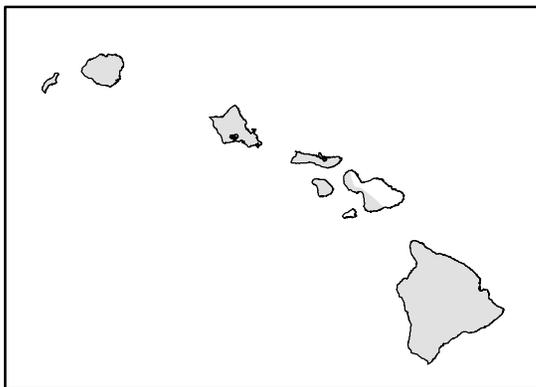
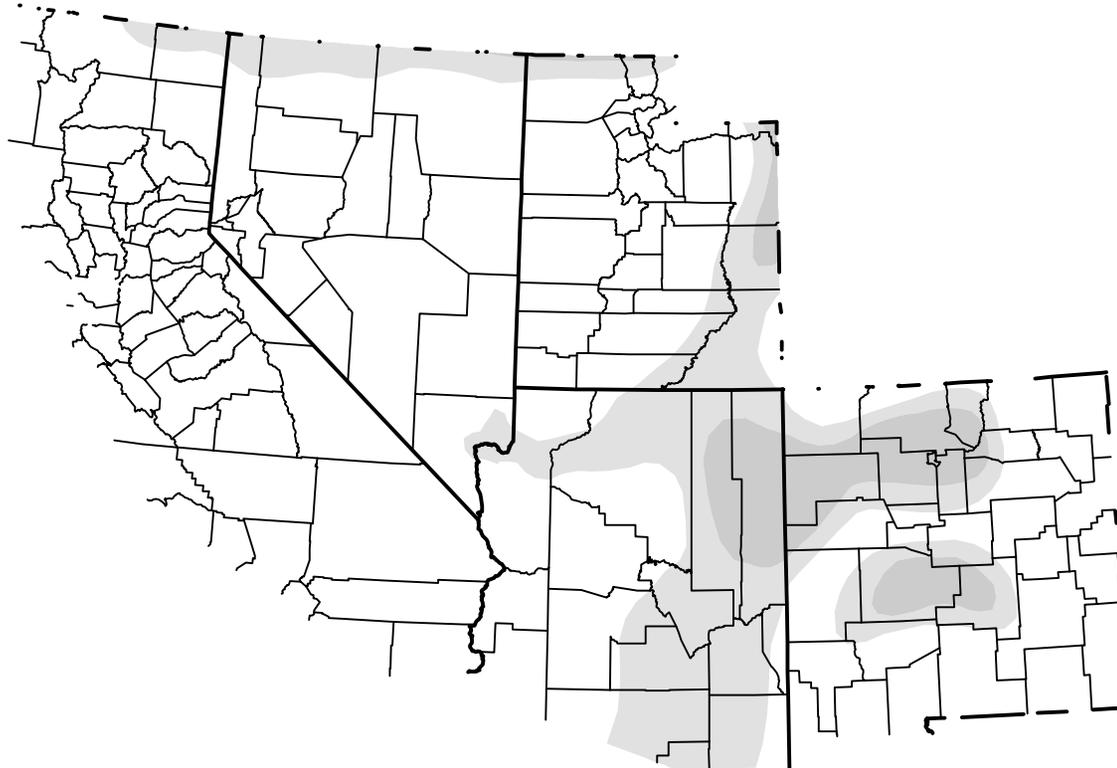


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	76.26	17.76	5.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-12-2005</i>	73.01	18.90	7.11	0.98	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-17-2005</i>	37.01	25.18	25.29	9.47	3.04	0.01
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-06-2005</i>	25.51	15.17	26.52	21.06	11.64	0.11
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2004</i>	5.68	14.09	18.68	34.46	26.89	0.21
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-20-2004</i>	5.82	17.10	22.46	32.57	21.73	0.34

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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