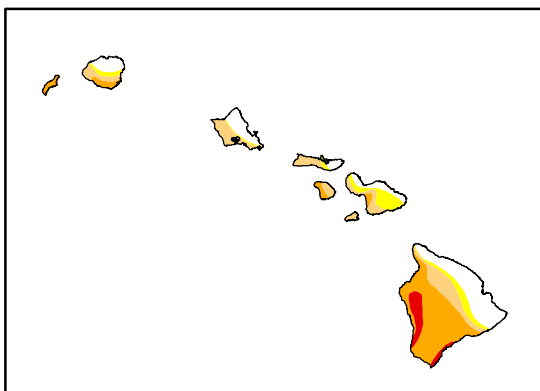
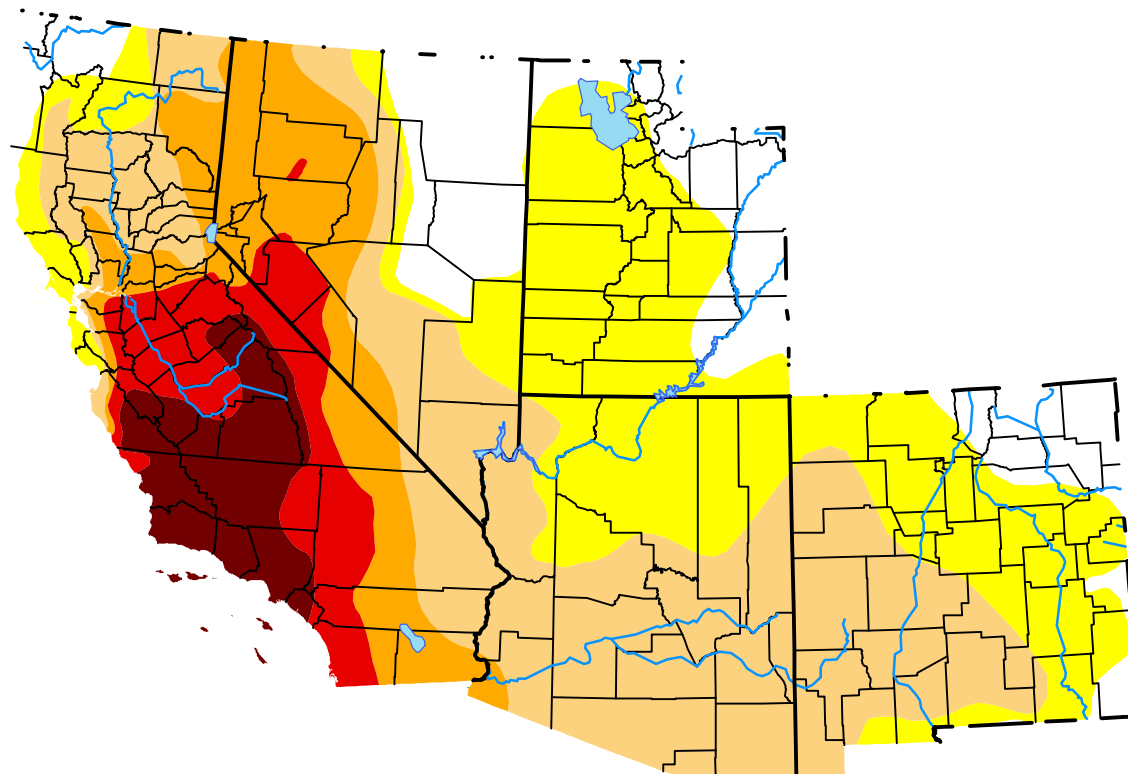


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	15.19	84.81	56.01	24.24	12.48	5.59
Last Week <i>05-12-2016</i>	13.66	86.34	58.70	26.69	17.08	5.59
3 Months Ago <i>02-18-2016</i>	32.39	67.61	44.69	30.44	20.61	11.06
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2015</i>	21.87	78.13	56.46	38.84	24.23	13.64
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2015</i>	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17
One Year Ago <i>05-21-2015</i>	8.15	91.85	81.85	54.39	28.20	15.83

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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