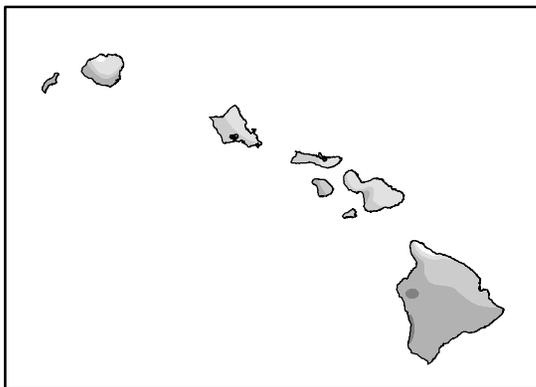
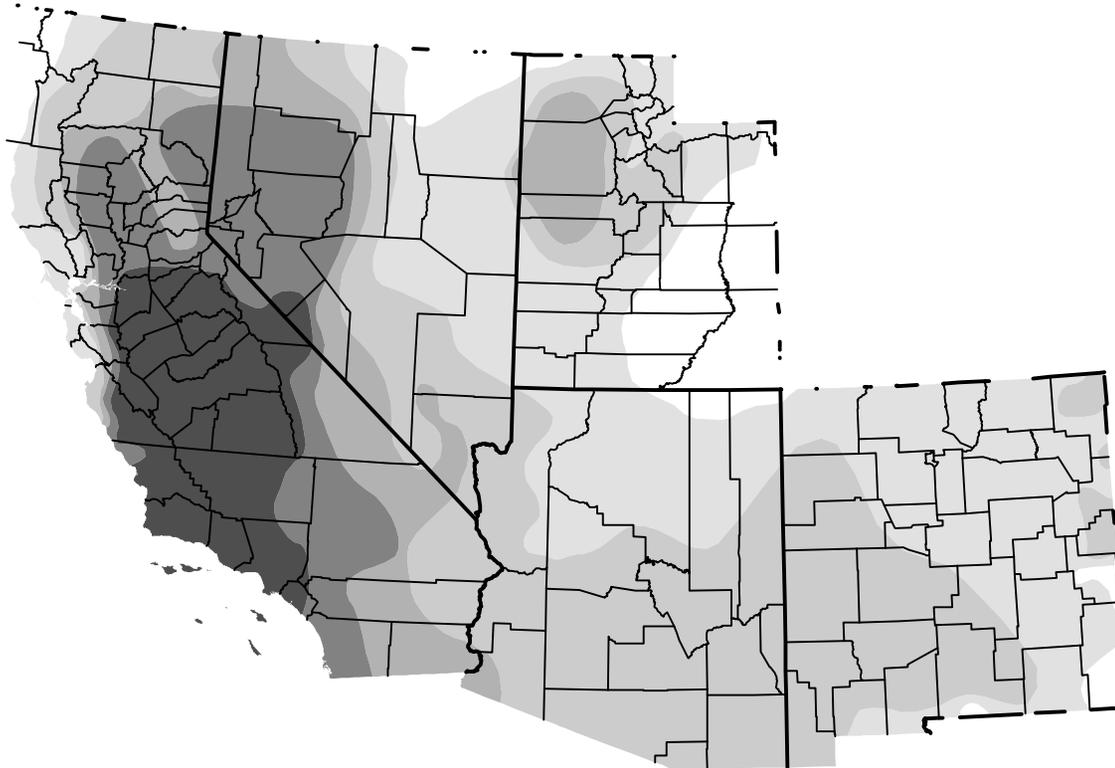


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	8.22	29.34	32.91	10.54	10.38	8.62
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-31-2016</i>	7.44	37.47	26.75	9.35	9.55	9.43
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-07-2016</i>	24.06	20.19	17.31	14.27	10.53	13.64
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2015</i>	21.87	21.67	17.62	14.60	10.59	13.64
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2015</i>	16.35	17.62	22.93	17.26	10.67	15.17
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-09-2015</i>	5.65	7.34	29.23	29.68	12.92	15.18

***Intensity:***



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

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