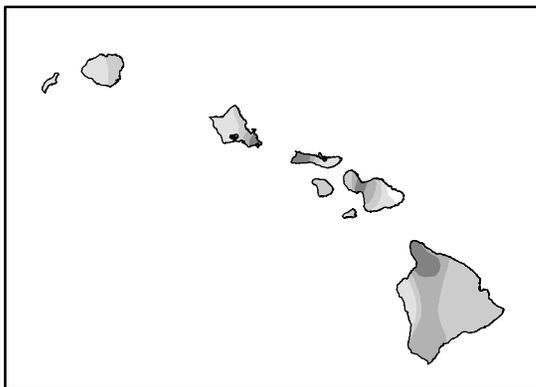
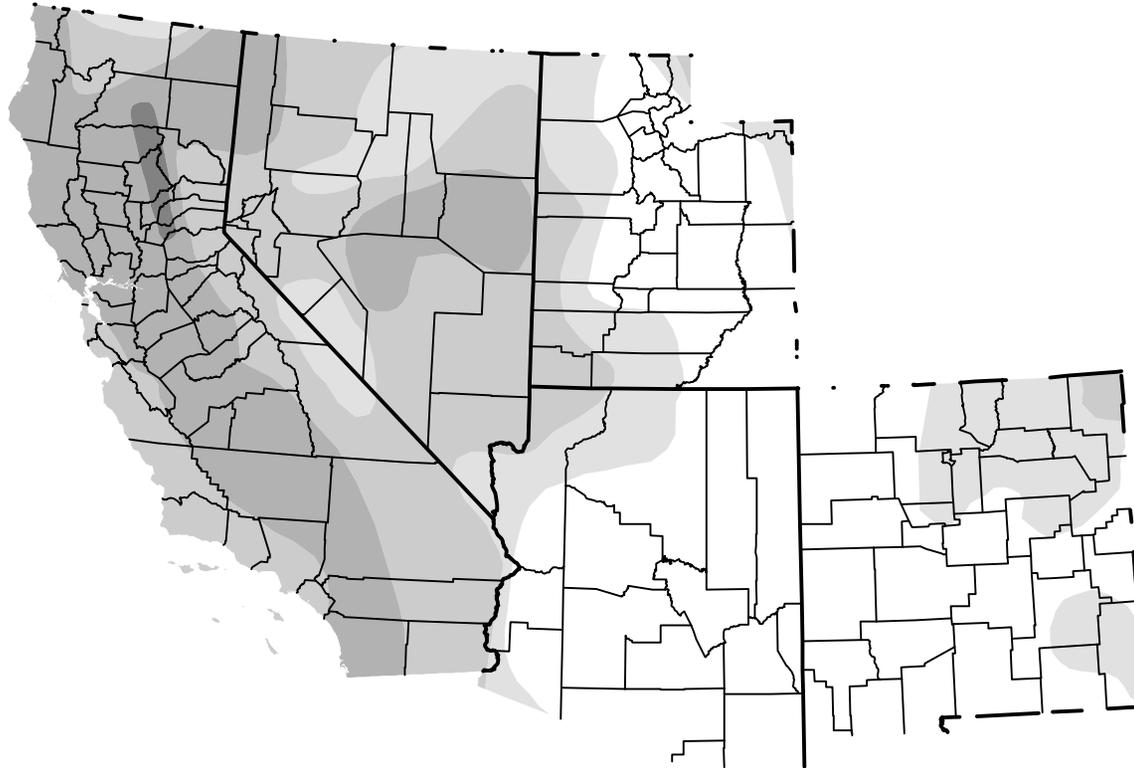


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	38.93	61.07	43.48	18.91	0.65	0.00
Last Week <i>09-25-2008</i>	38.93	61.07	43.48	18.91	0.65	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-03-2008</i>	22.05	77.95	54.97	15.18	2.99	0.05
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	79.14	63.29	45.33	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	38.93	61.07	43.48	18.91	0.65	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-04-2007</i>	21.29	78.71	68.84	51.13	16.01	0.00

Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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