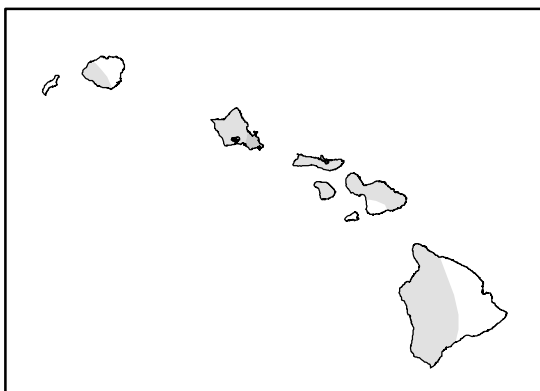
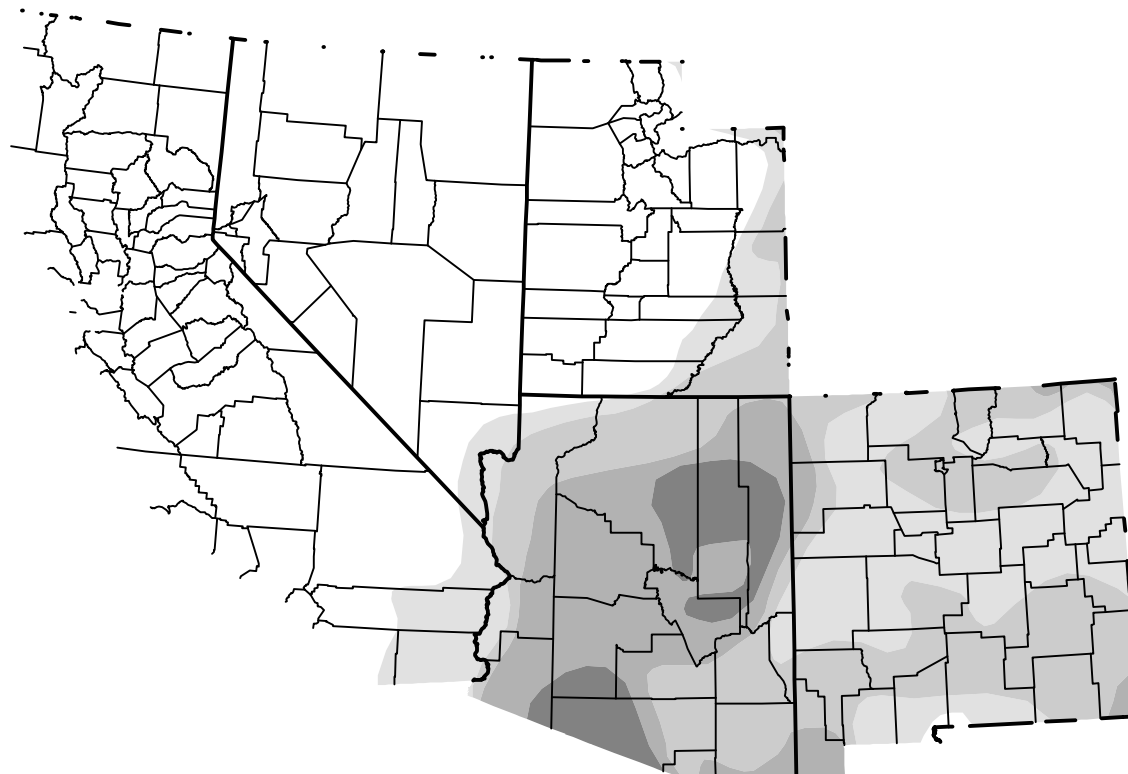


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.25	16.50	16.18	9.47	3.60	0.00
Last Week <i>08-03-2006</i>	54.11	12.09	17.38	12.17	3.96	0.28
3 Months Ago <i>05-11-2006</i>	54.51	7.67	5.77	9.79	19.30	2.96
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	57.15	29.90	12.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	76.22	16.98	6.80	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-11-2005</i>	63.64	24.90	11.46	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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