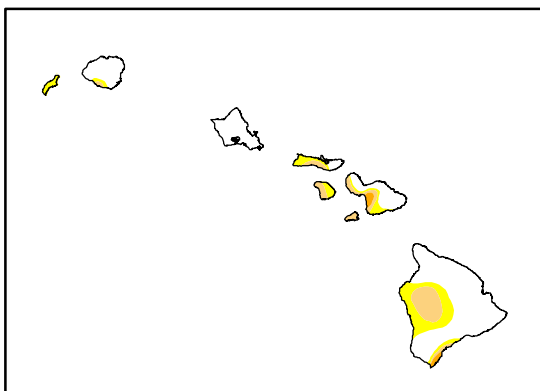
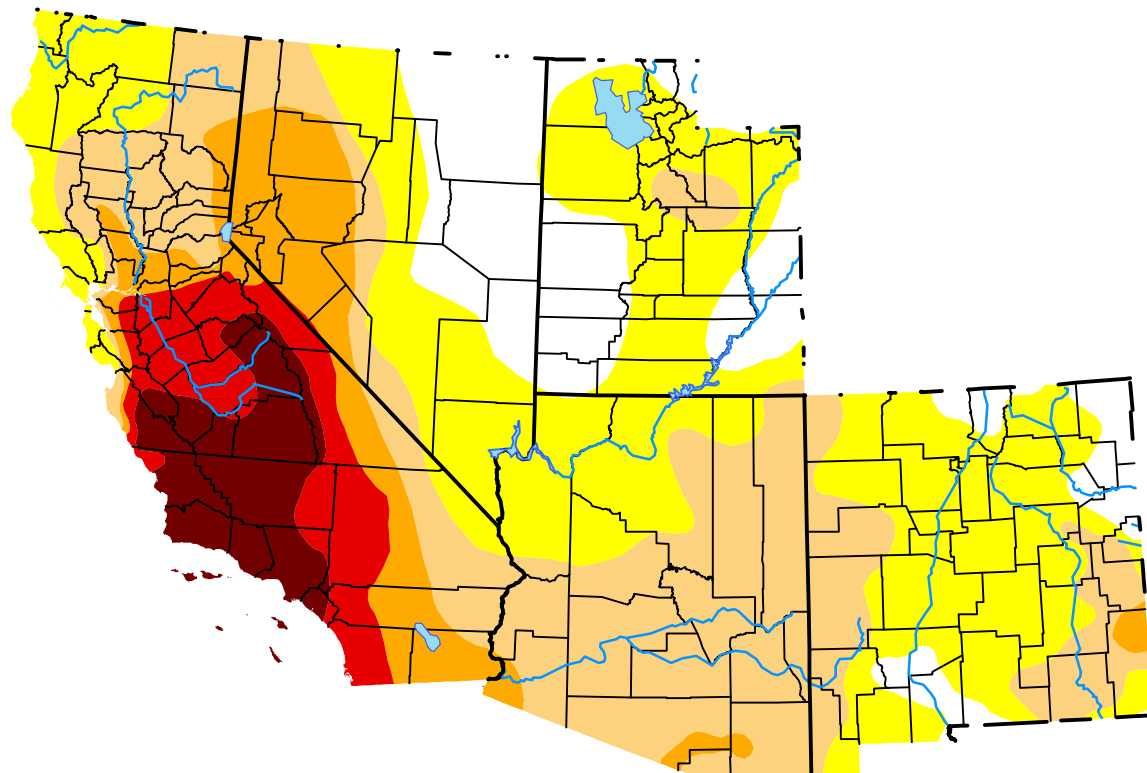


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	14.73	85.27	48.79	20.49	11.41	5.59
Last Week 08-18-2016	15.67	84.33	48.09	20.26	11.41	5.59
3 Months Ago 05-26-2016	15.54	84.46	55.28	22.10	12.48	5.59
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2015	21.87	78.13	56.46	38.84	24.23	13.64
Start of Water Year 10-01-2015	16.35	83.65	66.03	43.10	25.84	15.17
One Year Ago 08-27-2015	13.76	86.24	68.93	43.57	25.84	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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