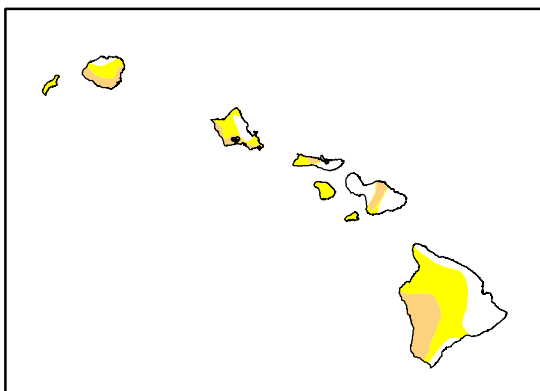
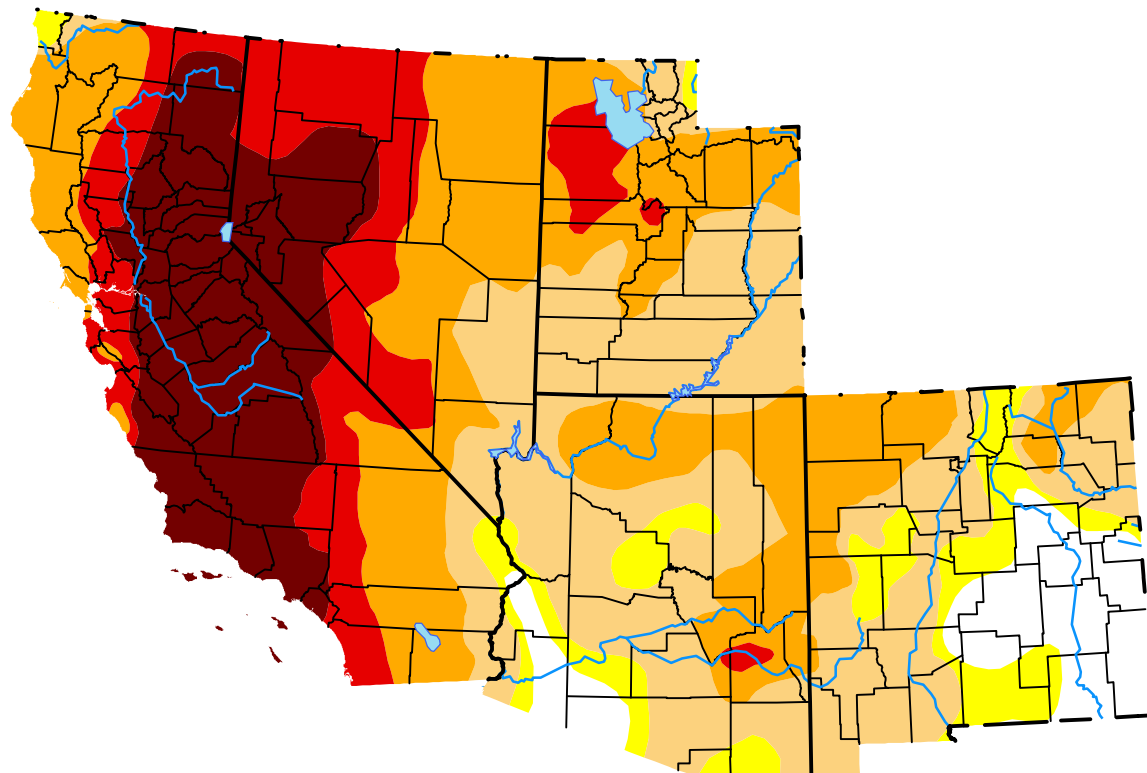


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	6.89	7.39	28.91	28.37	12.60	15.83
Last Week <i>04-23-2015</i>	5.70	8.04	28.29	29.64	12.49	15.83
3 Months Ago <i>01-29-2015</i>	3.42	13.78	29.80	21.83	17.31	13.86
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>05-01-2014</i>	1.50	4.36	20.54	37.78	26.86	8.96

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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