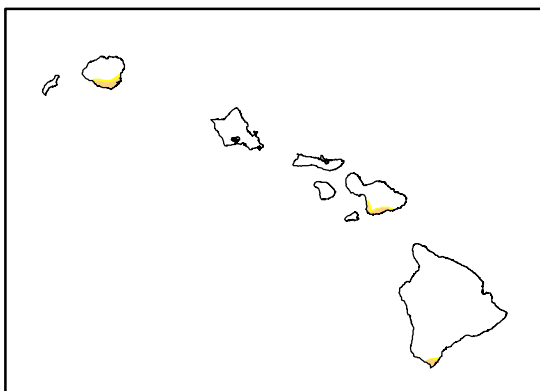
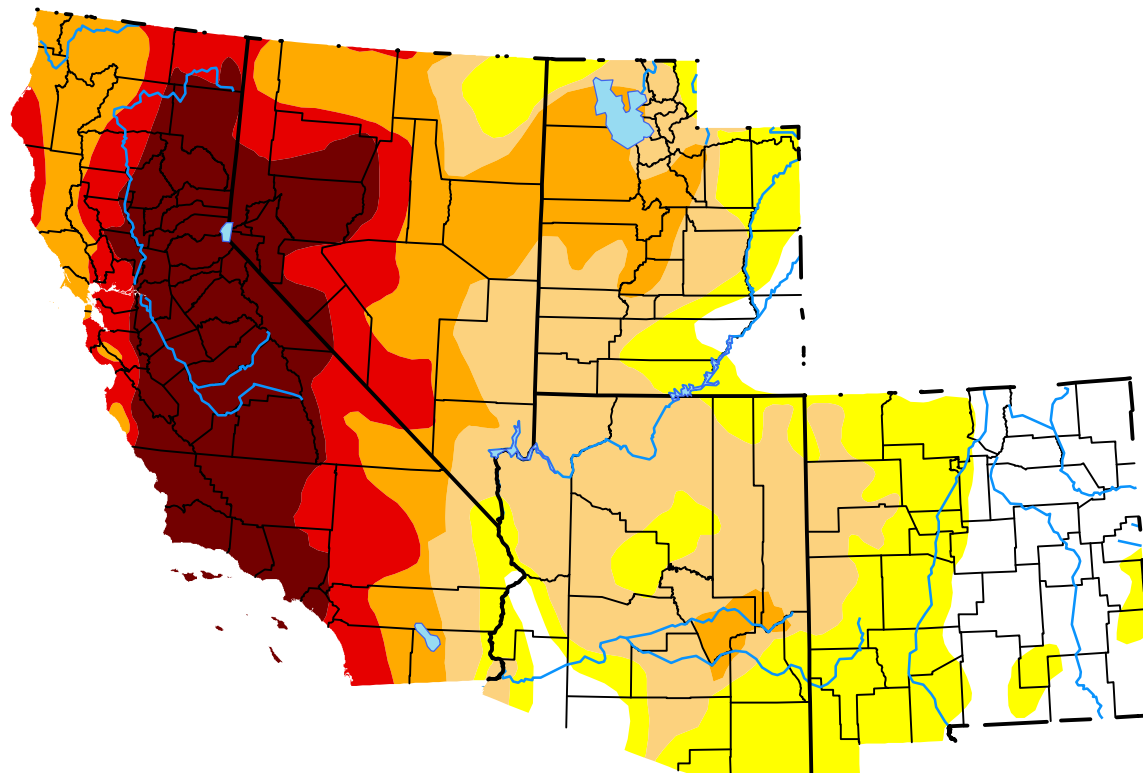


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	13.98	86.02	66.80	43.20	25.84	15.17
Last Week <i>09-17-2015</i>	14.05	85.95	68.69	43.54	25.84	15.17
3 Months Ago <i>06-25-2015</i>	13.21	86.79	72.38	48.63	27.70	14.47
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>09-25-2014</i>	5.50	94.50	83.41	53.87	33.19	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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