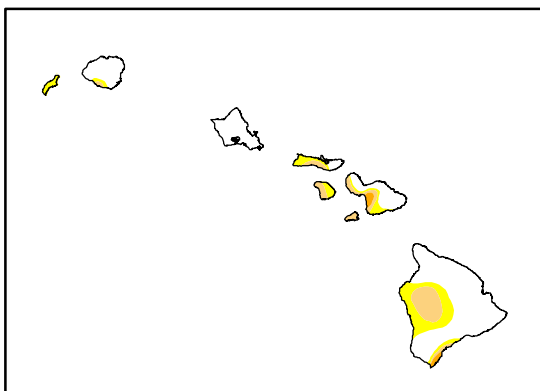
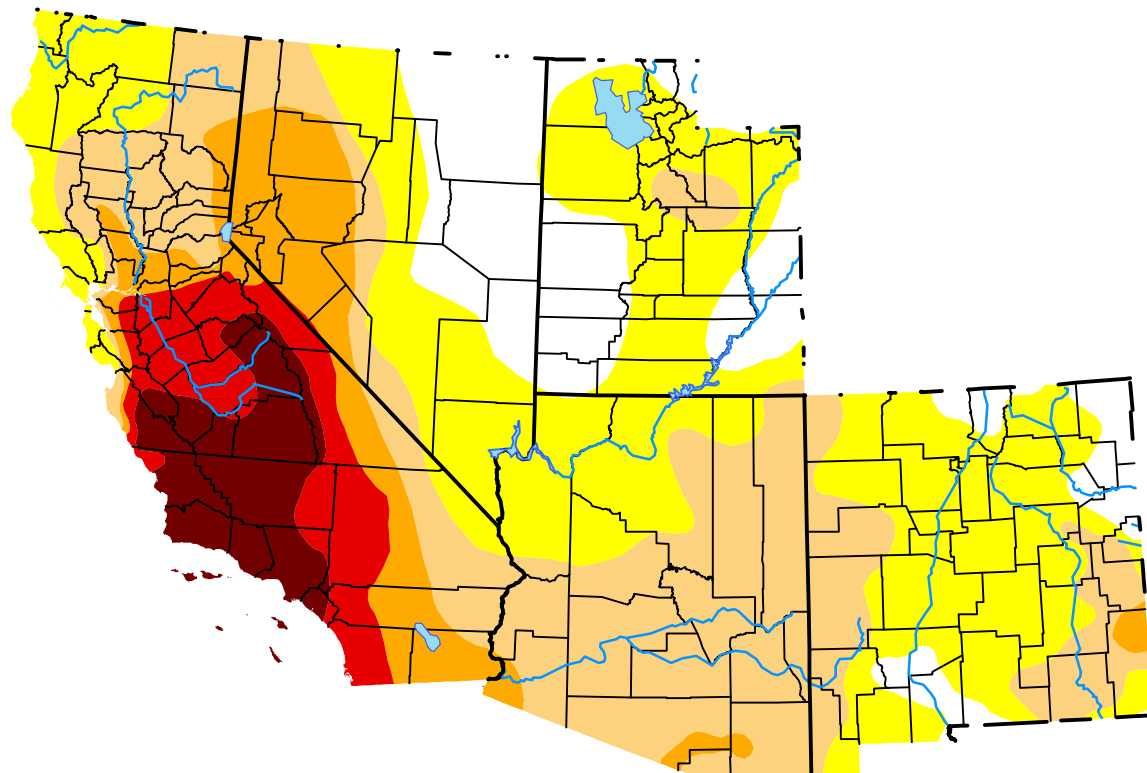


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	14.73	36.48	28.31	9.07	5.83	5.59
Last Week 08-18-2016	15.67	36.24	27.83	8.84	5.83	5.59
3 Months Ago 05-26-2016	15.54	29.19	33.17	9.63	6.89	5.59
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2015	21.87	21.67	17.62	14.60	10.59	13.64
Start of Water Year 10-01-2015	16.35	17.62	22.93	17.26	10.67	15.17
One Year Ago 08-27-2015	13.76	17.31	25.36	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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