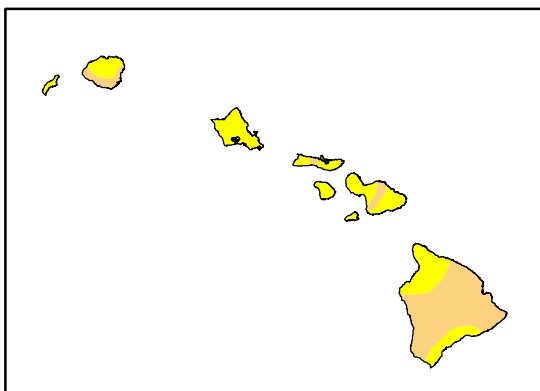
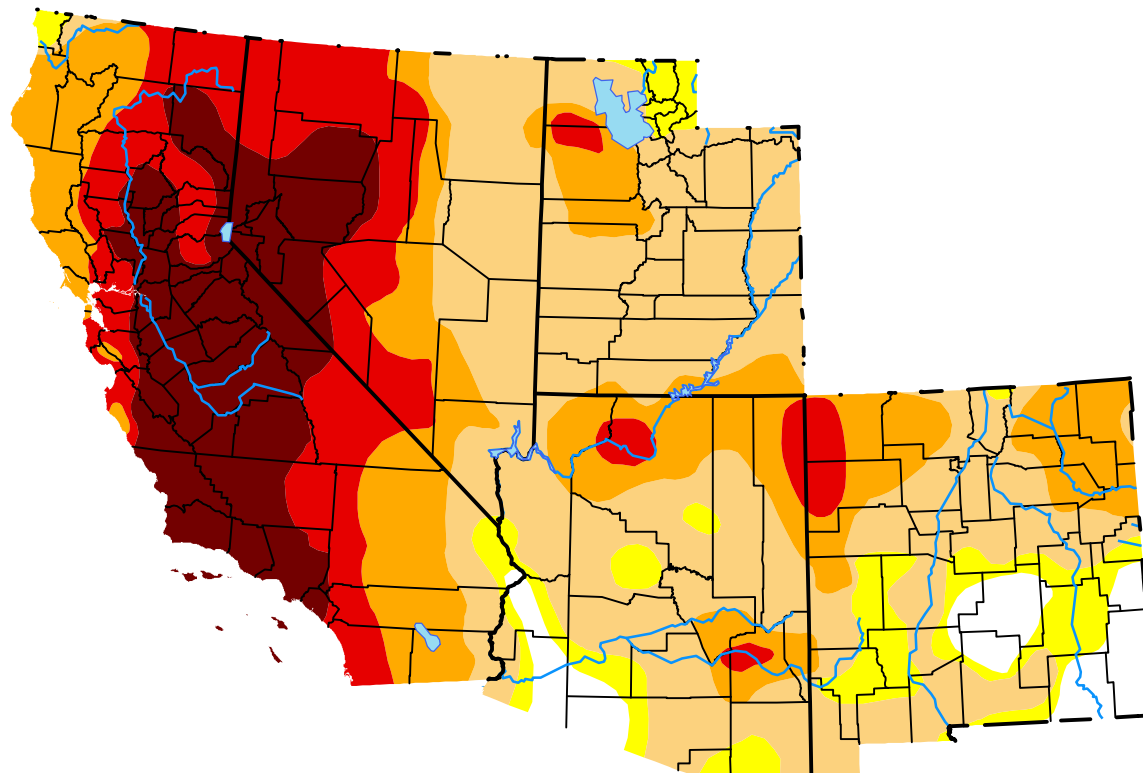


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	4.23	7.61	38.32	21.05	14.77	14.02
Last Week <i>02-19-2015</i>	4.86	8.36	37.83	20.44	14.17	14.35
3 Months Ago <i>11-26-2014</i>	7.20	10.84	29.93	20.86	14.34	16.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2014</i>	5.87	12.38	29.47	21.11	20.41	10.76
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2014</i>	6.10	11.87	28.57	20.35	15.39	17.72
One Year Ago <i>02-27-2014</i>	1.75	12.19	22.74	33.03	22.33	7.96

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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