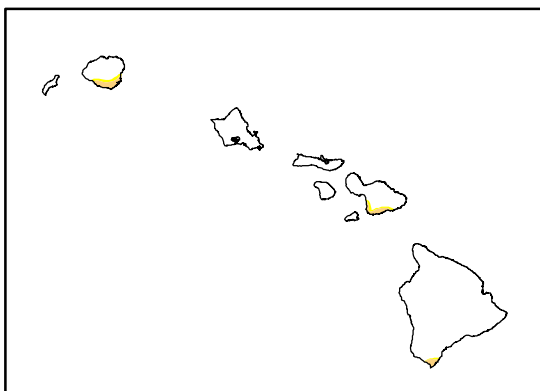
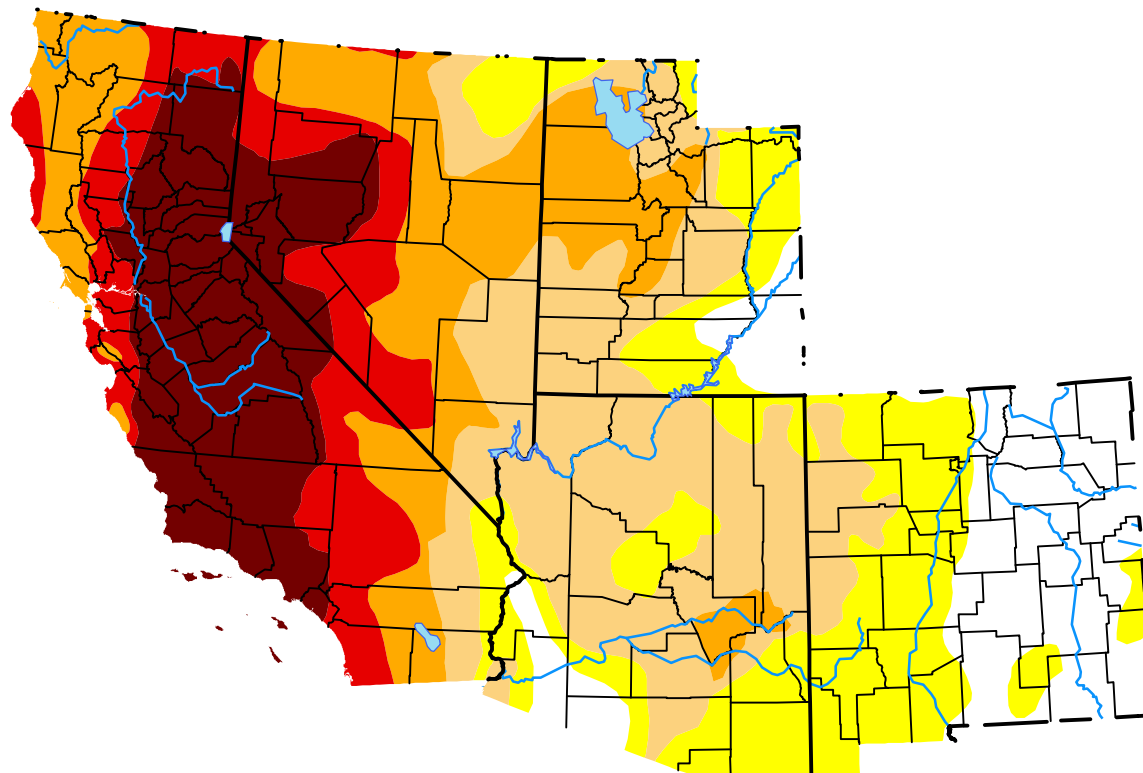


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**September 22, 2015**  
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 13.98 | 19.22 | 23.59 | 17.36 | 10.67 | 15.17 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-17-2015</i>              | 14.05 | 17.26 | 25.15 | 17.70 | 10.67 | 15.17 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-25-2015</i>           | 13.21 | 14.41 | 23.75 | 20.93 | 13.23 | 14.47 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2014</i> | 5.87  | 12.38 | 29.47 | 21.11 | 20.41 | 10.76 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2014</i>    | 6.10  | 11.87 | 28.57 | 20.35 | 15.39 | 17.72 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-25-2014</i>           | 5.50  | 11.09 | 29.54 | 20.69 | 15.46 | 17.72 |

### 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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