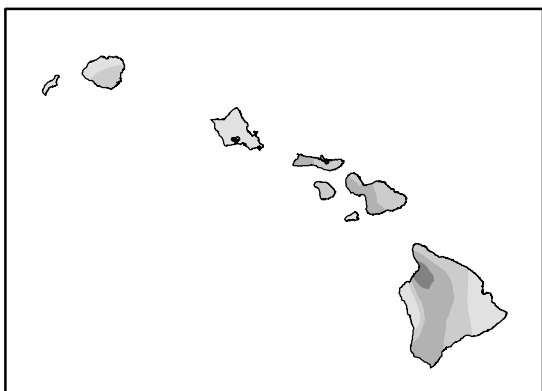
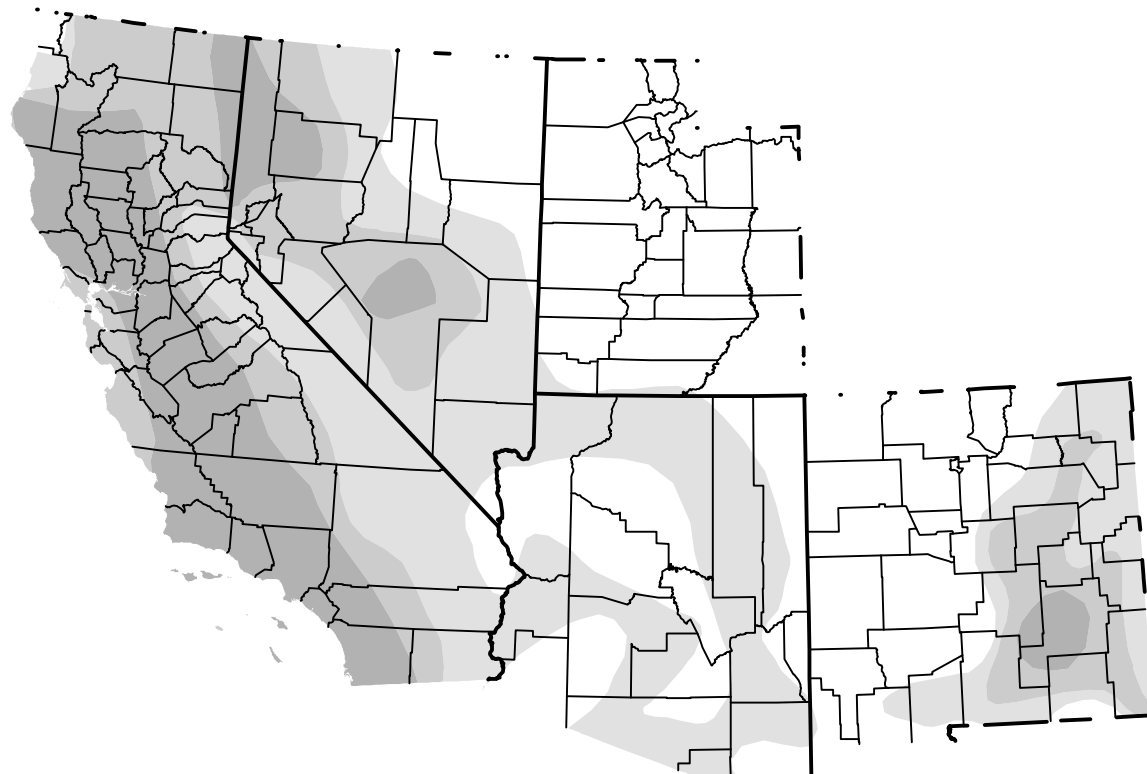


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 39.53 | 60.47 | 30.97 | 14.87 | 0.03  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>07-09-2009</i>              | 39.54 | 60.46 | 30.97 | 14.87 | 0.03  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>04-16-2009</i>           | 23.79 | 76.21 | 36.88 | 13.92 | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i> | 34.00 | 66.00 | 42.31 | 17.71 | 0.86  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2008</i>    | 38.93 | 61.07 | 43.48 | 18.91 | 0.65  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>07-17-2008</i>           | 24.86 | 75.14 | 49.48 | 10.73 | 0.38  | 0.08 |

### 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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