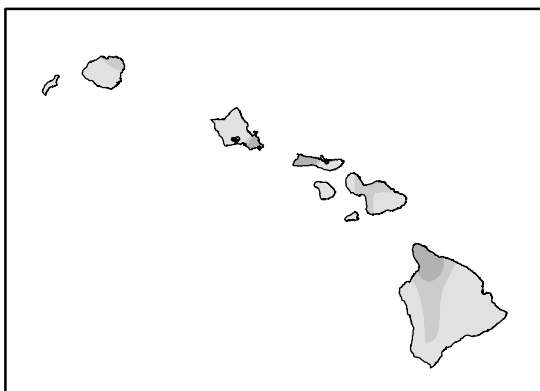
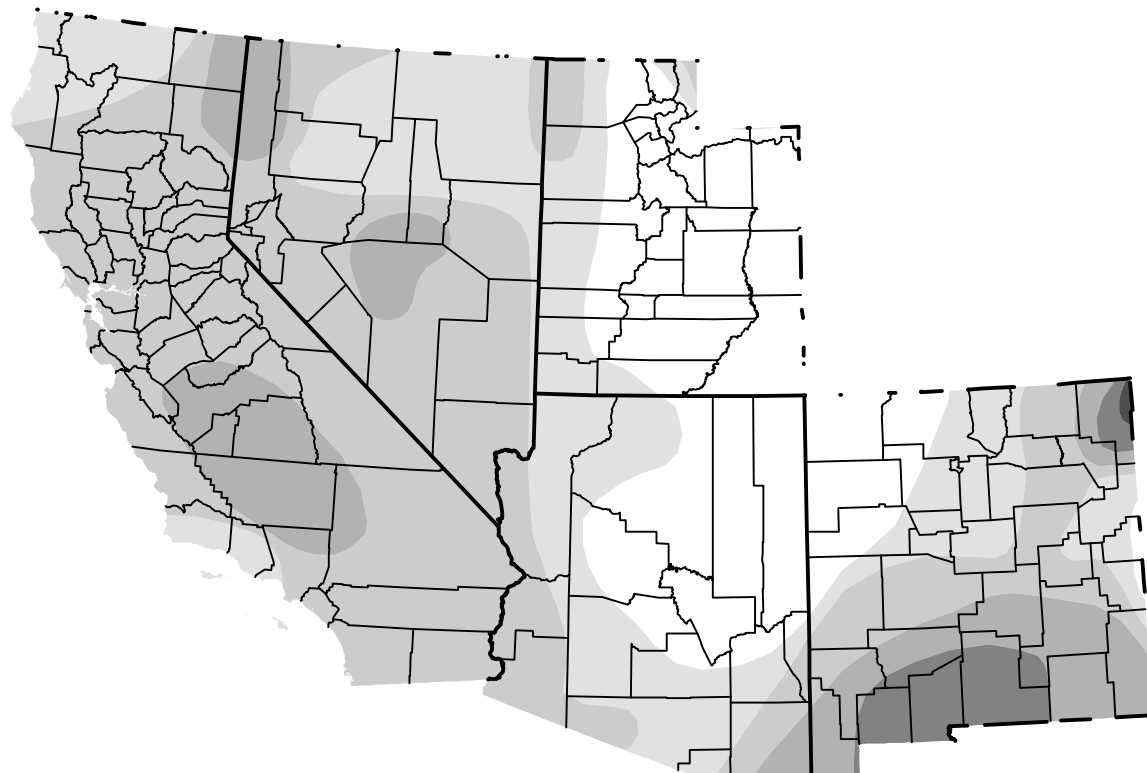


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	22.18	24.25	38.67	12.01	2.81	0.08
Last Week <i>07-03-2008</i>	22.05	22.98	39.79	12.19	2.94	0.05
3 Months Ago <i>04-10-2008</i>	35.98	28.20	31.60	4.22	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	15.84	17.96	39.89	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2007</i>	21.09	9.20	18.48	35.21	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago <i>07-12-2007</i>	14.59	8.42	26.80	33.60	16.60	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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