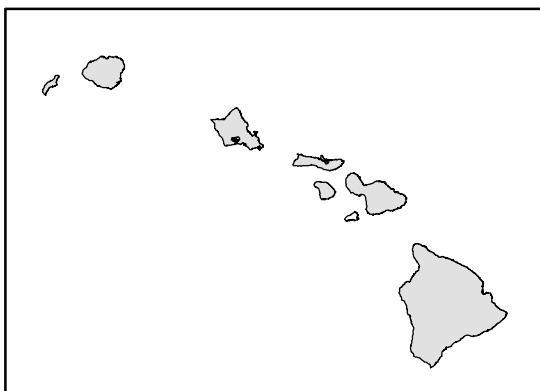
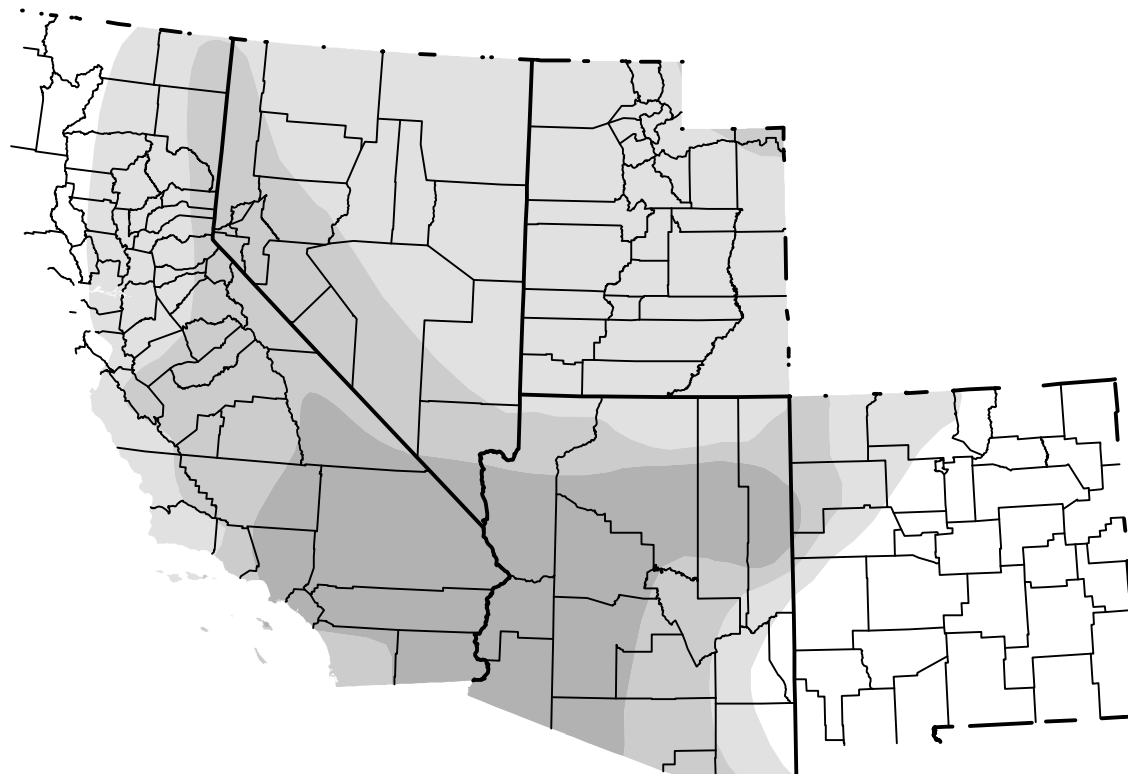


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	21.92	38.98	21.17	17.93	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>02-15-2007</i>	24.52	38.48	19.06	17.95	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-22-2006</i>	69.10	16.16	10.32	3.84	0.58	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2007</i>	48.60	27.57	19.41	3.84	0.58	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	66.95	15.92	11.41	4.33	1.39	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-23-2006</i>	51.26	11.62	13.76	15.88	7.48	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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