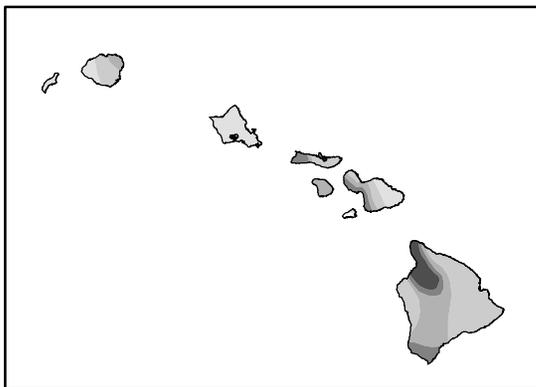
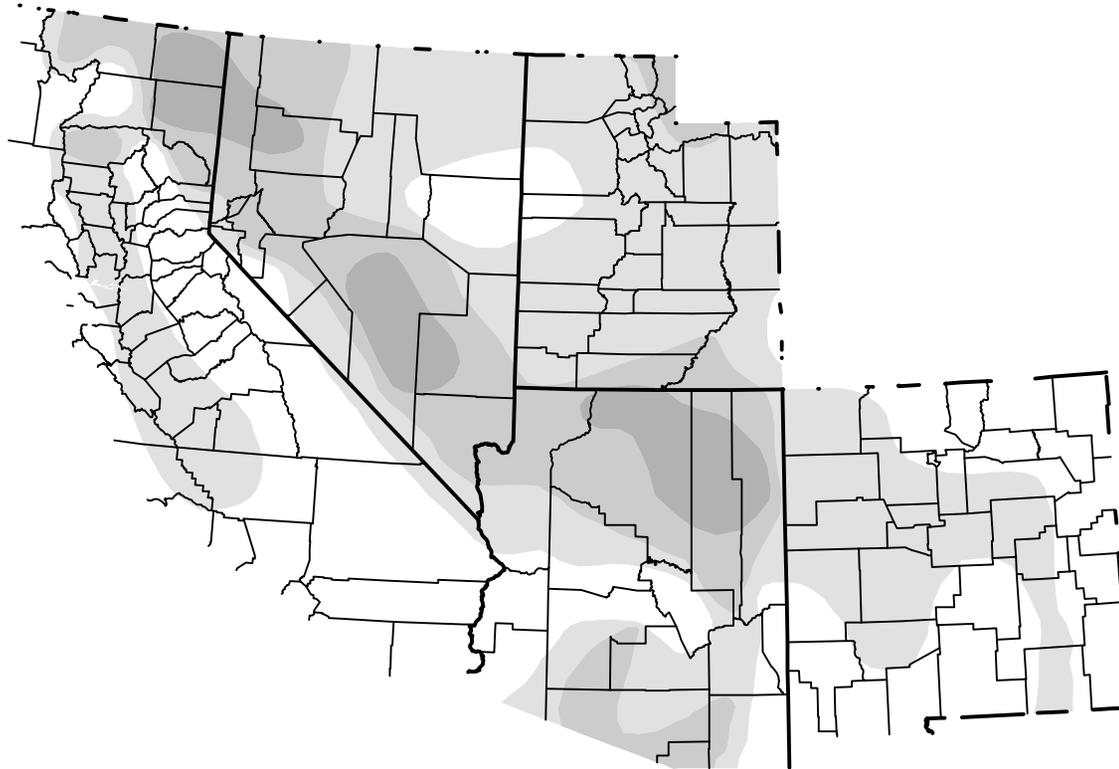


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	36.19	63.81	24.20	6.94	0.18	0.07
Last Week <i>02-25-2010</i>	34.57	65.43	25.15	6.94	0.14	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-03-2009</i>	22.69	77.31	53.33	22.51	1.15	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2009</i>	22.37	77.63	52.83	19.14	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2009</i>	30.31	69.69	38.16	14.12	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-05-2009</i>	32.55	67.45	35.97	15.48	1.20	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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