	95.04	77.81	49.10	13.47	1.00

### Intensity:



*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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