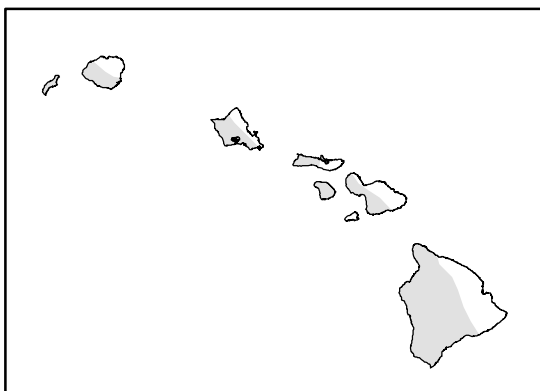
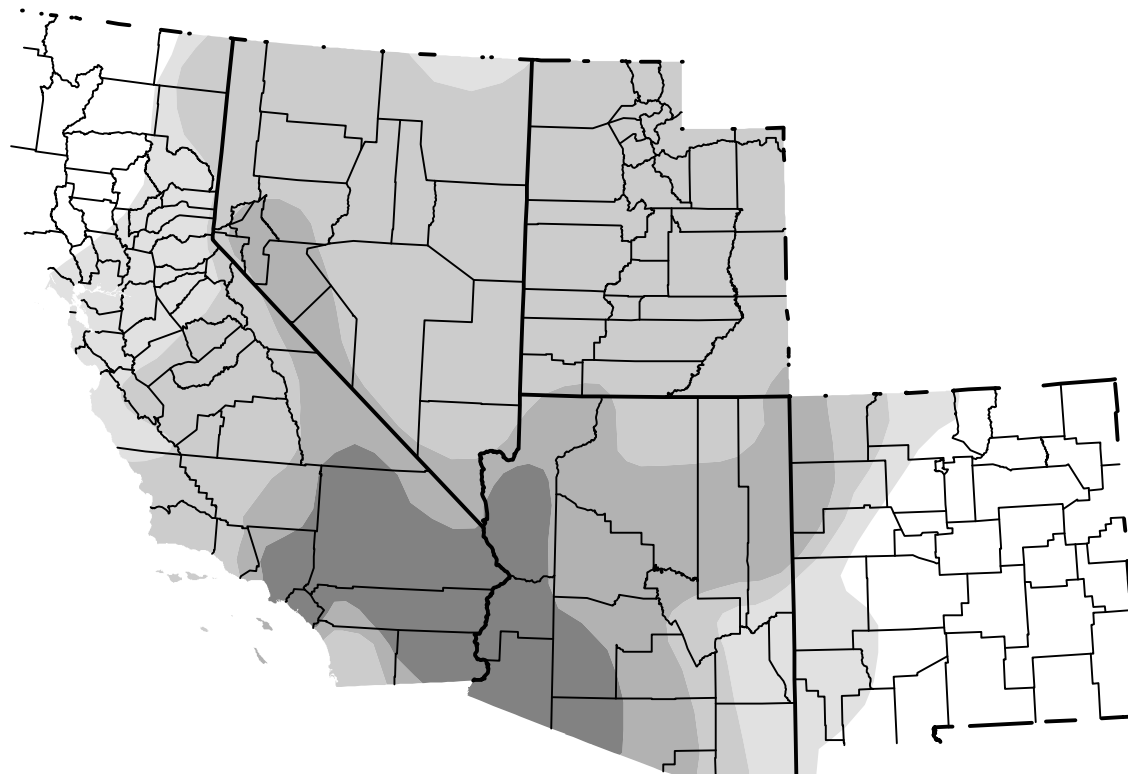


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	20.42	11.79	41.35	16.61	9.83	0.00
Last Week <i>03-22-2007</i>	22.13	33.50	19.96	14.60	9.81	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-28-2006</i>	45.73	34.66	15.19	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>03-30-2006</i>	53.91	7.89	9.28	18.95	9.96	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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