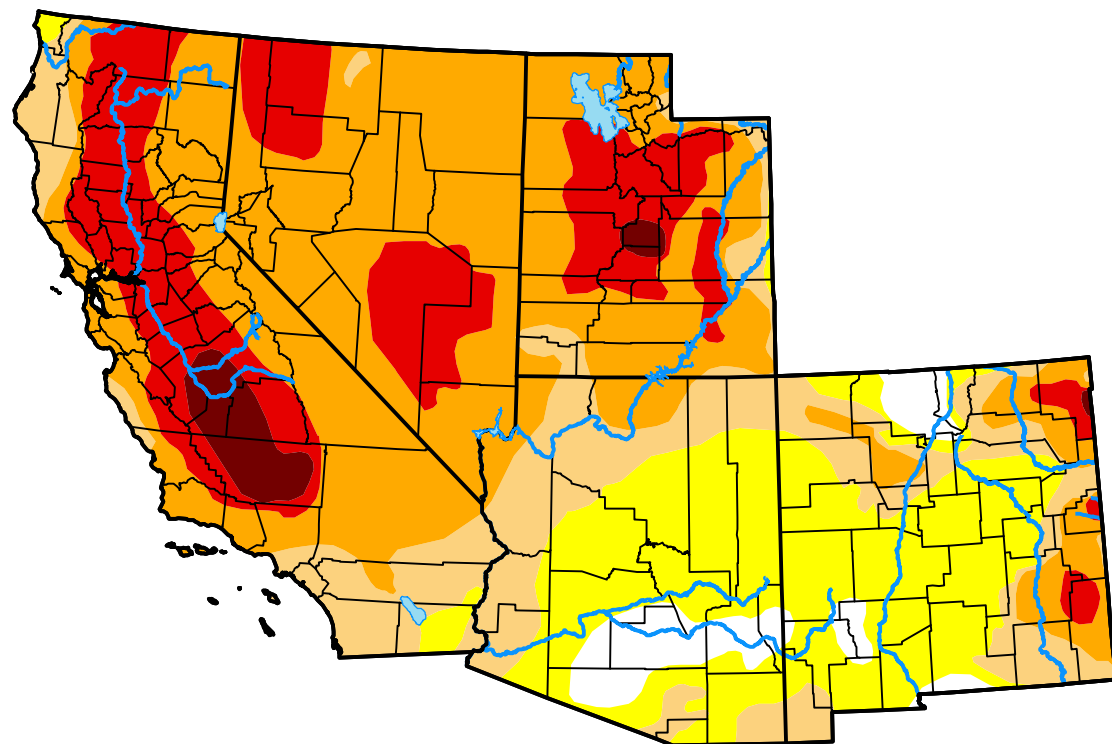


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	4.45	20.75	16.83	38.80	16.95	2.21
Last Week 12-13-2022	4.10	20.84	17.00	38.85	16.99	2.21
3 Months Ago 09-20-2022	0.21	10.65	19.59	40.62	24.00	4.92
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	1.03	9.13	25.39	45.45	17.38	1.62
Start of Water Year 09-27-2022	0.23	13.06	19.12	38.71	23.96	4.92
One Year Ago 12-21-2021	0.72	5.00	18.01	27.06	38.65	10.56

Note: Statistics do not include areas represented by points.

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

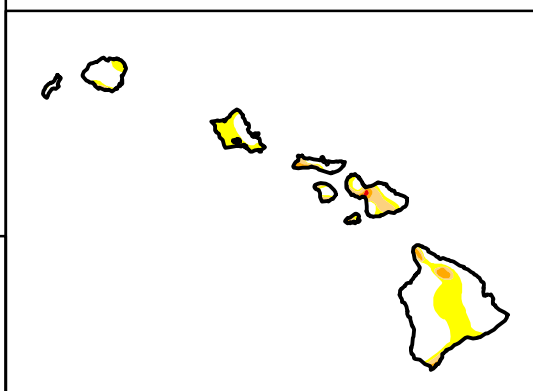
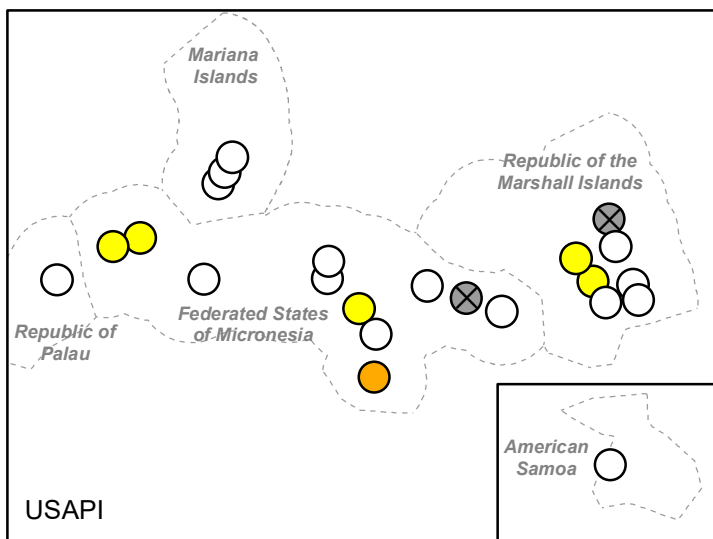
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