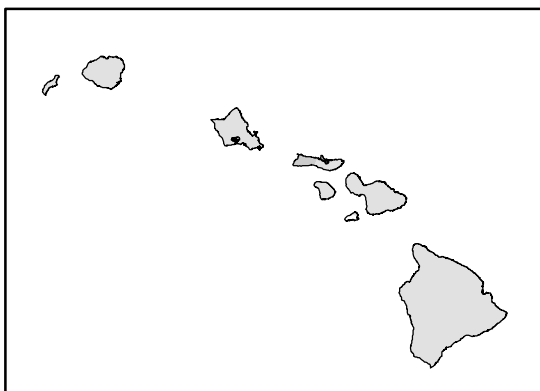
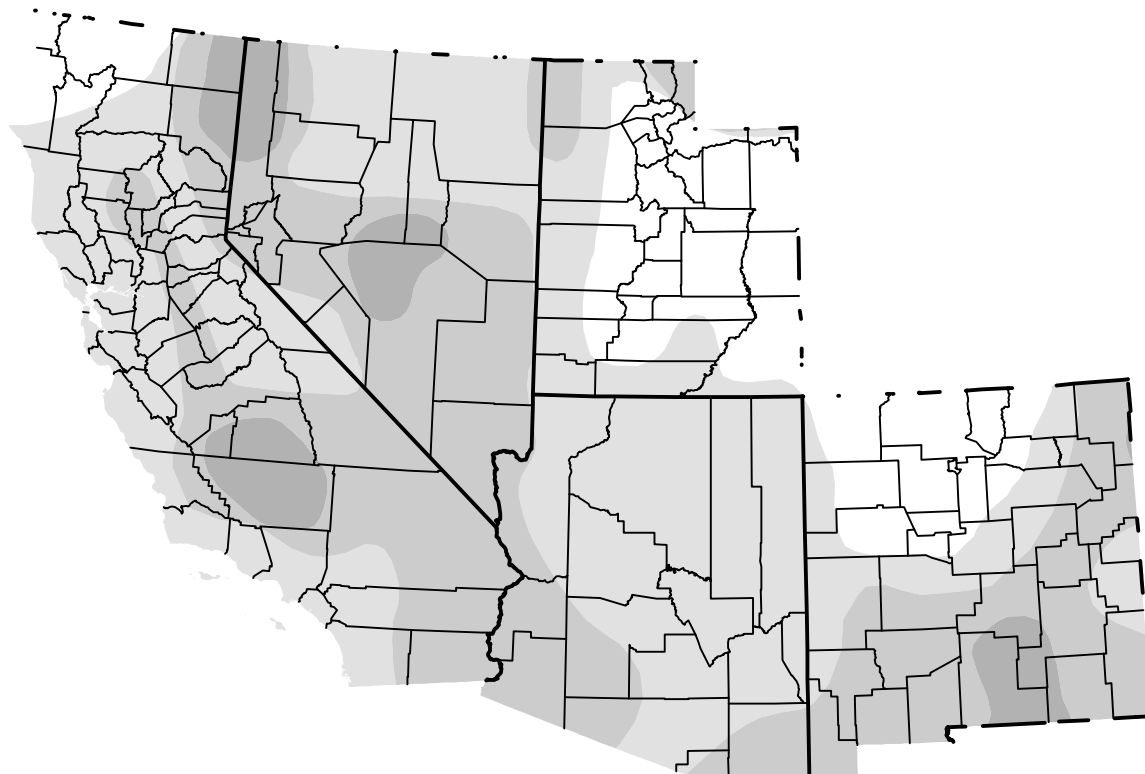


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	16.16	83.84	40.98	6.11	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-01-2008</i>	16.85	83.15	41.79	8.48	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-07-2008</i>	30.38	69.62	43.99	19.04	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	79.14	63.29	45.33	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2007</i>	21.09	78.91	69.70	51.22	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-10-2007</i>	16.93	83.07	72.45	35.16	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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