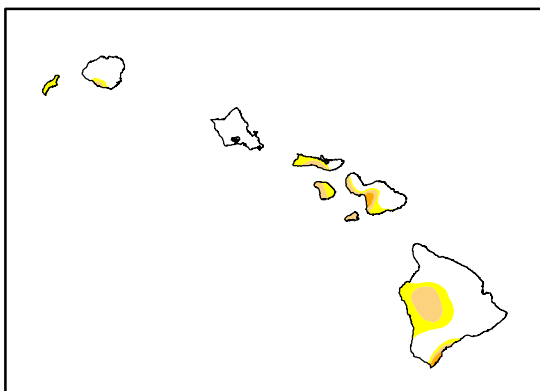
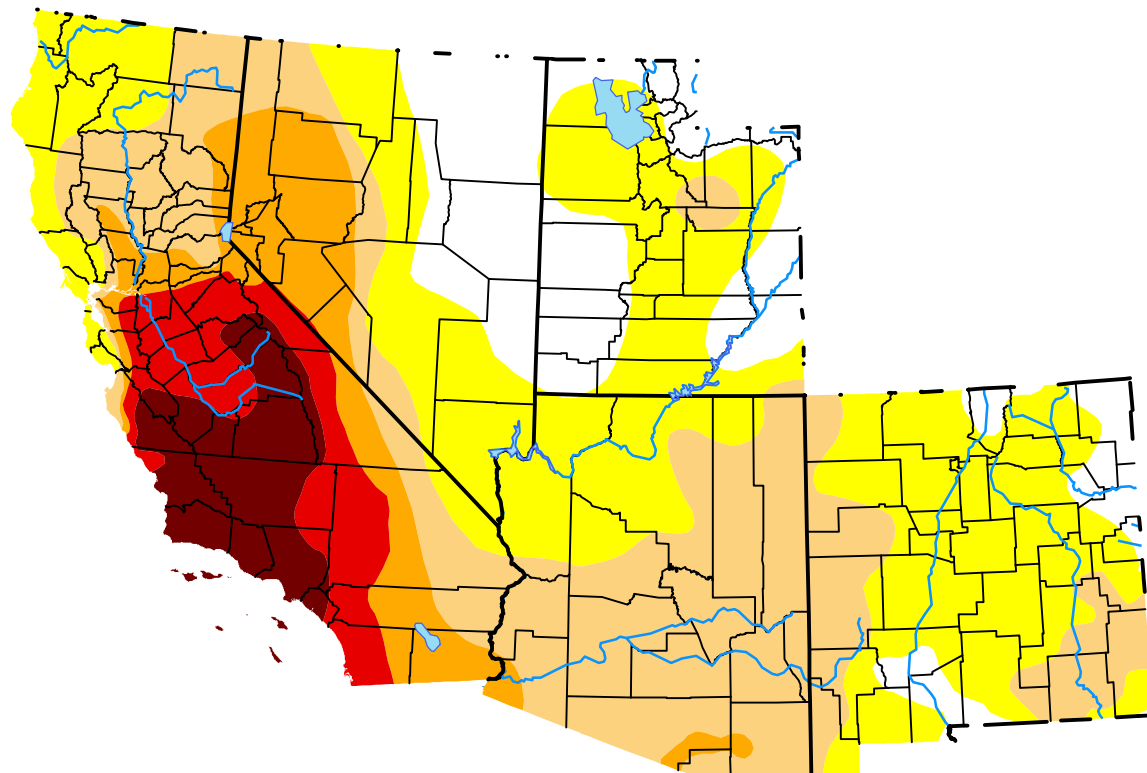


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.67	36.24	27.83	8.84	5.83	5.59
Last Week <i>08-11-2016</i>	14.17	37.19	28.17	9.06	5.83	5.59
3 Months Ago <i>05-19-2016</i>	15.19	28.80	31.77	11.76	6.89	5.59
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2015</i>	21.87	21.67	17.62	14.60	10.59	13.64
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2015</i>	16.35	17.62	22.93	17.26	10.67	15.17
One Year Ago <i>08-20-2015</i>	13.57	17.48	25.38	17.73	10.67	15.17

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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