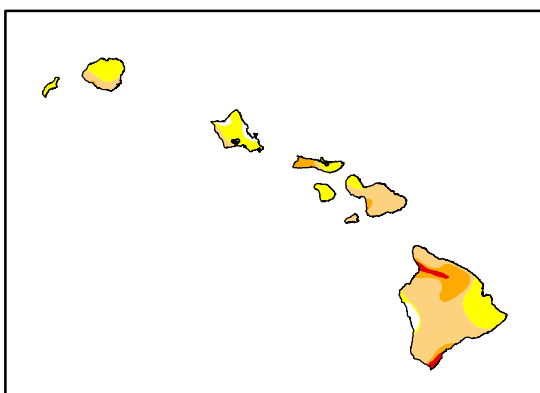
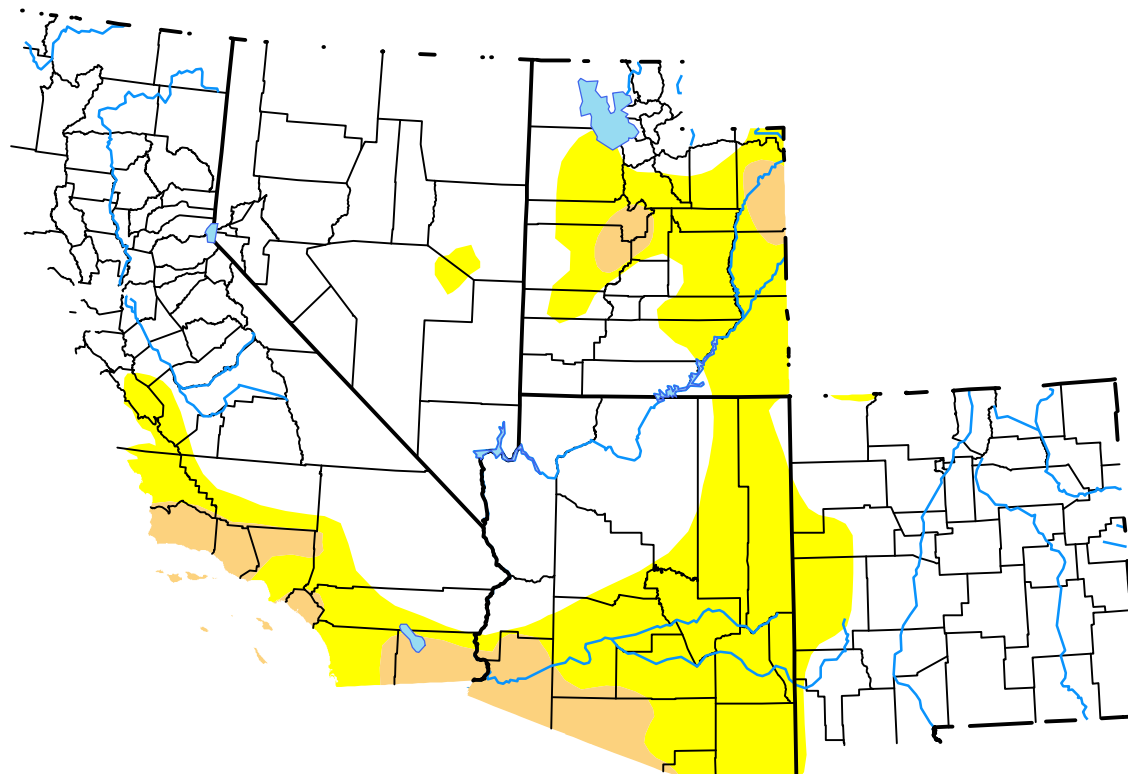


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	72.03	27.97	5.93	0.16	0.03	0.00
Last Week 10-12-2017	72.29	27.71	5.93	0.16	0.03	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-20-2017	60.64	39.36	10.75	0.34	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-05-2017	40.36	59.64	31.73	16.38	10.17	4.86
Start of Water Year 09-28-2017	72.26	27.74	6.03	0.16	0.03	0.00
One Year Ago 10-20-2016	28.73	71.27	39.74	21.59	11.41	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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