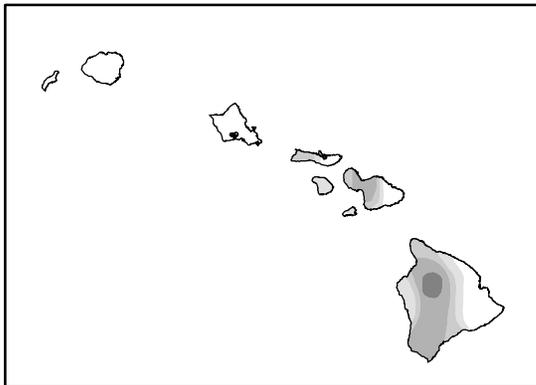
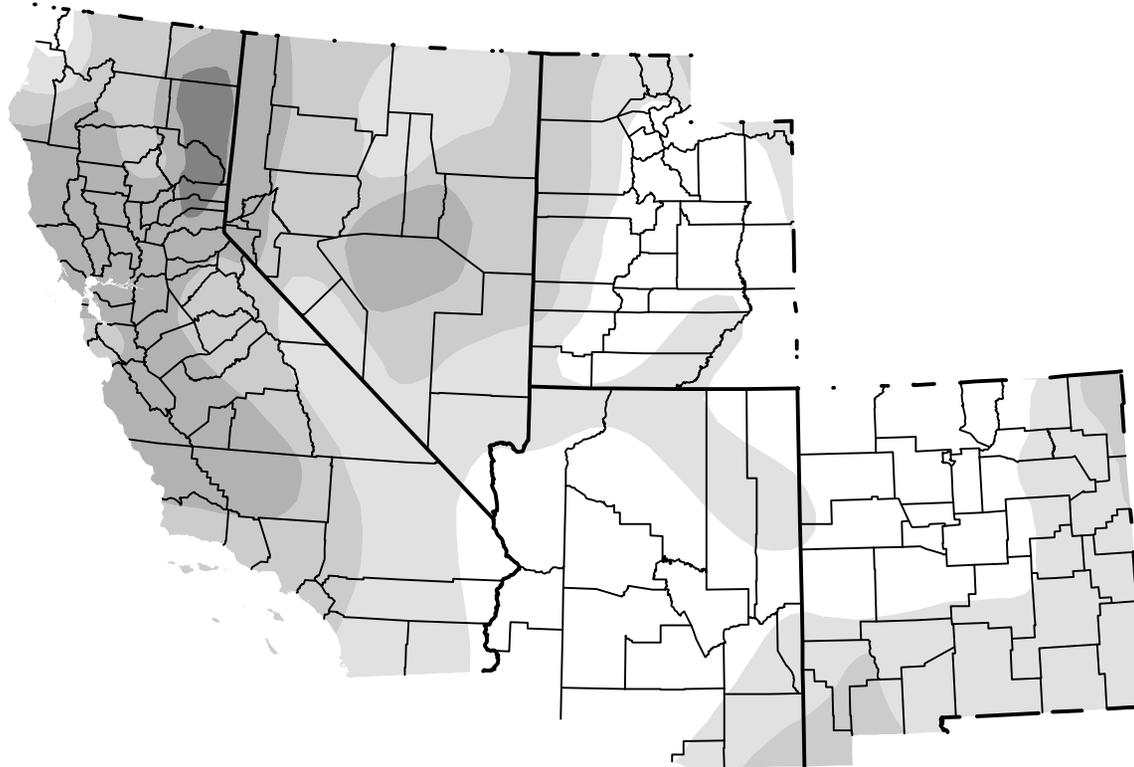


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

March 3, 2009
 (Released Thursday, Mar. 5, 2009)
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	32.55	31.48	20.49	14.28	1.20	0.00
Last Week <i>02-26-2009</i>	35.17	30.33	16.93	13.60	3.97	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-04-2008</i>	25.93	32.25	24.99	16.71	0.12	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2009</i>	34.00	23.69	24.60	16.85	0.86	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	38.93	17.60	24.57	18.26	0.65	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-06-2008</i>	39.30	26.23	17.57	16.90	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

Author:

Richard Tinker
 CPC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP



droughtmonitor.unl.edu