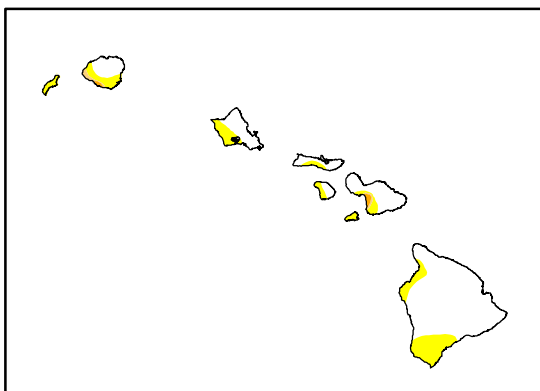
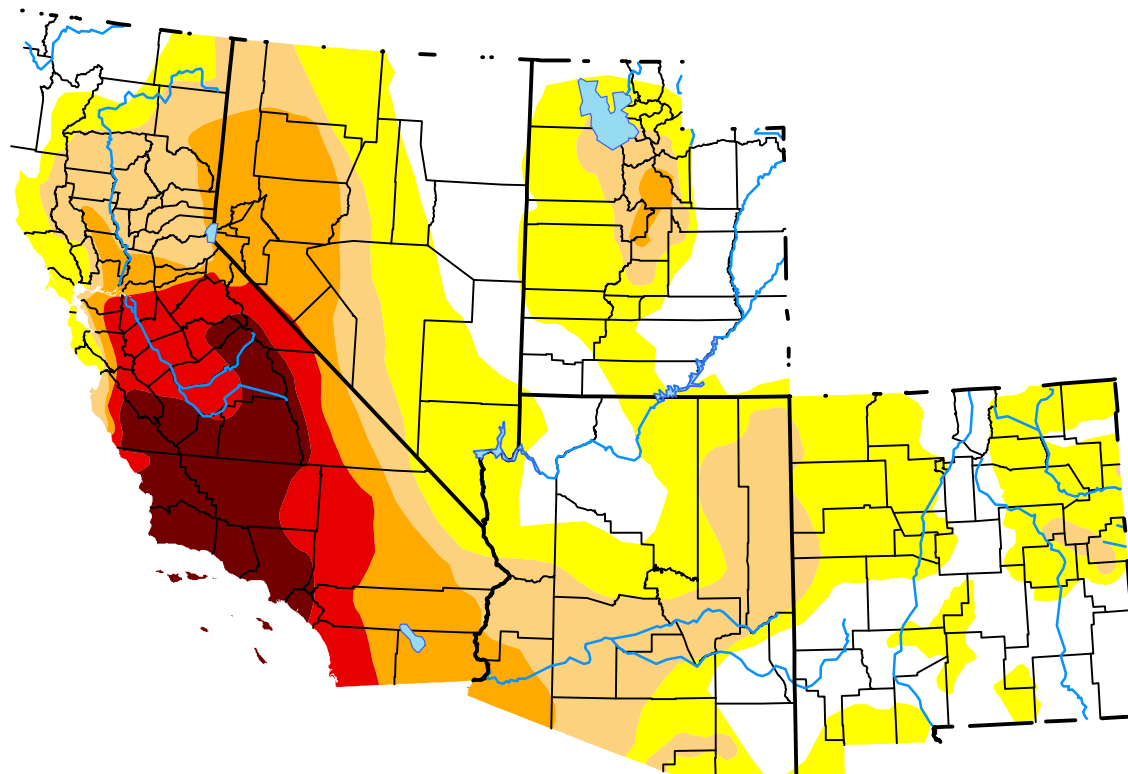


# U.S. Drought Monitor USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4    |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 28.90 | 71.10 | 39.75 | 21.59 | 11.41 | 5.59  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>10-20-2016              | 28.73 | 71.27 | 39.74 | 21.59 | 11.41 | 5.59  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>07-28-2016           | 13.73 | 86.27 | 47.59 | 21.43 | 11.41 | 5.59  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>12-31-2015 | 21.87 | 78.13 | 56.46 | 38.84 | 24.23 | 13.64 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-29-2016    | 22.72 | 77.28 | 40.39 | 21.72 | 11.41 | 5.59  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>10-29-2015           | 21.82 | 78.18 | 62.59 | 42.23 | 25.41 | 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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