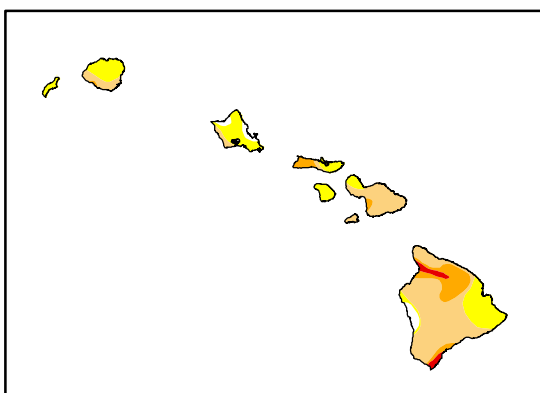
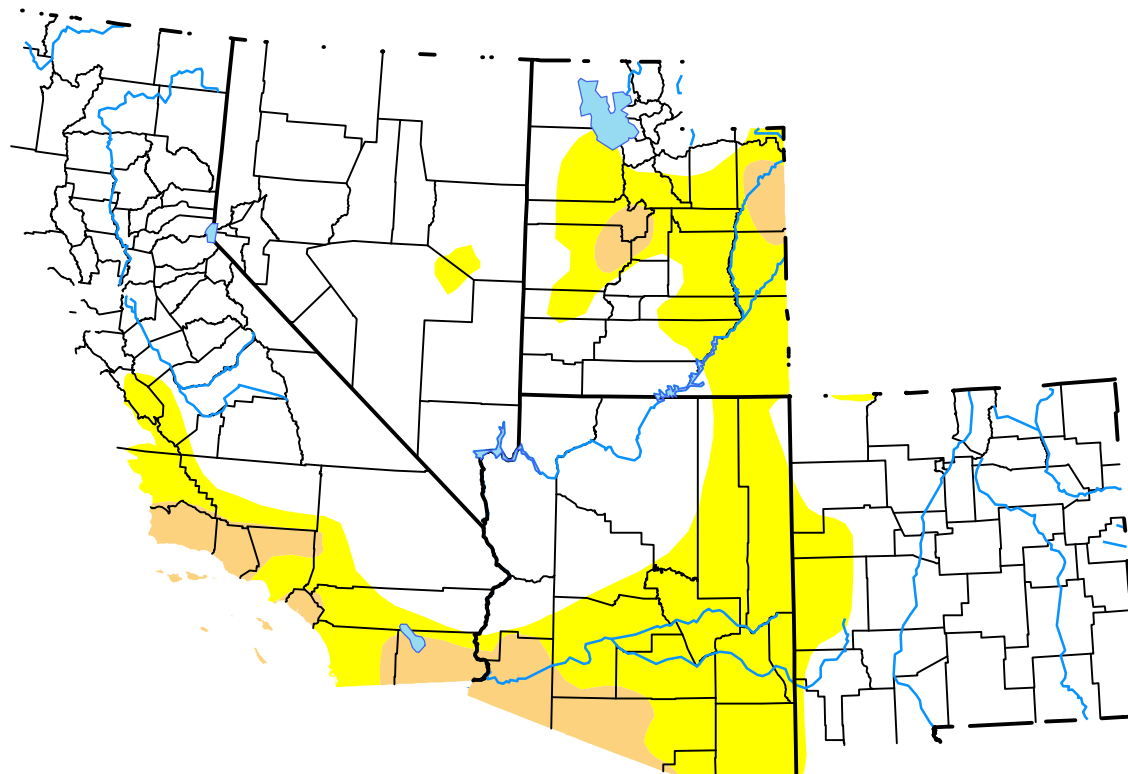


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	72.03	22.04	5.77	0.13	0.03	0.00
Last Week <i>10-12-2017</i>	72.29	21.78	5.77	0.13	0.03	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-20-2017</i>	60.64	28.61	10.40	0.34	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2017</i>	40.36	27.91	15.35	6.21	5.31	4.86
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2017</i>	72.26	21.71	5.87	0.13	0.03	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-20-2016</i>	28.73	31.53	18.14	10.18	5.83	5.59

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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