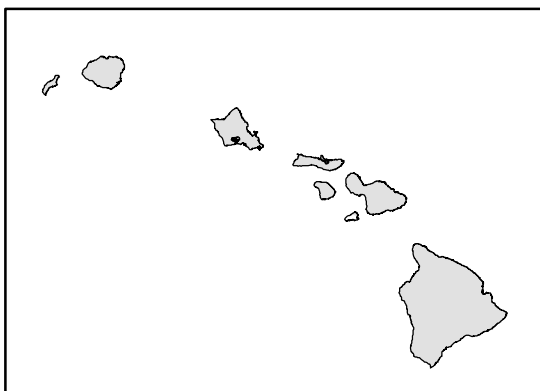
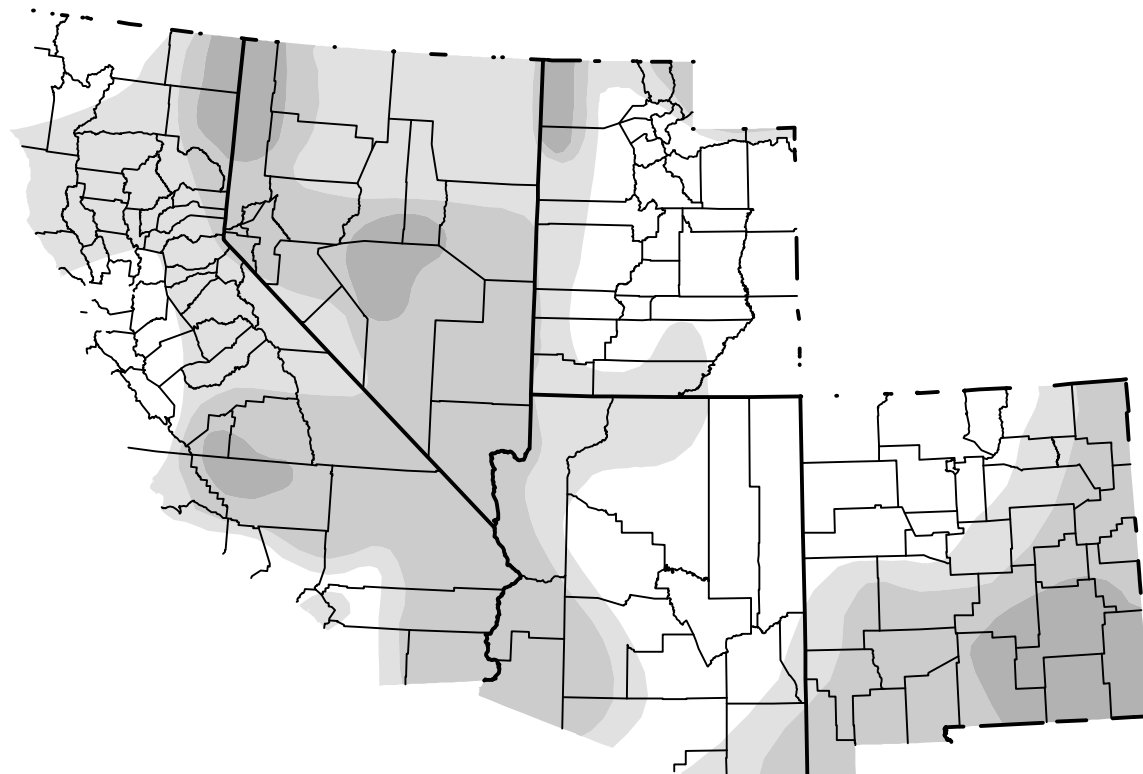


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**April 15, 2008**  
*(Released Thursday, Apr. 17, 2008)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 32.59 | 28.59 | 30.96 | 7.86  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-10-2008</i>              | 35.98 | 28.20 | 31.60 | 4.22  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-17-2008</i>           | 22.16 | 16.97 | 26.51 | 34.36 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2008</i> | 20.86 | 15.84 | 17.96 | 39.89 | 5.44  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2007</i>    | 21.09 | 9.20  | 18.48 | 35.21 | 16.01 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-19-2007</i>           | 15.68 | 9.43  | 38.62 | 24.38 | 11.89 | 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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