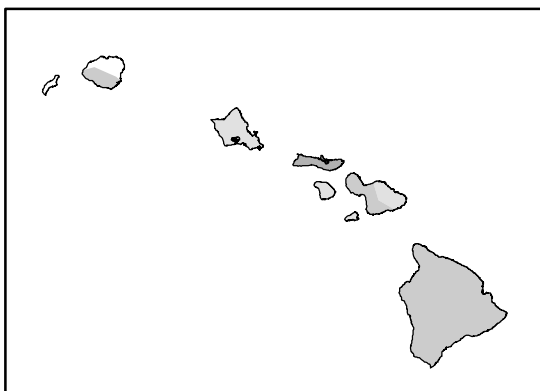
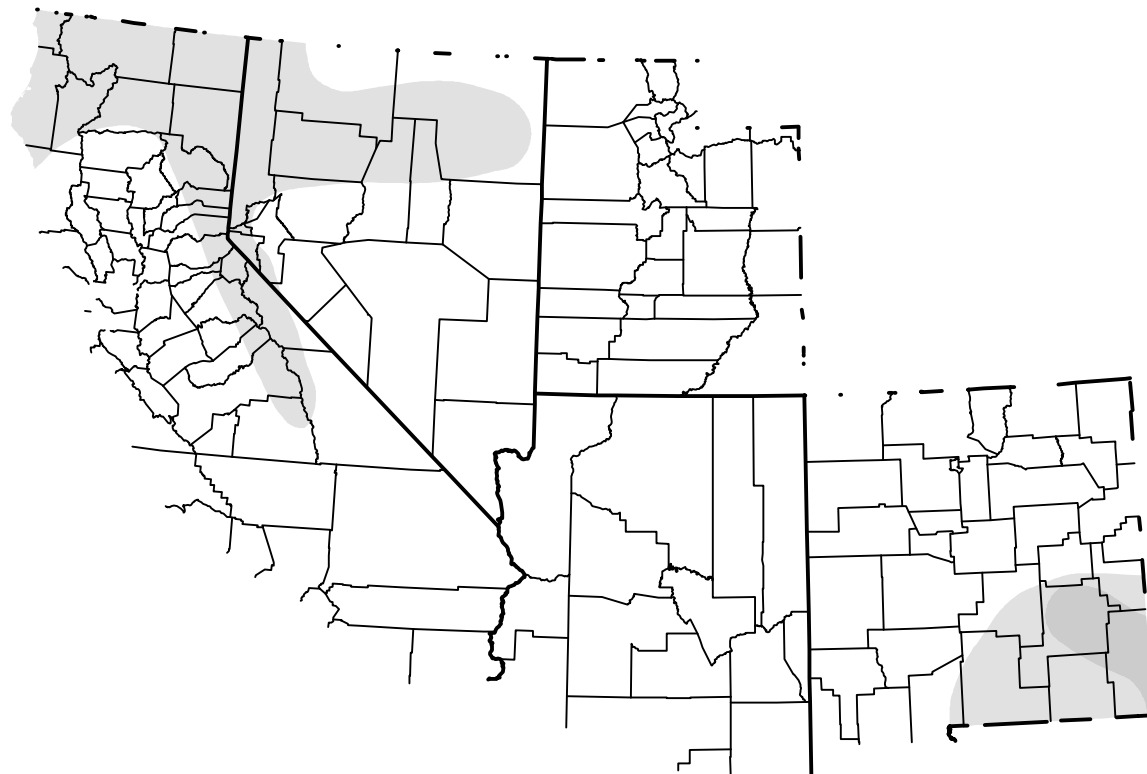


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	82.09	17.91	2.09	0.04	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>01-18-2001</i>	84.60	15.40	1.99	0.04	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-26-2000</i>	46.80	53.20	17.11	3.07	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2001</i>	83.72	16.28	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2000</i>	38.83	61.17	25.82	7.12	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-27-2000</i>	20.36	79.64	0.95	0.02	0.00	0.00

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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