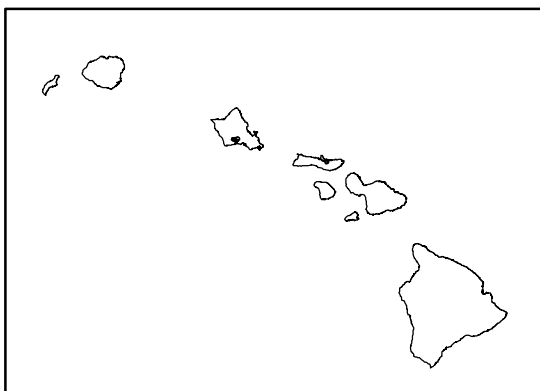
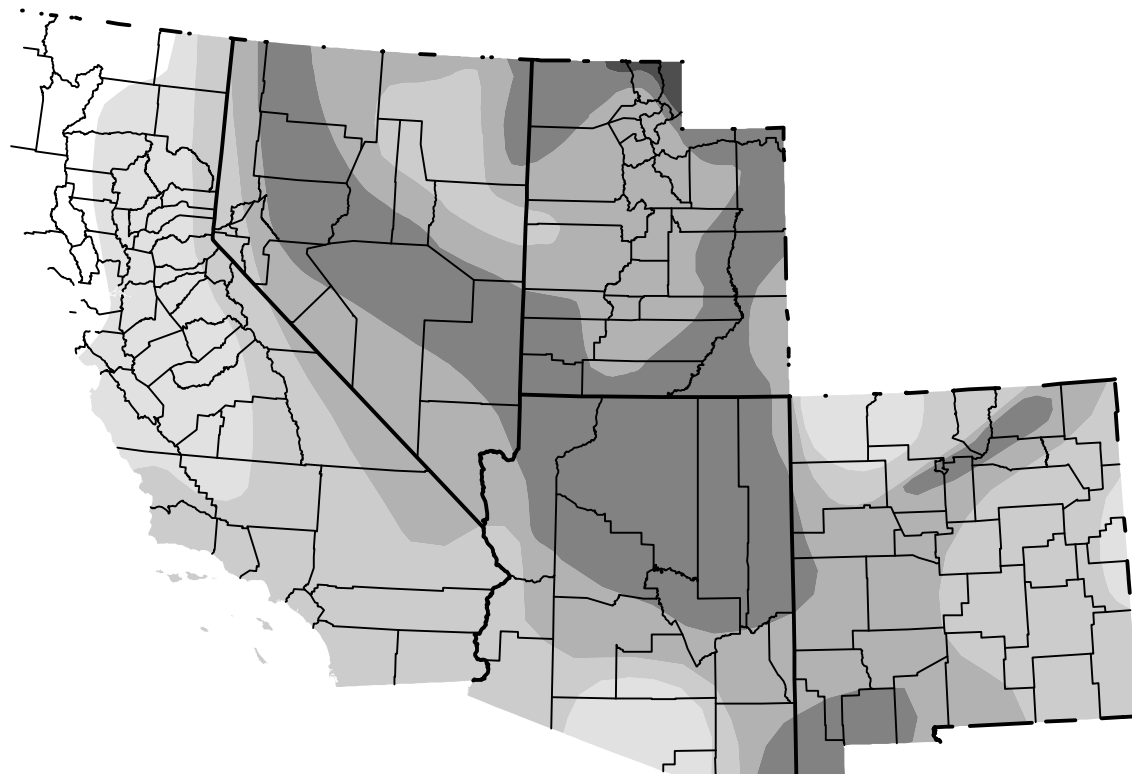


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	5.83	11.97	26.24	30.00	25.68	0.28
Last Week <i>06-17-2004</i>	5.75	14.94	23.56	29.79	25.68	0.28
3 Months Ago <i>03-25-2004</i>	20.96	5.11	12.47	27.07	27.57	6.81
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	18.57	7.18	8.28	26.93	31.08	7.96
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	18.46	4.16	11.20	21.71	40.95	3.52
One Year Ago <i>06-26-2003</i>	17.23	4.58	15.38	25.70	34.83	2.28

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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