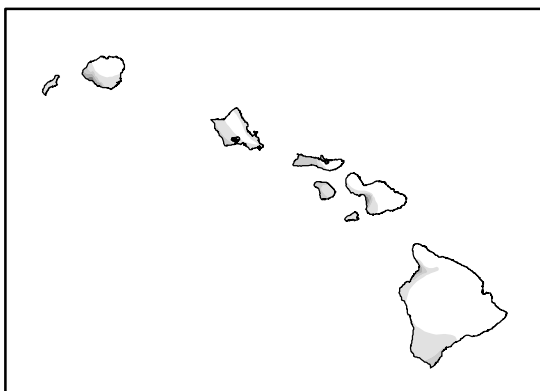
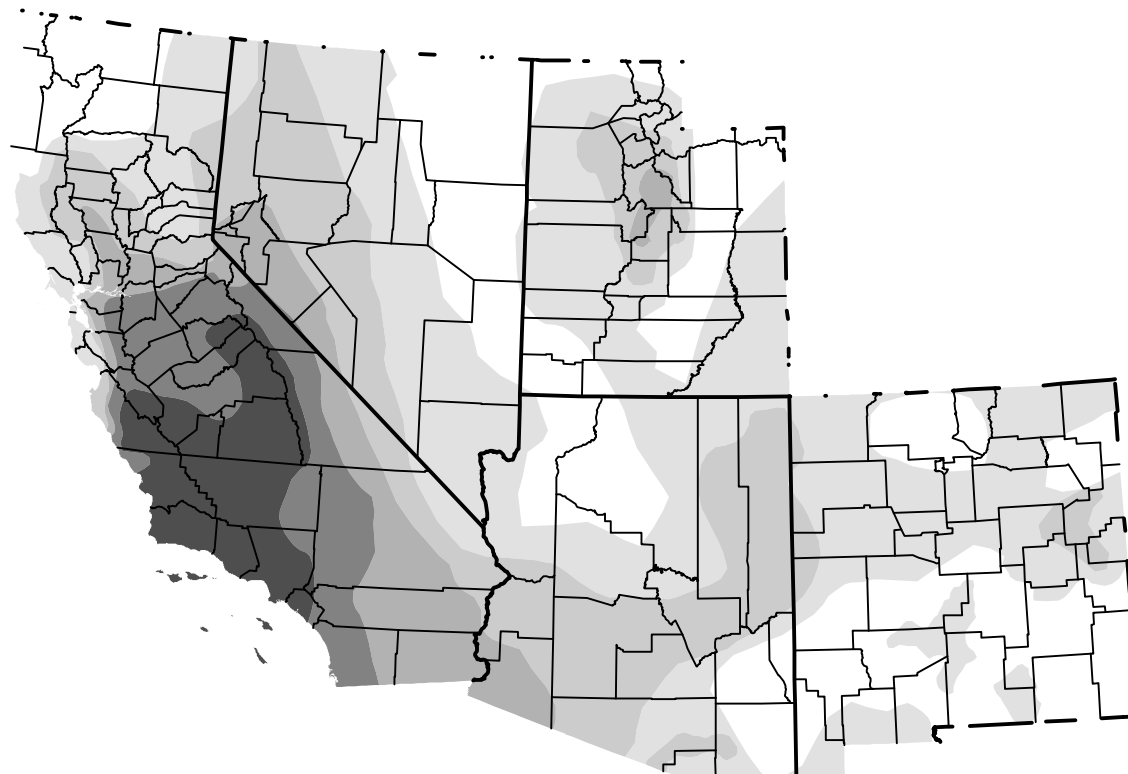


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	27.20	35.36	18.88	7.14	5.83	5.59
Last Week 12-08-2016	27.32	35.25	18.88	7.14	5.83	5.59
3 Months Ago 09-15-2016	17.62	41.03	19.40	10.54	5.83	5.59
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2015	21.87	21.67	17.62	14.60	10.59	13.64
Start of Water Year 09-29-2016	22.72	36.90	18.67	10.30	5.83	5.59
One Year Ago 12-17-2015	21.94	21.47	16.77	15.58	10.59	13.64

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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