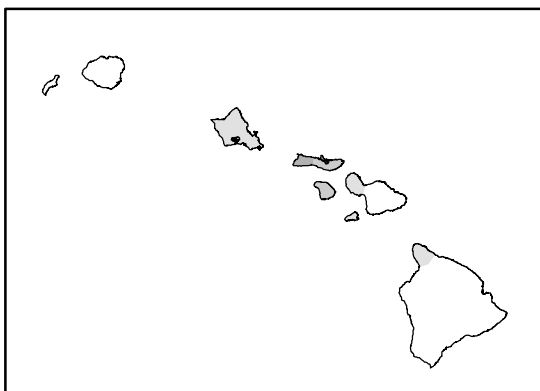
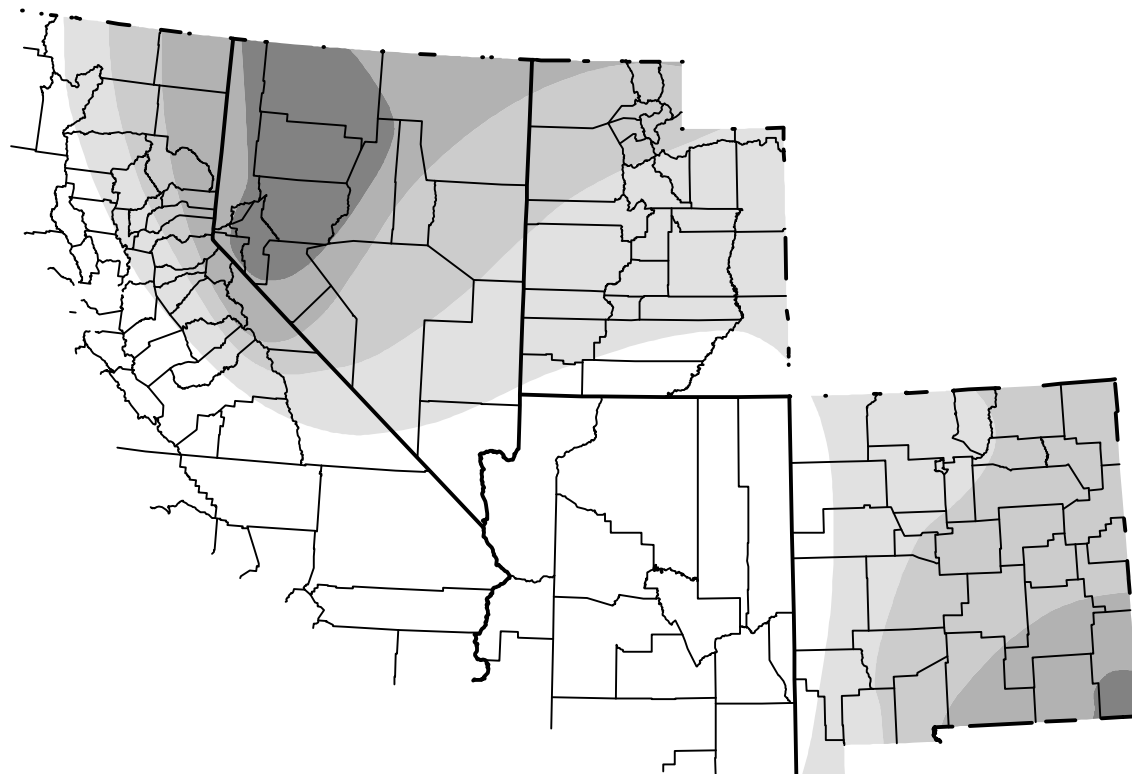


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**December 25, 2001**  
*(Released Thursday, Dec. 27, 2001)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 43.38 | 22.01 | 19.28 | 10.06 | 5.27  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-20-2001</i>              | 39.38 | 22.92 | 20.32 | 10.54 | 6.84  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-27-2001</i>           | 42.72 | 18.14 | 16.78 | 9.07  | 13.29 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2001</i> | 83.72 | 14.98 | 1.30  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2001</i>    | 42.72 | 18.14 | 16.78 | 9.07  | 13.29 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-28-2000</i>           | 91.93 | 6.76  | 1.30  | 0.00  | 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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