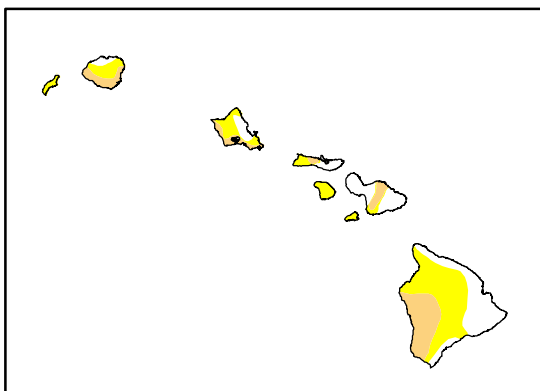
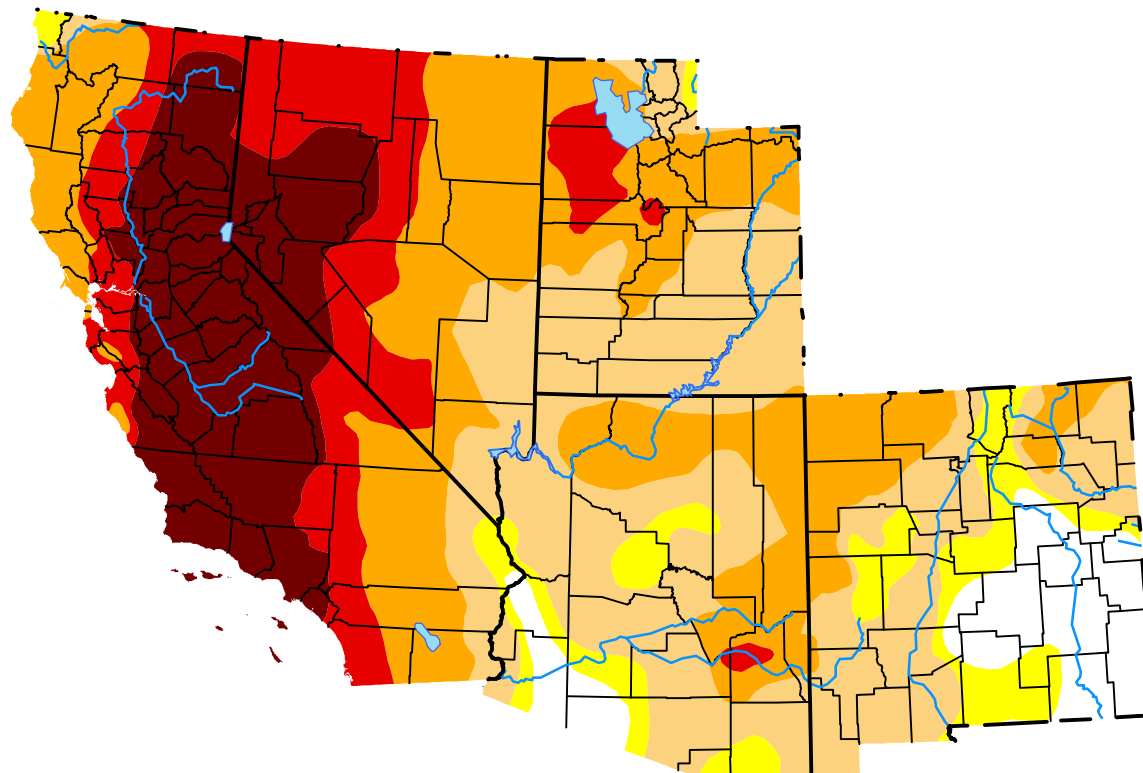


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	6.89	93.11	85.71	56.80	28.43	15.83
Last Week <i>04-23-2015</i>	5.70	94.30	86.26	57.97	28.32	15.83
3 Months Ago <i>01-29-2015</i>	3.42	96.58	82.80	52.99	31.17	13.86
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2014</i>	5.87	94.13	81.75	52.28	31.17	10.76
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2014</i>	6.10	93.90	82.03	53.46	33.11	17.72
One Year Ago <i>05-01-2014</i>	1.50	98.50	94.14	73.60	35.82	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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