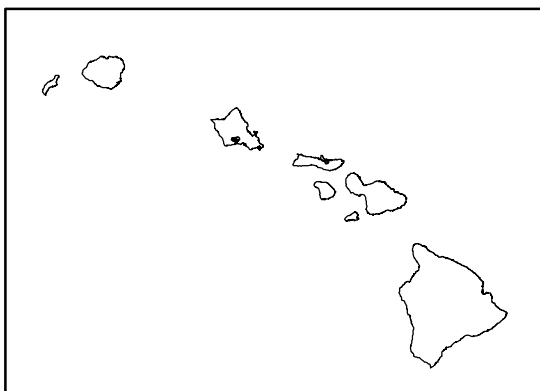
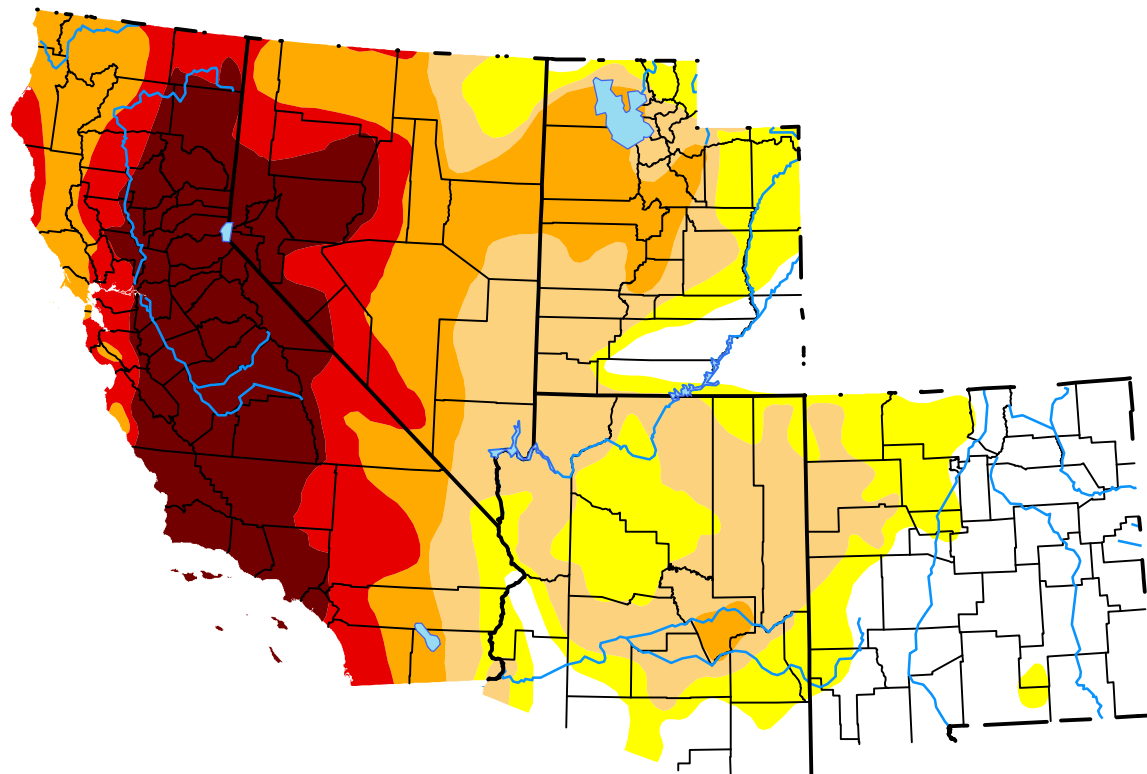


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	21.82	78.18	62.59	42.23	25.41	15.17
Last Week 10-22-2015	17.31	82.69	63.88	42.45	25.41	15.17
3 Months Ago 07-30-2015	13.54	86.46	71.29	44.98	26.28	14.27
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2014	5.87	94.13	81.75	52.28	31.17	10.76
Start of Water Year 10-01-2015	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17
One Year Ago 10-30-2014	7.15	92.85	82.02	52.97	31.77	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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